

Colonel Light Gardens Primary School NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES

05/12/16 - GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING

08/11/16 - SCHOOL CONCERT 6.30PM

09/12/16 - FOOTSTEPS 9.00AM - 10.45AM

09/12/16 - REC. ORIENTATION - VISIT #3 9.00AM - 11.30AM

09/12/16 - 2017 CLASS TRANSITION 2.00PM

09/12/16 - SCHOOL REPORTS GO HOME

12/12/16 - CHRISTMAS SEMINAR REC - YR3 - 11.15AM - 12.00PM YR4 - YR7 - 12.15PM - 1.00PM

13/12/16 - YEAR 7 GRADUATION

15/12/16 - YR7 EOY AQUATICS EXCURSION ROOMS 1, 2, 3 & 4

15/12/16 -**ROOMS 8 & 9**

16/12/16 - END TERM 4 EARLY DISMISSAL 2.10PM

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Dear Parents, carers, students and community friends,

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

We think Colonel Light Gardens is a great school to attend. Our success is reflected in our school achievement and wellbeing data. We however like to hear from our school community about what is working, as well as receiving suggestions about how we can improve. Part of the department's requirements in Term 4 involves the drafting of an annual report to monitor progress and establish priorities for the next few years.

As a component of the annual report, schools are requested to collate and present the results of a 'parent opinion survey'. Over my years as a Principal I have found the information gained from this and other surveys has been extremely useful. I am committed to improving our school in any way we can.

Each year, often a random sample of around 50 parents are invited to complete a Parent Opinion Survey. As I am new to the school this year I have decided to invite all families to complete the survey and give us useful feedback. This year the entire survey will be completed online rather than on paper. Participation in the survey is completely anonymous. No individual or family can be identified unless you decide to include personal information in the written feedback box.

The online survey is now open and will close next Wednesday December 7th 2016. After being advertised on our school blog, it has been open for a week and we already have 53 responses.

Survey Link: https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/CLGParents2016

Survey Code: kAWeF9fh (it is case sensitive)

If you don't have access to the Internet at home, you are welcome to use one of the school computers located in the admin building. A summary of the collated responses will be published later next year in the newsletter with a more detailed document available at the school's Annual General Meeting scheduled for early 2017. If you require additional information, please contact the front office. Thank you for your help in this matter. Your responses will help with future planning.

SCHOOL CONCERT

I am looking forward to my first Colonel Light Gardens End of Year Concert. I am sure it will be a special experience for all involved. One issue that has been brought to my attention by both parents and staff has been some parents, grandparents or relatives have come onto school grounds before 2:00pm to set up chairs etc. This can no longer happen.



PRINCIPAL: Rick Bennallack DEPUTY PRINCIPAL: Wayne Hunt ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Louisa Guest ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL: Jodie Cunningham

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS CONTINUED...

As students are not out of the yard until that time after lunch, it is not appropriate for any person to be on school grounds without a purpose or with permission. This is a child protection and safety issue. Therefore I need to advise the school community that we have employed a security guard to ensure everyone complies with these safety expectations. Any chairs etc placed out before 2:00pm will be removed. I appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

'PARENTS AND PRINCIPALS FORUMS'

Last Thursday we held our first 'Parents and Principals' Forums at 9:00am and again repeated on that day at 7:00pm. The purpose of the forums is to have 2 way conversations with our school community about a range of educational and school related matters.

The first forums focused on our class placement processes including the use of a new tool called Class Creator. I was really pleased to see around 40 parents attend the 2 sessions. I have already received some positive feedback via email and in person from some of those who attended. If you did attend and have any feedback to give please email me at rick.bennallack149@schools.sa.edu.au I am keen to hear what you really thought. Don't hesitate to give me suggestions for improving the forums. We will hold another set of forums in term 1 on a different topic.

CLASS STRUCTURES

The class placement process has been completed. It has taken a lot of time and effort. Classes for 2017 will be announced on Friday of week 8 when placement slips and reports go home. I can advise the school community that we plan on starting with 24 classes. This involves 4 Reception classes, 3 year 1 classes, a 1/2 class, 2 year 2 classes, 3 year 3 classes, 2 year 3/4 classes, 1 year 4 class, 2 year 4/5 classes, 3 year 5/6 classes and 3 year 6/7 classes. Where there is a composite class, we have tried to structure it so the majority of students are in the higher year level.



