



Building a community that
inspires curious, creative
and innovative thinkers

St Leonards Primary School

Learning Together

Respect Resilience Readiness

Diary Dates

Week 6

Tuesday 7 March

- School Photo Day

Friday 10 March

- Beach Volleyball Yr 5/6/7

Week 7

Monday, 13 March

- Public Holiday, Adelaide Cup

Friday, 17 March

- 9:00am Assembly
- Harmony Day

School Photo Day

Tuesday 7 March



Students to be in full school uniform.

Orders can be placed online or cash placed in envelopes provided.

Sibling photo envelopes are available from the Office.

Photo day schedule is below for parent information.

Students who are absent on photo day will have the opportunity to have their individual photo taken on Thursday 9 March. These students will be collected from their classroom.

Cash Office



The cash office is open:
Monday to Friday
mornings 8:30am – 9:15am
Thursday afternoons
2:45pm – 3:15pm

From the Leadership Team

Can you believe we are already at the end of Week 5. It has certainly been a fast paced start to the year, but one filled with many highlights.

School Priorities and Planning 2016 – 2019

All schools are required to have a Site Improvement Plan that includes a number of priorities for the next four years. We have gathered data from a range of sources to set targets, including literacy and numeracy assessments, wellbeing indicators and staff/student/parent opinion surveys in order to ensure continual improvement. The four focus areas are:

1. Quality Teaching and Learning

- Maximise each and every child's learning to help them become successful learners.
- Continued development of each and every staff member to become life-long learners and provide quality educational outcomes for all students.

2. Student Wellbeing and Engagement

- Maximise positive wellbeing and engagement of each learner.
- Increase links with families and community to ensure that every child has the foundation for success in schools, the workplace, community and life.

3. Literacy and Numeracy

- Demonstrated continuous growth in Literacy and Numeracy for each learner.

4. Information, Communication and Technology (ICT) / STEM Learning

- Demonstrated use of 21st Century learning with continuous growth with technology.

Duty of Care

Please be aware that our yard is supervised by a yard duty teacher from 8:30am until 8:45am each morning in the area around the large playground near Russell Street. Parents are welcome to stay with their child/ren in the playground area until the bell goes at 8:45am.



We are having some students dropped off and left around 8:00am when they cannot be officially supervised by staff. Parents who need to drop their children to school before 8:30am need to make arrangements with our OSHC (Out of School Hours Care) service. Steve can be contacted on 8294 1990.

STEM

STEM will be an ongoing priority with building works on our new STEM area commencing November/December. Kathy Baker, as our STEM coordinator, will be driving this area.

Exciting times.

Dave Henty-Smith, Principal
Barry Stewart, Deputy Principal

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Next Newsletter: Friday 17 March 2017

Newsletter 3, Term 1
Friday 3 March 2017

DCSI Screening

There have been many changes in the past few years around the requirements for parents/caregivers to have a police clearance to volunteer in schools.

Examples of when screening **is required** to volunteer in a DECD site include:

- parents or guardians attending overnight camps or school sleepovers
- sports coaches who are not parents or guardians of a child in the team

Examples of when screening **is not required** to volunteer in a DECD site include:

- parents or guardians who volunteer in connection with an activity that involves their own child (such as volunteering within their child's own class)
- parents involved in one off events such as sports days, working bees and whole of school events

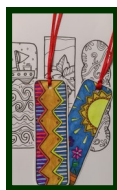
The school values parent support and is happy to fund DCSI screening checks. If you wish to have one, please provide Mel in the Office with your name, date of birth and email address.

Medication

Medication plans must be kept up to date and medications must be in-date. Students with out of date plans and/or medications will be unable to attend swimming in Week 8. Parents of children with out-of-date plans and/or medication have been advised today via communication through their child. Please see Mel in the Office for more information.

Mel Worden, Office Manager

Library News



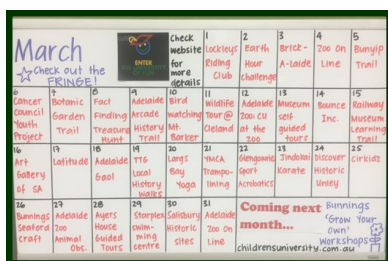
Our enthusiastic new library monitors Jalen A, Kathryn S, Kimonne G, Lily M, Saksham K, Cui Shan X and Sienna M will be helping to run some lunchtime activities. Over the next few Thursday and Fridays they will have some bookmarks to colour in and laminate. If you are interested in creating your own bookmark, come along at second lunch and have some colouring fun.



