

# St Leonards Primary School



Newsletter 16, Term 4

Thursday, 29 October, 2015

## **Diary Dates**

#### Week 4

#### Monday, 2 November

6:30pm "Who's in Charge?" Information Night.

#### Friday, 6 November

Zoo Excursion Rooms 7, 9 and 10

#### Week 5

#### Thursday, 12 November

- 9:00am Volunteer Morning Tea
- 10:00-10:40am Remembrance Day Choir performance

#### Friday, 13 November

Newsletter

## Who's in Charge?

**Information Night** 

## Monday, 2 November 2015 6:30pm - 8:00pm in the Library

A free 8 week course for parents of children aged between 8 and 18 who feel challenged by their children's behaviour.

The course is based on the work of Eddie Gallagher and aims to:

- Create belief in the possibility of change
- Help parents to look after themselves
- Clarify boundaries of acceptable behaviour
- Examine strategies for creating meaningful and practical consequences
- Reinforce provide progress and emotional support

If you wish to attend please contact the school on 8294 9811 or email Di at Dianne.hannagan584@schools.sa.edu.au as we need to know numbers for catering purposes.

## Reminder

## **Pupil Free Day**

Friday, 30 October



**OSHC** available contact Connie or Steve for bookings on 8294 1990

#### From the Leadership Team

#### **Class Placement**

The single most important influence on a child's learning is the teacher. We are so lucky to have dedicated, skilled teachers at St Leonards and parents can be confident that whatever class their child is placed in, they will have a successful year of learning. We also ensure consistency through our commitment to high expectations, developing a supportive class environment, shared agreements, collaboration and focus on school priorities.

It is likely that most classes will be composite classes consisting of two year levels. These classes are not grouped according to academic achievement, but based on opportunities for leadership, friendships, social skills, a balance of learning needs, role modelling and individual student needs.

When planning teaching and learning programs, teachers don't look at the birthdates of the children and where they 'should be' but their ability levels and learning needs.

Numerous studies have shown that composite or straight year level classes make no difference to student achievement, as the teacher and the home environment are the most important influences.

During this term the staff are determining the class structures (largely based upon funding) and then placing children into classes. This is a very deliberate and thoughtful process and teachers use lots of information about their students when considering classes for 2016.

We know that all students at St Leonards will have the opportunity to work to their potential in a supportive classroom.

#### **Kindy Transition**

We will be sending packs out to all our new reception students shortly. We can't wait to see all their bright bubbly faces at St Leonards. Our Orientation Visit will be held on December 1 from 3:30pm-4:30pm.

We welcome Heather Pronk who has a contract for Term 4 in student support.

**Dave Henty-Smith and Barry Stewart** 

St Leonards Primary School Jervois Street, Glenelg North 5045 **Principal: Dave Henty-Smith** 

**Deputy: Barry Stewart** 

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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Leonards-Primary-School/643629105782299

#### Wellbeing

Room 4 have a "temporary class member". His name is George. George is a Playground Buddy and will act as a Buddy Bus Stop to provide a place where children who are feeling a bit lonely at recess or lunch can go to sit.

As he's at the Buddy Bus Stop, when students see others sitting with George, they can invite them to join in with their games. Also, any parents who are feeling lonely at 'pick up time' are also welcome to sit and chat with George. He's not a chatterbox and listens well.

Our thanks go out to those who have provided clothing for George to help him fit in!

He is currently residing in Room 4 (whilst he is being finished off) but will later be found out in the yard providing help and support for our students.

Welcome to St Leonards George.

**Graeme Smith, Wellbeing Coordinator** 

#### 2015 Glenelg Christmas Pageant

The Glenelg Christmas Pageant is on Sunday, 22 November. The Governing Council have asked me to be involved to help organise a float.



**Help is needed** – If anyone would like to be involved on or before the day, that would be amazing as I have never done this before.

What we need is parents, children and teachers to walk with us down Jetty Road. The school has a banner that we will carry and music that will be played. I thought we could have a "Party" theme. Everyone could dress up in bright colours and we will have ribbons, party poppers and whistles to blow.

As the pageant is only three weeks away, can anyone who would like to be a part of the pageant please let me know by Thursday, 12 November. My contact details are: Email: Vicki.woods141@schools.sa.edu.au

Mobile no: 0431778548, School phone no: 8294 9811



This will be an awesome way to celebrate Christmas as a school community. I will have more details for anyone who is interested in attending. Please contact me as soon as you can if you would like to be in the Pageant.

Vicki Woods, Pastoral Care Worker

#### **Physical Education Update**

Thank you to all the staff, families and students who have made my return to work a really enjoyable experience. It's fantastic to be back and seeing all the lovely, smiley St Leonards faces, but scary that so many of the children are now taller than me! For the rest of the year I will be working Tuesdays and Wednesdays. If you would like to contact me it's easiest to email me at — Heidi.Bevan649@schools.sa.edu.au

#### PE Program - Term 4

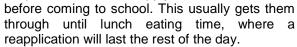
This term in PE, we are looking at racquet sports. We will mainly be focusing on tennis and Battledore – a game in which a pair of players work together to rally the ball back and forth, with either one bounce in between or none to achieve the highest number of hits in a row. In the early years, we will be using paddle



bats and focusing on basic racquet skills and patterns, such as "drop, pat, and catch" and playing games such as tag, where students have to move whilst balancing a ball on their racquet.

