

Hats on in Term 4



School resumes
Monday, 17 October

Early Dismissal

Friday, 30 September
2:05pm



For vacation care information, please contact Steve
on 8294 1990

Diary Dates

Week 10

Wednesday, 28 September

- Band Concert

Friday, 30 September

- 2:05pm Early Dismissal – Last day of Term 3

Term 4, Week 1

Monday, 17 October

- Welcome back –Term 4

Recycling Revamp – watch this space for more information coming soon.

From the Leadership Team

Welcome to our final newsletter for the term. It certainly has been a busy few weeks, but highly pleasing and successful.

Sports Day

Sports day was an outstanding success. The weather certainly gave us a scare on the day, but we were lucky to avoid any rain. The children, staff and parents who attended had a fantastic day. I would like to commend the sports-personship and participation of all students. They were certainly a credit to the school and their families. A big thank you must go to Heidi Bevan, Hayden Schwarz and Ellie Treacy for their organisation.

Choir

Our choir performance at the Festival Theatre was yet another example of the talent we have on show at our school. From all reports it was again, an outstanding event. A special thank you must go to Liz Condous for her work pulling this together as well as the parents who supported the Choir.

Children's University

On Thursday, we had 28 students attend the Children's University graduation set in the "Harry Potter" like Bonython Hall at Adelaide University. It was so pleasing to see many St Leonards families there on the night. Our Coordinators, Natalie Baggio and Heather Pronk were proud as our students were called up on stage on the night. Well done to all graduates and remember, keep persisting and continue to work hard over the upcoming year. It would be great to see even more of our students graduate.

Our happy graduates waiting for the ceremony to start.



Dave Henty-Smith, Principal
Barry Stewart, Deputy Principal

Wear Your Team/Footy Colours

Friday, 30 September



Gold coin donation to be collected by
the SRC.



Wellbeing



We're all 'differently abled'

Differences exist amongst all children and they will all benefit from having their individual needs met. Children with additional needs (such as children affected by a disability or medical condition) may face additional challenges when attending school or in the community.

When a child has additional needs, it may restrict them from being able to do some of the things that other children can do. For instance, chronic or permanent illness may affect children's physical health. Children with additional needs have their own unique strengths and abilities that we identify and promote at St Leonards to build resilience and support their learning, mental health and wellbeing.

Schools can support students with additional needs by teaching children how to include and respect others

To include students with additional needs, schools can:

- work with parents and carers to meet children's physical, social and emotional needs
- teach children that we all have strengths and differences and that everyone has a right to feel respected and valued
- provide opportunities for children with and without additional needs to play and learn together
- promote cooperative, caring and helpful behaviours for all students
- celebrate all children's differences (eg culture, race, ethnicity, additional needs).

Graeme Smith
Wellbeing Coordinator
(Abridged from KidsMatter Mental Health Information Sheets)

<http://bit.ly/2cimSci>



The Premier's Reading Challenge is over for another year. Thank you to everyone who participated, I look forward to handing out the medals and certificates in Term 4.

I wish to thank everyone who volunteered and helped cover the very large amount of books that we were fortunate enough to purchase because of our successful Book Fair.

Can all over due books please be returned by Friday next week so that you can borrow over the holidays. Have a wonderful holiday break and happy reading.

Kelly Peterson, Library SSO

KidsMatter Report



Last week the school staff met after school with the Parent Class Representatives as part of the on-going KidsMatter process, to consider some of the many different aspects of Social and Emotional Learning and how they are taught at St Leonards. It was a lively and informative session with opportunities to discuss, debate and problem solve. Here are the key points which we arrived upon during our discussions.

<http://bit.ly/2cnYwx5>

- Social and emotional learning is integral to mental health, wellbeing and educational outcomes.
- Social and emotional skills are influenced by many factors, and can be taught using a whole school approach.
- We need to know how social and emotional learning occurs in our school and what needs to be developed.

Graeme Smith
Wellbeing Coordinator



ICAS

During the term students had the opportunity to take part in the ICAS English test.

