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# COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

9<sup>th</sup> April 2015



## DIARY DATES

### APRIL

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>** Term 1 ends – 2:10pm **DISMISSAL**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup>** Term 2 commences

### MAY

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>** Assemblies (Rec – Year 2: 11:20am-12:00pm; Year 3-7: 12:10pm – 12:50pm)

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>** SAPSASA District Cross Country - Belair

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup>** 7pm Governing Council Meeting

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> -** NAPLAN (Years 3, 5, 7)

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>**

### Dear parents, carers, students and community friends,

The Department for Education and Child Development has a Standard of Educational Achievement that describes the expected academic level that most students should achieve by the end of each year level.

This standard is described as achieving a 'C' or above in every subject of the Australian Curriculum. The 'C' on our school's written reports is called 'Satisfactory'. As a school we have begun to keep data on the number of 'A' to 'E' grades we award at each year level and will begin using this data to set goals for future improvement. Our aim is to improve student achievement and have a high percentage of our students achieve higher than the DECD Standard.

In deciding the grade awarded to the student, teachers make judgements on the degree to which the student has demonstrated the Achievement Standard outlined in the Australian Curriculum. Our teachers work on having consistency in grades through collaborative planning of the curriculum with other teachers of the same year level, as well as through moderation exercises where teachers collaborate to examine the grades they are awarding for particular pieces of work.

The 'C' grade Educational Achievement is supplemented by scores on other tests, namely the NAPLAN tests at Year 3, 5 and 7 and the scores on the on-line PAT-R English and PAT-M mathematics tests our students have been doing every November and which will now happen every September. The other reference point is the Running Record level in reading from Reception to Year 2.

The Student Reports provided by teachers twice a year do not include the test results. The NAPLAN, PAT-R and PAT-M test results are not available until later in the year and relate to only one test event. The grades in our Student Reports are based on many pieces of work, as well as ongoing teacher observations and classroom tests.

The Standard of Achievement on the DECD required tests are:

|                  |                       |                   |
|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Reception</b> | Running Records       | Level 5 or above  |
| <b>Year 1</b>    | Running Records       | Level 15 or above |
| <b>Year 2</b>    | Running Records       | Level 21 or above |
| <b>Year 3</b>    | NAPLAN all components | Band 3 or above   |
|                  | PAT-R                 | 100 or above      |
|                  | Pat-M Mathematics     | 40 or above       |
| <b>Year 4</b>    | PAT-R                 | 110 or above      |
|                  | Pat-M Mathematics     | 45 or above       |
| <b>Year 5</b>    | NAPLAN all components | Band 5 or above   |
|                  | PAT-R                 | 115 or above      |
|                  | PAT-M Mathematics     | 50 or above       |



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|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Year 6</b> | PAT-R                 | 120 or above    |
|               | PAT-M Mathematics     | 54 or above     |
| <b>Year 7</b> | NAPLAN all components | Band 7 or above |
|               | PAT-R                 | 124 or above    |

*NB In a national sample 77% of students achieved the PAT scale score.*

***Sue, Wayne, Louisa and Sharyn***

### FORGOTTEN SOMETHING?

It is often the case that once parents have started their first child at our school they forget to enrol the younger siblings when they are due to start school!

If you have a child starting school next year please make sure you enrol them as soon as possible. We need to know our student numbers for 2016 so we can organise staffing. Also, if you know of other families intending to send their child to our school in 2016 can you check that they have enrolled?

### A GREAT SUCCESS



It was wonderful to see so many families and friends at the FAMILY PICNIC. Between the Bouncy Castle, Rock Wall and the playground we hope we sent the children home tired and happy, ready for a good night's sleep!

The parents all seemed to be enjoying the chance to chat with neighbours and the parents of their child's friends and it was a very social evening. We forgot about the Friday night takeaway tradition and were a bit surprised at the demand for the BBQ, so had a bit of difficulty keeping up with demand. We will appreciate any comments, suggestions and ideas for next year.

Many thanks to Kellie Gilbert and her band of merry helpers who organised the event. It was great to see some new faces among the helpers.

It was also terrific to have some publicity for our school on the Channel Nine weather. While the part you can download shows children having fun and clowning around, the live crosses to the studio had background of our students in the History Display, including some lovely vision of children showing their parents around the display.

In the morning last Friday we held a very formal opening of the Mitcham Army Camp Centenary display. The behaviour of our students was very respectful and the opening included a welcome to country by Cade Kennedy as well as a wartime medley from the senior choir.



## FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Thank you for the overwhelming response to help out with different fundraising events over the year. We will be in contact closer to the event dates. Please note, *Design-a-brick* has been moved to Term 2.

**Entertainment Book** order forms went out last week. There is a special offer if you order by Monday 27th April (first day of Term 2) - you will receive \$150 in Early Bird Offer vouchers that can be used straight away!

