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Colonel Light Gardens Primary School Newsletter

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Diary Dates

MAY

Thursday 9th

Friday 10th

Monday 13th

Tues 14th – Thurs 16th

Mon 20th & Tues 21st

Wed 22nd – Wed 29th

Wednesday 22nd

Thursday 23rd

Friday 24th

JUNE

Thurs 6th & Fri 7th

Monday 10th

Mother's Day stall

Mother's Day stall; History excursion – Rooms 22, 23, 24, 16

Governing Council Meeting - 7pm

NAPLAN - Years 3, 5, 7

Lab on Legs: Years 4/5

Scholastic Book fair

National Simultaneous Storytime "The Wrong Book"; Festival choir assessment 11:30-12:30

Room 12 & 14 Excursion – Road safety school

Lab on Legs: Rec – Year 3 & Years 6/7

Pupil Free Days: Staff T & D – Australian Curriculum - English

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Dear parents, carers, students and community friends,

On any day you look around our school you will see many examples of the important part parents play in contributing to the learning program we offer the students.

We see parents helping in classrooms, on excursions or with SAPSASA sporting competitions, working with individual students and attending workshops to help their child's learning. At this time of year we see many parents taking on the role of sports coaches and team managers. Indeed, our courts and Mortlock Park are crammed with parents and students at after school practices! Fundraising begins to step up a gear, with the Mother's Day stall and plans for Quiz Night. The various committees of Governing Council continue to meet to plan and monitor all the programs associated with our school.

We often say to parents 'we couldn't do it without you' but that is obviously an understatement!

Have you thought about *your* involvement with the school? It sends such an important message to your child that you think school, learning and contributing to the community are important. If you haven't had the opportunity to be involved in school community activities, now might be the time to 'put your toe in the water' and help out. If you don't want to join a committee, you may wish to volunteer to help out for a one off event only, such as the Quiz Night or help out for a morning in the canteen. Just express an area of interest and you will be snapped up!

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008.

On Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 May, students will take the 2013 NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type of test, but rather shows how students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children. It also provides valuable information that allows schools and governments to better target support to help all students achieve their potential and acquire the basic skills to help them build successful and happy lives.

The NAPLAN 2013 Information for Parents brochure is now available from

http://www.nap.edu.au/verve/resources/NAPLAN_2013_Parents_Brochure.pdf

NAPLAN tests fundamental skills rather than specific content, and as such is not a test for which students can study or drill. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day, giving great effort.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year, usually in September. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child's results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.nap.edu.au



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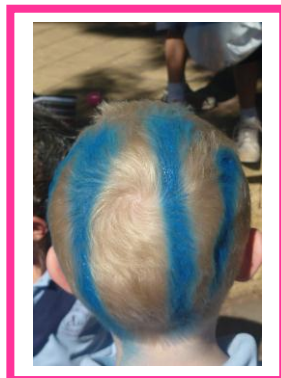
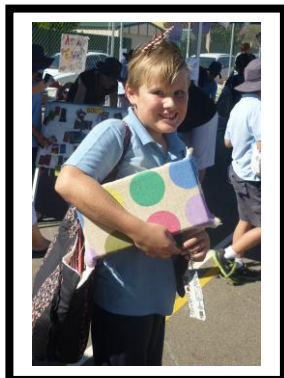
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Enterprise Day



Enterprise Day proved to be successful on many levels. Not only did the students raise **\$4,193** through their ventures but there was an enormous amount of authentic learning happening before, during and after the day. The various activities and stalls were well planned, established and marketed. The students considered levels of risk with the activities and made accommodations in their planning. The reflections made by students after the event were true justifications of what worked well and what improvements could be made. All in all, it was an effective learning process for the students with some real life connections to the world around them.



Year 8 enrolment forms

A reminder to all parents of current Year 7 students that all 'Enrolment Forms for Year 8' must be returned by Friday 17th May. Irrespective of whether your child is going to private schooling, interstate, overseas etc these forms need to be returned with this information. It is vitally important that we stick to this timeline. Thanks in anticipation of your attendance to this matter. If you are applying for enrolment into an 'out of school zone' public high school, you must write a supporting letter addressing the 4 criteria listed on the top of page 2 of ED 176. This must be attached to the application form. Also, if parents are seeking a sibling right enrolment to an 'out of school zone' application, you must attach a copy of the older siblings current Student Photo ID to the application.

