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COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

30th January 2015



DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY	
Wednesday 4 th	Fundraising meeting 9:00am iPad parent workshop 6:00pm
Thurs 5 th & Fri 6 th	Year 6/7 Aquatics
Friday 6 th	Assemblies (Rec – Year 2: 11:20am-12:00pm; Year 3-7: 12:10pm – 12:50pm)
Monday 9 th	7pm Governing Council Meeting
MARCH	
Friday 6 th	Pupil Free Day
Monday 9 th	Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Dear parents, carers, students and community friends,

It's wonderful to see our students back, looking like they've spent some time relaxing. This week students have enjoyed the new playground and even the older students have donned the hard hats and started digging! The water feature is turned on from 10:00am to 4:00pm Monday to Friday.



We would like to add some interesting items for the students to play with. Does anyone have some old sheets that could be used to make the tepee into a cubby? Or other ideas of things to add that students would enjoy?



The students are being very patient about the new Mortlock playground, which won't be ready for at least two more weeks. It will be beautiful when completed and we anticipate many less days of the park being closed in winter due to mud.

WELCOME!

This week we have welcomed 60 new Reception students who began school for the very first time. They have settled in beautifully and we welcome them and their families to the CLG school community. We also welcomed 19 students in other year levels who have transferred to our school from overseas, interstate and other metropolitan areas. We trust that they will soon make friends and feel part of our school community.

This year we have several new staff members, too. Teachers and students have made them very welcome and we all look forward to the contribution they will make to our school.



Krista Gill



Brett Hammerl



Elle Truscott



Becky Perrie



Simone Percy



Suzy Lawrence



Juno Oka



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New office staff

Although our Business Manager, Amanda Jackson is now with us permanently, we have some changes to our office staff this year, with Finance being done by Sylvia on Mondays and Adele on Tuesday to Friday. The Receptionist role will be done by Adele on Monday and new staff member Karen on Tuesday to Friday. We are so multi-skilled!

Every year brings change and opportunities. We are expecting a terrific year and encourage all our staff and students to 'Be Brave: Participate to Progress'.

Sue, Wayne, Louisa and Sharyn

PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

We like to get along with our neighbours, but we are upsetting them at the moment with inconsiderate parking, in particular parking in front of driveways. It is very difficult at the moment with the road works around the school impinging on parking places, but please be considerate of others.

The Stranded coffee store has three private car parks behind the store that are used for staff and deliveries – even on Monday when they are officially 'closed'. Please don't park in their car parks.

It's also inappropriate to park in the kiss and drop area along the laneway. It prevents the flow of traffic and means only one person uses a space which otherwise could be used by many.

MATERIAL & SERVICES FEE

The 2015 Materials and Services invoices for all students were mailed late January to addresses in our school database. These invoices must be paid in full by Friday 27th February 2015, unless you have signed a pay-by-instalment, which extends the due date to Friday 3rd July 2015.

The school office is open from 8.30-11am each day for the payment of charges.

Payments may be made by cash, cheque or by using Visa or MasterCard in person or over the phone.

Online payment with Credit card

Go to www.colgrdnsps.sa.edu.au and select 'pay my bills' and then 'Pay Your School Invoice Online Now!'

Direct Credit

Transfer the funds into the school bank account – (School Fees only – No Vacation care or OSHC)

Account:	Colonel Light Gardens School
BSB:	105-075
Account No.:	293354740

Please quote the invoice number and first 4 letters of students surname as a reference, and send a copy of the bank receipt to Amanda.Jackson143@schools.sa.edu.au

Instalment Plans

Please see Amanda in the front office to make arrangements for instalments plans. Parents wanting to pay by instalments will need to sign a Pay-by-instalment agreement, and fees must be paid in full by Friday 3rd July 2015.

Direct Debit by Instalment – the school is now offering direct debit for school fees to be deducted from your nominated bank account. The scheduled payments are either:

- fortnightly - 10 payments of \$36/student commencing Friday 13th February 2015 or
- monthly – 5 payments of \$72/student commencing Friday 27th February 2015

School Card – Applications for School Card (financial assistance) need to be completed every year, for every child. If you have not filled in and returned the application form, can you please do so immediately. Applications are available from the school office and Amanda is happy to provide assistance with the form.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop will be open again on **Tuesday, February 3rd from 8:30 to 10:00am**. We will shortly post the range of dates and times of the Uniform Shop trading hours for the year.