So you can see what is in the 2015-16 Entertainment Book, we are sending one home with your child on 1st May. If you do not need a Book sent home, please complete the tear off 'opt-out' section (on the bottom of the form sent home last week) and return to the Front Office by 9th April.

**Family Picnic** was a huge success . . . thank you! We had a BBQ, Face painting, Hair Designs by Ruzelle, Jumping Castle, Scouts with their climbing wall and Guides with more activities!

Families visited the WW1 exhibit and Channel 9's Virginia Langeberg visited the school for their weather cross during the News.

### *Results from the Raffle:*

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize – Bike – Zaza Family
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – State Theatre Pass – Jesse L
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize – Entertainment Book – Linda K
- 4<sup>th</sup> prize – Design-a-Brick – Connor S
- 5<sup>th</sup> prize – Farmers Direct Veggie Box – Abi C
- 6<sup>th</sup> prize – San Remo Hamper – Jamie-Lee H
- 7<sup>th</sup> prize – San Remo Hamper – Ann S
- 8<sup>th</sup> prize – San Remo Hamper – Evie Z
- 9<sup>th</sup> prize – Popcorn – Mario T



*The Zaza Family*

Thank you for the generous donations from Brian Wellington (Ray White CLG), State Theatre, Farmers Direct, San Remo and Auchterlonie Family.

## ANZAC DAWN SERVICE

This year we will be filming at the Anzac Day Dawn Service on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at Colonel Light Gardens, at the memorial cross on the corner of Doncaster and Broadway. The footage will be used in our film about how students in Colonel Light Gardens in 2015 remember our ANZAC soldiers in the centenary year of WW1. We won a grant from the Department of Veteran's Affairs to make this film.

If you are attending the ANZAC Day Dawn Service conducted by the Colonel Light Gardens RSL at the Memorial at 6:15am this year and the weather is suitable, we would encourage students to wear school uniform so that they are identifiable on film.

## OSHC AVAILABILITY

Contrary to popular opinion, there is availability at our Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) service. There are vacancies every day before school, and on Thursday and Friday after school. On Monday to Wednesday after school we did have a waiting list at the start of the year but have now been able to accommodate all families on that list. Every day we always have one or two cancellations and some parents have used these 'standby' places very effectively to cover the days that they want.

In Vacation Care we have always been able to accommodate all requests, although some excursion days do fill very quickly.

We encourage parents who are interested in using OSHC to speak to Inta or Tammy about their requirements and place their children's names on any waiting list if needed.

## DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

It is lovely to see the dogs belonging to our families walking the children to and from school, but we ask that they respect the safety of our students by:

- not coming on to school grounds
- waiting at some distance from the school entry/exit points
- staying on a lead when near school grounds

Particularly at the end of the school day pooches can get very excited by seeing the children so please keep to these safety rules.

## UNIFORM SHOP

During term two the Uniform Shop will be on the following dates and times. If you are unable to get to the shop at these times simply download an order form from the school website [www.colgrdnsps.sa.edu.au](http://www.colgrdnsps.sa.edu.au) complete the order and email it to [dl.0723.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0723.info@schools.sa.edu.au) The order will be filled on the next Uniform Shop opening time and the items sent home with your child. You can even pay by Bizgate!

A reminder to parents that while SAPSASA items such as T shirts, jumpers and shorts are great items of memorabilia they are not part of the approved CLGPS uniform and should not be worn at school.

### Term 2 – Uniform Shop Hours

|         |                   |              |
|---------|-------------------|--------------|
| Week 1  | Monday 27th April | 3:00-4:30pm  |
| Week 2  | Tuesday 5th May   | 8:30-10:00am |
| Week 3  | Monday 11th May   | 3:00-4:30pm  |
| Week 4  | Tuesday 19th May  | 8:30-10:00am |
| Week 5  | Monday 25th May   | 3:00-4:30pm  |
| Week 6  | Tuesday 2nd June  | 8:30-10:00am |
| Week 7  | Tuesday 9th June  | 3:00-4:30pm  |
| Week 8  | Tuesday 16th June | 8:30-10:00am |
| Week 9  | Monday 22nd June  | 3:00-4:30pm  |
| Week 10 | Tuesday 30th June | 8:30-10:00am |

## RESOURCE CENTRE



### Premier's Reading Challenge

Our students are off to a fantastic start and we have about 15% of our students who have completed it already! It is compulsory for all students to participate - students can read 8 books from the list and 4 of their own choice. Please support your child to be successful in 2015 and help our school reach 100% completion in 2015. Congratulations to the following fabulous readers for completing the challenge in the past fortnight:

Room 1 - 9: Liam M, Lubna

Room 11-14: Louis

Room 16 - 21: Amelia, Georgia, Bianca, Connor, Lila, Kiana

**Overdue books and invoices** - We have changed our overdue invoicing system this year so that overdue notices are also invoices for lost and damaged items. Please have a good look around at home for any missing items and return them as soon as possible. If you do find the items on your invoice, please disregard the notice. If the books/items are genuinely lost, please pay the invoice as a matter of urgency. Money can be paid in cash at the resource centre before and after school. Student borrowing is restricted for those who have lost/missing books.

