



Diary Dates

Friday 2nd August
2pm Multilit/LAP
Meeting

Monday 5th August
Governing Council
Meeting 7pm

Wednesday 7th August
Room 10 visiting the
Cedars



Thursday 8th August
SAPSASSA Boys
Basketball

**Friday 9th Parents &
Friends Casual Day**
GOLD COIN
DONATION

Monday 12th August
Canberra Trip Info
night 7pm

Tuesday 13th August
ICAS Maths Test

Monday 19th August
Year 2 Excursion



Wednesday 21st
August
Festival Choir
Rehearsal

New Class– Our 16th Class!



Welcome to our new class of 14 students who began school this year in Lisa Wiedenbach's new reception class. This class will grow to 25 next term. Lisa Wiedenbach is one of our two preschool teachers.



She is teaching a reception class for two terms only this year, as numbers drop in our preschool because of the single start date in the school next year. (All children beginning reception begin in Term 1 from 2014 onwards.

This is our 16th class, and starting this class has meant losing our French Room. French classes are now taken in each individual classroom. It is obvious that we are running out of rooms! "What will we do if we need more classrooms?" is the question some parents are asking.

New land for the school... Thank you Mr Weatherill

On Monday I received a phone call from DECD property, to inform me that DECD had purchased the house on William Street, and settlement has gone through successfully. It is likely that first off the house will be demolished, and governing council and staff will consider land use. It is likely to remain vacant for some time, with the possibility of buildings on it in the future. This is great news for our community, and thank you to the parents who brought this property to my attention.

Welcome to our staff who have joined us for Term 3

Sarah Slee returns as French teacher after 5 terms parenting leave a large part of which was spent in her native Switzerland.

Deahnn Copeland who rejoins our school for the term as Year 1 teacher in Julie Burchells class.

Sovhe Taylor who will be doing 2 days a week teaching in the Junior Primary school with Lorna McLean.

Judy Tremaine who is taking Mr Douglas class while he is on leave.

Julie Griggs who is teaching part time in the preschool.

Sam Gray who is working part time in the preschool.

Congratulations to our Kiwanis Award Winners



Congratulations to Caleb Miels and Amber Barrow who were awarded the Kiwanis Terrific Kids Award for Term 2. We consider these Year 7 leaders demonstrate our school values, and are good role models for the other students.

Holiday Working Bee

In week one of the recent school holidays we had our second working bee for the year.

We would like to thank the following families and people who came in and helped Janelle out in the garden: Caitlin, Zac, Shereen Bushby, Aaron Rimmington, Amber Frost, Simon Rimmington, Sally Fisher and Bradley Noske. Also again to Shannon McCune for preparing the orchard for planting. Thankyou to outside help from Simon and son Aaron Rimmington and Amber Frost for helping build three new wonderful planting beds in the main garden. Eco wood sleepers kindly donated by the Parker-Boers family, from Littlehampton Sawmill.



We managed to plant all the new fruit trees in the orchard, all donated by Balhannah Nursery, Charleston. In the end a hearty soup lunch and relaxing chat was enjoyed by all.



I have also gathered some more rhubarb and asparagus from the community garden and veggie swap at Mount Pleasant - a fantastic concept for sharing, learning and swapping of excess produce and plants. Our closest swap venue is at The Table, Stirling.

If you have any spare produce or would like to donate goods for our weekly Thursday after school market stall we would be very appreciative.



I am also looking for good quality topsoil to fill up our new beds, sour sob free! As well as mosaic items.

Janelle Robinson - Garden Specialist.

Bully Audit Data Terms 1 and 2

Every term at school in Week 7 we hold a 'Bully Audit'. All students are asked if they have been bullied at all in the yard or in the class that term. The results for this year so far are as follows:

Term 1

86 % of students reported no bullying in yard.

95 % of students reported no bullying in class.

Term 2

85 % of students reported no bullying in yard.

92 % of students reported no bullying in class.

These results are very close to our data from previous years.

Students are also asked to name any students who have bullied them. We keep this information confidential.

