



Colonel Light Gardens Primary School NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES

- 19/11/18 - **INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
COME 'N' TRY 9:00 - 11:00am**
- 21/11/18 - **CHRISTIE WALK EXCURSION
RMS 3 & 4 9:00am - 1:00pm**
- 22-23/11 - **CABRA YR8 ORIENTATION DAY
8:45am - 2:45pm**
- 22/11/18 - **CANTEEN COMMITTEE MEETING
2:00pm**
- 23/11/18 - **CHRISTIE WALK EXCURSION
RMS 1 & 2 9:00am - 1:00pm**
- 23/11/18 - **W/S ASSEMBLY 12:20pm**
- 26-28/11 - **UNLEY YR8 TRANSITION VISITS**
- 26/11/18 - **INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC BAND
PRACTICE 9:00 - 11:00am**
- 27/11/18 - **CONCERT RECORDING DAY**
- 28/11/18 - **VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA
10:50am - 12:00pm**
- 28/11/18 - **YR4/5 GIRLS CHOIR MINI CONCERT
TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH 6:15 - 7:30pm**
- 29/11/18 - **MENTOR'S MORNING TEA
10:00am - 12:00pm**
- 29/11/18 - **JUNIOR SINGERS MINI CONCERT
TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH 6:15 - 7:30pm**
- 30/11/18 - **YR 6/7 FOOTSTEPS PROGRAM
9:00am - 10:40pm**
- 03/12/18 - **BOYS FORM CLG MINI CONCERT
TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH 6:15 - 7:30pm**
- 03/12/18 - **GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
7:00pm**

Dear Parents, carers, students and community friends,

THE LOOVRE

It is anticipated that the builders will hand over the Loovre next week to the school. This is an exciting time and the culmination of a lot of fundraising, organisation and work. Although not overly spacious, this addition will be a wonderful flexible kitchen/Science/STEM facility with all new appliances, storage and other facilities. Although classes will use the building for some activities in the last few weeks of this year, equipment, resources and consumables still need to be purchased for next year. I am hoping to hold an open night when our school concert is on so parents can come and have a look.

26 CLASSES

This term is already half over and there is still so much to do. Teachers and leaders have already spent many hours after school working on classes for 2019. Over the last 2 weeks we have been busy with new enrolment enquiries from families who either:

- moved or are moving into school zone or
- lived in our school zone for a period of time and although their child/ren currently attend a private or another government school have now decided that CLG is worth considering

These additional enrolments have required us this week to rearrange our original plans and move from a **25** to a **26** class option structure to cater for the number of students we will have. Our recent growth is reflected in the numbers below:

- In 2016 we started the school year with 626 students in 23 classes
- In 2017 we started with 654 students in 24 classes
- In 2018 we started with 678 in 25 classes
- In 2019 we are likely to start with 706 students in 26 classes

Although it is nice to have this level of interest in our school, we are struggling for additional classroom space, without wanting to give up our specialist areas. We think we have found a workable solution. The situation will resolve itself in a couple of years when all year 7s in the state are moved to high schools.



PRINCIPAL'S NEWS Cont...

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

In the last newsletter I shared the data from our recent parent opinion survey. As the survey is anonymous, I also indicated that in future newsletters I would address some of the questions or comments which were made. Here are a couple of them.

Comment/s summary: I liked the idea of class parent reps for Reception and year 1 classes. I'm not sure if this is still happening?

Response: You are correct, that this process did not formally happen this year. It is certainly something that needs to be worked on for 2019 as I think the whole concept was a good initiative and in particular, supportive our families new to CLG.

Comment/s summary: I have heard that some bright students are involved in 'enrichment'. What is it and how do students get to be part of it?

Response: Enrichment is something we have started this year to support our focus on stretching students and intellectual challenge. Identified students in mainly years 4 to 7 have been working in small groups with Susan O'Connell for a 1 hour session a week on a range of passion projects and other curricula learning opportunities. Teachers used a range of tests and other measures to determine a student's suitability to be part of enrichment. Parents of identified students were notified of their child's involvement. I feel these groups have been successful and we are hoping to continue the concept in 2019.

If you have any further comments or questions please email me at rick.bennallack149@schools.sa.edu.au



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LIBRARY NEWS



STOCKTAKE

It's that time of the year once again when we are about to commence stocktake of our collection. Student borrowing will cease in Week 6 (**Friday 23rd November**) with **all** books due back in the library no later than **Friday 30th November**. Your cooperation with returning books promptly would be greatly appreciated.

Simone Percy

Literacy Coordinator / Teacher Librarian

2019 - 2021 TERM CALENDARS

YEAR / TERM	TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3	TERM 4
2019	29 January - 12 April	29 April - 5 July	22 July - 27 September	14 October - 13 December
2020	28 January - 9 April	27 April - 3 July	20 July - 25 September	12 October - 11 December
2021	1 February - 16 April	3 May - 9 July	26 July - 1 October	18 October - 17 December

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROOMS 04 & 13?

Classrooms 04 & 13



Making shape pictures

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROOMS 04 & 13? Cont...

BUDDY READING



THE VALUE OF RESPECT

At CLG we teach, model, expect and appreciate the value of respect in our dealings and daily interactions with students, other staff, parents and members of the school community. Our students understand, appreciate and reciprocate this value most of the time. When they don't show the level of respect expected, we strive to educate and help them learn to do better.