Rick Bennallack
Principal
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MEET OUR 2017 SRC EXECUTIVES



I've been at this school for a long time! And there are some words that I love hearing around CLG. Thankyou, sorry, please, you're the best and come hang out with us!! My name is *Kiana M* and I am a year 6 student in Mrs Wright's class. I would like to build upon how awesome and positive our school already is. I am very proud to be elected as an SRC executive for 2017. I am excited to be able to work with our school leadership team.

SRC Executive



Hi my name is **Sammy B** and this year I applied for the position of SRC Executive for 2017. I'm very proud to say that I was one of the 8 that were elected. I'm really looking forward to giving ideas and working with **Simone Percy.** I have played various sports for our school and have participated a lot in the school community.

Sammy B SRC Executive



Hello everyone! My name is *Tilly J* and I'm so excited to be one of your 2017 SRC Executives. I thought I'd let you know a little bit about myself. My favourite subjects in school are Music and English, and I've represented the school in athletics, soccer, and as a soloist in the festival choir performance troupe. I enjoy expressing myself through dance and photography, and I'm currently learning how to play my new, pink ukulele. I have a gorgeous, ragdoll cat, called Luna, and I love chasing her around the house and watching her amusing antics. I joined SRC because I love using leadership skills and showing my creativity.

SRC Executive



Hi, I'm Jacob B.

Ever since I saw the SRC Executives and heard about what I needed to do to get in I have wanted to be one because I have wanted to be a leader in the school to try to make some changes that would make Colonel Light Gardens Primary School a better school, and now, in 2017 I am taking on that role!

Jacob B

SRC Executive



My name is *Callum* and I will be one of the eight SRC Executives for 2017.

I am looking forward to being an executive next year. I am a very active person and I participate in tennis, soccer, debating, robotics and piano. I can't wait to work with the rest of the SRC Executive team and help to run and make the school a better place. I will also help everyone and listen to people's requests and requirements.

Thank you for selecting me as one of your SRC Executives for 2017.

Callum SRC Executive



Hi, I'm **Jess C** and I was picked for SRC Executive for 2017. I will be a leader for the school in 2017 and am looking forward to having responsibilities around the school with the other SRC Executives, working with **Simone** and seeing what happens in our school with the other SRC Executives. I play school basketball and softball and I am in the School's Festival Choir.

Jess C SRC Executive

2017 SRC EXECUTIVES Cont...



I'm **Aneesa S** and I will be one of your SRC Executives next year. I'm happy I have been elected and I will try my hardest to make this school a better place. I am a person who will try my hardest at any task I am given, whether it is important or not.

I have also represented the school in SAPSASA, I enjoy debating and dance and I play the piano which I am very committed to. I cannot wait until next year when I will be an SRC Exec and I look forward to it.

Aneesa S

SRC Executive

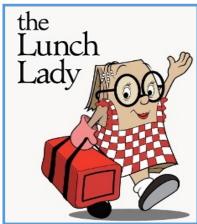


Hi, my name is *Emma S* and I'm really proud to be elected as an SRC Executive for 2017. I'm really looking forward to working on discos and whole school events and working with *Simone*.

Thank you for electing me - I promise I will work hard!

Emma S SRC Executive

CANTEEN NEWS



Thank-you for supporting JAPANESE DAY by ordering sushi for lunch through the Canteen. Approximately 60% of students ordered which is fantastic!

With the end of school approaching, the freezers once again need to be emptied, meaning stock will begin to run low soon. Please order a second choice for these last few weeks just in case your 1st choice is out of stock.

With the hot weather comes a huge increase in demand for ice blocks and other frozen products at lunchtime. The canteen is in **URGENT NEED** of counter service staff for this period (1:00pm - 1:30pm) both currently and right up until the end of term 4.

The New Year of 2017, especially term 1 is also in *URGENT NEED OF PARENTAL SUPPORT* - *Mums, Dads, Nannas, Poppas, Carers and/or local community members* - please consider donating a little of your valuable spare time to our Canteen.

You can contact the Canteen Manager, Helen Parsons to discuss days and/or times of availability via email at helen.parsons534@schools.sa.edu.au or via telephone on (08) 8276 7232.

Lastly, the canteen still has significant number of outstanding Emergency Lunch Orders not paid. Reminder notes have gone home with students. Please take a moment to check your child/ren's bags for these notes, especially if you have students in the following classrooms: **04**, **2**, **9**, **12**, **15**, **16**, **17**, **18**, **21** or **24**. Many Thanks.

