Littlehampton Primary School and Preschool

NEWSLETTER

Week 8 Term 4 2016

Important Dates

Friday 9th Dec
Carols Night

Wednesday 14th December
Volunteers and Parents & Friends Morning Tea
10.45 am

Thursday 15th December
School Assembly
Gillian Bevan's Class
2.25pm

Year 7 Graduation Evening
Commences at 5.40pm

Friday 16th December
Final Day of Term 4
Final Assembly 1pm
Early Dismissal 2.15pm

Happy Holidays

Monday January 30th 2017
First Day Back

Student Absence or Lateness :
Prior to 9 am
Text 0427 016 460
with LPS, Student Name, Student Class, Absence Date and Absence reason.

Thank you to all parents and community members who volunteered in the school in 2016!

Once again we would like to thank our wonderful parents and community members who have volunteered to help make our community great. The staff and families at Littlehampton are very grateful for your support, and we know that we are the envy of other schools who would give anything to have the level of community support for their schools that we receive from you.

Thank you to Parents and Friends

During 2016 the Parents & Friends Group have been very busy providing community events and fundraising for the school. Events run included: Hot Food Days, Casual Days, Sausage Sizzles at Sports Day, School Disco, as well as running the Second Hand Uniform Sales and providing a 'Tea & Tissues" morning tea to all of our new and existing parents of the school and providing sandwiches to students without lunches. I think you will agree our Parents and Friends group plays a very important role in building our community. We encourage parents to consider joining.

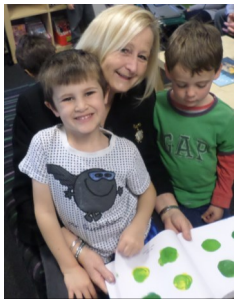
With funds raised the Parents & Friends Group have been able to benefit our students by making a contribution to the new play equipment recently installed and paying for our school 'fun days' for next week. We would like to thank the Parents & Friends for all their hard work.

Governing Council

We would like to thank the members who have been on our Governing Council for 2016. This year, Jason Warhurst will be retiring after 4 years on Governing Council. We would like to thank him and all members for their hard work. In 2017 there will possibly be some vacant positions . If you are interested in being part of the Governing Council in 2017 please contact Jenny Lewis at the school. This applies to new Preschool families for 2017 too.

Thankyou Morning Tea

The staff of Littlehampton Primary School appreciates the many ways in which parents/caregivers of our school provide assistance to us and the children. As a way to say thankyou we would like to invite you to a Morning Tea on ***WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER*** commencing at 10.45 in our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen.



New Look for our Term 4 Report Formats

Today students will take home their End of Year Report. You will notice that our format has changed, and that it is presented as an A4 booklet in colour. The content has not changed. As always we ask families to carefully read through the report with their child, helping them to make the most of the valuable feedback from their teachers.

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Preschool Graduation and Concert

On Tuesday and Thursday of this week the Preschool held their end of year Concerts and Graduation Ceremony.

Congratulations to our 2016 Preschool children and we look forward to seeing you at school in 2017 as you start your Reception year.

Farewells to Staff

We would like to give a big thank you to **Deborah Hagger**, who has been our teacher librarian for the year. It is truly a farewell for Deborah who has won a position at Glossop Area School, and will supplement her teacher librarian position by teaching high school to Year 12! We would like to wish Deborah all the best for her new position. Note that Barbara O'Connor has been the appointed librarian to take her place.

We would also like to thank **Lisa Weidenbach,** who will be taking leave for all of 2017. Lisa has taught in the preschool since 2011. We would like to wish her all the best for her leave. **Judy Tremaine** who has been a Year 5/6 teacher this year with Nathan Sanders, is also missing from our staff list at this stage. Judy has taught at our school in a number of short and long term positions over the years, and is a greatly valued for her ability to make our school run smoothly, no matter what the year level or class. We thank her for this, and for her flexibility. We are hoping it will not be a long term goodbye, and that we will see Judy back teaching at our school soon.

