

# **Littlehampton Primary School and Preschool**

# NEWSLETTER

Week 8 Term 2 2014

# **Diary Dates**

**Thursday 26th June** School Assembly Julie Claridge's Class

Monday 30th June Community Well Being Seminar CYBER SAFETY 7.30pm



Wednesday 2nd July Celebration Afternoon Tea LAP/Multilit Volunteers & Children

# Thursday 3rd July

Last Day of Term 2 Assembly 1.45pm EARLY DISMISSAL 2.15PM



Friday 4th July STUDENT FREE DAY

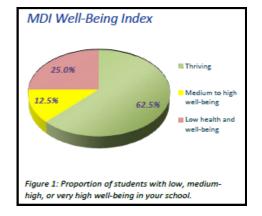
Monday 20th July Term 3 starts 8.45am

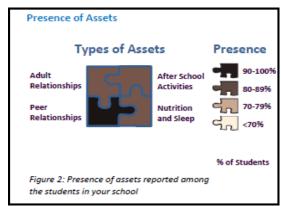


Government of South Australia Department for Education and Child Development

# Are our Students Flourishing?

As part of our Positive Education focus, our Year 6/7 students have sat the Middle Years Development Index test in the past two years. This assessment is a measure of the wellbeing of our students as a whole, and after the second trial of this test, we are now able to make some comparisons with our students and the state as a whole, as well as for our school from 2012 to 2013.





For the Wellbeing index for Littlehampton Primary School in Figure 1, our school is showing 62% of children "Thriving" or Flourishing with high wellbeing. This compares with the state average of 39% Thriving in 2013, and our own result for 2012 of 44.7% of students thriving.

The Presence of Assets rates children for wellbeing according to quality relationships with adults, quality peer relationships, involvement in after school activities and nutrition and sleep, which are shown to be very strongly linked with positive development of wellbeing. The survey shows that all four areas are strengths for Littlehampton, with 80% or higher reporting all of these assets being present, and students reporting positive peer relationships over 90%. This is a slight improvement from 2012 where Nutrition and Sleep scored between 70—80% and all others from 80—89%.

**Is our focus on Positive Education making a difference?** An initial look at this data would indicate "yes"! More careful tracking will happen over the next few years to monitor how we are going. Parents interested in seeing the questions students were asked in the above measures can ask for a two page flyer from the front office, or copies of the full report are available to read at school for those interested.

Did you know...?

• On our student free day on Friday 4 July, 17 teachers and SSOs will begin a 4 day course in Positive Education run by Geelong Grammar School at Mount Barker High School. This is a huge commitment for our staff, who will be giving up 3 days of their own time. We look forward to reporting on how they implement the program in your child's classroom and the preschool.

• On June 7 teachers Danielle Stone and Leonie Chatfield gave a presentation to at the Positive Education Schools Association (PESA) at St Peters College.



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# Then and Now



This photo shows Littlehampton Primary School in 1890, ten years prior to moving into our current premises, and is the earliest known photo of Littlehampton Primary School. (The photo is in the State Library, Littlehampton Collection, and can be viewed on Trove, www.trove.nla.gov.au.



### *News From Mount Barker High School: Our Local Zoned School* Picture your child doing this!!

My name is Martin Pollard and I am in Year 9 at Mount Barker High School. I used to attend Littlehampton Primary School from Reception through to Year 7.

We are going on a camp with World Challenge to Cambodia and Laos at the end of 2015.

Between now and then the students that are going will be planning the entire trip. The teachers have little to no hand in the planning.

Over the course of the 3 weeks that we will be there, we will be walking on an expedition through the jungle or paddy fields, depending on the choices we make as a group. We will be spending a week there doing community service. This could be helping to teach in an orphanage or building a poor local a house.

For the last 2 or 3 days of the trip, we will get some relaxation time as we will be in an exotic place. I am sure it will be a great experience for everyone involved. As part of our History Inquiry Unit, 'Do you remember' the Year 1 and R/1 classes dressed up for the day, and spent a day at school role playing school life in the "olden days". The children sat in rows, played old fashioned games such as hop scotch, marbles, skipping, quoits, catching games and an aboriginal game of throwing and catching Quantong seeds.

They also went on an excursion to Uleybury School. The children had to line up in rows in front of the school and sing 'God Save the Queen'. Then each class had an olden day lesson using slates and writing

using ink pens. Mr Squires was a great olden day teacher walking around which his cane. The children also used the outside toilets and again played olden day games.













# Term 2 Reports

On Thursday of next week you will receive your child's report for Semester 1. In the pack there is a letter offering an optional second interview. Your child's class teacher will indicate if they would like an interview with you, and you will also have the opportunity to request an interview. We would remind parents that criteria for a C with the Australian Curriculum states that a C is satisfactory achievement, with capacity to apply knowledge, skills and understandings in new contexts; sound understanding of concepts and key ideas and sound development of skills. We know that parents value highly the teachers comments. Please take the time to discuss these with your children, as this will enable them to take the next step in their learning.

# SAPSASA News

Congratulations to Cooper Hough on representing the Barker District for football at the state championships. They had a very successful week winning all their matches thus taking out the championships for Division 3. They rotated the position of Captain and Cooper was one who took on this leadership position. Well done Cooper.

