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Lenswood Primary School Newsletter



Wednesday, 28 June 2017

Thurs, 29 June

Fri, 30 June

Fri, 30 June

Sat, 1 July

Fri, 7 July

Mon, 24 July

Knockout Footy @ Uraidla

6/7 Maths Group excursion to Woodhouse

Student Reports due home

P&F Bunnings Cake Stall – 10am – 3pm

Playgroup

PUPIL FREE DAY (First day of Term 3)

From the Principal – Leah Kennewell

Please note that on Monday, 24 July (first day of term 3) we will be having a pupil free day for teachers to attend a professional development Visible Learning day with many other local schools in our partnership.

We have been working on what we think makes an effective learner. (Thank you to those parents who returned their surveys to the school when we asked you about effective learning – it's not too late if you haven't done it yet.) We asked the students, they came up with some insightful responses. Here are just a few of them:

- Concentrates
- Takes part/is engaged/participates
- Helps others but doesn't rescue them
- Isn't afraid to ask questions
- Uses your initiative/ thinks outside the box
- Is willing to learn
- Is willing to have a go/takes risks/makes mistakes/try something new
- Will ask for help
- Practises until you get it right
- Consults with others to get a solution
- Remembers that learning is not a competition
- Challenges yourself

One of the issues we've been talking about is the place of fun in learning. It's a thing that parents will occasionally list as important at school, but "having fun" wasn't in the students' list of what makes an effective learner. I wonder if it's just an issue of the language that we use. We want students to be really engaged, really interested in their learning. We want them to be able to make links between new knowledge and what they already know. We want them to be able to apply their knowledge and skills in a variety of ways, and be able to use those things to solve complex real-life problems. We want them to be challenged and to be able make mistakes without feeling like that is a failure. Then students will find school relevant, interesting, and will want to learn. In a world of personal devices, streaming shows and YouTube, we can't hope to compete as "edutainment". Of course, learning should be enjoyable, not boring, but inevitably some things won't be as stimulating as others. It's about finding the balance between the passions and interests of the students and the expectations of the curriculum.

On another matter, we are refurbishing the library and activity room (Ms Read's old room) over the holidays. We won't be able to use the two beautiful old wooden computer desks any more. If you would like to take them home, or know someone who would like them, please let one of us know as soon as you can.

Material and Services Charges – School Fees

Thank you to those of you who have paid some of your fees or contacted me to discuss them. Unfortunately though there are still a small handful of parents who have not contacted me or paid their fees. Leah will be contacting any families personally to discuss this matter if we haven't heard from you before the end of this term.

P&F – cake stall

The P&F have had a busy first two terms of 2017 and we would like to share a little of what we have done and are still doing. We have a cake stall **THIS SATURDAY** at Bunnings, Mt Barker. This is a great chance for those parents who work or are unable to help out as much as they would like around the school to jump on board by either giving a couple of hours and helping on the stall during the day or donating some yummy baked goods. We have 3 shifts on the day, 9.30-11.30, 11-1.30 and 1-3.30pm but if you can only spare an hour or so that would be great also. We'd love to see some new faces on our cake stall. If you do have some baked goods please drop them into the school by Friday afternoon, clearly labelled and no cream please.

We have also purchased a few things for the school this year. Firstly a new sandpit cover and a roller for this to live on. The roller will make it a lot easier for unpacking or packing the cover up during the week. We have also donated some money for the woodwork shed for some new tools, safety glasses and general supplies. If you get the chance, pop into the school foyer and have a look at the fabulous smiley faces the kids have made in woodwork on Fridays. They have also made some name plaques that will be finished shortly.

Carmen has been very busy talking to Bunnings and we would like to thank them for their generous donations. These include some new tarps for the secret garden and two chair dollies to make moving the chairs from storage a lot easier. They also put in a few little extras for us, so have a look near the gardens to see some cute garden gnomes and a wind chime and bird feeder in the trees by the Elm tree. We have a few other ideas in the pipeline including some new Sports Tops (our old ones have been around for some time now) and soon we will start organising the Uraidla Show which is in November this year so stay tuned.

We are still looking for helpers for Monday Munchies, so if you are available to help and haven't returned a form letting us know please see Lisa or Julia.

Monday Lunches

Attached you'll find the Monday lunch order forms for next term. These are due back by Tuesday, 4 July 2017. You will be invoiced for this next term.

Uniform order

Attached is the term 3 uniform order form which is due back on Tuesday, 4 July 2017 also. You will be invoiced for this next term.