Free furniture!

We are doing our annual clean up of the furniture shed, and we have a number of student desks and chairs to give away. They will be outside the music room Thurs and Friday this week. We welcome families to help themselves to any items in this area.

Littlehampton Primary School Carols Evening

Friday December 9th

BYO picnic and Drinks

No glass containers please.

5pm on the oval

Carols 6pm

led by the 'Singing into the Community' student forum group

Stay after to socialise -
we'll have music until 7.30pm

Free of charge! Just come and have fun. Join in some Christmas Karaoke. Feel free to bring your favourite Christmas song on iPod or CD for us to play for all. Wear Christmas colours and throw on a bit of tinsel. Families of LPS students all welcome. There may even be a special visitor.

Please note that parents will need to attend with their children, as this event is not supervised by teachers.

Thank you to Nicole Roberts

The Governing Council and staff of the school would like to make a special Thank You to Nicole Roberts for her many years of service to the school as Chairperson of the Parents and Friends. Nicole has spent countless hours of her own time for the benefit of our students, and we would like to extend our most heartfelt thanks and appreciation. We will miss you Nicole!

Class Structure 2017

We are pleased to announce the class structure for 2017. Parents will notice some key changes in Year level and classroom for 2017. **On Thursday 15th parents will be notified of who their children's teachers are for 2017.** Teachers marked with * have not yet been appointed for 2017. We are crossing our fingers. ***Note too that Margie Sarre has accepted a short term appointment as Principal of Uraidla Primary School for Term 1 next year, so there will be an acting Assistant Principal for Term 1.***

	Year	Teachers	Room
Class 1	Year 7	Debbie Taylor	10
Class 2	Year 6	Gillian Bevan*	6
Class 3	Yr 5/6	Julie Claridge	8
Class 4	Year 5	Alister Davies (3 days) Narelle Thomas (2 days)*	12
Class 5	Year 4/5	Alison Bishop	11
Class 6	Year 4	Lynne Asquith*	7
Class 7	Year 3/4	Helen Kupczynski	5
Class 8	Year 3	Danielle Stone 4 days Jodie Ellery* 1 day, Fri	15
Class 9	Year 3	Sara Weston	16
Class 10	Year 2	Sue Close (4 days) Kelly Shute (1 day, Thurs)	14
Class 11	Year 2	James Murray	13
Class 12	Year 2	Brigitte French 4 days Suyin McDonald* 1 day	4
Class 13	Year 1	Leonie Chatfield	3
Class 14	Year 1	Tara Herewene	PACA
Class 15	R	Deb Tarca Wed - Fri Kelly Shute 2 Mon Tue	2
Class 16	R	Lorna McLean	1
Preschool		Evelyn Lam Jason Fishers*	
Specialists	PE PE French Music Art Library ESL	Liz Murphy 0.7 Suyin McDonald* 0.1 Sarah Slee 0.8 Sue Lohmeyer 0.8 Alison Saunders 0.4 Barb O'Connor 0.8 Suyin McDonald* 1+days	

School Charges 2017

2017 School charges $295.00 - No increase for 2017, Poll still needed. The Material and Services Poll closes Monday 12th December 2016 and families will be notified of the result. You can still return your slip up until Monday 12th.

Materials and Services Charges (School Fees 2017) Governing Council has set the 2017 Materials and Services charges at $295.00, which is the same as the 2016 M&S charge. Our preschool charge remains at $400.

Voluntary Gym Levy – Not too late to make your donation. $100 (or $70, for approved school card families), is requested, and while this is voluntary, we rely on each family's contribution in order to meet our annual repayment of $26731.68. Your contribution is tax deductible.

Additional Fees: Students in Years 3-7 will be charged $36 for the year to help fund the SAKG program.