Helen Parsons
Canteen Manager

FINANCE NEWS

2017 MATERIALS & SERVICES POLL RESULTS

Thank you to the parents who responded to the 2017 Materials & Services Charge poll. The result was overwhelmingly in favour of setting the prescribed sum for 2017 at \$385.00 – 137 votes in favour and 10 votes against. Families will be invoiced for this charge when school returns in 2017.

A reminder that the payment terms are 30 days. This means that parents must have paid in full OR submitted an instalment agreement <u>OR</u> applied for School Card within a month of receiving the invoice.

The preferred payment by instalment plan is via Direct Debit (10 fortnightly payments of \$38.50 per student).

Families who may be eligible for School Card will need to submit a form which will be available from the front office in 2017.

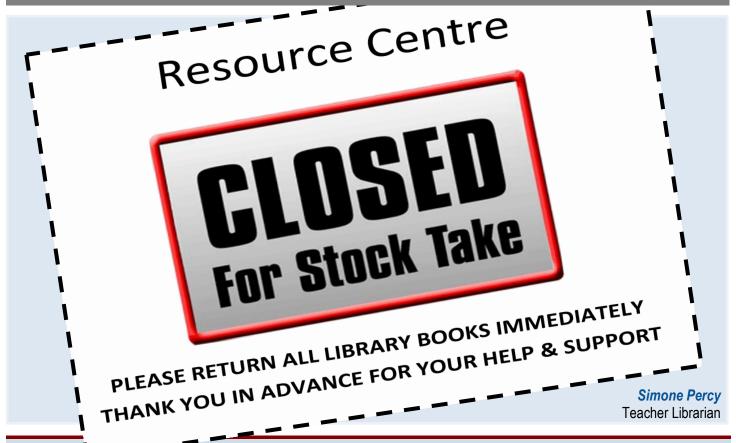
Amanda Jackson

Business Manager

READISCOVER (CLGPS Library Blog)



Subscribe to the library blog (http://simonepercy.edublogs.org/) to discover beautiful new books, find out about library events & initiatives, competitions, everything you need to know about the PRC – and a whole lot more!



SRC NEWS

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AWARD

THANK YOU

FOR
HELPING TO KEEP OUR
YARD CLEAN AND HEALTHY



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AWARDS

The SRC has voted to change the name of these awards from "Good Behaviour Award" to "Environmental Health Award".

Congratulations to the winners of the "Environmental Health Award":

Room 13 - Griffin, Max, Ethan, Ruby

Room 14 - Charlize, Bella, Tait, Verity

Room 15 - Ethan

Room 17 - Keira

Room 19 - Lincoln



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FUNDRAISING NEWS

QUEENSLAND HOLIDAY RAFFLE

Thank you to all who supported the Gold Coast Holiday Raffle. The response has been fantastic. The final date to return ticket stubs, monies and unsold tickets was on **Monday 21st November**.

We would appreciate your assistance by returning all monies and tickets (including unsold tickets) to the Finance Window as soon as possible. *Do you need any extra tickets?* More are available at the Finance window.

FUNDRAISING ON FACEBOOK!



www.facebook.com/ColonelLightGardensPrimaryFundraisingPage

To keep up to date with 'What's happening with fundraising events', please follow the link above and like our Facebook page to receive notifications of updates and new events.



Gourmet Stuffed Spuds - \$ 11.00
 9" pizza - Vegetarian, Hawaiian, BBQ Chicken, Supreme, Margherita and Meat Lovers - \$ 10.00

With your support 10% of takings from each van will be donated to us to put towards "The Loovre" - Kitchen/Science space.

And of course the CLG Gold Coast Raffle will be drawn!! Thankyou to everyone who supported our final fundraising drive, good luck.

Fundraising

GROUNDS COMMITTEE NEWS

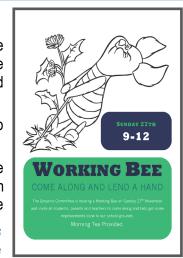
WORKING BEE - NOVEMBER 2016

On behalf of the school, the Grounds Committee would like to thank those people who gave up their time on Sunday morning to help at the Working Bee. We had around a dozen people turn up to work on tidying up the grounds; many wheelbarrows of leaves, weeds and clippings were gathered up.