#### Preparing for PE in the heat

It is very helpful when children apply four hour sunscreen





A full water bottle and a hat is essential for PE lessons. Without a hat, students will be asked to participate in the shade with individual skills.

### PE Week - "Healthy and Active Lifestyles'

Week 5 of this term is PE Week, with the theme "Healthy and Active Lifestyles". We encourage families to use this week to walk, cycle or scoot to school and also try to incorporate an active activity together as a family into their weekly schedule – such as a walk and talk about their day before dinner.

At school, we will be using the week to try a range of different games and activities at lunchtimes, during PE lessons as well as class time.



Heidi Bevan, PE Teacher

#### **ICAS Maths**

The following students participated in the ICAS Maths Competition. We congratulate all students on their results.

#### **Participation**

Josh H, Jolane K, Taylah R, London F, Andy Singh, Stephanie T, Hamish J, Lily Mc, William B, Liam Mc



Coral F, Jade O, Rory E,

#### Credit

Chloe R, Ryan B, Erin Mc

### Distinction

Haysan M



#### **New Staff**



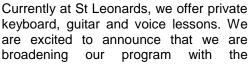
My name is Heather Pronk and I am working in Student Services this term. I am currently completing my Certificate 3 in Education Support.

I am excited to be a part of the St Leonards team and look forward to supporting students with learning.

Heather Pronk, SSO

#### **Instrumental Music**

#### Private Instrumental Music Program -New instrument offered - FLUTE





introduction of a new instrument! Lessons in Flute will be offered this term by a DECD approved Flute Teacher.

Fees: \$15 per paired lesson or \$27 per individual lesson. All students in Year 2 and above are encouraged to sign up for lessons. Flute hire is available.

For flute expressions of interest, please fill in a form at the Office or email Liz on

Elizabeth.Willis303@schools.sa.edu.au and include the following.

- Student's Name
- Room number and Year level
- Parent Name
- Mobile Number
- Email
- Preferred lesson structure Paired or Individual

Liz Willis, Instrumental Music

#### **Pupil Free Day**

Friday, 30 October

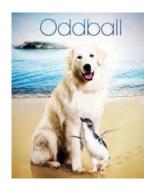
OSHC will be open 7:30am - 6:00pm

We will be going to Mitcham Cinema to see

#### Oddball

11:00am - 3:30pm

Cost: \$58.00



#### Less Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate entitlements

Due to staffing availability, places are limited. Book early to avoid disappointment. Booking and Consent forms are available from OSHC and the Office.

#### Library

The end of the year is fast approaching and every year the library does a stocktake of all the books in the school. Please have a search around your home or classroom for any library books or readers and return them by the end of Week 8. All borrowing will finish in Week 7.



Kelly Peterson, Library SSO

### **Advertising at School**

#### **Business Card Insert**

This is your last chance to get your business into our Business Card Insert which will be distributed via the next newsletter. Our families would love to support you and for

just \$20 per edition, you can advertise your product or service. Get your name out there. As a bonus we will also feature you on our school Facebook page. We only have three spots left.



If you can't get into the school Office you can include payment and your business card in an envelope and return to school with your child or email a picture of your business card to kelly.peterson598@schools.sa.edu.au.

You can even call and pay over the phone to Victoria in the cash office.

#### **Fence Advertising**

You may have noticed that the first sign has been installed on the Russell street side of the school. Director of Heading Forward Financial Planning, Peter Heading is a dad at our school and loved the idea of promoting his business and supporting St Leonards. If you would like to advertise on our fence line, please contact Janelle at janelleyarwood@yahoo.com.au for more information.

#### Janelle Yarwood

#### **After School Activities**

#### **Karate**

JKA (Japan Karate Association) have started classes for children at St Leonards Primary School on Tuesday evenings. Beginners, White to Yellow Belt start at 6:00pm - 6:45pm and Orange to Brown Belts start at 7:00pm - 7:45pm. Come along and try Karate, it is an awesome sport. If you require any further information, please contact Sam on 0450 582 908

#### **Chess Club**

Chess club is held in the Art Room every Monday between 3:45pm and 4:45pm. It is a fun and relaxed place to learn or improved your chess skills.

Sessions are \$7:00 and for more information please contact the school or senior chess coach David Koetsier on 0433 693 990.



Baden Pattinson Kindergarten is Celebrating it's

## **60TH** BIRTHDAY

and is inviting you to come along to their Fair Friday 20th November 2015 from 5.00pm - 8.00pm Birthday Cake Celebration @7.00pm \$2.00 entry for adults, Children free Corner Kibby Ave & Alison Street, Glenelg North

\*Door prize \*Lucky dips \*Raffle

\*Trading tables \*Jumping Castle

\*Lolly bags \*Sausage sizzle 4 more!

Lots of fun & entertainment for the whole family!

#### Halloween at St Leonards













Students from Room 6 and Room 5B

# have been getting into the spooky spirit.



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# **Keep Your Kids Smiling**

Dental care is FREE for most school-aged children and ALL preschool children at the Marion GP Plus School Dental Clinic. All babies, children and young people, aged 0-17 years, are welcome to attend.

Marion GP Plus School Dental Clinic will be open during the Christmas school holiday break. Please phone 7425 8400 to book an appointment.