Can't get in on Tuesday morning? You can get a copy of the Uniform Policy and 2015 pricelist at the office or online at http://www.colgrdnsps.sa.edu.au/clgps/Canteen_and_Uniform_Shop.html. Then simply send your order to the office or email the order form to dl.0723.info@schools.sa.edu.au. Your order will be filled on the next Tuesday and sent home with your child.

CLASSES 2015

Room 01	Year 1	Veronica Scicchitano	Room 17	Year 4	Jodie Cunningham
Room 02	Reception	Sarah Grant	Room 18	Year 4	Tamra Waye
Room 03	Reception	Karen Hawkes	Room 19	Year 3	Des Norman
Room 04	Year 1	Gabby De Pierro/Michelle Wyman	Room 20	Year 4/5	Kate McSkimming
Room 05	Reception	Jade Pudney/Meagan Fitzpatrick			
Room 22	Year 2	Nancy Elder	Room 21	Year 4/5	Julie Welford
Room 23	Year 2	Suzy Lawrence	Room 1	Year 6/7	Ashley Blight
Room 24	Year 2	Rachel Palmer	Room 2	Year 5/6	Naomi Brown
Room 11	Year 3	Becky Perrie	Room 3	Year 6/7	Heather Frances
Room 12	Year 3	Stephanie Coutts	Room 4	Year 6/7	Chris Braybrook
Room 13	Year 1	Kathy Ellidge	Room 8	Year 4/5	Brett Hammerl
		Michelle Wyman			Sharyn Darrell
Room 14	Year 1	Elle Truscott	Room 9	Year 6/7	Glenda Weaver
Room 16	Year 3/4	Krista Gill	Library		Simone Percy
Room 15	Japanese	Shane Pluck	English as an additional language (EALD)		Katina Pagonis
		Juno Oka	Special Education		Kirsty Sideris
PE		Kim Boothey	Student Support		Louisa Guest
Room 6&7	Music	Marian Woodlands			

COMMUNICATION 2015

Our school uses digital technology extensively to communicate with our community. The newsletters are posted to the school blog and parents receive an email alert, providing of course that they have subscribed! Subscriptions to the blog only need to be done once, not annually. However, if you require a hard copy of the newsletter we ask you to let us know *every year*. If you would like a hard copy of the newsletter, please pop into the Front Office and fill out a form to be added to the list.

Newsletters for Term 1 will be in odd weeks then for Terms 2 – 4 will be sent out on even weeks. Due dates for items in the newsletter is 12 noon on Tuesdays of the week it is due out. Next newsletter's deadline is Tuesday 11th February.

Every class also has a blog and teachers will be using this regularly to communicate to parents. They also set up email groups.

We ask parents to please open and read the communications.

ASSEMBLIES

Would you like to attend an Assembly? Our school has two types of Assemblies. The whole-school assembly is held a couple of times per term and is for students and staff. We don't invite parents because you wouldn't fit in the Langley Hall!

However, we often hold R-2 and Year 3-7 assemblies that are run by classes and include performances and awards. Parents are warmly invited to attend. The first such Assembly is in week 2 on Friday 6th February. The R-2 assembly will be from 11:30am- 12noon, hosted by Room 24 and the Year 3-7 assembly will be from 12:20pm – 12:50pm, hosted by Room 1.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2015

The government has allocated pupil-free training days for teachers to implement the new Australian Curriculum. This year the staff training pupil free days are determined by the availability of speakers, some of whom we have booked two years in advance! We have also tried to allocate staff training pupil free days in ways which minimise student absence. Please consider the following dates when booking your holidays/days off this year.

Term 1: January 27th – April 10th

Staff training Pupil Free Day: Friday, March 6th (after Adelaide Cup Day, a 4 day break)

Easter: April 3rd to 6th (during Term time)

Enterprise Day: Thursday April 9th

Term 2: April 27th to July 3rd

NAPLAN Test days: Tuesday May 12th to Thursday May 14th

Term 3: July 22th to September 25th

SCHOOL PHOTOS: July 22nd and 23rd

Staff training Pupil Free Day: Friday, July 24th (first week of term)

SHOW DAY School Closure: to be advised, early September

Term 4: October 12th to December 11th

Year 7 Graduation: Wednesday December 9th

ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT

Acquaintance Night will be held on **Tuesday, February 10th, 2015**. This is a time for you to come to school, to meet your child's teacher and to develop an understanding of the class activities and programs planned for the year.