Payment by Direct Debit over 10 monthly instalments available for 2017. For the above charges we will be offering families the opportunity to set up payments over 10 months starting in February via Pay Wave. Enquiries can be made at the school office at the start of Term 1 2017. This payment plan must commence in February, and will replace the instalment plan which will no longer be available.

Payments in full can be made via cash, cheque or direct deposit into our Bank SA account number 115 050 840, BSB 105-025, quoting your family code and what you are paying, eg DANI00 - M&S.

School Card 2017 School Card application forms will be available from the school office from Monday 30th January 2017. If you believe you meet the requirements you will need to complete a new application form even if you have been approved in previous years. It is important that this is done in the first week of Term 1 2017.

Reception – Year 5 Woodside swimming will be held early in Term 1 2017 and families will be invoiced when accurate costs are known. In 2016 our charges were Rec-Year 3 $32.00 and Year 3-5 $37.00.

Year 6/7 students will be involved in Aquatic activities on March 16 and 17, and charges will be similar to 2016 of $85.00 but you will be invoiced with the exact amount in the weeks prior.

Principal's Awards

In Week 6's Assembly the following people received a Principal's Award for following our Super Seven values:

A Positive Attitude: Stephanie Herbert, Brodie Pool, Levi Sappenberghs, Lincoln Hutchinson, Nik Sander, Ashton Davis, James Myatt-Green, Harrison Burt, Malakai Maple, Kaci Tarca, Tyler Martin, Cameron Fuss, Tiahna Rice, Hanna Hampton, Harry Eads, Priya Samwell, Jess De Fazio-Jaensch

Valuing Others: Marlia Reynolds, Ash White, Imogen Metcalf, Archer McKellar

Kindness: Maya Bowden

Being Trustworthy: Katie Thompson, Jye Kelly, Elsie Stewart, Remmy Salter, Charles Pallant

Respect: Lucas Bell, Annika Hall, Alex Lynch, Oliver Kain, Joshua Dickenson

Achievement: Darcy Pallant

Well Done everyone.

Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations

to the 345 students who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge this year.

This was an absolutely amazing effort which needs a big

Thank You

to the staff, parents and caregivers who assisted students in achieving this goal. Well Done!!

A special Congratulations must go to the following students who achieved

Reader For Life Awards

having completed the Premier's Reading Challenge for 8 years.

Anders Hall, Annie Krop, Bailey Camp, Caitlin Gore, Emily Thompson, Emma McLean, Hannah Squillace, Isaac Warhurst, Jordan Hunter, Kayla Riddle, Natalia Prokopowicz, Patrick Littlewood, Zach Bell.

What a fantastic example these Reader For Life students are to the whole school community.

SAPSASA Report

Congratulations to Kai Banks and Anders Hall for being selected in the Barker District cricket team (Kai) and Barker District Tennis Team (Anders) who competed at the State Championships in Week 6.

Kai had a very successful week with his team taking out the championship by winning the Grand Final. Well done Kai.

Anders also performed well winning the majority of his tennis matches.

Liz Murphy
PE Teacher

Gratitude Letter

Positive Education and PERMA

After the recent Year 6/7 Canberra Trip one of our Year 7 students Natalia Prokopowicz gave the school a letter of gratitude.

Thank you to the staff at Littlehampton Primary School for letting me go on my trip to Canberra. Because of you I got to experience the beauty of a place I've never seen before. Canberra was amazing, beautiful and so interesting, I never got bored.

I really appreciate the time and effort you put in for us to go on this trip. I had a really fun time and I enjoyed it very much. I loved every little bit of Canberra, the surroundings are so pretty. There's something special about Canberra, everything's spread out and not crushed in. There's lakes, big huge ones everywhere. There's mountains and trees everywhere you look. The sunlight hits the lake and shows the reflection of the beautiful city in the background of the distance.

Instead of us just learning about things in Canberra in class, you let us experience in real life. I am forever grateful you let us go on this wonderful trip, so thank you to everyone who organised this trip for all of us.