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COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

26th September 2014



DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER

Friday 26th Whole School Assembly 11:20am – 12:10pm
End of Term 3 – DISMISSAL 2:10pm

OCTOBER

Monday 13th Term 4 starts
Mon & Wed Weeks 1-4 Tennis Lessons
Friday 24th Assemblies (Rec-Year 2 11:20am – 12:00pm & Year 3-7 12:10pm -12:50pm)
Monday 27th 7pm – Governing Council Meeting

NOVEMBER

Monday 10th Pupil Free Day
Wednesday 12th 6pm – OSHC Committee Meeting
Friday 14th Casual Day
Friday 21st Whole School Assembly 11:20am – 12:10pm

DECEMBER

Monday 1st 7pm – Governing Council Meeting
Thursday 4th SCHOOL CONCERT – All day Rehearsals & Evening Concert
Wednesday 10th Year 7 Graduation
Friday 12th Term 4 ends – 2:10pm DISMISSAL

Dear parents, carers, students and community friends,

It has been exciting to see the engagement of students in their learning and the progress they have made over the last term. This has been very obvious as they enthusiastically shared their work with family at the Student-led interviews last week and at the Learning Expo (Rooms 20 and 21), Gold Rush Challenge (Room 8) and the Book Share Fair (Room 14) this week.

Congratulations to students and staff on a productive term where our CLG Expert Learner Qualities have been further developed.

**reflective communicators organised risk takers independent
resilient team workers open minded
active thinkers**

We wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday.

Sue, Wayne, Sharyn and Kim

SPORTS DAY

What a terrific day! It was wonderful to see so many families there to support the children.
The results were:

First: Jackson with 295 points (Winning for the first time since 2003!)

Second: Light with 275 points

Third: Sturt with 272 points

Fourth: Mitchell with 267 points

It was a close competition all day and students are to be congratulated on their team work and persistence.



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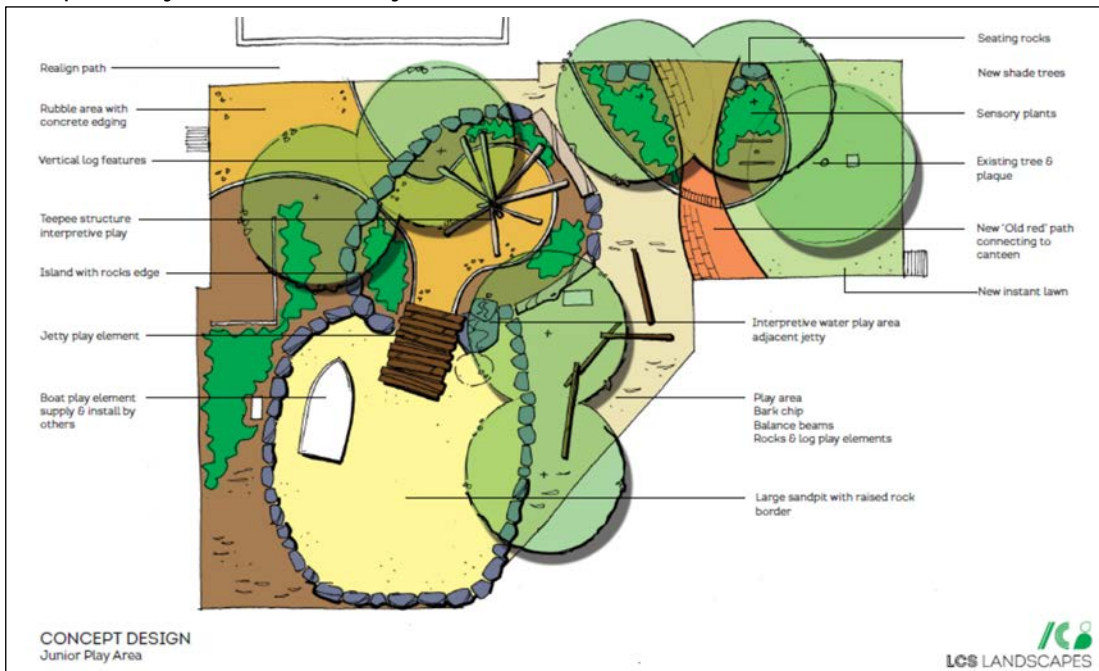
IMPROVING THE OUTDOOR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

One of the recommendations from parents through last year's Parent Opinion Survey was that we needed to invest significantly in improving the school grounds and physical environment.

