

Littlehampton Primary School and Preschool

NEWSLETTER

Week 4 Term 3 2016

Student Free Day: Mathematics T&D

Our teachers have recently enjoyed the opportunity to learn from and observe mathematics consultants Tierney Kennedy and Leah O'Neill.

On our recent student free day, Tierney led a highly motivating session on the 'keys to effective math's teaching. Tierney's philosophy incorporates research from neuroscientists that informs

us that we can build new neutral pathways in the brain by involving students in highly challenging tasks designed to stretch their thinking. Tierney worked with teachers on finding and fixing the common misconceptions that children have in mathematics. Her advice is to test the student's thinking and reasoning using strategic questioning.



She encourages teachers to continually ask students to test their thinking and check the evidence guiding their thinking until they have a breakthrough in understanding. This process is designed so that students develop their own deep understanding of concepts rather than being simply told

or taught a formula. (Continue on Page 3)

Important Dates Friday 19th August LAP/Multilit and Fun & Games Meeting 2.30pm



Saturday 20th
August
Bunnings BBQ
Fundraiser

Monday 22nd August Parents & Friends Hot Chocolate Day

Thursday 25th
August
Book Week
Assembly 9am

Monday 29th August Book Week Performance

Thursday 1st September School Assembly 2.25pm Sue Close's Class

> Friday 2nd September Father's Day Breakfast









Student Absence
or Lateness:
Prior to 9 am
Text 0427 016 460

with LPS, Student Name, Student Class, Absence Date and Absence reason. Next newsletter will be our annual Gymnasium Edition, where we thank all our families who have donated to our Gymnasium Building Fund, and major sponsors are acknowledged. As is our practice, all donors will be acknowledged by name.

If you would like your donation listed anonymously, please contact Debbie Jackson, at the Front Office.





Premiers Reading Challenge

Completed forms for the Premier Reading Challenge need to be returned to the library no later than Friday 2nd September please. Over the last few weeks the following student have completed the Premier Reading Challenge.

Well done to all.

Asha Marshall Amalia Sampson Nikolas Sander

Jade Lea Corey Johns Mitchell Muster Bonnie Roy Nicholas Bakker Sam Barazi Matthew Davis Daniel van der Merwe

Rhys Bushby Kaci Tarca Jaime Gordon Annabelle Boland

Owen Steer Amie Davis Tiah Hough Nadia Koerber Ella Rice Warren Liu Rhys Batge Harrison Burt

Elsie Bloffwitch Sabine Salter

Emma Geary Archer Nicholas Nicholas Dvorak Dahlia Duigan

Sharnee Carter Leo Roach

Leo Roach
Gabriella Metcalfe
Beau Curran
Hayden Zadow
Bailey Holmes
Noah Pielago
Oliver Crichton
Cohen van den Ende
Emmett O'Keefe

Felicity Faber-Paul Liam Maple

Beth Jacobson

Lucas Bell

Marlia Reynolds Cameron Fuss Jimmy Lynch Riley Parr

Charlotte Copping James Fielding

Grace Adler Brandon Simpson Breanna Luxon Lithum Pallege

Sithuki Kaluga Hewage Don

Lola Ormandy Ryan Simpson Mitchell Bannister Tyler Baugh Sophia Dvorak Abbey Gray Lucy Bubner Molly Passmore Seth Peterson Ava Roach

Jaiden van den Ende Will Trevorrow Emma Faber-Paul Kael Sander Lucas Joseph Casper Peeters Chloe Cotton Ella Smith

Soleil Bogdanowicz Heath Fielding

Tennessee Stephenson Amber Bakhuis-Smith

Mollie Demasi Isaac Warhurst

Caspian Prokopowicz

Jack Harris
Wesley Bowden
Alex Fielding
Makayla Sander
Wren Taubert
Kealy Elliott
Kade Harvey
Emilie Goedecke
Deven West
Lilah Hogben
Hannah Gray

Connor Blakemore Tyler Martin Oliver Christensen

Wyatt Peterson

Evie Clarke Nina Schmidt Lachlan Burns Aster Cassidy Imogen Shute

French Performance at School

On Monday our school was treated to a French performance from the Cultural Infusion Troup. They put on two performances for our whole school. Everyone enjoyed the performances, not a guillotine in sight!









Art Show 2016

Did you receive your note about our Art Show which is being held on Friday 4th November? Is the date on your calendar?

You can get involved in this great school event in a variety of ways:

- Donating Artwork for our silent auction
- Busking
- Fruit Sculpture
- Bake Sale
- Raffle Donations

Further enquires please call the school on 8391 1194.

Student Free Day: Mathematics T&D continued.

The following day Leah O'Neill ran lessons in three of our classrooms observed by our teaching staff. She was able to demonstrate the learning from our student free day in a practical manner.



Children were challenged to take part in activities designed to challenge them and to find and fix misconceptions in their understanding of various number concepts. Both teachers and the students involved enjoyed this process and found the tasks designed by Leah to be both challenging and engaging.

In many ways our work with Tierney and Leah validated the great work teachers are already doing in the area of maths. They have given us some strategies and a way thinking that will add great value to our teaching. Many staff have already begun to incorporate the strategies into their programs.

We will continue working with Tierney in the following ways.

- Teachers will take part in a webinar series to build their ongoing capacity.
- Some teachers and leaders will be involved in work alongside the Mt Lofty partnership designed to help imbed Tierney's strategies and develop staff as leaders in this area

FOR PARENTS:

Tierney has some great parent resources on her website http://www.backtofrontmaths.com.au/

Principal's Awards

In Week 3 Assembly our students listed below were awarded a Principal's Award for following our Super Seven Values. Well done everyone.



Being Trustworthy: Carmen Bubner, Patrick Littlewood, Nicholas Bakker

Including Others: Jessica Luxon, Levi Roberts.

Fairness: Isaac Warhurst, Connor Brown.

Respect: Sophie Nesbitt, Karli Roberts.

A Positive Attitude: Brodie Usher, Jacob Bands, Caitlin Batge, Clarice Scamoni, Oliver Snell, Jade Lea, Imogen Shute, Lucy McAvaney, Kael Sander, Chloe Cotton, Josh Gevers, Rylan Henke, Alexis Knowles, Asha Linke, Caitlyn Bushby, Rory Martin, Mia Decaux, Soleil Bogdanowicz, Bailey Holmes, Ella Rice.

Kindness: Harrison Schubert, Riley Kain

Valuing Others: Hayden Hill, Sanujaya Hewage, Ethan Schultze, Isla Shephard, Jimmy Lynch

Congratulations to students

Over the last few weeks some of our students have participated in a variety of extra curriculum activities.

We would like to congratulate the following students for their success in these fields:

Riley Lucas who represented Littlehampton Primary School in the SAPSASA National Snowboarding competition and came home with a medal.

Charlotte McAvaney who has recently taken part in a Australian National Gymnastics competing in Melbourne in the Trampoline Events and making the finals in the Synchronized Team Event.

Simone Harnett and Caitlin Bushby who have entered a piece of writing in the Young Writers Award (S.A.E.T.A) and have been shortlisted.

What's been happening around our school























