



Littlehampton Primary School and Preschool

NEWSLETTER

Week 6 Term 3 2014

Diary Dates

**Tuesday 2nd
September**

Finance Committee



Friday 5th September

Father's Day
Breakfast

**Monday 8th
September**

Governing Council
Meeting 7pm



**Thursday 9th
September**

Parents & Friends
Disco

CIRCUS THEME

**Friday 12th
September**

**School Closure Day
Show Day**

**Friday 19th
September**

Festival of Music
Performance 7pm



Students take part in the Oliphant Science Awards



The Oliphant Science Awards is an annually held competition for South Australian school students from Reception to Year 12. It aims to develop their interest in science through a science based competition with a range of categories to suit a wide variety of abilities and interests.

Learning science encourages students

to develop a range of skills such as observation, prediction and communication as well as expanding their knowledge within and between the diverse domains of science. The South Australian Science Teachers Association (SASTA) has conducted The Oliphant Science Awards every year since their inception in 1981, with Sir Mark Oliphant the patron of this competition which is named in his honour and runs with his legacy.



This year Littlehampton had a total of 20 enthusiastic young scientists take part in what was the biggest competition since its inception, with over 2000 entries from schools throughout South Australia.

Our students demonstrated a great deal of focus and dedication while creating their entries, with many taking a term to complete. Entries ranged from erupting volcanoes and catapults to solar powered chicken feeders and models of

the respiratory system. The standard of work produced by the students was outstanding.

Judging of the competition took place on Saturday 23rd August at the Thebarton Community Centre. Littlehampton were lucky enough to have two students receive Highly Commended Awards for their entries. Congratulations to Emmy Roach and Jimmy Lynch for what is an amazing achievement.



I would like to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of all the students for participating. This is an achievement to be proud of.

Alison Marsh (Coordinator)



Student Entrants : Emmy Roach, Jimmy Lynch, Zachary Hart, Jasper Szilassy, Jamieson Adler, Samuel Bakker, Amber Bakhuis-Smith, Lily Brown, Koby Gore, Lucy Hong, Abbey Hutchinson, Asha Marshall, Mikaela Jones, Alana MacDonald, Rachel Provis, Kye McDonald, Sophie Medlin, Brook Newton, Brad Schultz, Madeline Scudds, Max Culp, Caleb Griggs, Harrison Kennett, Emily Bounds and Sophia Jeitner



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Connecting with Nature

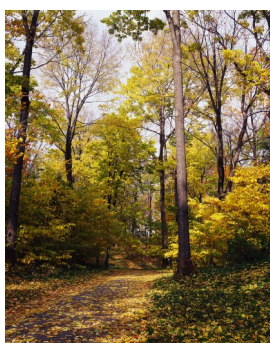
The Young Environment Leaders have been connecting with nature by attending Forums once a term during this year.

We have had fun at Laratinga Wetlands where we have learnt to geocache. We have also worked at Mount Compass planting indigenous plants and examine the wildlife.

On Monday 25th August we went to Coppins bush and recycled boots as planters and made hotels for mini beasts.



As Littlehampton is involved in the NRM Education we have now received a sign to place on our school gate letting the community know that we are part of this great program.



Building Resiliency in Children

Did you want more information about working with children to help them bounce back from life's troubles? If so there is a workshop being held in Mount Barker.

SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER
TOPIC: Building Resiliency in Children

1.20pm to 4.30pm

SALVATION ARMY HALL
17A FLETCHER ROAD
MOUNT BARKER

(Creche Available)
\$7 per adults and \$4 per child

Book by Wednesday 10th
0403756959 or ellysands@live.com.au

GUEST SPEAKER: Desley Saldanha

Reminder: Hat Policy in place



We would like to remind parents/caregivers that as from Monday 1st September our Hat Policy will be in place again for this year.

Please remember to send along a school hat with your child each day so that they are able to enjoy the sunshine during break times.

Thank you



A big thank you to Rebekah Kennett for helping out at both sessions of Active After School sports this term as well as spring cleaning our gym kitchen. We really appreciate it.

Art Show reminder



Thank you for sending in your reply slips from the Art Show notice that went home last week. We are requesting families to return the slips for each child, whether or not you would like to make a pledge for their artwork. This will help us greatly with our organisation for the night, as well as giving us an idea for catering purposes.

We have also started to receive some fabulous artworks for our Community Art section at the front office. If you or someone you know is willing to donate an item of artwork to be sold by silent auction on the night, (eg drawing, painting, photography, sculpture, jewellery) we would be very grateful.

We are also collecting donations at the front office for our raffles and lucky dip prizes to be organised by students from the Fundraising forum group. If you have an item to contribute they would be very glad to receive it!

Thank you so much for helping to make our Art Show a great community event, and a lucrative fundraiser for our Kitchen Garden program. We are all really looking forward to a great day and night On October 17th!



Father's Day Breakfast



This week students have taken home invitations to their dads for a Father's Day Breakfast at school on Friday September 5th. Students are invited to attend with their dads in the bottom lunch shed (near the kitchen) at 8 am.