The Grounds Committee of Governing Council has taken this suggestion on board and has developed an overall plan to upgrade six areas of the school in the coming years. Three of these areas are major tasks and will be expensive work needing to be professionally undertaken, and paid for by the school. A further two areas we hope to be able to achieve through working bees and the final one we will seek DECD funding to achieve. We have commissioned a 'style guide' or set of principles and ideas which will tie the development of all six areas together.

The first area to be upgraded will be the 'Junior Primary Lawn' on the eastern side of Doolette. This will be funded by money set aside in the 2014 school budget as well as the 2014 fundraising income. It is a great design, developed through consultation with teachers, students and grounds committee parents. We came up with a 'design brief' that we put to three companies, and then commissioned the company that provided the strongest combination of innovation, practicality and cost-effectiveness.

The design features an 'island', large sandpit, water feature and interactive play elements. It is very 'organic', using lots of natural materials, and aims to encourage creative, social and independent play. Work will commence next term and will be completed by the 2015 school year.



The next area to be developed will be the eastern side of Grange, between the classrooms and the netball court. This will be funded by money saved by the school over the last five years as well as the 2015 fundraising income.

We will begin the 'design brief' stage for this area next term, involving students, teachers and particularly OSHC.

In a happy coincidence, Mitcham Council was successful in attracting grant money to upgrade the area of Mortlock Park immediately in front of our school. They have already consulted with students through our SRC and begin work shortly to improve drainage and take care of the 'mud problem' before beginning development work. Two classes who have already looked at the plans have been very excited by the improved access to the oval and nifty wall/table/seats.

The plans as developed so far are displayed on the window of the Mortlock building opposite the canteen gazebo.

HATS ON FOR TERM 4

As part of our Sun Protection Program, **ALL** students are expected to wear appropriate school hats (not baseball caps) when outdoors at Colonel Light Gardens Primary School in Terms 1 and 4. Non-compliance with this will result in children being instructed to play in the specific shaded area designated by staff on yard duty. We ask that parents ensure that their child **BRINGS A HAT TO SCHOOL EACH DAY**. A range of School Dress Code hats are available at the Uniform Shop.

2015 MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGE

The Finance Committee has recommended to Governing Council that the 2015 Materials & Services Charge be raised in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) from \$350 in 2014 to \$360 in 2015. If you remember, we did not raise the M&S Charge at all in 2014.

This matter will be discussed at the Governing Council meeting on October 27th in the staffroom at 7:00pm. This is an open meeting to all parents. In lieu of attendance at the Council meeting, parents can express their views in writing to the Chairperson before the meeting.

Any enquiries about the charge can be referred to Amanda Jackson, Business Manager on 8276 1523.

There will be a reminder of this date, along with a detailed explanation of the charge in the first newsletter next term.

OLIPHANT SCIENCE AWARDS

The Oliphant Science Awards are a wonderful opportunity for students from R-7 to develop their interests in science through a competition with a range of categories to suit a wide variety of abilities and interests.

Categories include;

- Computer programming and Robotics
- Models and Inventions
- Posters
- Crystal investigation
- Multimedia
- Science Writing
- Games Photography
- Scientific Inquiry

6 students from Colonel Light Gardens Primary school entered the Oliphant Science Awards with a range of projects including a model, photography, multimedia and computer programming. Well done to Ben K, Clare M, Annesa S, Lloyd K, Finn L and Kern M for taking the time to time to prepare their entries for the competition.



Congratulations to Kern Mitchell for receiving a Highly Commended for his pool sensor entry in the computer programming section of the competition.