The R - 1 classrooms are open from 6.00 - 6.45pm and your child will have a series of tasks to complete with you to provide you with a really good understanding of their classroom and specialist programs. You can chat with the teacher and ask any general questions. Please note there is no general meeting between sessions.

Year 2 to 7 classrooms are open from 7:00 to 7:45pm. Teachers will provide information to parents about the classroom environment they have created and the goals that their class is working towards in 2014. This will include such topics as:

- classroom expectations
- communication methods to be used
- homework expectations
- planned activities for the year
- curriculum topics to be covered
- outline of weekly timetable
- how parents may be of assistance

We hope to see a member of every family here for this introduction. Each teacher will send information home about the format of their Acquaintance Night and exactly what time they will be talking.

KEEPING VULNERABLE STUDENTS SAFE

Every child in our school is unique, but some have extra challenges to face - especially those with special medical requirements.

This year we have some students with Leukaemia and auto-immune disorders across the Year 1-7 year levels. They are all very vulnerable to childhood diseases such as measles, chickenpox, and gastroenteritis – and they have brothers and sisters attending in other year levels! This means *everyone* needs to be supportive and vigilant.

We also have many students with an asthma plan and others with anaphylactic reactions to nuts, eggs and other common foods.

We all need to be conscious of good community health practices.

To include all these children safely in our school community we need to take extra care:

- Please notify the school if your child contracts diseases such as measles, chickenpox, etc.
- Please keep your child home for 24 hours after last episode of vomiting/diarrhoea, i.e., if your child is unwell repeatedly during the night but not in the morning, it is still not appropriate to send them to school that day.
- Please do not send lunches that contain nuts including nutella, peanut paste and whole nuts.
- Train your children not to share food.
- If you wish to send in any food, such as a cake or treat for your child's birthday, please notify the class teacher several days beforehand so they have time to give other parents at least two day notice to provide an alternative.

FUNDRAISING

Anyone interested in helping out with Fundraising this year is warmly invited to the first meeting of the year next **Wednesday, February 4th at 9:00am** in the staffroom. Drop your children at school and then join us for a cuppa to plan the events for the year.

In 2015 we really want to have a Quiz night, which was sorely missed by our parents last year. We need help to get this organised.

CONSENT FORMS

This week you will have received 3 consent forms from your child.

A **general consent form** is a general consent form for yard supervision, borrowing library books, SWW, and for medications.

The **blue consent form** is for permission to be photographed in school, class blog, newsletter and website. During the course of the year, students' likenesses, images (still or video), voice and creative work may be uploaded to the internet via the school newsletter or through a class blog or other websites such as Youtube, iTunes, etc. A blog is an interactive website that many teachers use for communicating with parents and to showcase students' learning.

The three permissions on the blue form are specifically for photographs and video of your child and allow us to easily collate permissions for teacher and administration purposes. The form on the reverse of this page gives permission for images *and* creative works eg stories, animations, powerpoints, songs, poetry etc, to be uploaded to the internet.

If you wish to allow creative works but not images to be published please amend the form as indicated. Please contact Louisa Guest at Louisa.Guest741@schools.sa.edu.au or by phone on 8276 1523 if you have any questions regarding these permissions.

The **white form** is an ICT user agreement. Information and Communications Technologies (ICT) are electronic devices and /or applications which allow users to record, send, access or receive information in textual, audio, image or video form. To promote the safe and responsible use of ICT, Colonel Light Gardens Primary School has developed guidelines on acceptable and non acceptable uses for students.

Please return all three forms promptly to your child's class teacher.

STUDENT DATA INFORMATION

This week you will have received a printed copy of the information about your child that we currently have on the school database. This information includes medical and custody information, emergency contacts as well as other vital information pertaining to your child. If you have changed phone numbers, mobile numbers, address or need to update your emergency contacts, please change the details on the form, sign it and return to your child's teacher by Friday 7th February.

MEDICATIONS

If your child is taking any kind of medication and it is kept in the office, could you please come in and check that the dates and directions are accurate. We are unable to administer out of date medications. You will also need to fill in the permission form for 2015. Please collect any medication that is no longer required for your child.

AFTER HOURS SPORT

We had an excellent turn out of parents and students to the School Sports registration evening on Wednesday night and a high level of interest in all the sports offered. The coordinators for each sport will now begin sorting the teams.

After school sport is run and managed by **parent volunteers**. Each sport has a coordinator who manages the overall organisation and each team requires a coach, assistant and team manager. All sports rely on the parents of the students playing to help out in one of these roles.

