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St Leonards Primary School

Learning Together

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Diary Dates

Week 4

Monday 19 February

- Yr 5-7 SAPOL Cyber-Bullying session

Tuesday 20 February

- 6:00pm SAPOL Cyber-Bullying Parent Information Session

Wednesday 21 February

- Yr 5-7 Port Power Visit
- 1:00pm Choir Cluster

Week 5

Thursday 1 March

- Yr 6/7 Adelaide 500 Excursion
- School Photo Day - Master School Portraits, Rec - Yr 5

Friday 2 March

- MSP School Photo Day, Yr 6/7

Reminder

Last day for the early bird price of \$327.75 for school fees is Friday 16 February.

Fees and excursion levy can be paid at the Cash Office, through the QKR! app or via direct bank deposit.

MSP Photo Day

Thursday 1 March Rec-Yr 5

Please bring your forms with payment on the day. Payment with cash in the envelope or on online via the Master School Portrait website.

Friday 2 March Yr 6/7

Year 6/7 photos will be held on this day due to their excursion on Thursday 1 March.

Family Photos

If you wish to have a family photo, please collect an envelope from the Office and return it to Mel prior to photo day to ensure your family

From the Leadership

Acquaintance Night

It was great to see so many people at our recent Acquaintance Night. The feedback I received was overwhelmingly positive. These events strengthen the connections within our school community in particular between the classroom teachers and caregivers. These positive connections are absolutely vital.

Governing Council 2018

Thank you to those who attended our Governing Council AGM. We have elected the following office bearers for 2018:

Chairperson: Belinda Tredwell, unanimous
Deputy Chairperson: Leanne Denny, unanimous
Treasurer: Peter Heading, unanimous
Secretary: Paula Lowe, unanimous

All other Governing Council Members are: Peter Heading, Brett Prew, Tiffany Titze, Kel Chardon, Michelle White, Brooke Higgins, Chrisna Louw, Ellen Barr, Rachel Newrick, Kimberly Hamilton, Heather Pronk, Nia Lewis, Lisa Miles, Holly Skorupanovic, Emma Scott, Melanie Perkins and Sky Pratt-Hossainpoor.

Belinda Tredwell called for nominations to Sub-Committees for 2018 and explained about the Convenor's role on those committees.

Finance Committee

Dave Henty-Smith, Victoria Sierros (Finance Officer), Hayden Schwarz, Peter Heading (Convenor), Tiffany Titze, Lee Duffield, Sky Pratt-Hossainpoor

OSHC Committee

Steve Gregor, Connie Cowling, Rachel Newrick (Convenor), Melanie Perkins, Leanne Denny, Kel Chardon, Mahala Schaffer, Paula Crotty, Kelly Fletcher

Canteen Committee

Dave Henty-Smith, Katrina James, Deryl Huish, Belinda Tredwell (Convenor), Heather Pronk, Chrisna Louw, Nia Lewis, Lisa Holt

Fundraising Committee

Dave Henty-Smith, Kimberly Hamilton (Convenor), Holly Skorupanovic, Emma Scott, Pamela Labbozzetta

Sports Committee

Heidi Bevan, Hayden Schwartz, Brooke Higgins (Convenor), Michelle White, Rachel Johns, Warren Ainscough, Zlatan Martincic

Grounds Committee

Barry Stewart, Judy Brown, Natalie Baggio, Kathy Baker, Michelle White (Convenor), Belinda Tredwell, Peter Murphy, Brooke Higgins, Lisa Miles, Deb McDonald,

Education/Learning Committee

Dave Henty-Smith, Ellen Barr, Paula Lowe (Convenor), Rachel Newrick, Michelle White, Mark Duffield, Brett Prew,

Uniform Committee

Dave Henty-Smith, Heather Pronk (Convenor), Kimberley Hamilton, Tiffany Titze, Chrisna Louw

Dave Henty Smith, Principal
Barry Stewart, Deputy Principal
Kathy Baker, STEM Coordinator

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Newsletter 2 Term 1
Friday, 16 February, 2018

School Ambassadors



Hi my name is Lucy and I am looking forward to being a School Ambassador for 2018. Some of my hobbies outside of school are netball, footy, and dancing. I enjoy helping out my school and I will try my best to make St Leonards even better than it already is! My favourite subject is maths and I love solving problems. If you see me in the yard feel free to ask me anything because I'm happy to help out!