**Resource Centre Blog** - The blog for the resource centre is starting to take shape, so please subscribe so you can keep up to date with all things books in our school. It will include information regarding new books, reviews by our students, links to author websites and other relevant information. ***Please subscribe!***

**Enterprise Day** - We will be selling LOADS of books that have been weeded from the collection at the bargain price of 50c/book or three for \$1.00! Make sure you drop past.

**Lost Property** - Next to the book stall will also be a lost property table where lost items can be claimed. Anything left at the end of term will be disposed of.

***Simone Percy, Teacher Librarian***

The school holidays, a time to relax and recuperate but for some parents and carers, their worst nightmare... the "I'm bored" blues in full song! Fortunately, as part of the National Youth week 2015 celebrations, Mitcham Council have planned a number of free or low cost school holiday activities to keep children entertained and boredom at bay.

***Celebrate National Youth Week 2015***

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Skate Park Competition** (Suitable for 6yrs+ multi-age skateboard and scooter)

At: Avenue Road Reserve Skate Park, Cumberland Park

Time: 12pm – 3pm

Cost: Free

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Cosplay Night** (Suitable for 12-17 years)

At: Mitcham Library, 154 Belair Road, Hawthorn

Time: 6-8pm

Cost: Free (Prizes for best costumes)

\*registration a must – phone Mitcham Library 8372 8244 or email [youth@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au](mailto:youth@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au)

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – BMX Skills Clinic** (Suitable for 10-18yrs)

At: Karinya Reserve Skate Park, Eden Hills

Time: 10.30am – 12.00pm

Cost: Free

\* Attendance via registration only by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April. For details and registration forms please visit

<http://www.mitachamcouncil.sa.gov.au/youth>

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Circus Skills Workshop** (Suitable for 8-16yrs)

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April - at Blackwood Community Centre, 4 Young Street, Blackwood

Time: 9.30 -11am

Cost: Free

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April – at Hawthorn Community Centre, 5 Frimley Grove, Hawthorn

Time: 10.30am – 12.00pm

Cost: Free

\* Limited registration available. Email [youth@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au](mailto:youth@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au) or phone 8372 8869 to register

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April – Superhero Themed Roller Disco** (Suitable for all ages – under 12's must be supervised by an adult)

At: Blackwood Community Recreation Centre, 1 Northcote Road, Eden Hills

Time: 6.30-9.30pm

Cost: Pre-purchase \$5, \$10 at the door (includes skate hire)

\* To purchase tickets or for further enquiries about this event, please contact the Blackwood Community Recreation Centre on 8278 8833, email [contactus@blackwoodrec.com.au](mailto:contactus@blackwoodrec.com.au), or visit their [website](#).

**For more information on any of these events and more school holiday events, please check The City of Mitcham website - <http://www.mitachamcouncil.sa.gov.au/youth>**

Look out for parent library dates for term 2 – coming soon!

***Georgina Jama, Pastoral Care Worker***

## AFTER HOURS SPORT

Congratulations to both of our C-grade Cricket teams who competed in the end of season Lightning Carnival on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March. C-grade White came 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12 teams.



## CANTEEN

Just a gentle reminder – please check your children’s school bags for notes of outstanding canteen debts. Can all monies owed please be paid before the end of term.

With the end of term, stocks are now low – please place a second preference with your orders.

***Helen Parsons, Canteen Manager***

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### **Aberfoyle Park High School Tennis Academy**

Applications are now open for the 2016 Aberfoyle Park High School Tennis Academy. The program provides student athletes access to a high quality, personalised tennis and education program from years 8-12. It delivers a flexible, supportive and “athlete friendly” academic environment. The academic program covers all essential learnings in the Australian Curriculum and leads to a number of pathways at Senior School.

Application Packages for 2016 are available NOW from your Year 7 teacher or by contacting the Tennis Academy Manager, Mr Terry Ellis - Address: Taylors Rd East Aberfoyle Park 5159; Phone: 8270 4455; email: [Terry.Ellis@aphs.sa.edu.au](mailto:Terry.Ellis@aphs.sa.edu.au)

*Note: Applications are due no later than May 8th 2015*



### **School holiday clinics at Netball SA**

Netball SA are offering school holiday clinics at Netball SA stadium during the upcoming school holidays.

