PARTNERSHIPS
Experience and research tell us about the importance of partnerships in education. When parents express confidence in the school and teachers, and are involved in some way, their children are more likely to be happy, have a positive attitude to learning and perform better academically. At LPS we actively seek partnerships with parents and caregivers. This is done deliberately, because once forged, we believe that these partnerships will result in

- greater understanding by parents of their child’s schooling
- greater understanding by teachers of the students and their unique needs
- better communication and understanding between home and school
- higher pupil morale and confidence
- increased academic performance
- increased goodwill and mutual esteem between parents and their school

Conscientious parents want their children to get the most they can from their schooling and to grow up as happy, caring and useful citizens. They also know that the school cannot do this on its own; they need strong parental partnerships. Partnerships are the ‘educational glue’ which assists children to have a happy and productive time at school. As a school we value and welcome your participation and support.

MNSEC
Good luck to Georgia Wegner and Dylan Davenport who will be joining the Gladstone High School Yr. 6,7 athletics team to compete in the MNSEC Athletics Carnival in Jamestown Wednesday March 18th. We wish them all the best.

REMINDERS
All Hot Cross Bun and Rocky River Sports Day Lunch Orders are due back (with money) to Pauleen by Thursday 19th March.

NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY
National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity for Australian students and school communities to embrace a healthier start and to try walking and riding to school for themselves. Tomorrow, Friday 13 March 2015 we will be celebrating the ninth National Ride2School Day event, where over 300,000 Australian students, just like ours, will ride, walk, scoot or skate to school. National Ride2School Day is the flagship event of the Ride2School Program. Active travel is a great way for students of all ages to meet their recommended daily dose of 60 minutes physical activity every day. Please encourage your children to walk or ride to school tomorrow and support them by reinforcing road safety rules before leaving home.

TIQBIZ
Attached to this newsletter today is a brochure about Tiqbiz. We are trialling this app as another way for staff to communicate with parents and for parents to communicate with us. Just follow the instructions on the flyer to download the app for your phone or tablet.

You will need to register and once you have registered you will be able to see Laura Primary (Whole School), click on that then you will see 6 icons which include.

- newsfeed - we have uploaded the Koffin Kandi Canteen Price list, this weeks and last week’s newsletters in this section.
- one2one – general questions to admin and will be monitored throughout the day.
- Absence – use when your child is absent, you can even sign your name on the screen
- Calendar – a few calendar dates in here for you to look at.
- Contact – to make contact with staff members e.g. setting up interview dates maybe
- Website – a link to our website

Bella Sargent received this award for being responsible and helpful in class and for always trying her hardest.

Well done Bella!

Tate Nettle received this award for his quality writing, and for always doing his very best.

Well done Tate!
Recognition Awards

Casey Cleggett – for good work in Maths.
Jez Hartmann – for an excellent effort in swimming.
Taylah Palmer – for excellent work in Science and making a plasticine boat that floats and not giving up.
Jed Griffin – for excellent measuring in maths.
Thomas Smith – for a great effort during swimming lessons.
Nicki Zanker – for improved organisation and work habits.
Angus McCallum – for neatness and good organisation skills.

Samuel Byron – for his good effort in Science.
Connor Hoskin – for his good effort in Maths.
Eddie McCallum – for excellent contributions to our discussions about Australian animals.
Tanika Simic – for improved reading.
Angus Kleinig – for excellent research on Wallabies.
Koby Staker – for excellent reading.
Kathryn Zanker – for pleasing improvement in reading.
Madison Clogg – for always doing her best.

