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Colonel Light Gardens Primary School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

December
Mon 3rd – Fri 7th
Friday 7th
Tuesday 11th

Wednesday 12th
Thursday 13th
Friday 14th

Reception – Year 5 Swimming lessons at Marion Pool
Reports sent home
Rooms 11, 12, 13, 14 excursion
Room 25 graduation 2:45pm
Year 7 Graduation
Yr 6/7 excursion to North Adelaide Aquatic Centre
Whole school assembly 11:35am – 12:00pm
Last day of the school term - DISMISSAL 2:20pm

Next Newsletter:

Thursday 13th December. Article cut off time is Tuesday 11th December, 12 noon.

Dear parents, carers, students and community friends,

School Concert

It was beautiful under the trees and the concert programme was as spectacular as ever. I congratulate teachers and children on a very entertaining performance. I would like to thank staff for their flexibility in changing the concert at short notice and parents for their support of the decision. Thanks also to the Fundraising Committee for revamping their plans. I know the change of arrangements was disappointing for parents, but it was pleasing that so many people managed to change commitments so they could attend. For those who couldn't be there, we have made a video and DVDs are available from each class for families to borrow. Send a note to the class teacher to book your turn to view the DVD at home.

Volunteer Thanks

On Tuesday we held a morning tea to thank the many volunteers who assist in our school by driving students to events, joining excursions, working in the canteen, being a mentor on a weekly basis, listening to reading, leading craft activities, being guest speakers, committee members and coaches and the list goes on. Contributing to the community is a strong tradition in our school and it is strongly modelled by our parents and helpers. Sincere thanks to you all!

Student Reports and Class Placements

Because many classes would be unable to participate in transition activities next Friday due to swimming, it has been decided to send home class placement information on **Monday, December 10th**. Students coming from other schools have been invited to join transition activities on this day.

End of year summative reports will be sent home with class placement information and we remind parents that we use the Australian Curriculum marking system, where a 'C' achievement level means that the student has achieved year level expectations. Please read the reports carefully, including the key that explains the levels of achievement and effort. When read carefully, using both the ratings and the teacher comments, the reports provide a high level of detail about your child's progress and achievement. If you have questions about the report or require clarification, please feel free to make an appointment to speak to the class teacher.

Important school dates 2013

Once again the government has allocated extra training days for teachers to implement the new Australian Curriculum. Last year our focus was on the areas of Science and Mathematics. In 2013 we will be focusing on English and History. We have tied many of the staff training pupil free days to long weekends, allowing families who wish to take holidays to minimise student absence from school. Student attendance rates at our school are generally very good, but absences are often of an extended nature and often due to family holidays. Please consider the following dates when booking your holidays next year.

Term 1: January 29 – April 12th

Staff training Pupil Free Day: Tuesday, March 12th (after Adelaide Cup Day, a 4 day break)

Topic: English Australian Curriculum overview

Easter: March 29th to April 1st



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Term 2: April 29th to July 5th

Staff training Pupil Free Day: Thursday 6th & Friday 7th June (before Queens Birthday holiday, a 5 day break)

Topic: Australian Curriculum, English: developing R-7 agreements and program outlines, with a focus on spelling, grammar and reading.

NAPLAN Test days: Tuesday May 14th to Thursday May 16th

Term 3: July 22nd to September 27th

SHOW DAY School Closure: Monday, September 14th

Term 4: October 14th to December 13th

Staff training Pupil Free Day: November 4th. Topic: 'Play is the Way' social skills program.

Sue Woollard, Principal

Marion Swim Centre Program Rec – Year 5

Our Swimming Program commences on Monday 3rd December for students in Years R-5. Please ensure you have returned the two required consent forms to your child's classroom teacher. These are essential for students to be able to participate.

While the school pays for all swimming lessons, parents are asked to cover the cost of transport. Please pay the \$10 per student for the bus transport at the Front Office, or give the money to your child's class teacher.