The Working Bees not only make our grounds look tidier, but help our groundsman Bruce to keep up with maintaining the yards in the limited time that the school employs him to do so.

Next year we are considering a series of Working Bees, one per term, to give more opportunities to the school community to chip-in. Ideally we could work more intensively on targeted areas such as the Doolette Nature Play Area which will have a real impact on the student learning experience.

Dion ByasGrounds Committee



JAPANESE NEWS

Japan Junction: Where you'll find cool facts and info.....

This week's Information: Japanese Challenge 2016

(Rooms: 1, 2, 3, 8 & 9 ONLY)



This new and exciting competition at CLG is designed for upper primary students to evaluate their knowledge and skills that they have gained during their Primary school years. The challenge takes place over a period of approx. 6 weeks.

There is a different topic each year and the focus for 2016 was Vocabulary and Expressions.

Students are assessed on the following criteria:

- Reading, writing and speaking skills
- Understanding sentence structure
- Ability to recall vast spectrum of vocabulary and expressions
- Planning and organisation
- Consistent and positive learning attitude
- Final presentation of work requirement

The following names are the top 10 students from each year level. The top 3 students from each year level have been presented with an award and gift to celebrate their outstanding achievement.

Please join me in congratulating the following students:

YEAR 5

- 1. Zia A
- 2. Jessica Z
- 3. Ariana T
- 4. Abby K
- 5. Jacob T
- 6. Lian M
- 7. Marielle B
- 8. Iris N
- 9. Inseo Y
- 10. Manansh D

YEAR 6

- 1. Annabelle Mc
- 2. Lubna N
- 3. Aneesa S
- 4. Clare M
- 5. Taslima K
- 6. Lila L
- 7. Kiana M
- 8. Jack Mc
- 9. Ava B
- 10. Callum W

YEAR 7

- 1. Zach A
- 2. Jessica B
- 3. Amaya Y
- 4. Jesvi J
- 5. Annie D G
- 6. Amelia E
- 7. Nicole R
- 8. Tina G
- 9. Miah O H
- 10. Josiah H





(Congratulations!!)

2017 AFTERSCHOOL SPORTS REGISTRATIONS

Many students and parents visited our sports expo last Thursday to find out about sports on offer. Some students & parents filled out an expression to help our Coordinators gauge the interest in their sport and the sort of help parents can offer. Registrations for sports will open soon, once students know which class they will be in for 2017.

Please **consider offering to help by coaching or managing a team** that your child is interested in and indicating this on the registration form. *Without a coach and manager the team cannot be formed* and registered with the association. A number of parents share these roles with one helping train during the week and the other looking after the team on game days.

CLGPS AFTERHOURS SPORTS REGISTRATIONS 2017

We will be using <u>online sports registrations</u> for 2017. This will mean some changes to the way students commit to school after hours sport. <u>There will be no common registration evening.</u>

Registrations will have set opening and closing dates. Online registrations help our volunteer sports coordinators by making it easier to compile team lists and player/parent contact details. This will enable our coordinators the time to put together teams, recruit and match up coaches. Please remember coordinators are volunteers and do this in their own time to support your children. Once the registration period has closed <u>late registrations can only be made by special arrangement</u> and an extra fee may apply. Where a sport requires additional players to fill teams, registrations may be reopened.

Payment of sports fees <u>must be paid online at the time of registration</u> for it to be completed. Where this may be difficult, alternate payment arrangements can be made with the school business manager, Amanda Jackson. Unregistered players are not permitted to play as this puts players, school and the relevant sports association at risk.

SUMMER AFTERSCHOOL SPORTS REGISTRATIONS

Summer sports online registrations open on Friday 9th DEC 2016 and close on Thursday 2nd FEB 2017

REGISTER AT: https://www.trybooking.com/NTSC

* follow the prompts. At the ticket screen enter 1 (only) for the no. of tickets against the sport your child wants to play. Payment must be made via credit card to confirm registration in the final screen. Fees paid for these sports are for the entire season. (Winter season Term 2 & 3 – there is a one- off fee that covers both seasons or part there-of.)

SUMMER SPORTS INCLUDE: Cricket /Softball - Played Term 1 & 4

Fees \$60.00

Basketball – Played Term 1 & 4

Fees \$20.00 (additional stadium entry costs apply)

Wayne Hunt Deputy Principal

ORIENTEERING EVENTS

ORIENTEERING WRAP UP AT CLG

A turnout of 119 people competed in the Twilight orienteering event held by Colonel Light Gardens Primary on *Friday 25th November*.