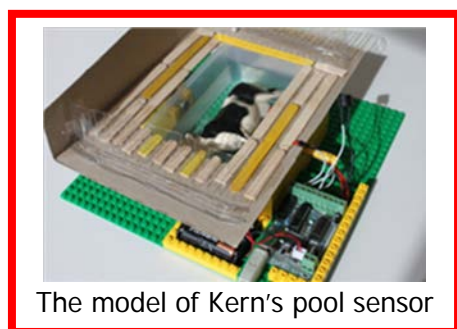
Well done to Kern who was also selected as a finalist in the 'Little big ideas' competition. This is a national competition sponsored by Origin Energy. Kern has won \$1,000 and a trip to Sydney for the finals. He also won \$4,000 for our school and a conference for his teacher, Mrs McSkimming.

Thanks, Kern and good luck for the finals!

Kern's little BIG idea came from a very serious question he asked himself: "What if there is a way to prevent a child drowning in a swimming pool?"

Introducing the solar powered Pool Infra-Red Sensor System! Positioned around the pool forming a cross-cross pattern of beams covering the water's surface, infra-red sensors would monitor the water surface of any swimming pool or spa.

Kern explains "when a child has gone into the pool without their parent knowing, the infra-red sensors will detect the body crossing the light beams, raising an alarm outside and inside the house."



The model of Kern's pool sensor

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The Colonel Light Gardens Primary School Ladies Night is **Friday 24th October** (Week 2 of Term 4)

Stylist Natalie from '**Make it Look Easy**' will be talking about what's new, what's worth investing in and how to wear it. She will give you the ingredients to 'make it look easy' when getting ready for Spring and Summer fashions.

Come and join us on Friday 24th October from **6pm** in the Langley Hall at Colonel Light Gardens Primary School. You will be welcomed with a glass of champagne or soft drink and a lucky door prize ticket.

Bring some spending money! There will be over 15 stalls of boutique products available.

Many prizes will be drawn from our 'Raffle Dip', so don't forget to buy your tickets on the night. Raffle tickets are \$1 per ticket, \$5 for a book of 6 tickets or \$10 for a book of 11 tickets (bonus ticket!). Bring some friends and have a fun night.

LADIES NIGHT TICKETS ARE \$15, AVAILABLE AT THE COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE OR www.trybooking.com/104215 (30c surcharge)

ORIENTEERING



Well done to all the students from Year 3-7 who entered the school relay championships on September 4th at Athelstone. It was the school's first ever SAPSASA involvement in this sport with eleven male and five female teams entering, a total of forty eight students.



In the Primary Boys section, special congratulations goes to Jye S, Matthew S and Liam M who did the course in 53 minutes and 9 seconds coming in third place and narrowly missing out on second. While a large number of teams were not in the top ranking and did not finish the courses cleanly, they found it an exciting challenge. They are looking forward to improving and participating next year in both the individual and relay events. During the coming school holidays there are training opportunities organized by Orienteering SA on the 8th, 11th and 12th October. Please go to their website <http://www.sa.orienteering.asn.au/> to find out details by clicking on upcoming events. A big thank you to the parents who assisted with transport on the day.
Des Norman & Kim Boothey

INTERZONE FOOTBALL

I was selected for the West Adelaide Interzone football team. We played three Friday night games against Glenelg, Norwood and Woodville/West Torrens, who were the other zones in the competition. After each game a panel of five people voted for who they thought were the best players. After the three games were completed, the votes were tallied and all of the teams were invited to a dinner on 15th of Sept at the West Adelaide Football Club for the presentations. There were two medals: the "Michael Cermak Medal", and the "Ken Candy Medal". I was awarded the most points to receive the Michael Cermak Medal which was for The Best and Fairest player for Interzone Football, and came third for the Ken Candy Medal.

Jye S



CLG'S GOT TALENT

TERM 4 LUNCHTIME ACTIVITY – AN SRC INITIATIVE

The SRC have decided in Term 4 to run a CLG's got talent as a lunchtime activity. There will be 3 categories for CLG's got talent and auditions for each category will be as follows;

R-2 students: Term 4, week 2, Tuesday lunchtime

3-4 students: Term 4, week 3, Tuesday lunchtime

5-7 students: Term 4, week 4, Tuesday lunchtime.