We all have our own beliefs and from time to time we may have differences of opinion. Sometimes concerns or issues need to be communicated and addressed. We can however be respectful in what we say and how we say it.

This year, the level of respect with some correspondence from a **few** members of our parent community has been disappointing as reflected in some:

- notes to teachers
- emails
- comments made verbally and in the:
 - class placement information and
 - surveys

It is your right to have an opinion about our school, our teachers, our leaders and what we do. We hope you seek out the necessary information to ensure your opinion is informed and accurate.

All we ask is when you need to share information or make a point or raise a concern, you communicate this respectfully with us through the various communication channels and digital platforms.

Below is a 'letter' written originally by a child's parents to his teacher about what they want and hope for with Quinn (a fictitious student). The **green** writing redirects the letter back to the child's parents about how Quinn would like his/her parents to interact with his/her teacher (and other staff). We think this is food for thought. Let's work together to make a difference in a respectful and supportive manner.

Kind regards

From the staff at CLG

Dear Teacher / **Mum and Dad,**

I am writing this letter to you as a courtesy and a gentle reminder as to how I would like you to treat my child / **teacher**.

Please treat my child / **teacher** respectfully at all times.

Please treat my child / **teacher** as an individual with unique strengths and skills.

Please treat my child / **teacher** with encouragement and support.

Please treat my child / **teacher** in a friendly manner so they feel valued.

Please treat my child / **teacher** with a positive mindset.

Please respond kindly to my child / **teacher** when they write to you.

Please understand that my child / **teacher** is a wonderful human being and has experiences outside of the classroom which may affect their day at school and how they are feeling.

Please remember that how my child / **teacher** feels about their day may affect their performance.

Please do not hold a grudge against my child / **teacher** or keep a list of their transgressions, but rather try to restore your relationship through open discussion and forgiveness.

Please do not speak about my child / **teacher** negatively with other children or their parents but rather speak with me / **them** directly if you have the need.

Please know that my child / **teacher** works hard to do the best they can in the classroom.

Thank you for taking the time to reflect upon these suggestions. I'm sure they will help make the classroom a happy place to be.

Yours sincerely,

Quinn's Parents / **Quinn**

SAPSASA & P.E. UPDATE

SAPSASA GIRLS SOFTBALL

The girls softball team; **Amelia K, Sophia W, Maggie H, Mia M-B, Lily R, Jessica Z, Paige M, Darcy G, Macy P** and **Laura N** won their game against Burnside Primary School on **Monday 29th October** at Colonel Light Gardens on Mortlock Park. It was a very close game with a final score of 10 to 8 runs. They are now through to the Grand Final which will be played on **Tuesday 27th November** against Adtornish Primary School. *Well done girls!!*

SAPSASA TENNIS STATE CARNIVAL

Congratulations to Rowan L who made selection to represent City South in the SAPSASA Tennis State Carnival during the week of **November 19th to 22nd**.

PE WEEK

This week was PE Week. We celebrated with lots of lunch time activities throughout the week. The highlight was the visiting **Adelaide 36ers** who came to have a scratch match with our students and a try their hand at table tennis.

Well done Sport to Monitors!! It was a mammoth task and you met all expectations.

Kim Boothey
PE Teacher



PE BLOG..... Remember updates are posted on the PE Blog <http://peclg.edublogs.org/>

CANTEEN NEWS



COLONEL'S KITCHEN

Not all burgers are the same.....

Introducing **Colonel's Beef Burger** - **\$6.60** (Beef Pattie, lettuce, tomato, tomato sauce) or with cheese - **\$7.00**.



Every Tuesday is '**Nachos Day**' (v) corn chips, salsa, cheese. Add sour cream **30c**

An elephant never forgets - so please pay your outstanding 'green elephant notes'.

Frozen orange slices, from the Riverland, are now available for **10c**. Reade Building and some classes from Lower Mortlock were lucky enough to try them out.

The verdict was - **10/10, super tasty, really juicy, a yummy healthy treat**. As we try new menu items, I would like to hear your kids feedback, so please pop in and chat to me or email clgpscanteen@gmail.com

Like us on Facebook CLGPS CANTEEN, to be kept informed of specials, menus etc

Please drop in and say hi, we welcome any volunteers who would like to come help, half an hour in the morning after drop off or come at the lunch time rush from 1pm for 30mins - especially now the weather is warming up it is really busy with the ice block rush.

Kelly Gilbert
Canteen Manager

VACATION CARE PROGRAM

N.B. The Vacation Care Program for the Dec 2018 – Jan 2019 School Holidays is now available from the Front Office or from our school website (follow link below):

http://www.colgrdnsps.sa.edu.au/oshc_vac-care.htm

COMMUNITY NEWS



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OF MITCHAM'S
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SUNDAY 2.12.18

KINGSWOOD OVAL
BELAIR ROAD, KINGSWOOD
SUNDAY 2ND DECEMBER 5:00PM - 8:30PM

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR...

- ★ FREE CAMEL & PONY RIDES
- ★ FREE FACE PAINTING
- ★ FREE JUMPING CASTLE
- ★ FREE LIVE ENTERTAINMENT INCLUDING A NATIVITY SCENE
- ★ DELICIOUS FOOD STALLS AVAILABLE



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