



Building a community that
inspires curious, creative
and innovative thinkers

St Leonards Primary School

Learning Together

Respect Resilience Readiness

Diary Dates

Week 8

Tuesday 12 September

- Jump Off Day—Jump Rope for Heart
- 7:00pm Governing Council

Friday 15 September

- 9:00am Assembly Rm 3 and 10

Week 9

Wednesday 20 September

- Didjeribone Spectacular - incursion Rec - Yr 7

PREMIER'S READING Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge ends this week, **Friday 8 September**. Completed forms can be placed in class boxes or posted in the red letterbox in the Library.

Please have all forms in by **Friday 15 September**. Spare forms are available from the Parent Information Rack.

Thank you to everyone who have completed and handed in their forms. We have already hit 58% participation (219 students).

Medals and Certificates will be presented at an Assembly in Term 4.

Kelly Peterson, Library SSO

Reminder

**School Closure
Friday 8 September**

**OSHC Available
Closed Screening of Captain
Underpants at Mitcham Cinema**

From the Leadership

Week 7 has come and gone in the blink of an eye and we are in the midst of the Show and sports finals everywhere. I would like to say the smell of spring is in the air, but alas as I was pelted with hail on a recent yard duty, we have a way to go before the better weather sets in.

As we wait for our STEMworks building to start, which I believe at the time of writing this is imminent, I must commend the flexibility of our educators, learners and parents during what has been a bit of an upheaval during the moving process. We do understand that things are tight and that there are teething problems but we will continue to work together to get a positive outcome for all our learners.

External Review

We have now received the final external review document which can be found on our website. This review was an exhaustive process but on that validated many of the good things that we are doing at our school. We received three directives which we will need to work on over the next four years.

They are as follows:

The Principal will work with the Education Director to implement the following Directions

1. Design, implement, review and embed effective and consistent pedagogical practices within and across all learning areas.
2. Strengthen site improvement planning processes by embedding common understandings and practices in the implementation of the three stages of self-review to ensure ongoing improvement for all students.
3. Strengthen student influence on their learning by engaging with feedback in a two-way process using data and evidence to improve learning.

One of the ways the school is working on our first directive is developing a culture of thinking across the school and skilling our learners with opportunities and routines to improve their thinking skills. We will discuss this with the school community over the coming months as we work on this new learning together and we look forward to you talking to your child as our thinking routines become embedded across our learning community.

Robogals



On Tuesday 5 September we had our second session of Robogals. Robogals is an organisation that encourages girls to enter into STEM fields of study by engaging them in hands on robotics and coding. Our learners had a great time programming robots to make shapes, avoid obstacles and dance.



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Next Newsletter: Friday, 22 September 2017

Newsletter 15, Term 3
Thursday, 7 September, 2017

ICAS

During last term, students had the opportunity to take part in the ICAS Writing competition.

ICAS Writing

Participation

Bailey A
Olive C
Miller F
Alexander M
Lauren W
Max F

Participation *cont...*

Saksham P
Lily Mc
Chelsea W
Taylah R
Arush K
Coral F

Credit

Joshua H
Riley A
Kayleigh D
Mia T

Congratulations to all who participated.

Budgies Junior Indigenous Netball

Kiera has been lucky enough to be chosen to represent SA in a State under 14s Indigenous Netball team to compete at the Budgies Junior Indigenous Netball Carnival on the Gold Coast in January 2018. There were a number of girls from around the state who trialled. Kiera is feeling very grateful and excited to be going! Well done Kiera from the St Leonards community.



Oliphant Science Award 2017

St Leonards Primary School participated in the Oliphant Science Awards and we were very successful. SASTA (South Australian Science Teacher Association) organised the competition. The awards will be presented at Brighton Secondary School on Friday 22 September. Major Prize winners were Jaida and Skye in Year 3-5. Lucas Year 3-5 and Leah in Year 6-7. Highly Commended were Nejla and Bridie Year 3-5, Lachy Year 3-5 and Jalen and Kimonne in Year 6-7. Thank you to Mr Ehvart for running this successful science group once again.



Vacation Care

The October Vacation Care program is now complete and digitally available on the school website with paper copies from OSHC. To avoid disappointment, please book early.

OSHC Team

Jump Rope for Heart Update



It has been fantastic to see so many children improving in their skipping! A reminder that next **Tuesday 12 September is our Jump Off Day.** This is a day to celebrate and signify the end of our Jump Rope for Heart Program. Students will come out in their classes and have a go at multiple skipping and jumping style stations. Please see below for the timetable if you wish to pop in and watch or turn a long rope!

This day is also the close of fundraising for all students. All Heart Foundation brochures and money must be returned by this day. If students are working towards a fundraising prize, their online tally will be taken from **5:00pm, Tuesday 12 September.** Any amount that comes in after this won't be able to contribute to their fundraising total to score a prize. If you need a spare form / instructions to fundraise, there are spare forms outside the office on the notice rack. Online fundraising is a great way to involve family and friends from interstate and overseas.

Please ensure your child comes dressed in sneakers and comfortable school uniform to jump. Fingers crossed for good weather!

Heidi Bevan, PE Teacher

Timetable

9:25-10:05am
10:05-10:45am

Rm 9 (Rec) & Rm 10 (Rec)
Rm 7 (Rec/1) & Rm 8 (Yr 1)

Recess

11:05-11:45am
11:45-12:25pm
12:25-1pm

Rm 6 (Yr2/3) & Rm 3 (Yr3/4)
Rm 1 (3/4) & Rm 4 (Yr3/4)
Rm 5A (Yr 2) & Rm 5B (Yr1/2)

Lunch

1:45 -2:25pm
2:25-3:05pm

Rm 2 (Yr4/5) & Rm 12 (Yr4/5)
Rm 11A (Yr6/7) & rm 11B (Yr6/7)

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Allan Sutherland on 0474 191 850 (head coach)

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