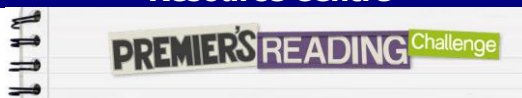
Material & Service Fees

Thank you to all families that have either paid their school fees, signed a pay-by-instalment plan or applied for school card. Unless you have signed a pay-by-instalment plan or are awaiting school card assessment, school fees were due the last day of term 1 – Friday 12th April 2013. As at 12.04.13 there were 128 invoices for 2013 Material & Services Fees that were unpaid, and not covered by an instalment plan. In line with Administrative Instructions and Guidelines, final statements were sent out 30.04.13 and a large number of families have contacted me since regarding their fees, BUT IT'S NOT TOO LATE! If you have unpaid School Fees, please contact Amanda Jackson by 31st May 2013 to discuss payment options.

CLG Facebook page

Do you use Facebook? CLG has its very own page at <https://www.facebook.com/ColonellLightGardensPrimarySchool> And a fundraising page at <https://www.facebook.com/ColonellLightGardensPrimaryFundraisingPage> Visit the pages and "like" us!

Resource Centre



What a blissful 2 weeks of reading! That break meant that several challenges were met by the students. Congratulations to the following people for meeting the Premier's challenge.

Rooms 1-9: Corey, Sophia, Jye, Lukman, Alex, Jorgia

Rooms 11-14: Ethan, Layla, Mabel, Tarique, Sam, Jessica, Lily, Luke, Harry, Abi-Rose, Petros

Rooms 16-21: Emily, Charley, Sophie, Christopher, Jed

Rooms 01-05: Chloe D, Maggie, Jacob, Chloe R, Thomas, Matthew

Well done everyone and keep on reading!

Jan Hakkaart, Teacher Librarian

Scholastic Book Fair

The annual Book Fair is just around the corner. What a great way to celebrate the National Family Reading Month in May. This year's fair will be bigger and really exciting. I just can't wait! Not only does the fair promote reading for information as well as for enjoyment, the fair also benefits the school. In the past we have been able to increase the reading stock in our library as well as afford items like sound systems, web cams and cameras. So please support our fair in 2013.

WHEN: Students will be able to view the fair on **Wednesday May 22 - Friday May 24.**
The Resource Centre will become a **bookshop for sales** on **Monday May 27 & Tuesday May 28.**

BOOKSHOP TIMES: Monday 8.00am - 6.00 pm
Tuesday 8.00am - 5.00pm

WHERE: RESOURCE CENTRE

Hope to see you all there!
Jan Hakkaart, Teacher Librarian

Fundraising Committee

We urgently need more members for the fundraising committee! At the moment we probably don't have enough members to organise and run our quiz night in term 3, so please consider joining. Meetings are usually short and approximately every fortnight, depending on what we are 'cooking up'.

SMS MESSAGING SYSTEM

The school recently purchased an SMS messaging system, using money raised last year by the fundraising committee. This will enable the school to contact all parents quickly in an emergency, without having to ring all families individually.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment Books are here!! You can order yours from the school office using the order form (spare forms available at the office) or online at <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/167k438>. A display copy is at the front office for your perusal. Don't forget to nominate your child's name and class. Which class will get the first iPad?!

5c TINS

We are placing tins for loose change in a number of local businesses. They are labelled with the school logo and come with an explanatory letter from Sue Woollard. If any parents would like to place one in their workplace or business, please come and see Adele in the front office to collect one. Every little bit counts!

Is it accurate?

We are in the process of setting up the SMS messaging system using parent mobile numbers. Is yours accurate? If you have changed (or added) a mobile number since the start of the year, please let us know now!

Oliphant Science Competition

CLG students have the opportunity to enter the Oliphant Science Competition in 2013 – the school will pay all entry fees. This is one of the ways that our school is encouraging increased engagement, attitudes and aspirations with regards to Science.

Interested students will be asked to come to a meeting on Tuesday, 14th May at 1:10pm (the start of lunchtime) in the Japanese room. At that time Mr Fischer will talk about the competition, answer any questions and students at the meeting will also receive details to pass on to families. The actual work to design and create the entry is the responsibility of students. More information from the competition organisers can be found at http://www.sasta.asn.au/index.php/page/view_by_id/46

Canteen

Order forms have been sent home today for our next special meal deal that is happening in Week 4. **Year 3-7's** meal deal day is **Tuesday 21st May** and the **Rec-Year 2's** meal deal day on **Wednesday 22nd May**. The meal deal is: 3 Fish fingers, 2 hash brown triangles, a small bread roll, mayonnaise and a chocolate mousse for only \$5.00) Order forms along with the correct money are due back by 12 noon on Tuesday 14th May.

Please check your diaries and see if you can help in the Canteen in preparation for this term's special meal deal. We need help on the following days:

Monday 20th 9:00am – 1:00pm **Tuesday 21st 9:00am – 1:00pm** **Wednesday 22nd 9:00am – 1:00pm**

I need at least 2 helpers during these times, if you can't come for the whole time, an hour or so with a friend would be greatly appreciated.