Those students named 4 times or more across the school receive lunchtime counselling to support them in learning how their behaviour is affecting others, and to get along better with others. This term 5 students received lunch time counselling for this. We find this supportive 'no-blame' approach is very successful in preventing future incidents of bullying. Almost no students are named 4 times or more in successive terms.

Of course any individual incidents of bullying are followed up immediately, so please do let us know if your child is experiencing any difficulties of this nature at school.

We will always make it our top priority to ensure your child is safe and happy at school.

School Fee Reminder

Term 3 accounts for CPC and new receptions are now due and payment is requested by 7th August 2013.

There are also a few families with outstanding accounts from different times throughout the year and these accounts need to be paid in full immediately.

All M&S fees invoiced at the start of Term 1 should have been paid in full by 28/2/13. If an instalment agreement was completed the final payment should have been paid by the end of Term 1.

At other times payment of invoices are requested within 14 days of issue. School Card applications need to be made on receipt of your M&S invoice. CPC students are not eligible for school card. We can always be flexible but negotiations need to take place on receipt of invoices. Please call on 8391 1194 and speak to Judi Daniel if you have any concerns.

Woolworths Earn and Learn Points

Thank you to everyone who contributed by sending their Woolies Earn and Learn Stickers to the school or putting them into the boxes provided at Mount Barker Woolworths.

We have now received confirmation that we saved up 15,720 points in total.

The next step will be choosing all the wonderful resources that are available for purchasing using these points and purchasing them so that our students can benefit from this fantastic program.

We thank you all again for your support in this program and will let you know when it is open again in 2014.

Souper Tasty Food Day Friday 23rd August

On the 23rd of August Week 5 the fundraising forum are holding a Super Food Day!

All the money that we raise on the day will go to an animal based charity, the things that we are serving on the day are: Cups of soup for \$2.00, savory muffin for \$1.00 and jelly cups for \$1.50. Sam our kitchen specialist will help members of the fundraising forum make some of the soup and fruit juice jellies on the day before Souper Food Day. Fundraising Forum members will be asked to make the savoury muffins at home, and we might be seeking volunteers from the Year 6/7 class to help with this.

Thank you, from the Fundraising Forum Leaders

Parents and Friends Casual Day

On Friday 9th August the Parents and Friends will be holding a Casual Day to raise funds towards the end of year Swimming Fun Day at Woodside Pool.

Cost of wearing casual clothes on this day will be a gold coin donation.

Music Lesson

There are a few vacancies available for any students who would like to learn piano, keyboard or guitar in Term 3.



If you are interested or would like more details please contact Peter Beeby on 0431 151 104

Parents & Friends Thank you



Thankyou to the 27 families who ordered microwavable bedwarmers and helped raise \$363.00.



I'm sure the children love their new soft toy & can't wait to heat it up at bedtime!

Some frequently asked questions:

What is my Microwavable Bedwarmer made of?

Intelix's microwavable bedwarmers are all made from microwave safe, flame resistant fabric. The filling consists of microwave safe polyfill with natural grains & dried lavender. All materials have been specially designed to be heated in a microwave.

How should I heat my Microwavable Bedwarmer?

Intelix's microwavable bedwarmers are designed to be heated in a microwave oven only. **NEVER** try to heat your microwavable bedwarmer in a conventional oven. For best results place the bear in the microwave for a maximum of two minutes on high (based on 800 watt oven).

Can I chill my Microwavable Bedwarmer?

Absolutely! Simply pop your microwavable bedwarmer inside a plastic bag and leave it in the freezer for 2-3 hours. You can use your microwavable bedwarmer as a cold pack or to help cool your child on hot days.

Why does my Microwavable Bedwarmer feel damp when heated?

This is quite normal. It is due to the natural moisture content of the filling and will cease after the first few uses.

How can I wash my Microwavable Bedwarmer?

The surface can be cleaned with a damp sponge. Your microwavable bedwarmer should never be immersed in water. The filling will be damaged if this happens.

***Nicole Roberts
Parents & Friends***