



Building a community that
inspires curious, creative
and innovative thinkers

St Leonards Primary School

Learning Together

Respect Resilience Readiness

Early Dismissal

End of Term 3
2:05pm
Friday 28
September



OSHC Available
8294 1990

Diary Dates

Week 10

Tuesday 25 September

- School Banking

Thursday 27 September

- 9:30am Choir rehearsal at Festival Theatre
- 7:30pm Choir Performance at Festival Theatre

Friday 28 September

- Casual Day

Week 1, Term 4

Tuesday 16 October

- School Banking

Friday 19 October

- Pupil Free Day

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From the Leadership

Quality School Improvement Planning

Teachers and leaders across the Department for Education are working tirelessly to build a stronger future for South Australian children.

Our education system aspires to become the best in Australia by seeking growth for every student, in every class, and in every school. The work towards creating an environment that encourages and enables continuous improvement is well underway. We are reviewing our School Improvement planning through rigorous and extensive analysis of all the data that we have access to. Our planning will be informed by evidence of student learning and best practice strategies for achieving growth.

Part of the evidence we use for school improvement planning is our NAPLAN results. We will send these home later in week 10. We have just received these results and Staff are currently studying these and will use them as part of their reporting process in Term 4.

Safe Schools

We are working at keeping our students safety keeping the main gates to the school shut during opening hours. If you come through a gate between 8:45am and 3:05pm could you please shut the gate behind you. Thank you.

Casual Clothes Day

We will celebrate the end of term with a casual clothes day on Friday 28 September. Students can come dressed in appropriate attire for school. We have already had a special dress up day with a gold coin donation this term, so students will not be required to do this for this day. No coin required.

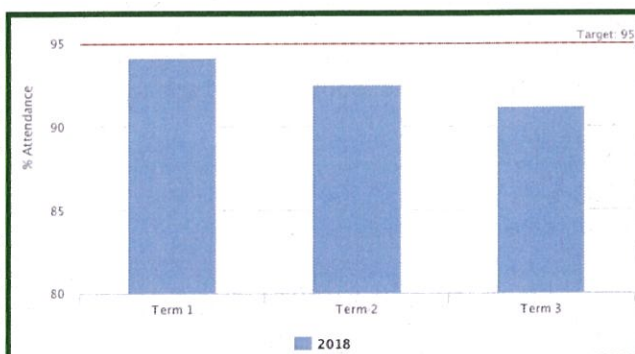
Dogs on School Grounds

In the interest of safety for all, I am asking parents/caregivers to refrain from bringing their dogs to school when picking up or dropping off their children. Some students are afraid or anxious around dogs and we need everyone to feel safe at school. Thank you for your consideration.

Attendance Data

All schools have an attendance goal set by the Department of 95%. Our families can be proud that we at St Leonards are consistently very close to this target.

Regular school attendance is very important for consistency in learning and maintaining connection to the school community.



Barry Stewart, Acting Principal

Kathy Baker, STEM Coordinator, Acting Deputy Principal

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Next Newsletter: Thursday, 18 October 2018

Newsletter 16, Term 3
Friday 7 September, 2018

Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to everyone who completed the Premiers Reading Challenge in 2018. We have had our highest participation with a total of 368 students taking part (a massive 94% overall). Nine classes had 100% participation. Medals and certificates will be handed out in Term 4.

Kelly Peterson, Library



ICAS

Early this term 30 students took part in ICAS English. Well done everyone.

Participation

Polina E, Ryan G, Zac M, Maisie M, Ella M, Dishen S, Chloe W, Cameron M, Ethan M, Naman P, Luke R, Jamie S, Ning S, Emily v, Muhammad A, Elijah C, Alexander M, Jessica S, Ruby C, Taylah R, Lily M, Tyson M

Merit

Aariz F, Maisy P, Myron Z

Credit

Ollie-ander T, Leah K, Scarlett H, Mackenzie D, Joshua H



Choir News

The senior choir will be performing at the Adelaide Festival Theatre on Thursday 27 September at 7:30pm as part of the Festival of Music series.

This will be a wonderful evening of music including the world premier of "Next Stop: North Terrace" which is a series of songs about the buildings along North Terrace, composed by South Australian, Mark Simeon Ferguson. Tickets are available through BASS.

Liz Condous, Music



OSHC

Vacation Care

The October holiday program is available with two excursion days already fully booked and others filling fast. Please book early to avoid disappointment. Details available at OSHC and on the school website. Please direct all queries to 8294 1990 or oshc.stleonards865@schools.sa.edu.au

Access to OSHC

Following a recent independent policy review, St Leonards OSHC and Vacation Care service is not in a position to provide care to preschool age children.

For clarity, the Access Policy is determined by the following definitions: Regulation 4, National Regulations Definitions 1: child over preschool age means a child who—
(a) is enrolled or registered at a school; and
(b) attends, or in the current calendar year will attend, school in the year before grade 1 or in grade 1 or a higher grade;



We realise that this may not be ideal and apologise for any inconvenience to families.

Qkr!

Payments can now be made via the Qkr! app.

OSHC Team

Student Work

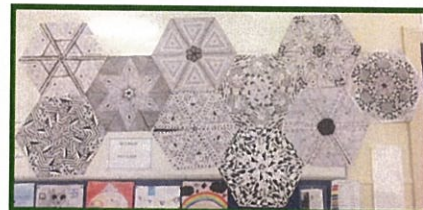
Jess L from Room 3 competed at this years Royal Show with the Hahndorf Town Senior Band. At 8 years old she was the youngest participant. She got called out the front of the whole band group on the oval and interviewed by the SA Band Association president, Mr Bruce Raymond. It was live streamed through

<https://www.facebook.com/Brassbanned/videos/253804098808507/> for the Hahndorf Town Band March (watch from the 5 min 50 sec mark and for Jess' interview watch from the 39 min 50 sec mark).

Andy L



Students from Room 10 have created amazing geometric patterns and showed them at todays assembly.



Karen's Corner



Hello everyone! As I write this, there are just over 31 hours of school left and then we bid a fond farewell to Term 3! Wait... What? Like me, perhaps you blinked and almost missed it. What an amazing term for our Learners at St Leonards. So much learning, growing together, exploring, building relationships... it's been truly wonderful, and soon enough, it's time for a little rest from school routines at least. For some, it's OSHC all the way (and what fun do the children have with Steve and his crew). I've often looked at the schedule and wanted to book myself in for some fun and frivolity. For others, it's heading off for some quality family time together and for others it's settling in to a more relaxed routine (not always without challenges and stresses obviously!)

Whatever the school holidays look like for you and your family, I hope that you are able to spend time together building memories, laughing, having fun, doing things that perhaps you wouldn't ordinarily have the time or inclination to do. Personally I'm planning a couple of pyjama days at the very least. I honestly believe it's quite an efficient concept, one wakes, gets up and greets the day, does 'stuff' (or not) then at the end of the day, returns to bed without missing a beat. I do have to remind myself though that when participating in a pyjama day, one should not leave the house without first getting dressed, to do otherwise could lead to some unpleasant consequences, embarrassment not being the least of them!

Whatever your plans are during the two weeks of the holidays, please make sure you stay safe, particularly if you're travelling on the roads. It's far better to arrive late to your destination than possible alternatives. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces again very soon. Parents and caregivers, it's great to be enthusiastic about your children returning to school in three weeks time, perhaps containing your enthusiasm to a dull roar would be appropriate particularly around the children, although I understand if you might be wanting to belt out a show-tune complete with accompanying dance moves, you will probably be in good company! Take care of you and those you love and hold dear.

Karen Thorogood, PCW

