



NEWSLETTER

Week 10 Term 3 2013

Diary Dates

**Friday 27th
September**

Last Day of Term 3
Final Assembly 1pm
Early Dismissal
2.15pm

**Monday 14th
October**

First Day of Term 4
8.45pm

Tea & Tissues 9am
Staff Room

**Tuesday 15th
October**

Cricket Clinic for PE

**Wednesday 16th
October**

Jump Rope Demo
Team

**Friday 18th
October**

Bike Ed
Year 3/4 & 4/5



Sue Lohmeyer...the STAR of our Music Showcase!

It was wonderful to see so many of our families come out to support the music programs at our school last week at our two Music Showcases.... in fact we had over 350 students perform at one or both evenings, and over 750 in the audience! This was the first year we have held it over two nights, and we think it was a great success. Wasn't it terrific to see the students glow with pride at the end of their performances? We are so proud of the high level skills they showed in voice and instrumental playing.



We would like to thank all of the people who worked so hard to make it a success: the instrumental teachers Shane Cox, Ray Sadler and Peter Beeby, our choir leader Sharon Raymond, assisted by Julie Claridge, the comperes, stage hands, and those behind the scenes on sound, light and backstage props.



We would like to particularly thank our Music specialist teacher Ms Sue Lohmeyer for ensuring the students' skills develop each year so that they are able to perform at such a high standard. Our students just love attending music lessons

because they have so much fun while learning and 'Mrs Lohmeyer' is so kind and enthusiastic. Sue is well known for her excellent teaching skills, and is often asked to present at conferences to other teachers, for example State Kodaly training days and even the National Kodaly Conference held here in SA last October. She also mentors teachers in other schools in Music and Assessment for Learning, and leads a Professional Learning Community of staff here at our own school which meets twice a term. This year Sue has been recognised with a much-deserved Lifetime Achievement Award in Education for the Adelaide Hills. She will be attending the SA teachers awards where she is shortlisted for the state award. We wish her luck, but either way, we know she is already a superstar here in our school community. ***Congratulations Sue!***

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Country & Western Disco



Yeaha! What a wonderful turnout for our 'Country & Western' themed Disco on Thursday the 12th September. We had 159 students in the Year R-4 session, and 95 students in the Year 4-7 session. There were lots of prizes given away on the night, and lots of smiles all round. Thank you to the teachers who came along, and danced with the children.

A massive thank you to Mrs Taylor's Year 6/7 class who helped bring the drinks, chips, trestles and tables into the gym on the Thursday morning, to all the Parents & Friends who helped set up, decorate, and run the night. The decorations looked fantastic, and lots of children dressed up to the theme of the night. A big THANK YOU to DJ Glenn and Jonathan Liebelt, and Conrad Jeitner who entertained the children with lots of great music, and played some fun games.

Thank you also to Andrew Thompson and Jason Warhurst from the Governing Council who helped supervise the second session. The P&F enjoyed planning this event for the children, and the looks on their faces of excitement to be at a school disco with their friends, is very rewarding for us! We are looking forward to planning the next disco in 2014. Thank you for your support.

Nicole Roberts (P&F Coordinator)



School Uniform

Visitors to our school often remark on how well-presented our students are, and what pride they take in their school uniform. We really appreciate that our families try hard to source school uniform items. Sometimes trying to find a plain navy pair of shorts or hair tie can seem an impossible task!

This week teachers are handing out reminders to students who may need to fix up one or more aspects of their uniform. We hope that this will give families time in the holidays to find the items they need. **Please remember if you are buying new shoes that bright colours are not suitable for school shoes.**

These are the items of footwear that are part of our uniform: lace-up or Velcro sport sneakers predominately in school uniform colours; black or navy blue school shoes; or black or navy blue sturdy school sandals. No flat-bottomed skate shoes, canvas shoes, or light-weight dress shoes or sandals please.

We have a large number of jumpers and shirts in the P & F second-hand uniform shop at school across from the staff room, for a very low cost.

Thank you for keeping our students looking so smart!

Recent Sport Activities



Littlehampton Preschool Bombed!!

Littlehampton Preschool has been 'bombed' by the yarn squad! Over the weekend, a group of mums from Littlehampton Preschool and Primary School came in to yarn bomb the preschool.

Following in the philosophy of Reggio Emilia, the preschool makes it a priority to plan and include the community in our program. This yarn bombing has brought the school and preschool community together with the common aim of providing a unique environment where young children learn.



Parents have been coming in on Mondays to help children make the pompoms. Grandmothers have been contributing to the knitting as well.

On Monday morning, when the children first saw the yard, they were speechless and in awe. They spent quite a bit of time, walking around, feeling the different textures of the wool and discussing it. The yard is now looking very colourful and is a multi-sensory experience for the children. Children are exploring the different textures of the wool and also the different ways it can be used for play.

Some of the feedback from children:

It feels a little bit soft and furry
It feels like grass
I love the rainbow colours!

Taj
Alannah
Charlie

Evelyn Lam
Preschool Director

Early visitors...

With the warmer weather, some students have been arriving at school earlier and earlier. Please help us to keep our students safe by not allowing your children to be at school before 8:25am as the school yard is not supervised before this time.

