

Lenswood Primary School Newsletter



Wednesday, 15 November 2017

Thursday, 16 Nov

- Ms Read's Maths class excursion to Nth Adelaide Swimming Pool
- Wheels Day – 3/4/5 class

Wednesday, 22 Nov

- P&F Mtg inc AGM 7pm (NOTE CHANGE OF DAY)

Thursday, 23 Nov

- Volunteers Morning Tea – all welcome 10:30am in library

From the Principal – Leah Kennewell

I have to admit, I spent all of last weekend showing off about the students at this school. I was so proud of them on Friday. Firstly, the year 6/7 students ran the Remembrance Day ceremony brilliantly, reading poems, telling some of the history, managing the wreath-laying and showing so much respect during the formal parts of the commemoration. The younger students were quiet and respectful too, and I know a lot of them were thinking about why we remember the day, and what it represents. It was great that some of you could be there to see it. (This was after so many of you had generously donated flowers from your own gardens, and the wonderful Carmen Brincat-Cotton had worked with all of the students as they thoughtfully made the wreaths. I know that the year 3/4/5 class also collected some flowers too.) All of the teachers did such a good job setting the context of the morning, and I know some of you had also spoken to your children. All together, we helped the children understand the importance of the ceremony, and they responded with deference and thoughtfulness.

In the afternoon, the older students ran activities that they had designed themselves. All of the school was divided into mixed-age groups, and they rotated through the activities. All of the students showed resilience when things didn't go quite according to plan, persistence in trying new things, a sense of community when they helped others, and celebrating success when things went well. It all went so well

that the teachers didn't even have to intervene at all.

Sometimes we forget how unusual this kind of day is – the students here have so



many opportunities for leadership, and they really are adaptable and flexible. These are the qualities that are going to serve them well in their futures, and increase their desirability for employers. I think that we all, families and school staff, can be justifiably proud of the young people in our care, and how we are preparing them for the world. Let's not forget the Uraidla Show. What a triumph! Every child in the school had an entry, and so many of them won prizes. It



shows the quality of work that our students can produce and how they compare to other kids in the region. I've included a photo of Keely Skinner, who won the champion prize for "school photography". There is also a photo of many of the students who won prizes in categories from art to decorated eggs to handicrafts to Lego to cooking. Whew! See the photo of the decorated cake that the year 6/7 class made under the supervision of Lisa Golding too.

Outstanding Invoices

Statements have now been sent home to each family with outstanding amounts owed to our school. Please endeavour to pay these accounts asap due to the end of the financial year approaching.

Uraidla BBQ fundraiser – P&F



The Uraidla show was a great success and we would like to thank everyone who helped out either before, during or after the day. Weather wise the day was perfect and before we had even set up we had people asking for bacon and egg sandwiches. We arrived in the morning to find our usual spot had been taken over, but thanks to the quick thinking of Sara Rosenthal and a little bit of rearranging we found a great spot along the road for our BBQ. It really was the perfect place to be for all the foot traffic going through.

The boys got cooking and no sooner were we on our last bacon and egg sandwich that the sausages and steak sandwiches were in hot demand. Lunch was definitely a very busy time and by 2.30pm we had sold out of everything. We sold out 3 hours earlier than last year even though we had bought 50% more food than previous years as we had intended to serve dinner also. It was a very busy day. I was speaking to the Secretary's office after we had finished packing up and the lady I was talking to had nothing but great things to say about our stall. People had been coming up to her all day commenting in detail on how well run it was and that our wait times were almost non-existent unlike a lot of the other food stalls near us (who were also selling out of food very early like us) and that our service was so friendly, so thank you all so much. Thanks to Carey Hannaford for her quick trip to the shops to grab another 150 sausages which we then sold out of by 3.45pm. By the time we finished packing up about 4.30pm the sky was just turning grey and trying to rain on us so it was perfect timing.

I would like to give a huge thankyou to E.E Muir and Sons for lending us their BBQ trailer. It made the day so much easier and also made getting everything to the show that morning a lot easier also. A big, big thankyou to Sara Rosenthal for everything she did including all the ordering of food and essentials, organising their deliveries, packing the day before, taking stuff to the show, setting up on the day, working on the stall and then also coming back to help take everything back to school, you were amazing! It was a very long day. A lot of work goes on behind the scenes of these fundraisers, it is not just working on the stall but the hours of planning that go into it that make a successful day. I would also like to thank Tess Schultz for organising the salads and onions from Barker Boys. Haley Mason for helping to organise the meat from Klose's Supermarkets as well as her and Paul working on the stall longer than their shift. Jess Boyle for the use of her family's cold rooms to store the meat in before the day as this year the show was a Sunday but delivery was Friday. Bec and Matt Flavell for organising the bbq from EE Muir and Sons and for cleaning and fixing up the bbq for us, working on the stall longer than their shift and also for helping to pack up at the end of the day. Thank you to all the guys who worked on the bbq, most of them even longer than their allocated time because they were enjoying the chat I'm sure, you did a great job.