*NetSetGo Come and Try* : 5-7 years - Friday 17 April, 9am – 11am \$43

*NetSetGo Come and Try* : 8-10 years - Friday 17 April, 2pm – 5pm \$53

To register go to <http://www.trybooking.com/HCOU>. Registrations close 2 days prior to the clinic. For further information please phone 8238 0500

### **Winter Basketball**

Are you looking for friendship, fun and the opportunity to learn new skills in basketball and team participation? Trinity Baptist Basketball Association in Colonel Light Gardens have a number of openings for players in Under 8 to Under 14 teams and invite you to contact *Johanna on 0412 912280* for more information and registration details. Games are played Saturday afternoons, commencing 2nd May. Spots available in Senior teams also. *Registrations are NOW DUE.*



### **APPLY NOW!**

#### **Special Interest Australian Football Program 2016**

Do you have a genuine interest in football?

Are you interested in improving your skills and knowledge in all areas of the game?

Applications are now being accepted from current Year 7 boys for the 2015 school year. Please submit your application to Blackwood High School by Wednesday 20 May, 2015.

Please contact Blackwood High School on 82780900 or visit the school's website [www.bhs.sa.edu.au](http://www.bhs.sa.edu.au) to download an application form. Principal tours of the school will be held from 9.00am - 10.30am on Tuesday 5 May, 26 May, 2 June, 30 June and 4 August during term time. Please contact [glen.little@bhs.sa.edu.au](mailto:glen.little@bhs.sa.edu.au) for more information.



#### **Special Interest Netball Program 2016**

The Netball Program is aimed at students who:

- demonstrate skill and a commitment to netball
- wish to spend time in further development
- aim to compete at a higher level than that of the average student.

Entry to the program is by application (download form from Blackwood High website under Curriculum, Special Interest Netball) and a trialling process conducted by Netball SA at Blackwood High School. Submit applications by Monday 4 May.

Selection criteria will include:

- potential high level of ability/performance indicated through skills testing
- a high level of coach ability
- a positive sporting attitude
- a positive attitude towards school and study
- a history of high standard of good behaviour, attendance and social skills
- member of a netball team (club or school).

**Trial dates are from 8.30am – 10.30am on Wednesday 6 May and Monday 18 May 2015 from 11.00am to 1.00pm** at Blackwood High School.

Visit the school's website [www.bhs.sa.edu.au](http://www.bhs.sa.edu.au) to download an application form.

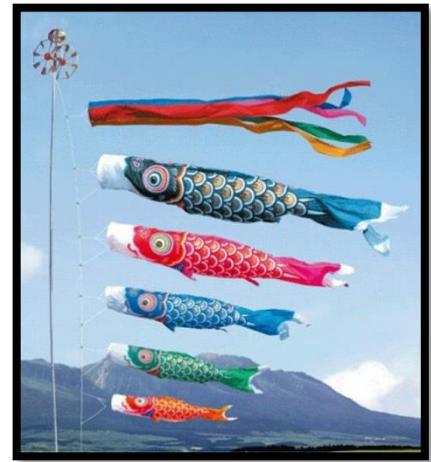
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# Japan Junction

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This week's introduction:

## Kodomo no Hi (Children's Day)



Children's Day is recognised on various days in many countries. United Nations established a Universal Children's Day on November 20<sup>th</sup> and we have Children's Week in Australia which is the 4<sup>th</sup> week in October. It promotes the awareness of the welfare and human rights of children so that they may live in safety.

Japanese Children's day is 5<sup>th</sup> May each year and the focus is to celebrate happiness of all children and to express gratitude towards mothers. It is a National holiday which reflects the importance of this day, and I think it's safe to say that not many other countries have a holiday such as this (we also have a national holiday for the respect of the aged as well). Many functions and festivals are held on this day in schools and other organisations.

The most recognised symbol for Japanese Children's Day is the Koinobori - a carp shaped streamer which are hung everywhere so that they may blow in the breeze. Japanese consider the carp - a fish full of energy and power as it can fight its way up swift running streams. Because of its strength and determination to overcome obstacles, it also stands for courage and the ability to attain high goals.

We are full of magnificent carps at CLGPS!!!

In Adelaide our Japanese community hold a Kodomo no Hi Japan Festival annually to celebrate our children and this year it will be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. It's a wonderful outing and opportunity for children and their families to experience culture such as Ikebana, Bonsai, Tea Ceremony, Kimono wearing as well as games, music and food of the nation. I would like to extend an invitation to all CLGPS students and their families to come along and enjoy the day.

Lastly, have a great Easter!!!!

Arigato.



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# Kodomo no Hi

こどもの日 Japan Festival

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Food  
Games  
Japanese Music  
Kimono Wearing  
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Calligraphy  
Ikebana  
Bonsai  
Origami

and much more...

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\$2 per person  
\$5 per family

Free  
Parking

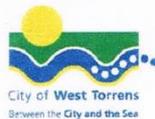
Come in  
Japanese  
costume!

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## Sunday 3 May 11am - 4pm

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