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Colonel Light Gardens Primary School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

November
Thursday 15th
Friday 16th

Room 13 Puppet Show 6pm in Langley Hall
Term 1, 2013 Reception transition visit #1
Yr 6/7 Footsteps dance program
Whole school assembly 11:35am – 12:00pm

Monday 19th
Friday 23rd

Governing Council Meeting - 7pm
Term 1, 2013 Reception transition visit #2
Yr 6/7 Footsteps dance program

Tuesday 27th
Thursday 29th
Friday 30th

Parent / Volunteer morning tea
SCHOOL CONCERT
Casual Day
Term 1, 2013 Reception transition visit #3
Yr 6/7 Footsteps dance program
Reception – Year 2 assembly 11:35am – 12:00pm
Year 3 – Year 7 assembly 12:10pm – 12:50pm

December
Mon 3rd – Fri 7th
Next Newsletter:

Reception – Year 5 Swimming lessons at Marion Pool
Thursday 20th November. Article cut off time is Tuesday 27th November, 12 noon.

Dear parents, carers, students and community friends, **Classes for 2013**

Placing children in class groups is a complex process which takes many weeks. The process takes account of information provided by parents, teachers and the students themselves. We aim to create class groups of students who can learn effectively together. Usually this means creating a group of students which has a gender balance, a range of learning abilities and a range of behaviour and social needs. Factors such as academic abilities, friendship groups, social and emotional maturity and even physical size are all considered when making up class groups.

As a principal new to the school I have been impressed by the effort of teachers to place every student in their class with care and consideration. They come to placement meetings highly prepared, with a clear understanding of the needs of their students. The focus is on placing current students and not on what class they will be teaching. They speak of student needs with understanding and respect, yet collaborate with their colleagues to try and accommodate the needs of all students and not just their own.

Not again! We began the class placement exercise two weeks ago, but have found that we need to change class structures and start all over again! This is due to late enrolments and late notification of students who are leaving the school. It surprises many parents to know that even 2 or 3 students above or below predictions at any one year level can cause major changes in a school's class structures overall. In order to form classes it is essential that we estimate our 2013 student numbers as exactly as possible. If your child will not be attending our school next year, please let us know ASAP. Alternatively, if you know of a child due to start school next year, please advise their parent to enroll them now!

When will we know? We are still working towards notifying students and parents of 2013 class placement information on Friday, December 7th.

A Better Environment

Thank you to the 15 -20 families who attended the Working Bee last Sunday. The weather was hot and windy, (not ideal for gardening) but that didn't stop them from achieving the tasks. Some families even came early and completed a task because they couldn't be there during the Working Bee times! People who attended managed to weed around the Reade and Doolette buildings, re-plant and mulch several garden beds, organise the worm farm and compost heap, clear drains, clear known debris traps and assemble some junior primary play equipment.

The Working Bee also provided a chance to have a chat about future ideas for maintenance and improvement of the school facilities and environment. The Working Bee was led by Anna Smith and the members of the Grounds and Environment Committee. Our school looks so much better for your care. Thank you all!

Sue Woollard, Principal



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Apps, apps and more apps

Egg Carton Maths (ages 3-7):

Here's a great idea for pre-school and Junior Primary children - practising number recognition and exploring what numbers actually mean with a fun game

<http://www.learnwithplayathome.com/2012/10/egg-carton-maths-toddlers-to-school-age.html>

Storychimes books for tablets, ipods and smartphones (suit ages 2-8)

These books are mostly free. Children can choose to read along or read by themselves. Only downside is the American accent (not if you are American though!) There are loads of titles to choose from, including some match up games. There are also titles to purchase.

Here's an example: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/little-red-riding-hood-storychimes/id330698182?mt=8>

Just search for storychimes in your itunes store and click see all to access the whole range of stories. The range is also available for android devices at google play: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.storychimes.cinderella>

Louisa Guest, Assistant Principal

(new email address - Louisa.Guest741@schools.sa.edu.au)

SRC

The SRC will hold the final casual day for 2012 on Friday 30th November. We will be raising money for the Guide Dogs Charity. Please bring a gold coin donation for this worthy cause. There is no particular colour or theme to this last casual day, just casual clothes.

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) at approx 8:30am Monday morning and each morning throughout the week. To assist the drivers we ask that you do not park in this area at that time.

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

There have been two reports of contagious illnesses of late, one requiring restriction from school attendance and both a level of community awareness.

'Conjunctivitis' - An inflammation of the lining of the eye and eyelid caused by bacteria, viruses, chemicals or allergies.