As we increase the number of students wanting to play we need to have more parents willing to support the teams! Please consider taking on a coaching/assistant or manager role. If you are not sure have a chat to the coordinators.

This year our coordinators are

Cricket: Jason Hoet

Basketball: Graeme McDonald

Football: Kendall Zimmerman

Soccer: Olivia Kemp

Netball: Sue Camero/Teresa Rosenzweig

Softball: Sharon Harvey

ORIENTEERING 2015

This February is an exciting time for children and adults to enter the Twilight Orienteering Series held at university campuses on Friday nights starting at 6pm. Each participant is allowed to borrow an SI stick, which electronically records their time. Newcomers are always welcome and assistance can be given to help you get started.

Involvement in events held by Orienteering SA throughout the year is an important step in getting selected as a SAPSASA representative for the school individual champs on August 3rd and the school relays on September 3rd.

Participants who enter events held by Orienteering SA from the school have the opportunity to receive an orienteering voucher to use anytime to enter a course for free. For more information on orienteering and upcoming events go to <http://www.sa.orienteering.asn.au>

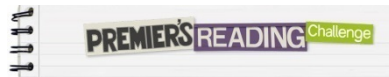
or contact Des Norman at des.norman951@schools.sa.edu



An SI stick is worn on the finger and when inserted records the time you visited a control and your splits between each one. Your results are put online and are easily accessed from the SA orienteering website.

RESOURCE CENTRE

Resource Centre News



Hi There! My name is Simone Percy and I'm delighted to be the new teacher librarian at our fantastic school. I have a classroom background and have been working as a library specialist for the last five years. What a fantastic and busy start we've had to the year in the resource centre. It's been great to meet so many students and see them borrowing enthusiastically - we have already had over 2,000 loans and have begun to make changes to create a warm and inviting atmosphere.

Emilie Buchwald once said that "Children learn to be readers on the laps of their parents" and this is so true. Please nurture your child's reading by sharing their library books and supporting them with borrowing and returns in a timely manner, and by caring for our books at home. *(Please note: It is school policy that if any items are lost or damaged that the student will be invoiced for the replacement costs.)*

We will once again be participating in the **Premier's Reading Challenge** and we are aiming for 100% completion in 2015! More details will be sent home about this in the near future and shared on the resource centre blog from Week 3. I'm looking forward to a challenging and fun year of reading and learning with our wonderful community. Happy Reading!

Simone

Simone Percy, Teacher Librarian

CANTEEN

Welcome back to school. The Canteen is looking refreshed and bright after the painting and replacement flooring which occurred in the holidays. Feel free to drop in to see for yourself and share a cup of tea or coffee. Thank you to the helpers who scurried Tuesday morning to help clean up unexpectedly to enable "business as usual." Kelly B, Kelly G, Ruzelle and Nina.

At this stage all prices will remain at the same at 2014 prices. However, watch this space for continual news and changes.

Just a reminder, please wrap all money in the lunch bags or place in returnable zip lock bags and please no foreign money – Australian only. Please never use staples they are like razor blades to Canteen helpers!

Thank you

Helen Parsons, Canteen Manager

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend the School Dental Service. Dental care is FREE for most school aged children and free for all preschool children. SA Dental Service participates in the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. A small fee may apply for children who are not eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

To locate your local School Dental Clinic, or for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, please visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au

COMMUNITY NEWS



Spikezone will be played again at Westbourne Park on Friday afternoons from 4-6 pm all year round. Spikezone is run by the Austral Volleyball Club.

Term 1 will be a 7 week competition starting on February 13th with finals being played on March 27th.

Nominations are now open and online nomination forms can be found on the website. Be sure to get in quick as spots are limited! Nominations close Friday 6th of February.

ALSO a reminder that ALL Spikezone players must be VSA members (Spikezone player category) BEFORE ROUND ONE.

Go to the VSA website to become a member. www.volleyballsas.com.au

Jack Colmer, Volleyball SA

Join the Colonel Light Gardens Football Club in 2015!

The Lions invite all players from U/8s to U/16s to register interest in playing for them in the 2015 football season. Players born in 2002 and 2003 are especially welcome. To register, complete the online registration form by following the links at clgfc.com.au or contact the Director of Junior Football, Dean van Kempen dean@clgfc.com.au for more information. Places in teams are limited so be sure to register early! Training for all junior teams will start in late February.