It was good to see a number of students from our school participating as well as their parents. A you-tube was also filmed on the day of this event near our school and its suburb. See the following link https://youtu.be/gbMCFTex2zc

For more information on Friday orienteering go to www.sa.orienteering.asn.au/. The next event is at Hackney on *Friday 2nd December*.

There is free membership and discounted entry for new people and their families who join an orienteering club.

Des Norman

Hope to see you out there soon.

Year 3/4 Teacher

Course Setter for the Colonel Light Gardens Event - Meredith Norman



SAPSASA & PE UPDATES

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

The jump rope rewards have finally arrived! They will be distributed to students by the end of the term.

NETBALL SA BEACH ENERGY 3 UMPIRES COURSE

27 students attended the 3 Umpires Course on Wednesday 23rd November from 2.30pm to 5.30pm. The course work covered umpires code of conduct, positioning, vision, hand signals, sanctions, free pass, penalty pass, contact, obstruction, intimidation, injury/illness and blood, discipline and harassment. They also learnt how to blow the whistle in a variety of ways for different outcomes.

Well done: Jesscia C, Emma S, Kiana M, Ruby Z, Georgia L, Karla G, Abby K, Jessica Z, Ariana T, Marielle B, Lily R, Gypsy O, Halle S, Grace H, Lily H, Phoebe H, Tilly M, Lucy P, Lian M, Gracie T, Amelia K, Isobell D, Emerson Rose D, Stella M, Emili R, Charlotte O-G and Courtney W.

These students can begin to umpire competition matches as they gain more experience and further their umpiring experiences by becoming a class C, B or A badge umpire in the future.

GET CAUGHT NETBALL CARNIVAL

Four netball teams participated in the Get Court Netball Carnival. All teams played exceptionally well and demonstrated amazing resilience and fair play. A big thank you goes to *Teresa Rosenzweig* for helping me organise coaches, funding and teams. Thank you to *Mandy Rebbeck, Megan Dowd, Gemma Williams, Sarah* Kennedy and *Lynne Angley* who all contributed to coaching the teams on the day. *A big thank you to the parents who transported, this enabled us to keep the costs down.* The results were:

YEAR 4 TEAM - RUNNERS UP



YEAR 5 TEAM - FOURTH



YEAR 5/6 TEAM - THIRD



MIXED OPEN TEAM - FOURTH



Well done everyone on a top effort in team work and fair play!

SAPSASA & PE UPDATES Cont...

SAPSASA BOYS SOFTBALL

The SAPSASA Boys Softball team played against Gulfview Heights Primary School on Tuesday 29th November. The final result was **8 -32** in favour of Colonel Light Gardens. Their next game is the final, played on *Thursday 8th December* at Softball Headquarters, Barratt Reserve. A great effort boys!!

SAPSASA DISTRICT CRICKET

Congratulations to Jed O and Jackson A who both played in the carnival for the SAPSASA City South Cricket team.

Overall their team came 4th in their division. Well done boys!



Jasmin E represented the SAPSASA Western Metropolitan District Cricket team at the carnival. Her team came first. She made 25 runs for the week and took 5 wickets in the 7 games played.

Well done Jasmin!!



COMMUNITY NEWS



Visit any Marion Library Service branch between **7 November** and **7 December 2016** and donate books for The Smith Family, a children's charity helping disadvantaged Australian children to get the most out of their education.

To participate, simply purchase a children's book, visit the library to get your gift tag and leave your gift under our Christmas tree!

Festive Family Fun

Visit one of our libraries with your family and enjoy an evening of fun and festive activities. Bring your Gift of Reading donation to place under our Christmas trees for the Smith Family and help a disadvantaged child this holiday season. Enjoy candy canes, Christmas carols, and make a decoration for your own tree. To participate in our Gift of Reading initiative, simply purchase a childrens or teen book, collect your gift tag at one of our library branches and put your gift under one of our trees.

Monday 5 December between 5pm-6.30pm

Cultural Centre Library 287 Diagonal Road, OAKLANDS PARK 5046

Tuesday 6 December between 5pm-6.30pm

Cove Civic Centre 1 Ragamuffin Drive, HALLETT COVE 5158

Wednesday 7 December between 5pm-6.30pm

Park Holme Library Duncan Avenue, PARK HOLME 5043

FREE! No need to book, just come along

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