Kelly Peterson, Library SSO

Children's University

The Children's University calendar and display board has been updated with activities for March. If you wish to participate in CU you can purchase a Passport from the Office. There are lots of activities and details can be found on the website: www.childrensuniversity.com.au and we are holding a parent workshop on Thursday 16 March at 3:15pm in the Library.



Natalie Baggio, CU Coordinator

Year 8 High School Applications

Families of Year 7 students will receive their child's High School package in Week 11 this term. Parents are encouraged to attend Open Days for High Schools of interest. Dates for these can be found on the relevant school websites. Some schools have Special Interest entry eg Brighton SS with Volleyball/Music. Parents need to contact schools directly to explore this option. Families applying to a High School using the sibling rule will need to attach a photocopy of the attending sibling's student ID card with the application form.

High School Open Days

GiFT Dance at Mitcham

The GiFT Dance Program at Mitcham Girls High School offers girls the opportunity to develop their skills and passion for dance performance. Students develop creative, technical and physical understanding and an appreciation of dance as an art form.

With intensive and skilful coaching students become successful performers. Our GiFT dance teacher is recognised as a leader in Dance Education. She has had professional experience with teaching expertise in ballet, contemporary dance and jazz dance technique, including choreography for musical theatre productions and national choirs. She has also played a significant role in the development of the SACE Dance curriculum and the management of Dance assessment in South Australia.

For those of you who love dance and want to share and develop your gift, GiFT Dance at Mitcham Girls High School is for you.

Entry by Audition:
Year 7 students: Tuesday 7 March, 9:15am & Tuesday 16 May, 9:15am
Years 8, 9 & 10 students: By appointment

Please register your interest at
www.mitchamgirls.his.edu.au

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OPEN DAY 8 MAY 2017

9-11am and 5-8pm

Principal's address 9.10am | 5pm | 7.15pm

Tours during opening times



URRBRAE
AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN DAY

**FOR PROSPECTIVE
YEAR 8
STUDENTS
TUESDAY MARCH 21ST 2017**

**2 hour programme (9.30 - 11.30am or
1.00 - 3.00pm or 6.00 - 8.00pm)
includes Application Information,
Farm Tours and School Tours**

*Students wishing to enrol at Year 8 level in
2018 and their parents are invited to attend.
Parking on the School Oval with
access via Gate "C" off Cross Rd.
Proceed to the Gym.*

- Urrbrae is an Education Department Special Interest School which offers a comprehensive curriculum including Agricultural Studies.

- Selection for enrolment is based on the student's interest in Agriculture, the Environment and Technology

- Application Packages available from March 21st

- Enrolment applications close 5pm Wednesday May 3rd

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Karen's Corner



Hi everyone

So a funny thing happened to me the other day. I dropped my son off at St Leonards and proceeded to the other school I spend time at, made my way to my office space, opened my bag only to find a perfectly considered, lovingly prepared (well most of the food groups were represented so yes, lovingly prepared) child's lunchbox staring at me.

Oh dear, I'd picked up his lunchbox and taken it with me. I must say for a brief moment, I considered my sad (recycled) lunch consisting of an old banana and a muesli bar from the day before and compared it with my son's (that's another topic for another day) and wondered whether he'd even notice he had no food for the day (it was only a very, very brief moment of course) then the parent guilt thing (some of you may be familiar) kicked in and I immediately rang the school to get a message passed to said child that I would drop everything and deliver his lunchbox to him before recess (can anyone relate?) to ensure there was minimum disruption to his regular eating regime.

I dropped it off with moments to spare, only to find that he'd notified a wonderful St Leonards parent that he was seemingly without sustenance for the day and then came up with a solution by himself (thank you wonderful canteen staff) So it got me thinking ... was me rushing to his rescue assisting him to practice being resilient and allowing him to utilize positive problem solving strategies and skills?

Upon reflection, probably not. Did I give him enough credit to work out a solution that was practical? (and probably more delicious as well) ... again, quite possibly not. Did I underestimate his ability to work out a solution to the problem? I rather think so.

My personal desire as a parent, is to raise an independent, strong, confident, resilient child, able to problem solve in the face of adversity (including forgotten lunches). I am aware that fortunately, there will be many more opportunities in the future for us to (collectively) practice until such time that such traits are firmly instilled. That's a good thing, right?!