Distinction

Joshua H
Tyson M
Chloe R

Credit

Muhammad A
Taylah R
Rory E

Participation

Kanvarveer J
Coral F
James K
Lucy M

Mia K
Ashlee J
Lily M
Issac P



Congratulations to all who participated. We are very proud of your efforts.

OSHC



Before and After School Care bookings, both permanent and casual, may be made by contacting OSHC staff directly.

Via email oshc.stleonards865@schools.sa.edu.au or phone **8294 1990**.

When the office is unattended, please leave a message on the answering machine. A reminder that the **October Vacation Care** program is available. Excursion days are filling up fast, so **please** book early to avoid disappointment.

The OSHC team

Fundraising

The Sports Day BBQ and Cake Stall was very successful, raising \$1525. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and to anyone who donated baked goods for the day.



Fundraising Team

Vicki's Corner

This term has been a busy one so I thought I would just share a few things to let you know what I have been doing. I mentioned in the last newsletter spot that I have been going around to classes to talk about being "Unique". I have a good time going into classes and seeing how differently every class has responded. The fingerprints are up in the hall way next to the Wellbeing room. If you are in the school please go and check them out.

I have also been working with Emily, our Social work student, running a couple of "What's the Buzz" groups. These are two very different groups. Some of the topics have included: Meeting friends and discovering differences, joining in, sharing and taking turns and cooperation. The students worked on their role playing skills and also working together.

The group values include:

- Be kind
- Be friendly
- Listen
- Ask for help
- Do your best



One fun thing I have continued to do from the previous PCW (Jess) is to hand out birthday cards to students for their birthdays. This is just something small, but the children get excited about this and they remind me when their birthday is going to be.

Two weeks ago I had my annual review for my position here at St Leonards. This was organised by Schools Ministry Group. It was just to see how things have been going and they collected feedback from the school community, local churches and staff. The review was a successful review and I want to thank everyone who participated. If anyone wants more information about what I do or can do in the future please feel free to contact me at the school. I hope everyone has a great last week of school and I look forward to Term 4.

Vicki Woods, Pastoral Care Worker

Children's University



The Bunyip Trail is back.

This school holidays learn about nature while walking through Bonython Park.

For more information please visit the Children's University website childrensuniversity.com.au

Natalie Baggio and Heather Pronk, CU Coordinators

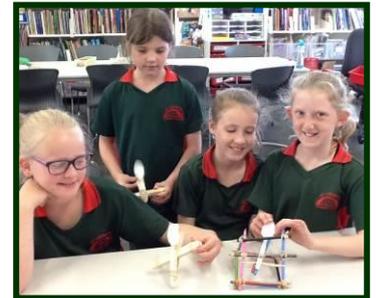
Science



This term we have focused on **FORCES** and have learnt about movement, push, pull and invisible forces like gravity and friction. We have tested our knowledge and understanding by doing some investigations. Here is a snippet of our learning this term.

Investigations:

- Which material makes the best parachute canopy?
- What happens when we change the height of a ramp?
- Which rolls the greatest distance, a marble or a toy car?
- What happens when we change the surface?
- Simple machines and making catapults.



Kathy Baker, Science Teacher

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Sports Day 2016



After an uncertain start with the weather the school's annual Sports Day began. The team's Health Hustles were performed to some excellent music which got everyone in the mood. The creative performance of Holdfast saw them receive maximum points from the judges. The results throughout the tabloid competition remained close all day with Saints and Buffalo regularly swapping the lead. Once again the final result went down to the Grand Relay and although Holdfast finished the day as they started with a comfortable win, it was Buffalo's second placing proving enough to see them win.

Final results: Buffalo 573, Saints 567, Patawalonga 543, Holdfast 505

I'd like to thank Ellie for all her work in taking classes for their practice in the lead up to the day, Jim for all his line marking (even on the day), Dennis for the electrical side of things, the teachers who helped set up on the day and the children for their enthusiastic approach to the day. Well done to the fundraising and canteen committees on providing some fantastic food on the day. Overall, the day proved to be a successful one. Congratulations, to our school's leadership on making a tough, but in the end, excellent decision. Thanks to everyone involved.

Hayden Schwarz



Holdfast

Saints

Buffalo

Patawalonga