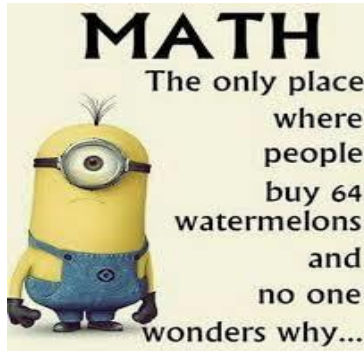
Thank you to.....

- T Casey Bellman for removing our green waste pile.
- Max Leimann for donating some books to our library.
- Carmen Brincat-Cotton and Lisa Golding for their continued work with our students teaching them woodworking skills every Friday.

Gardening Club

Last Sunday some members of our gardening club - Casey and Sally Bellman, Tess Schultz, Carey Hannaford and Carmen Brincat-Cotton worked on the area around the cubby and chess board. You can now see the artificial turf and the area looks much neater. Although we haven't finished we have made a great start. Thanks to Tess for donating and planting around the cubby house and to Casey for spraying the ivy and creeper. Special thank you to Seth, Edward, Kye, Ellie and Dayna for helping out.

Quotes of the Fortnight



Challenges are what make life interesting. Overcoming them is what makes it meaningful.

Congratulations



It's a boy! Congratulations to the entire Bartlett family on the safe arrival of Franklin Bentley Ivan Bartlett (Frankie). Mum and Dad, Alicia and Wayne are thrilled with their new little bundle of joy, as are big sister and brothers Jaime, Noah and Nate. We can't wait to give him a big cuddle.



Liam Mason turns 10 on the 3rd of July, Joshua Martin will be 11 on the 4th of July. Lucy Flavell turns 7 on the 14th, Kye Schultz turns 9 on the 20th, Jude Lane will be 13 on the 23rd and Eden Lane turns 11 on the 24th of July. Enjoy your special day everyone!

Upcoming Cake & Lunch Roster (a big thank you to you all!!)

Week 10, 3/7/17 Lunch: Crissy Mac & Carey Hannaford

Community News

School Holidays Sports - Over the past few years the GFHASA have been making changes to assist in the development of Gaelic Football in South Australia, and have are looking to broaden our junior and minor programs. These July holidays the GFHASA have organised a Come 'n Try initiative which is supported by the Adelaide City Council and presented by 'Life. Be in it'. This come and try initiative seeks to encourage 5-16 year olds to get active by trying an exciting new sport or recreational activity in the school holidays and if Gaelic isn't something that is new and exciting, then I don't know what is! This come and try will take place during the first week of the July school holidays and Gaelic Football will be on Tuesday 11 from 12-1.30pm at Park 17 in the Parklands. For more information and bookings you may visit www.comentry.com.au

Movie Fundraiser – Lobethal Lutheran School are holding a 'Despicable Me 3' movie fundraiser on Saturday, 15 July at 2pm at the Lobethal Cinema. \$14 per person, doors open at 1:15pm. To order tickets call the Lobethal Luther Primary School office on 8389 6131.

Saver Plus – Join Saver Plus and you may be eligible to match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for educational costs including: school uniforms and text books, computers, laptops and tablets, excursions and camps, sports equipment, uniforms and lessons, music tuition and instrument purchase. You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself. Call or sms 1300610355 or email saverplus@bsl.org.au. Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in your area by the Brotherhood of St Laurence. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.



Loby 175 Fun Day 2017



DATE: WED July 19th, 2017

TIME: 9:15 am – 3:30 pm.

PLACE: Lobethal Lutheran Church Basement
(48 Main Street, Lobethal.)

FOR: Children from Kindy to Year 7 inclusive.

COST: \$5.00 per child.

CONTACT: Margy Seidel 0408894457;
Church Office 83896069

FORMS AVAILABLE FROM: *Lobethal Christian Book
Centre; *Lobethal Lutheran School office;

*Margy mmseidel@internode.on.net

Download from <http://kidsandfamiliesatlobethalutheran.weebly.com/>
or lobethallutheranchurch.org.au

Register by 12/7/17, if possible.

The Parents & Friends have a

Cake Stall

at BUNNINGS Mt Barker

Saturday 1st of July 10am – 3pm

We are looking for people to help at the stall, please let us know if you can. 2hr shifts.

We would appreciate donations of:

...Jams... Chutneys... Preserves...

...Bar cakes... Pies... Cupcakes...

...Slices.....Cookies... Apples...

<<Everything needs a list of ingredients and no cream please.

Delivered to school by end of the school day Friday 30th>>

– We Thank You