

## **Littlehampton Primary School and Preschool**

# NEWSLETTER

Week 4 Term 1 2014

## **Diary Dates**

Week 5 Swimming Week 1 24th February to 28th February



Thursday 27th February Courier Cup

Week 6 Swimming Week 2 3rd March to 7th March

Thursday 6th March School Assembly Alison Bishop's class 2.25pm

Friday 7th March LAP Meeting Staff Room 2.30pm.

Monday 10th March ADELAIDE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**Tuesday 11th March** Finance Committee Meeting 6.30pm

Wednesday 12th March Parents & Friends Meeting 9am Staff Room



**Thursday 13th & Friday 14th March** Aquatics Year 6/7

Friday 28th March STUDENT FREE DAY Staff T&D



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#### Annual Report and School News

**Annual Report** With this newsletter, you will find a copy of the 2013 Annual Report. This is our school's report card, and was presented to the Annual General Meeting on Monday 10 February. It is now being sent home to all school and preschool families. Please take the time to read this report, as it is a good way of keeping in touch with our school priorities, our achievements, and areas we still need to work on.

**Introducing our Governing Council** Governing Council members make an enormous contribution to our school, and we thank all Governing Council members, including the two who retired at the end of 2013, Sonia Kyambadde and Carolyn Nesbitt. The 18 Governing Council members are listed below. Welcome to our newest members, Greg Bell and Grant Davis.

**Governing Council Members 2014** Andrew Thompson, Pip Williams, Mark Lucas, Shelley Rowan, Jessica Szilassy, Daylan Riddle, Jason Warhurst, Catherine Carter, Brianna McAvaney, Sam Gray, Skye McClelland, Sarah Hart, Dale Schmidt, Val Bubner, Amelia Hayes, Karin Bryson, Greg Bell, Grant Davis.

**Our Governing Council Chairperson** is Andrew Thompson; Deputy Chairperson, Pip Williams; Treasurer, Sarah Hart; Secretary, Sky McClelland, Deputy Secretary; Val Bubner.

Acquaintance Night Thanks to the many parents who braved the hot weather to meet their children's teachers. From parent comments, we know you found this evening informative. Through the Acquaintance Night we aim to keep parents informed and to open up two way communication.

**Premier's Be Active Challenge** This event starts next week, and separate information flyers will be sent home with further information. There will be four weeks of recording your child's physical activities on a record sheet which will be given to your child from their teacher.

#### In memory of Jill Revilla, Preschool teacher Littlehampton Primary School & Preschool, 1996—2012

Jill Revilla passed away Friday 14th February. Jill taught in our preschool for more than 18 years, bringing a sense of wonder and joy to all.

Jill will be remembered with affection by all the children she taught and for her contribution to our school community.

Our best wishes go to Jill's family from the staff, parents and Governing Council of Littlehampton Primary School. A photo board of Jill will be placed in the front office for

the next few weeks.

Some school families may wish to make a donation in memory of Jill. The family have asked that donations in lieu of flowers be posted directly to the Cancer Council South Australia Reply Paid 929 Unley S.A. Parents may also wish to make a small donation for a floral tribute to be sent to the family after the funeral. This money can be placed in a labelled envelope and returned to the front office in the next week. Flowers will be sent on behalf of school and preschool families.

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## Learning Assistance Program

The Learning Assistance Program (LAP) is operating within our school and has been very successful for many years. The LAP Program is a vital part of our children's learning that requires many volunteers, the more volunteers the more children we can help.

If you are interested in becoming part of the LAP team, or finding out more about what is involved as a volunteer, please come to our LAP Meeting on Friday 7th March at 2.30pm in the staff room. For further information or to volunteer please call the school and leave your name and contact details with Pauline Bolto our LAP Coordinator.

#### Working Bee April 5th

We will be holding a Working Bee at school on Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 12 noon, followed by a BBQ lunch. Working Bees are a great opportunity for us to complete some of the bigger jobs in the school veggie garden and the yard...and are also a great opportunity for school families to get to know one another a bit better. Please mark this date on your calendar and let us know closer to the date if you can make it. Thank you!

#### No lollies please!

Just a reminder that lollies and sweet drinks are not suitable for school due to our healthy food guidelines. Lollypops in particular are causing problems because they take too long to eat for our 5 or 10 minute eating break, and can be a choking hazard if students walk with them in their mouths. We really appreciate you keeping these sorts of treats for home. Thank you!

#### Music Showcase and Art Exhibition Alternative Years

Because we have two excellent arts programs to showcase, and so that we can meet the challenges of fitting in all the wonderful things we do, we will be holding our Art Exhibition and Music Showcase in alternate years. This year we will be giving Sue Lohmeyer a break, and following through on our first ever Art Exhibition, by holding another Art Exhibition in November. Stay tuned for more information.

### Mount Barker High School SHOWCASE EVENING

Wednesday 5th March 6pm to 8pm Principal's address at 6.15pm All enquiries phone: 8391 1599

#### **Principal's Awards**

During Week 3's assembly the following students received Principal's Awards: Valuing Others: Freya Blacher-Rasheed, Chermia Elston



**Respect:** Xavier Carbray-Tan, Mia bishop, Charlotte Copping, Annie Krop, Llewellyn Jordaan, Asher Gaff

**Positive Attitude:** Jack Harris, Gus Brown, Marcus Reddy, Ben Gautier, Sienna Baugh, Darcy Bald, Bella Denton, Jeremy Shepherd

**Kindness:** Mia Phillips, Caitlin Gore, Caleb Rowan, Austin Watts, Aleesha Proeve, Imogen Martlew, Harrison Schubert

**Including Others:** Abbey Gray, Marni Banks, Darcie Bills, Zara McCauley, Olivia Stone

Being Trustworthy: Imogen Carter, Katie Thompson

#### Swimming reminders

Thank you for returning your swimming forms and money promptly. We are almost ready for our swimming adventures next week and Week 6! Please remember if you are coming along to watch you child or to help teachers, you will need a Parent Pool Pass, available from Debbie at the front office.

#### Kate's Corner



*Being Valuable..* Have you ever really looked at a \$20 note.

It is not valuable because of its colour, it is not valuable because of what it is made of, and it cannot do anything of its own accord so it is not valuable because of what it can do. Why is it valuable then? It is valuable because of what it is. You can take the \$20 and scrunch it up, and jump on it, or fold it out of shape, but, it is still a \$20 note, and it is still valuable.

The same is so true of each of us. People are valuable, not because of our abilities, but because of whom we are. Sometimes life can distort us out of shape and we feel that we have been jumped on, but, we are still who we are despite our crumpled feelings, and we are still valuable.

So many books written today, speak about this very thought, and encourage us to hold on to the fact that whether we are rich or poor, largish or smallish, a blue collar worker or not, that we are valuable in our own right. The next time you look in the mirror, give yourself a smile, stand up tall and remind yourself that you are valuable.

Hahndorf/Littlehampton Junior Football Club Registration Day		Littlehampton Netball Club
		Senior Players Wanted
Wednesday 26th February	3.15 to 4.15pm	<b>Registrations/Trials Sunday 23rd February</b>
<b>Littlehampton Primary Schoo</b>	l (Outside Front Offi	ice Area) 2pm Littlehampton Netball Courts