Symptoms may include: redness in the whites of the eyes, irritation in one or both eyes, discharge, causing the eyelids to stick together in the morning, swelling of the eyelids or sensitivity to light.

Children should be excluded from child care, preschool, or school until discharge from the eyes has ceased.

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.

SAPSASA Tennis



At the beginning of November 3 CLG students were selected to represent City South and competed in Division 1 Tennis competition. They also won the competition which was a fantastic achievement which City South have never done before. It was a great week of new friendships and experience thoroughly enjoyed by all. Congratulations to Chloe, Georgina & Sam at SAPSASA Tennis.

2013 Term dates

The term dates for 2013 are:

Term 1: 29/01/2013 – 12/4/2013 (11 weeks)

Term 2: 29/4/2013 – 05/7/2013 (10 weeks)

Term 3: 22/07/2013 – 27/9/2013 (10 weeks)

Term 4: 14/10/2013 – 13/12/2013 (9 weeks)

Christmas Giving Tree

We are again collecting non-perishable food items and groceries for a food drive for the Salvation Army. Each student is coming home with a gift tag as an example of what types of donations we are looking for, but any donation is greatly appreciated. Each class also has a flyer of suggested items that the Salvation Army urgently require.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY PRODUCTS WITH EXPIRED USE-BY DATES.

We thank you and look forward to your support of this activity. Let's make this a wonderful Christmas for the under privileged families of our community. We hope to have lots of food parcels to hand on to the Salvation Army to support those in need of help to have a nice Christmas dinner. The Salvation Army will be collecting the food at the end of November.

Interschool Readers Cup

On Thursday November 1, a group of 5 upper primary students participated in the Interschool Readers Cup at Mitcham Schools.

Alana, Jakeya, Jessica, Josie and Zoe from Mrs Frances' Year 6/7 class competed against seven other schools in their bid to win the shield. The schools involved were Belair, Blackwood, Colonel Light Gardens, Coromandel Valley, Eden Hills, Loreto, Mitcham and St John's Grammar. The CLG team won the intraschool competition in August.

It was a closely fought competition with Blackwood coming third, equal second was Mitcham and Coromandel Valley and the winners were Colonel Light Gardens – This is the first time CLG have won the shield. Yay!! Well done girls!

It was a great morning. Fierce competition, mixing with students and teachers from other schools and a sumptuous morning tea made it enjoyable for all.

Another great way to promote reading in student's lives!

Jan Hakkaart, Teacher Librarian

Valanga Khoza

What a wonderful performer!

All students were 'besotted' with this musician, his amazing and interesting traditional instruments, his clever improvisations when singing songs and instructions to the students and his stories, some from African legend and others from his life as a child in South Africa.

He was engaging and captured the imaginations, the humour and empathy of his audience.

He involved the students in singing, playing instruments and his story telling.

"You don't realise how lucky you are", Year 7 student.

"What an amazing life! He opened our eyes as to how other people live." Year 7 student.

"He was really funny and I enjoyed his stories." Year 2 student.



Jan Hakkaart, Teacher Librarian

After Hours Sport

Basketball

Week 4

Yr 6/7 Boys: CLG 32 def Emmaus 13

Yr 6/7 Girls: CLG 9 def by Westminster 29

Yr 5 Boys: CLG 16 def Immanuel Red 10

Yr 4/5 Girls: CLG 42 def Glenelg 2

Yr 4 Boys: CLG 6 def by St Peters Woodlands 25

Yr 3 Boys: CLG 17 def Edwardstown 9

Yr 2/3 Mixed: CLG 4 def by St Teresa's 8

Week 5

Yr 6/7 Boys: CLG 46 def Edwardstown 10

Yr 6/7 Girls: CLG 6 def by Marymount 26

Yr 5 Boys: CLG 20 def Christ The King 0

Yr 4/5 Girls: CLG 15 def by St Peters Woodlands 24

Yr 4 Boys: CLG 5 def by Immanuel 26

Yr 3 Boys: CLG 23 def by Flagstaff Hill Yellow 24

Yr 2/3 Mixed: CLG 0 def by Stella Maris 20

Rollerball

Starts this Friday (16th November) Free Rollerball (Inline Hockey) sessions will be held in the last 5 weeks of Term 4 for students who are in Years 3-7. The program will be on Fridays from 3:45-4:45pm in Langley Hall. If any students are interested, please contact the Front Office & they will pass on your details to the organisers. Students will need to bring a bike helmet and skates if they have them.

Paddy Field – 2012 Sasfa Primary School Coach Of The Year

Congratulations to Paddy Field who was awarded the 2012 SASFA Primary School Coach of the Year Award at the SANFL Coaches Dinner held at AAMI Stadium on Friday 9th November 2012.