It puts teachers in a difficult position when students are on school grounds early, because they feel responsible for their care. This can interfere with their important preparations for the school day. If you need to leave early to get to work, there are places at our OSHC (Out of School Hours Care) program for before school care. Please ring Kathryn Shultz on 8391 4742 to see whether this would be a good option for your family.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Music Lessons

There are a few vacancies available for any students who would like to learn piano, keyboard or guitar during Term 4. The lessons are given during school hours at a cost of \$24 for a 30 minutes individual lesson. For further details please contact Peter Beeby on 0431 151 104



Thank You

We would like to thank Baker's Delight for donating the bread for our P&F to make sandwiches for students who have left their lunches at home.

We would also like to thank Lisa Davis and Belinda Meulengraaf for making the sandwiches up so that our supply in the freezer is stocked.

Invitation for School Families to attend Governing Council

School Fees for 2014 : \$280.00

Our school families will find attached to this newsletter the proposed Materials and Service Charges for 2014. Finance committee has recommended that the fees be increased next year by \$5.00. This is in line with the CPI. The proposed fee increase will be discussed and voted on during the first 15 minutes of our next Governing Council meeting on Monday 28th October at 7pm. Interested parents are welcome to attend the early part of this meeting or may address their opinion to the Governing Council in writing. Any queries about the charge can be directed to Judi Daniel, Finance Officer on 8391 1194.

Naplan Tests

The Naplan Tests have been assessed and the school has received some of the information. However, due to a printing error by Naplan, the school has not received individual student reports. We will now distribute these in Week 2 of next term.

Our Very Busy Student Support Room

Calling all Artists

An art exhibition is planned for next term during the evening of **Friday November 15** to raise money for the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program.

Community members ~ Those who love to indulge in art are invited to submit their works to help out. Anyone can submit a piece of work: parents, grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins, friends, and older brothers and sisters of our current students. We will be accepting drawings, paintings, print works, sculptures, textile arts and crafts, in fact anything that is of your artistic creation.

Works submitted will be offered for sale on the night.

Essentially **it will be your donation**, but you could get some more commissioned work through displaying a sample of your talents. There will be someone who just loves your work, so give it a go. We will advertise your name and contact details on a flyer distributed on the night if you wish.

Students ~ Our current students are also invited to submit one piece of their own work done at school or at home. These artworks will offered for sale with parents having the first option to buy at a small cost (prior to the exhibition). If not bought by parents, works will be available for purchase by anyone, but at a different price.

School display ~ Some works done by students at school will be selected to profile the art program at the school. These artworks will also be for sale, in the same manner as other student work.

This is a great opportunity to start your Christmas shopping early with a unique piece of local art or to redecorate your home with fresh art works.




It is also an opportunity to see some of the outstanding work done by students at our school. As their art teacher, I am constantly amazed at the quality of work our students produce. You may have seen some on display throughout the school, but there is much more tucked away in art folders. Students are deserving of having their art showcased, so reserve the date and spend an evening perusing the talents of our students and community.

Art appreciation is a personal thing, but I can guarantee there will be something for all to appreciate or buy. More details will follow early next term.

Alison Saunders
Art Teacher



2013 Term 4 Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	14/10 Day 1 Term 4 8.45 start Tea & Tissues 9am Staff Room	15/10 Cricket Clinic for PE 	16/10 Jump Rope Demo Team	17/10	18/10 Bike Ed Year 3/4 & 4/5 
Week 2	21/10	22/10	23/10 P&F Meeting 9am Staff Room Renmark North Bands Visit R-7 Gold Coin Donation Finance Advisory Meeting 6.30	24/10	25/10 Bike Ed Year 3/4 & 4/5
Week 3	28/10 Governing Council Meeting 7pm	29/10	30/10 P&F Meeting 9am Staff Room	31/10 Assembly 2.25 Julie Burchell class	1/11 Bike Ed Year 3/4 & 4/5 Jump Rope for Heart 
Week 4 Saturday 2nd November Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser for SAKG	4/11	5/11	6/11	7/11	8/11 Bike Ed Year 3/4 & 4/5 P&F Pizza Day Fundraiser
Week 5	11/11 Footsteps Yr 6/7 	12/11	13/11	14/11 Pupil Free Day Staff T&D	15/11 Bike Ed Year 3/4 & 4/5 LHPS Art Exhibition
Week 6	18/11 Footsteps Yr 6/7	19/11	20/11	21/11 Assembly 2.25 Helen K class	22/11 Bike Ed Year 3/4 & 4/5 Reception 2014 Transition Visits
Week 7	25/11 Footsteps Yr 6/7	26/11	27/11	28/11	29/11 Littlehampton Primary School Got Talent P&F Casual Day Reception 2014 Transition Visits
Week 8	2/12 Footsteps Yr 6/7 Governing Council 7pm	3/12	4/12 Pre-School Family Picnic & Celebration 5pm to 7pm	5/12 Multilit/LAP Volunteers Picnic Lunch 12.15pm Assembly 2.25 Reception Classes	6/12  LPS Community Carols Night Reception 2014 Transition Visits
Week 9	9/12 Footsteps Yr 6/7 P&F Swimming Day R - 7 	10/12 P&F Morning Tea	11/12 Volunteers Morning Tea Quicksmart Celebration 12noon	12/12 Year 7 Graduation evening 	13/12 Final Assembly 1pm Early Dismissal 2.15pm