

Lenswood Primary School Newsletter



Wednesday, 29 November 2017

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| Wed, 29 Nov | - Music Hub Performance @ Lobethal PS 7pm tonight |
| Thurs, 30 Nov | - Wheels Day – R/1/2 class |
| Fri, 1 Dec | - Year 7 Graduation Dinner |
| Mon 4 – Fri 8 | - Year 4 to 7 Sovereign Hill Camp |
| Tues, 5 Dec | - Rec – year 3 excursion to Morialta Park |
| Thur, 7 Dec | - Rec – year 3 excursion to North Adelaide Swimming Pool |
| Tues, 12 Dec | - Presentations of Premiers Be Active & Reading Challenge |
| Thurs, 14 Dec | - End of Year Presentation Night 7pm |
| Fri, 15 Dec | - Last day of school, early dismissal 2:15pm |

Please complete the OSHC survey and the P@F Helpers slip (if you can help) on the last page.

From the Principal – Leah Kennewell



Adam Brincat-Cotton decided that he wanted to do something to support homeless people in Adelaide. So he decided to sell surplus lemons from the tree at home. He brought lemons to school and I know that a lot of you donated to his cause and took some great fruit home. You'll be pleased to hear that Adam raised \$120. The picture is of him being presented a certificate by Alice Rawlinson, the communications coordinator at the Hutt Street Centre. Like us, they congratulated Adam on his initiative, perseverance and empathy for others. Well done Adam!

We have received the report from our External School review. We will have copies for you to borrow next week if you'd like to have a look at it. Some comments in the report include "The school has consistently demonstrated high levels of achievement in NAPLAN assessments over time", "...using the term 'success criteria' has assisted in strengthening student resilience when learning became challenging", "The school demonstrated a high level of commitment to students with learning difficulties and there are very clear processes and practices in place...", "Older students indicated that they were provided with opportunities to influence learning in their classroom 80% of the time" and "There is clear evidence that feedback is used in a variety of ways and across many areas of learning to support students to improve learning."

When the report turns to what we are doing particularly well, it notes that "The strong community support for the school has been influenced by the dedication and commitment of community members volunteering their time to support the students in a range of different fields" and goes on to mention listening to reading, transporting students, the woodshed program, the school musical and the Arts Spectacular. We are so grateful that so many of you are able to put aside some time to help the students and I think that it's fantastic that that has been recognised.

When looking at student achievement, the report states that by far most of the students met the Standard of Educational Achievement in both reading and numeracy, and as you saw above the school also has a high degree of success in NAPLAN.



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Here are the External School Review directives for the next 4 years:

1. **Strengthen and embed cyclic self-review processes to include planned and regular opportunities for staff to collaboratively track, monitor, and plan learning across all year levels.** (So all students learning what they should, when they should, analysing the data closely and doing that together, as well as moderating with teachers from other schools.)
2. **Collaboratively develop transforming tasks to support and embed differentiation and intellectual stretch and challenge across all areas of learning and year levels.** (So many of our kids are doing well; all of them could do even better, so we have to use strategies to improve the tasks that we design so that everyone is challenged, wherever they start.)
3. **Develop and embed authentic student influence for learning that is strengthened by embedding TfEL (Teaching for Effective Learning – our framework for *how* we teach) perception data as part of regular reviews at the beginning and end of units of work.** (Students can give us some of our best information about their learning and our teaching – we need to do this on a more regular basis. Then we need to follow up on what they tell us so that their learning is maximised.)

Christmas Raffle P&F

Just a reminder to return your Christmas raffle books by 30 November. 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 will still be greatly appreciated.



SAPSASA Sport – Well done boys!!



Congratulations and well done to Lachlan Schultz and David Martin on being chosen and participating in SAPSASA sport last week. Lachie was chosen in the Hills Tennis SAPSASA team while David was chosen in the Hills Cricket SAPSASA team. We're proud of both of you!



Sports Tops to be returned ASAP!!

There are still plenty of sports tops that have not been returned. If you have used a sports top throughout the year for any sporting event or excursion you will need to return it to school before the end of the year. Please return to Nicola Green in the library as soon as possible. Families will be invoiced this year for any unreturned tops, thank you.