I am privileged to witness many of the wonderful St Leonard's students practising resilience on regular occasions throughout the course of their day, and I have to say, what I see makes me extremely proud of each and every one of them. The incredible teaching and support staff are highly skilled, ready, willing and able to encourage your children to explore what it is to be resilient, at every opportunity throughout the school day.

I hope you don't mind me sharing my musings, perhaps as food for thought (please excuse the pun) ... as parents, you are all doing a fantastic job of raising resilient, problem solving, positive, caring children, I applaud each and every one of you!

Please remember, should you wish to have a chat with either Di Hannigan or myself about anything, don't hesitate to do so, you are always most welcome. You can call, email or drop in for a chat anytime. Have a wonderful week.

Karen Thorogood PCW

Edison Robot Cars

Room 4 have been learning to use the Edison Robots. We have used Lego to design our creations. We program the Edison's to follow lines, dodge obstacles and follow lights. We have been using coding on the computers, we have enjoyed learning about SNAP Coding. We have worked alongside Rooms 1 and 3 who have also been using Studio Code.

Lily, Mercedes, Michael and Lochlan



Artwork at Assembly

Students from several classes have created beautiful works of art and showed them at Assembly today.



ICAS Dates

Digital Technologies Year 3 - 7	23 May 2017
Science Year 2 - 7	30 May 2017
Writing Year 3 - 7	13 June 2017
Spelling Year 2 - 7	14 June 2017
English Year 2 - 7	1 August 2017
Mathematics Year 2 - 7	15 August 2017



Sports Day

Friday 7 April Week 10

**Last day to order Sports Day T-Shirts is
Wednesday 15 March**



If wish for your child to participate please collect an application form from the Office. Payment must be made by **Thursday 23 March**. No late applications can be accepted.

Reception – Year 5 Swimming

If your child has membership with the State Aquatic Centre Marion, you are eligible for a reduction in your child's swimming fee from \$43 to \$20. Please provide a copy of your child's membership card to Victoria in the Cash Office by Friday 17 March.

Samples can be viewed in the Office

If you are unsure of your child's House for Sports Day please ask your child's teacher or see Mel in the Office.

Back to School



Join us for an evening of socialising and trivia. With games, raffles, spot prizes, best dressed table, best costume, a silent auction and more.

**Saturday, 1st April 2017
From 6pm**

**St Leonards Primary School Hall
Jervois Street – Glenelg North**

Get your gang together and grab a table of ten or organise a classroom table. You can also purchase single tickets and we will place you on a table.

Purchase tickets from the school office until sold out.
Tables of 10 - \$120
Single tickets \$15 each

The theme of the evening is *Back to School*
BYO platter/food to share with your table
CASH BAR available on the night

Milk consumption and cognitive function in children

The CSIRO is looking for families to participate in a study investigating the effects of milk drinks on cognitive function, and physical growth and fitness in primary school children

We would like to hear from you if your child:

- was born between November 1 2007 and May 1 2010
- is a low dairy consumer
- is not taking micronutrient supplements,
- has not been diagnosed with a psychological, behavioural or other disorder (e.g., Autism, ADHD, Specific Learning Disorder) or movement disorders (e.g., cerebral palsy, tremor, myoclonus etc.)
- speaks English as their primary language

For further information or to register your child's interest, please visit the following link <http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3112056/Milk-Kids-4>

If you have any queries about this study or would like further information please call (08) 8303 8906, 1800 850



Sidewalk Sundays

Sidewalk Sundays is all about transforming parking spaces into community green spaces. Come down to Chapel Street between 11am to 4pm for fun free activities and activations, including; roaming Fringe performers, live music by Porch Sessions, pop up cafes games and activities for all ages.

When: 11am to 4pm,
Sunday 19 March 2017
Where: Chapel St, Glenelg
Bookings: no bookings required.



Outdoor Adventure Challenge 2017

The Outdoor Adventure Challenge is a day for families to spend time together finding out about some of the great outdoor spaces, community and sporting facilities located around the City of Holdfast Bay, and to try some fun activities and challenges together. The event will be spread across four reserves with multiple question to answer and adventure activities to complete at each location. These challenges could range from creating pieces of nature art to learning how to play a new sport.

When: 10am to 1pm, Sunday 2 April 2017
Where: Starting at Partridge House, Partridge St, Glenelg
Cost: \$5 per child
Bookings: www.holdfast.sa.gov.au/adventurechallenge