Hot Chocolates are now available for terms 2 & 3. They are \$1.20 each and if you are free during recess or lunch, please think about coming in and helping making them, as I can't make them and serve at the same time.

Helen Parsons, Canteen Manager

SRC

The SRC will hold a Casual Day in term 2 on Friday 31st May. Casual Day will be a little different this term. It is a casual HAT or HEADWEAR day instead of a casual clothes day. Students must still wear school uniform, but we can also wear any kind of crazy or sensible hat/headwear, even hats that are not sun safe, because we don't need to worry about sunburn in May. The hat/headwear has to be something that students can easily take off, in case a teacher asks some children to take it off during lesson times. The day is not anything to do with hair, so for example we can't put coloured hair spray on our hair. The gold coin donations will go towards cancer research and helping people who have cancer. Special guests from "Tour de Cure" will talk to some classes on 31st May about how they assist people with cancer. We will also have a disco in term 2. We decided that we would have a disco on Thursday of week 9, which is 27th June. The theme will be sports players/sports fans which was one of the suggestions at the last SRC meeting. There will be more information about the disco closer to the time.

Matt R, SRC executive

SA Public Teaching Awards

Nominations are now open for the SA Public Teaching Awards. Don't miss your chance to nominate an outstanding education professional of the South Australian public education system. The SA Public Teaching Awards aim to recognise and reward dedicated teachers, education leaders and support staff who have made an inspirational contribution to young South Australians.

To nominate a member of your school go to: www.decd.sa.gov.au/teacherawards Nominations close Monday 13th May.

For further information contact Virginia Barter on 08 8226 3079 or email virginia.barter@sa.gov.au

Woolworths Earn and Learn

It's on again for 2013 and it's simple to participate: from Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June, when staff and parents shop at Woolworths they can collect stickers from the checkout operator and place them on sticker cards. There'll be one sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, place the sticker cards in the collection box, either in the Front Office or at your local Woolworths.

Money Tree Bins

Unfortunately this scheme has been discontinued by the company that collected the newspaper. We have retained the bins and are now looking for suggestions of other uses for them. If anyone has any ideas, please drop them in to the Front Office.

OSHC – Pupil Free Days

This term we have 2 consecutive pupil free days. On Thursday the 6th of June we shall be entertained by the Mobile Science Lab who will present an 'Icky Sticky' session with the children. On Friday the 7th we are going to see the movie 'Adventures in Zambesia'. Children must be at OSHC no later than 8.45 am so that we have sufficient time to catch public transport. There are no half-day bookings and all children must bring their own recess and lunch (no spending money). Parents please make sure that appropriate clothing is worn including wet weather gear raincoats/umbrellas and sensible shoes as we are walking to and from the bus stop.

The 2nd half of the day will be spent back at OSHC 'Headquarters' participating in craft activities and indoor/outdoor games. Cost of the day is \$49.00 per child (normal CCB applies.) Cancellations on the day will incur the full fee. Staff must be given any medication and measuring container that a particular child might require during the day (clear instructions for dosage, time etc.)

Please return booking form to the office or to Inta at OSHC, **WITHOUT FEES** no later than 12 noon Friday 24th May.

NO BOOKINGS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE. Forms must be returned ASAP because places are limited due to shortage of student staff in 1st half of day.

For further enquiries please ring Inta on 82769865 between 11:00am-6:00pm

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OSHC PUPIL FREE DAY: 'ICKY STICKY' Science Day 6th June

Child/ren name/s and class:.....

Emergency contact details:.....

Relevant medical information:.....

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OSHC PUPIL FREE DAY: Mitcham Cinemas 'ZAMBEZIA' Friday 7th June

Child/ren name/s and class:.....

Emergency contact details:.....

Relevant medical information:.....

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Year 3/4 Aboriginal & Australian History Excursion



Ms Cunningham's and Mrs Butler's classes started at the Botanic Gardens and looked at some of the different ways that Aboriginal people have used plants and trees to give them food, shelter and medicines.

We walked up North Terrace and then visited the Museum and the Art Gallery. In the Museum we walked through the Aboriginal Gallery. We looked at many different artefacts, videos, photographs and pictures. We worked in groups to research different things such as the way Aboriginal people collected and hunted food in the past.



Between visiting the art gallery and the Museum we ate our lunch. We met some students from another school and played a game with them.



At the art gallery we walked through a couple of galleries and analysed the art work. We thought about the way that the art work can give us ideas and images of the way life was for people in the past.