Premiers Be Active and Reading Challenge Presentations

Our annual medal presentations will be held on Tuesday, 12 December in our school hall with the Be Active presentation at 10am and then the Reading Challenge presentation at 2pm.

This year will we welcome Melinda Martin, who not only has her own prestigious sporting career, but who has also been an important supporter of, and advocate for, school sport here at Lenswood. We really are delighted that she will be presenting the medals this year.

It's not quite confirmed yet, but we are hoping to have a local published author come to speak to the children and award the medals.

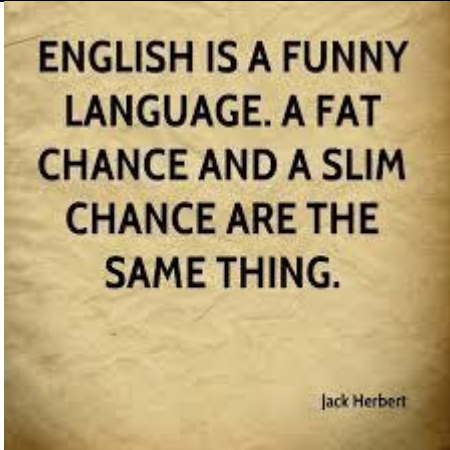
Please come along and listen to our very special visitors, and see your child receive their award. Everyone is welcome.

Year 6/7 Canteen

Thank you to all who supported our canteen over the year. We raised \$670 all up. We used this money for the Sovereign Hill Camp to keep the price at \$450.



Science Quotes of the Fortnight



Upcoming Cake & Lunch Roster

Week 8, 4/12/17

No lunches (camp week)

Week 9, 11/12/17

Cakes

Tess Schultz & Lisa Golding



Happy December birthday to –

Darcey Murphy who turns 8 on the 5th, Soraya Thompson who will be 12 on the 9th, Addelie Flavell who will be 12 on the 23rd, Max Marden who will be turning 5 on the 24th, Lachlan Schultz who turns 13 on the 27th and Henry Green who will be 11 on the 28th. And

Happy January birthday to –

Megan Bellman who will be turning 5 on the 2nd, Laura Martin who will turn 9 on the 5th and Leo Haese who turns 11 on the 31st.

Have a great birthday everyone.

P&F – Monday Munchies – Helpers needed for 2018!

Students enjoy the opportunity to have a canteen lunch at school each Monday. Every second Monday is the P&F lunch. We are looking for helpers for 2018. Please fill in the attached slip if you are able to cook cupcakes/muffins to bring into school or are available for 1½ hours on a Monday to help serve the lunch. Generally everyone is only rostered on once per term. If you have any questions please contact Nadine Schultz (schultzcn@gmail.com) or Haley Mason (handpmason@bigpond.com)

Yes, I am able to come into the school and help with the P&F Monday Munchies at various times during the year. I am aware I will need to be at the school by 12 noon and should be finished by 1:20pm.

Name:

Yes, I am able to make cupcakes to help with the Monday FPP Lunch days. I understand I will need to supply 20 cakes.

Name:.....

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.

OSHC Survey – please read this

We know that managing the hectic schedules of families can get really difficult. The Governing Council and the school both think that it really is time to begin having an OSHC service here. At this stage we're only looking at an after-school service, probably between 3.30 and 6.00pm. It would be open every day of the week. We've had a talk with Norton Summit Primary School, which is almost the same size as us, and they say they need about 8-10 children a night to break even. Each session there costs \$24 (or \$27 when there is a 'without notice' child attending) but families registered through Centrelink can obtain a childcare rebate of \$15 per session, so that brings the cost down to \$9. It is likely our costs would be very similar. **Can everyone please fill out the survey below and return it to school within a week so that we can work out what you need?**

How frequently would you use OSHC if it were at the school?	
5 days a week	
4 days a week	
3 days a week	
2 days a week	
1 day a week	
occasionally	
I might not use it in 2018, but I might use it after that.	
Please write your name here if you would like to support the Governing Council and the school to get this going.	
Any other comments?	