Buses will arrive at the front of the school (on West Parkway) from approx 8:30am Monday morning and shuttle throughout the day and throughout the week. To assist the drivers we ask that you do not park in this area.

A reminder about Sun Safety – hats, sunscreen etc are vital. Please ensure that your child has sunscreen with them so that it can be applied at least 20 minutes prior to the lesson. Sun damage can occur even on overcast days!

Anthony Fischer, Assistant Principal

Reports of Illness

Gastro – We have recently had a number of children away with Gastro. The incubation period (time between becoming infected and developing symptoms) for gastro is 24-72 hours. The infectious period (time during which an infected person can infect others) is during the illness and for at least 24 hours after symptoms have disappeared.

Children should be excluded from child care, preschool, school and work until there has been no diarrhoea or vomiting for 24 hours.

Canteen

With only 2 ½ weeks of school left stocks are starting to run low, therefore please select a second choice for all lunch orders. All outstanding monies owed to the canteen need to be paid now please. If you receive a green elephant note please repay the money immediately.

With the start of the New Year I will need extra help from parents please. The Year 7 helpers do not start until well into the school term and I desperately need counter help over the lunch time period from 1:00pm to 2:00pm.

Please come and see me so that I can roster all helpers and spread the work load. Any other times you are able to help with the children, lunch order, counter service is very much appreciated.

Thank you,

Helen Parsons, Canteen Manager

Vacation Care

There are limited spaces left for Dec – Jan vacation care program, most days have already filled up quickly. For those who have already booked your children in, confirmation of your bookings has been sent out. If you are unsure, please contact Tammy during OSHC hours on 8276 9065

After Hours Sport

Basketball

Week 6

Yr 6/7 Boys: CLG 68 def Marion 18

Yr 6/7 Girls: BYE

Yr 5 Boys: CLG 20 def Edwardstown 4

Yr 4/5 Girls: CLG 42 def Glenelg 2

Yr 4 Boys: CLG 16 def by Christ The King 22

Yr 3 Boys: BYE

Yr 2/3 Mixed: CLG 7 def by Christ The King 8

Reminder to all school basketball players that the end of year breakup will be on Tuesday 4th December from 5:15pm at the school.

Cricket Presentations

Cricket trophy presentations for all grades will on Thursday 6th of December between 5-6pm at school in the Langley Hall. Also there will be a sausage sizzle and a can of coke for each player. If you have any questions please ring Barry Earl cricket coordinator on 0423 027 354.

Week 7

Yr 6/7 Boys: CLG 58 def Paringa Park 10

Yr 6/7 Girls: CLG 12 def Ascot Park 7

Yr 3 Boys: CLG def Edwardstown

Yr 2/3 Mixed: BYE

Uniform Shop

The uniform shop will be open on THURSDAY 24TH JANUARY from 8:30am – 10:00am and 4:00pm – 5:30pm for all your purchasing needs for the new school year.

The uniform shop is temporarily out for stock of size 6 and size 10 dresses. Hopefully the new stock arrives soon ☺

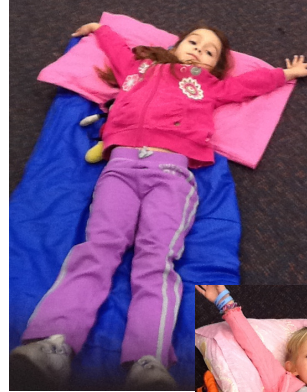
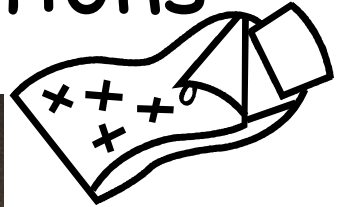
Christmas Giving Tree

We thank you for your generous donations of non-perishable items and groceries to support of this activity. We hope the Salvation Army are able to make up lots of food baskets to support those in need of help to have a nice Christmas dinner. The Salvation Army will be collecting the food THIS FRIDAY 30th November.

School Concert 2012



Ms Scicchitano's Receptions



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