Hi my name is Lily M and I am one of your 2018 ambassadors. I would like you to know that I'm very proud to be in a group with such amazing people and I hope that I can help this school grow and improve even more. I hope this year I will help improve the school and make changes for the better.

Hi my name is Hudson M and I am one of five School Ambassador's for 2018 along with Lewis, Lucy, Lily and Kathryn. Some of my interests are running, soccer and playing on my Xbox. I can't wait to take St Leonards and its community above and beyond for 2018. I am looking forward to taking on this prestigious role in 2018.

Hi I am Lewis, I have been at St Leonards for 8 years. I am an ambassador for 2018 along with Hudson, Lily, Kathryn and Lucy. My hobbies are cricket, PlayStation and riding scooters.

Hi my name is Kathryn Sampson and I am a School ambassador for 2018, I have been at this school for 4 years. The things I like to do in my spare time are field hockey, listening to music and hanging out with my family. I can't wait to learn how to be a leader and help change the school for the better.

Children's University

In Weeks 6 and 9 we are holding lunch time workshops for Children's University passport holders. Our next workshop is on Monday 5 March.



If you would like to be involved in Children's University, please pop in and see Heather in the Office for more information.

Natalie Baggio and Heather Pronk,
Children's University Coordinators

SAPOL Visit



On Monday 19 February SAPOL will run a workshop for our Yr 5-7 students on "Cyber Safety" and keeping your reputation intact online. It is currently a very topical subject as we have had much media publicity around this subject

On Tuesday 20 of February SAPOL are also offering to hold a Parent workshop on "Cyber Safety" and "Cyber Bullying" at St Leonards Primary School. It will go for approximately 1 hour and be held in the Yr 6/7 area commencing at 6:00pm.

Barry Stewart, Deputy Principal

School Sport



Thanks to all the families that returned their Teeball and Spikezone Volleyball forms so promptly. Spikezone starts this Friday night (a draw has been sent out) and Teeball starts this Saturday with students receiving a note about teams and game times yesterday. Next term our winter sports are Indoor Spikezone Volleyball, Netball and Soccer. Registration forms will come out later in the term for these sports.

Sport at St Leonards Facebook group

Please join our new Facebook page - Sport at St Leonards. We will post reminders about notes due and events coming up as well as updates on what we have been learning about in PE.

Reminder

Beach Volleyball in Week 6, Thursday 8 March, open to Years 5/6/7. Notes are due back Tuesday 20 February.

Heidi Bevan, PE

Coles Sport for Schools 2018

This year our school is taking part in the Coles Sport for Schools program. The program started on Wednesday 7 February and helps to provide schools with new sports equipment. To support our school just collect vouchers when you shop at Coles and drop them into the collection box in the Office. If you shop online you can still help out by collecting electronic vouchers. The program ends on Friday 11 May (Week 2, Term 2) but vouchers can still be dropped in until the end of May.



OSHC News



Children's wellbeing

A courtesy reminder to families to please ensure that Medical Care Plans/medications and family contact details are up to date.

Pupil Free Day Friday 9 March (Week 6)

OSHC will be available 7:30am - 6:00pm and will include a visit to Mitcham Cinema. Movie to be advised.

Sustainability

The OSHC Battery Recycle Program is still operating, with over 40kg of batteries collected! Please encourage friends, extended family and neighbours to participate.

OSHC Team

Premiers Reading Challenge 2018



Information for Parents

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to encourage students to read more books, enjoy reading and to improve literacy levels. The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and early September.

How can you find out about the Challenge?

All information about the Premier's Reading Challenge can be found at: www.prc.sa.edu.au.

Who can participate?

All students from Reception to Year 12 are encouraged to participate.



What can students read?

Students can read a combination of books from the Challenge booklists and books of their own choosing. The book lists are available on the PRC website or on the school website. Reception to Year 7 students select at least eight books from the booklists on the Premier's Reading Challenge website and four books of their own choice. PRC books are labelled in our library.

PRC record sheets have gone home recently, spares can be found in the parent information rack. Hand in the completed sheets to the Office or the red PRC letterbox in the Library.

Kelly Peterson, Library

Old Scholar



Mrs Baggio and Ms Hallam were surprised by a visit from an ex student, Josef who had popped in to visit his old school after returning from interstate.

Karen's Corner



Hi Everyone!

For those of you who may not know me, I am the Pastoral Care worker here at St. Leonards. I consider it an absolute privilege to be a part of this awesome school community. I have been involved as a parent and in more recent times, also in a role as part of our Wellbeing team, allowing me to serve and support the amazing children and you, their families as well as the fantastic teaching staff at our school.