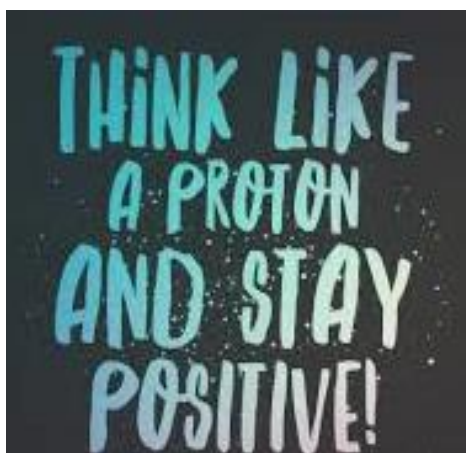
Phil Bronzin for swapping his shift to help us set up instead as we only had 3 people, your help was greatly appreciated, those Gazebos were heavy. I'd also like to thank Tom Golding, from set up to pack up you were there all day doing so much I can't even put it all down, thank you.

I know I have missed people and I'm so sorry if I have. You all worked so hard and helped make the day the success it was. Uraidla Show is our biggest fundraiser for the year and many hands make light work so thankyou to you all. I know we had to ring people to say not to come in but to those of you, thank you so much too as I know you would have still all been there helping out. Lenswood is a very lucky school to have so many great families willing to help out. Let's make next year's show even better. Thanks again, Lisa Golding, P&F Secretary.

Christmas Raffle P&F

Just a reminder to return your Christmas raffle books. We would love you to have sold your ten tickets, but if you can't please return the book anyway with the money you have collected. Also, our wheelbarrow is looking great but not full yet. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Science Quotes of the Fortnight



Sports Tops & Festival of Music Tops

Anyone with either school sports tops or the colourful Festival of Music tops at home need to return them to school as soon as possible. These tops need to be washed and back at school for our stocktake by Friday, 24 November otherwise we will be invoicing families for these tops. If you are unsure if you have returned your tops or not, please speak with Nicola in the library.

Upcoming Cake & Lunch Roster

Week 6, 20/11/17	Lunch	Tess Schultz & Evelyn Pearse
Week 7, 27/11/17	Cakes	Jacqui Plummer & Leonie Stafford
Week 8, 4/12/17	No lunches (camp week)	
Week 9, 11/12/17	Cakes	Tess Schultz & Lisa Golding



**Happy November birthday to –
Scott Rosenthal who turns 8 on the 20th and
Adam B-C who will be 13 on the 28th.
Enjoy your special day boys!**

Community News

Woodside Christmas Parade and Street Party – Thursday, 21 December. Fun starts at 6:30pm and the Parade commences at 7pm. Carollers, Fritz Sandwich the Clown, Food Stalls, Parade Prince & Princess, Bell Ringers, shops open til late. Fireworks start at 8:45pm, weather dependent. This is a temporary dry zone event. If it is a catastrophic weather day the parade will be cancelled.

Lobethal Christmas Pageant – Saturday, 23 December. The Pageant starts at 7:30 at the top of the Main Street and heads down towards the Lobethal Recreation Ground. Keep an eye out for Santa as he

approaches with a joyful parade of helpers, musicians and waving children. There will be lots of food stalls and a fantastic festival atmosphere with Centennial Hall open for all your last minute gift ideas. This is the last night to see the Living Nativity for 2017. A dry zone will be in effect for the duration of this event and no alcohol will be allowed around the Lights of Lobethal Festival area. Road closures will apply on the Mains Street, Woodside Rd, Jeffry Street and Onkaparinga Street from 6pm to 10pm.

Glenunga International High School – the IGNITE assessment will be held on Saturday, 24 February 2018 to prospective families and students who will be in year 7 in 2018. The IGNITE program is a selected entry program designed to cater for the needs of gifted students. For more information contact Helen Redmond, IGNITE Program Manager at Helen.redmond@gihs.sa.edu.au or on 8379 5629.

Glenunga International High School – Parent Information Evening will be held on Wednesday, 13 December 2017 at 6:30pm. To register your interest in attending this information evening please follow the link <https://www.trybooking.com/332920>. For more information phone 8379 5629.

PARENTING RESILIENT KIDS



We are inviting parents and their primary-school aged children to take part in a new online parenting program designed to provide parents with strategies to parent with confidence and stay connected with their pre-teen child.

WHAT IS THE RESEARCH ABOUT?

You are invited to participate in research being conducted by Monash University, led by Dr Marie Yap. The research aims to evaluate whether our new online parenting program can help empower parents and in turn build their child's resilience.

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

You will be randomly allocated to one of two groups, to receive either:

1) An individually-tailored, interactive online parenting program that will give you practical strategies you can use to parent your child more confidently;

OR

2) An information package of 8 weekly factsheets about child development and well-being.

• We will give you a 5-minute call once a week until you have completed your allocated program.

• We will ask both you and your child (if they agree to take part) to complete some online surveys at the beginning, and after 3 and 12 months.

In total, participation in this research will take a few hours of yours and your child's time over 12 months. To say thank you, you will be reimbursed with e-gift vouchers.

All components of the online program can be done using a computer, tablet, or smartphone.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

Parents or guardians of a child aged 8-11 who live in Australia, are fluent in English and have internet access.

HOW DO I FIND OUT MORE?

To find out more, or to register to participate, please go to www.parentingresilientkids.com

For further details, please contact the researchers at med-resilientkids@monash.edu or on (03) 9905 1232.



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