Paddy Coached the Year 6/7 Colonel Light Gardens/Clapham football team and the Year 6/7 West Adelaide Interzone team in 2012. Not only did these teams achieve some great success during the season, Paddy's coaching style provided a professional football environment that enabled all players to develop their skills throughout the season.

On behalf of the West Adelaide Football Club SAFSA Executive, we wish Paddy future continued success with his football coaching.

Grant Lovelock, West Adelaide SASFA zone manager

Premier's Reading Challenge 2012

Congratulations to the CLG community for your participation in the 2012 Premier's Reading Challenge. The Challenge has been highly successful this year, with more than 123,000 students completing the Challenge. The Challenge is a positive way of encouraging students to discover all the great things about reading. As students read more, they also improve their literacy skills.

I commend everyone in your school community on their fantastic achievement as the certificates and medals are awarded.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is now in its ninth year and more than 3,200 students are eligible for their very first "Reader for Life" Bronze award. These students started the Challenge when it began nine years ago and have completed the Challenge every year since.

I thank the students, staff and parents who have made the Challenge such a success and look forward to CLG's participation in the 2013 Premier's Reading Challenge.

Jay Weatherill, Premier

Fundraising Committee

We will be selling Seed Embedded Christmas cards (from stalls outside the Doolette building and outside Langley Hall) before and after school next week, Monday 18th to Thursday 22nd November. Each pack of cards is only \$6 and contains 4 Christmas cards. Each card includes special seed-embedded Christmas tree paper and the paper can be planted to grow native Australian swan river daisies. What a fabulous idea! The Christmas Cards will also be sold on concert night, 29th November.

2012 Year Book

EVERY CHILD IN THE SCHOOL is featured in this book several times in some form or another. There are many highlights of events throughout the year and a great keepsake of Colonel Light Gardens Primary School. It is again being professionally printed and is looking really great.

If you would like to order a book, please complete the tear off slip and return it to the office with your **\$16.00**. Orders due by the **16th NOVEMBER**, so get your order in NOW!!

Because they are being professionally printed, **NO SPARE COPIES WILL BE AVAILABLE**. Your copy will be distributed to your child at the end of the week, of the last week of term. **Get your order in now and don't miss out!**

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YEAR BOOK ORDER FORM (\$16 each)

Please order..... copy(ies) of the CLGPS 2012 Year Book.

I have enclosed \$. Signed:.....

Child's Name:.....Teacher:.....Room:.....

Lions Christmas Cakes

The Colonel Light Gardens & District Inter Church Council are raising money to support their funding of the school Christian Pastoral Social Worker positions in the area. The Council support Jessica's position as CPSW in this school and the selling of Christmas Cakes is a major fundraiser for them. Cost of the cakes is:

Large – 1.5kg - \$15

Small – 1.0kg - \$11

Please fill in the form below and return it with the correct money (in an envelope) to the office. Cheques to be made payable to Mitcham Lions Club. Cakes will be delivered to your child's classroom during last week of term. **NO RETURN OF CAKES.**

All orders must be received by **Friday 7th December**, no late orders can be taken.

No change can be given

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LIONS CHRISTMAS CAKES

Name:.....

Child's Name:.....Teacher:.....Room:.....

I have enclosed \$. Signed:.....

(please circle)

Large 1.5kg (\$15)

or

Small 1.0kg (\$10)

Proposed Materials & Services charge for 2013

An Invitation is extended to the school community to attend the next Governing Council Meeting where the proposed 2013 Materials & Services Charge of \$350.00 will be tabled for approval. The composition of the charge is as below. At this meeting opportunity will be given to anyone wishing to make enquiries about this charge, however they must be in writing, signed, addressed to the Principal and returned to the front office the day prior to the meeting. The next meeting of Governing Council will be on Monday 19th November at 7:00pm in the school staffroom.

In lieu of attendance at the Council meeting, parents can express their views in writing to the Chairperson.



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Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2013		
Notice of Charges for Reception - Year 7		
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
Printed and electronic materials related to the educational program and which are provided for the student	Workbooks	\$25.00
	Text Book Hire	\$0.00
	Photocopied Material	\$25.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$50.00
Stationery items that are provided for the student	Stationery Items	\$60.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$60.00
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the student to consume or use the materials or take ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Student Information Technology	\$80.00
	Access to Machinery	\$0.00
	Access to Equipment	\$30.00
	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$85.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$195.00
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the student	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$45.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)	\$45.00
Total Materials and Services Charge (excluding Subject Charges)		\$350.00

These subject charges are in addition to the Materials and Services Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

Subject Description	Cost (\$)
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00