So, how are you? How have the first three weeks of the new school term been? For some of you, it's the first experience of primary school, as your little ones embark on a new and exciting stage of their school education and for others, watching your children heading towards the end of their primary school years. As with each school year, it's a time where all the children are finding their feet and their way as they navigate the unknown.

I've heard several parents of children in Reception, mention that the first two or three days were fantastic ... the children were excited, enthusiastic and eager to be a big school kid, but by day four (or earlier for some) they'd had enough and decided that the few initial days of learning were enough and they really didn't feel there was any need to attend school anymore! (well certainly not every day!) Perhaps for some of you parents and caregivers of new reception children, that was the experience in your home. Once the realisation hit, that they actually have to keep coming to school every day, well that news may have been met with various reactions. As your little ones become more confident and self assured, they will completely embrace the concept of ongoing learning at our wonderful school. It's probably a little early to tell them they have many more years before they can call it 'done'.

For those of you whose children are in their senior years, there are still many new experiences and challenges for them to embrace as they enter their final year or years at Primary school.



Whatever stage your child/children are at, we all look forward to making their time with us, truly rewarding, wonderful and memorable.

Whether Reception or Year 6/7, there are still some basic ideas that will help to hold your little and not so little ones in good stead to have a really successful year. Whether your child is just starting out about learning what it is to be independent or well and truly on their way to being capable of doing much for themselves ... children all need and crave routines (and discipline too, although I doubt very much whether you'd hear them agreeing). Night time routines (either with or without your assistance depending on their age and capabilities) are really important and set the scene for the following morning. Reasonable amount of sleep varies, depending on the individual child and their age (you know your child best, and how many hours they require to function really well) but regular bed times and routines are really helpful not only for the individual child but also the whole family unit. Similarly, morning routines allow your child to set themselves up for a really positive and successful start to their school day. It doesn't have to be elaborate (simple is most often best) but to have routines in place the night before (packing bags, giving you class or school notices, organising school uniforms etc. all of which your child can either do for themselves or help you at least) will not only empower them, but also help keep morning chaos to a minimum so that hopefully your family can embrace the day enthusiastically and without too much drama! Sounds good, doesn't it?! At our home, routines are still a work in progress ... some days it's smooth sailing and other days I feel like I'm drowning not waving (know the feeling??) Keep going, because one day it will all just click into place (let's just hope our children are still at home when it does!!)

So to finish, just a little reminder for us all ... Here are 7 things that all our children need to hear ... 'I LOVE YOU. I'M PROUD OF YOU. I'M SORRY. I FORGIVE YOU. I'M LISTENING. THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY and YOU'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES'.

Please repeat often ... our children can never hear these phrases enough. Actually, **you** might need to hear them too ... if there is no-one to tell you, whisper them to yourself as often as required! Have an amazing week! Take care.

Karen Thorogood. PCW



Sports Day

Buffalo



Date to be advised

Last day to order Sports Day T-Shirts is

Wednesday 15 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.

Holdfast



Patawalonga

Saints

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: Monday 19 March, 9:15am & Tuesday 15 May, 9:15am

Years 8, 9 & 10 students: By appointment

Please register your interest at www.mitchamgirlshs.sa.edu.au

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Community News



Book Busters: A book club for the young

Is your child an avid reader, looking to meet up with other readers? At Book Busters, we meet in the library after school once a month to browse new books, to read, do a craft activity, discuss, and share excitement about reading. Bring a friend or two to make it a fun session! A wonderful opportunity to connect with others and relax after a school day! Great snacks provided. Each participant gets to create and keep their very own journal!

Suits age 8 years and up

When: Tuesdays (20 Feb, 20 Mar, 1 May) 4.00 – 5.00 pm
@ Cove Civic Centre Library,
1 Ragamuffin Drive, Hallett Cove SA 5158

Wednesdays (21 Feb, 21 Mar, 2 May) 4.00 – 5.00 pm @
Park Holme Library,
Duncan Avenue Park Holme SA 5043

FREE Bookings essential on 8375 6755 or [Library Online Event Bookings](#)

Foster Care

Have you ever thought about being a Foster Carer? Foster carers are needed to provide overnight emergency, long-term, short term and respite care. You can be either single, couples, working full-time, part-time or studying. Free training and ongoing professional support (including 24hr assistance) is provided.

For more information or to book into one of our info sessions please call Linda on 8131 3456.
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