Envelopes will be sent home with this newsletter. These need to be brought to school on Monday with the money and given to MSP Photography. PLEASE DO NOT RETURN TO LAURA PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Apologies –
In week 4
Newsletter
Kyesha was written as Kylie!
Sorry Kyesha.
LAURA FOLK FAIR RAFFLE 2015
The Committee are seeking volunteers to help sell tickets at the IGA starting on the March 20th. The Funds raised from this raffle go towards the running of the event. Alternatively you can request a book of 20 tickets @ $1 each to sell at your leisure. Tickets for sale at local businesses. If you can help it would be greatly appreciated, please contact Heidi McCallum 0427 438958

Southern Flinders Football Club
Junior and Senior Colts players
Pre-season training commences
Thursday 19th March At Wirrabara Oval
Starting at 5:00pm
John Hennessy 0409 723 622
Leonie Harris 0400 267 152
Minis & Sub minis training will be advised at a later date.

2015 Futsal Season
Junior Players futsal come and try – For New Players Only will be held on Friday 20th March in the Jamestown Big Shed from 5.30-6.30pm. All new players/families are welcome to come and play Futsal.

Jamestown Junior Futsal – 2015 season
Registrations for all junior players for the 2015 season are now open. Games will be held on Friday nights during term 2 & 3 – commencing on Friday May 1st. Players in the junior competition must be born in 2009 or older to play in 2015 season. Please note players born in 1998 and older are eligible to play in the Adults Futsal Competition.
People can email Marie directly to register players on irrgssddm@bigpond.com with players name an DOB. Adult teams or individuals can also register to play with Marie or phone Emma Zanker 86655059 or Claire Smallacombe on 86641848, for more information. Registrations for all junior players close Friday 27th March.

AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS
614 Squadron, Port Pirie Cadet Recruiting
The Australian Air Force Cadets is a Premier Youth Organisation of Australia. We are currently recruiting for Term 2 of 2015.

Do you want to?
- Learn to Fly
- Develop your Leadership and Communication skills.
- Participate in Adventure Training and Field Craft Activities.
- Meet new people and make lifelong friends
- And heaps more

If you:
- Are an Australian resident
- Have good general health
- Are between 13 and 18 yrs old
- Can attend weekly Wednesday parade nights
- Have permission from your parent or guardian

Become a Cadet in the Australian Air Force Cadets

EDUCATES CHALLENGES EXCITES
The information night is being held at 614 Squadron Port Pirie Multi-User Depot, 141 Warnertown Road, Port Pire on Wednesday 18th March 2015 07:15pm
Enquiries: contact the Executive Officer, Stefanie Schmidt via email xo.614sqn@aafc.org.au or phone 0412169047
SOUTHERN FLINDERS FOOTBALL AND NETBALL CLUBS PLAYER REGISTRATION DAY
Sunday March 15th at Laura Sporting Complex
All prospective players are strongly encouraged to attend so both clubs can gather playing numbers for the forthcoming season. Further details last week’s newsletter.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SOUTHERN FLINDERS NETBALL CLUB:
Thursday the 19th March 2015
I Grade players (year 6 and 7) 4:30p.m. start
G and H grade 5:30 p.m. start
A to F Grade 6:30 .m. start
At the Wirrabara Netball Courts.
Any queries contact 0439864330

CRYSTAL BROOK HOCKEY CLUB
“The Crystal Brook Hockey Club is holding it's 2015 Junior Registrations on Tuesday the 17th of March from 3.30 - 5pm at the Crystal Brook Hockey Fields. There will also be a free sausage sizzle. We are looking for junior players in the following grades for season 2015. - Under 9 (mixed grade),Under 12 Girls,Under 12 Boys,and Under 15 Girls. (Their age category is based on January 1st of the current year)If your child/children are interested in playing please come along on the day,contact Ali Gulin on 0407 308 571, or email thegulins@gmail.com

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WIRRABARA TENNIS CLUB
JUNIOR AND SENIOR END OF SEASON WIND UP
SATURDAY 14/03/15 12NOON
AT THE TENNIS COURTS.
WE WILL HAVE A POOLED LUNCH SO PLEASE
BRING A PLATE TO SHARE.
SEE YOU ALL THERE!!