When the bell goes to start the day at 8.45 students can invite their dads to come into their classes, to see how they get organised and start their day. There will not be any special lessons planned, rather it is an opportunity for dad to see their children in the everyday classroom context, since some do not often have the opportunity to do so. We should be finished at around 9 am.

We are grateful for the help of staff and Blakiston Rotary Club, who are coming along to cook bacon and egg rolls for breakfast.

For catering purposes, **it is essential that dads and kids RSVP** by returning the slip on the back of the invitation by this Friday. You can also ring 8391 1194 to RSVP if you have misplaced the slip.

In case you are wondering, we host Mother's Day breakfasts on odd years, and Father's Day breakfasts on even years... do it's Dad's turn this year! We look forward to seeing lots of dad at school next Friday.

Happy Father's Day from everyone at Littlehampton Primary School.

Fundraising Forum : Board/Electronic Games Day

On Friday 22nd August the Fundraising Forum organised a Board/Electronic Games Day to raise funds for Guide Dogs for the Blind. Children were allowed to either bring in board games or electronic games to play for 1 hour during the day in exchange for a donation of a gold coin donation towards the fundraiser.



We would like to thank everyone for taking part in this day. We raised \$392.40

Fundraising Forum

Food Policy Questionnaire Results

Thank you to the families who replied to the questionnaire in our last newsletter to inform our new Food Policy.



The results are as follows:

1. Does your child bring uneaten food home from school?

OFTEN 32% SOMETIMES 39% RARELY 29%

The main reason stated by parents that children are bringing food home is that they do not have enough time to eat (57%). We are currently trialling a number of different solutions to parents' concerns about students not eating, including a set eating time at recess with a bell (there is no defined recess time at present, although most teachers usually allow time for this), children eating in their own classrooms, greater supervision during eating times, quiet eating times, and listening to music or a story/ class novel during this time. Staff will make a decision about whether there will be any changes to current routines in the coming weeks. Please note that the 10 minutes at lunch when students eat is actually 'teaching time' and does not impact on their socialising break time of 40 minutes after the bell.

2. Are you in favour of dropping the tradition of students bringing in birthday treats to share with the whole class, in favour of an individual celebration for that child only in form of a treat or a birthday hat or badge to wear for the day?

YES 61% NO 25% UNSURE 14%

Since the majority of parents are in favour of this change, we will recommend to Governing Council that this be put in place from the beginning of 2015. If your child still has not had a birthday this year, you are welcome to send along cakes or treats if this is what you normally do.

We thank you all for your helpful comments and suggestions. One parent suggested that we host a parent info session on low-cost healthy food preparations that children can be involved with, and we are investigating this for Term 4. Until then, 'Bon Appétit!'

LITTLEHAMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL OSHC VACATION CARE

29TH SEPTEMBER 2013 – 10TH OCTOBER 2014
(Closed Monday 6th October 2013 for Labour Day)

<p><u>Monday 29th September</u></p> <p>Zorb Ball Bowling Come and test your skill as a human bowling ball. <u>Please be at OSHC by 10am</u></p>  <p>Cost \$60 Less CCB/CCR</p>	<p><u>Monday 6th October</u></p> <p>Public Holiday</p>
<p><u>Tuesday 30th September</u></p> <p>Lunch & Tennis at Miles Park Decorating pots and planting flowers to take home Bring your tennis racquet</p>  <p>Cost \$45 Less CCB/CCR</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 7th October</u></p> <p>Build a Bear Come and make your own bear to take home Plus baking for teddy bear picnic in afternoon.</p>  <p>Cost \$60 Less CCB/CCR</p>
<p><u>Wednesday 1st October</u></p> <p>Medieval & Mythical Creatures Come dressed in Medieval costume</p>  <p>Cost \$45 Less CCB/CCR</p>	<p><u>Wednesday 8th October</u></p> <p>Children's Choice Day Children to take turns in choosing what activities we do during the day. Children can place a lunch order through Bauldy's.</p> <p>Cost \$45 Less CCB/CCR</p>
<p><u>Thursday 2nd October</u></p> <p>Monarto Zoo Hat, closed shoes and long pants required <u>Please be at OSHC by 9am</u></p>  <p>Cost \$60 Less CCB/CCR</p>	<p><u>Thursday 9th October</u></p> <p>AMAZING RACE AROUND OSHC Join us for our annual day of group challenges and fun games all around the School.</p>  <p>Cost \$45 Less CCB/CCR</p>
<p><u>Friday 3rd October</u></p> <p>Cooking & Craft Making individual pizza's for lunch Decorate wrist snap bands</p>  <p>Cost \$45 Less CCB/CCR</p>	<p><u>Friday 10th October</u></p> <p>Mt Barker Movies—Planes 2 Lunch at Keith Stevenson Park <u>Please be at OSHC by 9am</u></p>  <p>Cost \$60 Less CCB/CCR</p>

OPENING TIMES 7AM—6.30PM

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Bookings close Friday 19th September 2014

Book Early to Guarantee a Spot (Bookings after 19th September may not be accepted)

Enrolment and Booking forms: <http://www.littlehams.sa.edu.au/OSHC.htm>