#### **State Cross Country:**

6 students attended State Cross Country at Oakbank on Thursday June 5th. They were Annie Krop, Dylan McCauley, Cooper and Tiah Hough and Thomas and Karli Roberts. Cooper had a very successful day being part of the 13 Year Old boys team who won a gold medal plus achieving an individual effort of 12th place. Annie Krop was also placed in the top 20 in her race. There was in excess of 150 competitors in each race.

A lot of the students are busy training for district Cross Country day which will be held on Tuesday 1st July at Woodside.

#### Hockey:

Congratulations to the following students who made the Barker District Hockey Team to compete at State Championships from the 23rd to the 27th June in Adelaide:

Girls: Zara McCauley, Sophie Norris, Carla Gore Boys: Jarred Riddell

#### **Gold Medal Winners: 13 Year Old Boys**



#### Soccer:

Congratulations to the following students who made the Barker District Soccer Team to also compete at the State Championships in Adelaide in the same week:

Boys: Lachlan Warhurst, Daniel Kupczynski, Eden Swithenbank and Zach Bushby.

Girls: Olivia Stone, Aleesha and Brittany Proeve, Georgia Mitchell and Annie Krop.

# **Principal's Awards**

During Week 6 Assembly the following students received a Principal's Award. Congratulations to them all:

**Positive Attitude:** Aurelia Szilassy, Abigail Schmidt, Cody Gooden, Priya Samwell, Cody Gooden, Alana Macdonald, Lucy McAvaney, Riley McCune, Anika Hall, Eddie Wallace,



Izac Hooper, Natalia Barazi, Eloise Davis, Jay Meulengraaf, Caitlin Batge, Jimmy Lynch

**Trustworthy:** Lauren Crossfield, Talon Hart, Jai Eckert, Alicia Gevers, Nina Schmidt

**Respect:** Julian Jones, Sanujaya Kalugala Hewage Don, Georgia Amos

Valuing Others: Jayden Clark, Sophia Dvorak, Isaac Formston-Crilly

**Kindness:** Sarah Scholz, Hanna Squillace, Isaac Taylor, Noah Dunn

**Fairness:** Amber Kennett, Oscar Hong, Tyler Usher, James Lunnon, Declan Elliot, Noah Rose.

Well done everyone.

Our cookbook is a hit with families!

Lara and Poppy Montague just love cooking from our very own *A Kitchen Garden in the Hills* cookbook. Lara says they spent a week cooking from it every night, and found it to be cheap, delicious and easy! They now use it all the time and have lots of favourites, like the spicy pumpkin dip (Lara) and the lemon muffins (Poppy). Lara says it's great for the two of them cooking together, because it's

easy for Poppy to read and she is already familiar with it from the kitchen classes at school. Cookbooks are available from the front office for \$20, and make a fantastic resource for your kitchen, not to mention a great gift with a personal touch!



# Payment of School Fees and Subject Charges 2014

**<u>REMINDER</u>**: Payment of **ALL** outstanding fees is requested in full prior to the end of Term 2, 4th July 2014 unless you have applied for school card or entered into an extended instalment plan.

M&S and preschool charges were due in full by 28/2/14 as indicated on your original invoice, unless you completed an agreement to pay by instalment form. If you still have outstanding charges payment in full is requested prior to the end of Term 2.

Subject charges for SAKG and any Performances or Excursions are also due now. Applications for 'School Card' if eligible need to be applied for each year and can be collected from the school office or by downloading from the DECD website <u>www.decd.sa.gov.au/goldbook/</u>.

Agreement to pay by instalments must be completed as soon as you receive your original invoices.

## GYM PAYMENTS : BEAT THE JUNE 30 DEADLINE !

To take advantage of the tax deductibility of your \$100 building fund donation in the 2013/14 tax year, payment is required before 30/6/14. These donations have been factored in to our loan repayment of over \$26000.00 each year for our wonderful facility that ALL children benefit from.

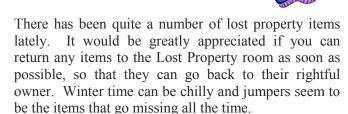
# PAYMENT OPTIONS

In person at the school office by cash, cheque or EFTPOS, by phone or by completing tear off slip, Direct Debit BSB: 105025 Account No:115050840.

Please quote Invoice Number and Family code.

For further information or queries relating to "charges" please do not hesitate to contact Judi Daniel (Finance Officer) at the school during office hours on 8391 1194.

Judi Daniel, Finance Officer



The Parents and Friends Team have been going through items twice a term, bagging any named items to go back to their rightful classrooms. To help out this process, please make sure that ALL items are named. For security reasons, please only place their **'Last Name'** on the **OUTSIDE** of the clothing – if it is embroided on. It is ok to have your Childs **'Full Name'** on the **INSIDE** of the clothing only.

We have organised a fundraiser through 'My Name Label' <u>www.mynamelabel.com.au</u> (a South Australian based business) where 15% of all the sales goes back to the school. They have great iron on labels for clothing and labels for containers etc.

It would be great for you to support this fundraiser. visiting them at <u>www.mynamelabel.com.au</u> and entering our **School code e3205ce6.** They also offer Free Postage! A flyer will accompany this newsletter, so please have a look at their great packages. If you don't get one, please grab a flyer from the front office.

Weather permitting, lost property and 2<sup>nd</sup> hand for sale items will be at the last Assembly for this term. Please remember to bring your spare change of \$1-\$5 to grab a couple of items to help out your wardrobe.

Any 2<sup>nd</sup> hand clothing donations will greatly be accepted by the school. Can you please give these to the front office.

Thank you P&F Team.



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