(depending on how many acts there are for each category, may mean that auditions need to extend into weeks 5 and 6)

Students can perform any type of act however it cannot be longer than 2 mins.

There will be 3 finalists picked from each category and the finals will be held over 3 week. A winner will be announced from each category.

Judges for CLG's got talent will be; Mrs Woollard, Mrs Woodlands, Jay and Toby.

Members of the CLG's got talent committee will be visiting classes to take names of those students who intend on auditioning in week 1.

Due to space restrictions audience members will be students from the year level that are performing that day eg; R-2 students will be the audience for R-2 performers.

This is an opportunity for students to develop, share, appreciate and respect each other's talents. We look forward to seeing the talent that CLG has!!!



NEW UNIFORM SHOP TIMES

Just a reminder that we are altering the times the Uniform Shop opens, to provide increased availability. The Term 4 dates and hours are as follows:

Week 1	Thursday, 16th October	3:00-4:30pm
Week 2	Tuesday, 21st October	8:30-10:00am
Week 3	Tuesday, 28th October	8:30-10:00am
Week 4	Tuesday, 4th November	8:30-10:00am
Week 5	Thursday, 13th November	3:00-4:30pm
Week 6	Tuesday, 18th November	8:30-10:00am
Week 7	Thursday, 27th November	3:00-4:30pm
Week 8	Tuesday, 2nd December	8:30-10:00am
Week 9	Thursday, 11th December	3:00-4:30pm

SRC – TERM 4 DISCO

Thank you to all those students who attended the disco a few weeks ago. It was a great event with all three discos running very smoothly. The SRC are currently investigating what equipment they would like to buy with the money raised from the event.

The next disco will be on Thursday 23rd of October. The theme for this disco is 'Make a wish' as money raised from the disco will go to our chosen charity the Make a Wish Foundation.

Both Year 2-4 students and Years 5-7 students may dress as a fairy, a genie, a falling star.....anything that you may think of that relates to making a wish.

Since the Year R/1 students will be having their disco during the day we ask that they bring something simple to fit the theme eg; a hat, a badge, a wand.

The times and prices of the discos are as follows;

R/1: During lunch Entry \$3 (which includes chips and a drink)

Years 2-4:

5pm to 6:15pm Entry \$4 (also available: drinks \$1.50, chips \$1.50 & glow sticks 2 for 50c)

Years 5-7:

6:30 to 8:00pm Entry \$4 (also available: drinks \$1.50, chips \$1.50 & glow sticks 2 for 50c)

All the discos will be held in Langley Hall.

For safety reasons, at the end of the two evening sessions, students will be asked to wait on the verandah outside the gym door until they are met by an adult. Please ensure that you are on time collecting your child.

COMMUNITY NEWS

MITCHAM POOL PROPOSAL: The Mitcham Pool Action Group invites you to a public meeting for Mitcham Council residents and school communities to show support for an indoor heated *Pool for All* to cater for 'learn-to-swim', therapeutic and recreational needs.

Time/Date: 7.30pm on Monday 13 October 2014 Venue: Hawthorn Community Centre (ie the Mitcham 50s Plus Club) 5 Frimley Grove, Hawthorn RSVP: Terry.kent@bigpond.com or 0433-427-000 *Your attendance matters.*

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE AN INTEREST IN DANCE: Jennifer Marshall school of dance has new classes starting in Jazz, Tap & Ballet in 4 great local locations. Come Try 2 free classes to see if dance is something your child is interested in, call Jennifer on Mob: 0413 010 835, Ph: (08) 8384 4491 Flexible Payment options for parents. We offer competition options for students, recreational and exams based dance

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER: Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 3,5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan and USA will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaustr@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

MITCHAM TOY LIBRARY: offers family games; puzzles; language, maths and science activities; as well as ride on toys; creative play activities; puppets and simple instruments. A \$30 annual fee allows you to borrow 6 items for 4 weeks. We are located at the Mitcham Community Centre, 242 Belair Road, Lower Mitcham (opposite the Council Chambers)

Opening hours:

Wednesday 2.30pm – 5.00 pm

Thursday 10.00am – 12.30pm

Saturday 10.00am – 12.00pm

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