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Monday 13th June
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
HOLIDAY



Linden Park Schools Newsletter

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PEACE TREE CEREMONY



Last week staff and students were involved in a special ceremony to plant a Peace Tree in front of our Library. This was very much about our students expressing their initiative and awareness of their place in their school, country and as global citizens.

Through the SRC, students expressed their wish to plant a **Chanticleer Pear Tree**, which could be a symbol to the school community, acknowledging those who have stood up, and at times given their lives, for the beliefs and values that underpin our culture and make us proud to be Australian.

'We plant this tree today to honour and respect people who have fought and served in wars and have lost their lives for their country.' Laleh

It was also significant that last week was Reconciliation Week. Each year from 27 May to 3 June, National Reconciliation Week celebrates and builds on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians. The week-long celebration gives us the opportunity to explore how all Australians can join the national reconciliation effort. This year's theme was **Let's Talk Reconciliation**.

'Education is the most powerful weapon, which you can use to change the world.' Nelson Mandela

There is no better place for a **Peace Tree** to be planted than in front of our school library, where we can access resources, gain knowledge and understandings that will help us be proactive global citizens, who can make a difference and change the world for the better.

Trevor Arney



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COMING EVENTS

Term 2

Week 6

- ◆ **Friday 10th June**
9.00am R-2 Assembly Rooms 12 & 13

Week 7

- ◆ **Monday 13th June**
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
- ◆ **Wednesday 15th June**
Year 4 Tandanya
Year 7 Camp - Port Hughes
- ◆ **Thursday 16th June**
Year 7 Camp - Port Hughes
- ◆ **Friday 17th June**
9.00am 3-7 Assembly Room 19 & Strings
Year 7 Camp - Port Hughes

Week 8

- ◆ **Monday 20th June**
7.00pm Governing Council Meeting
- ◆ **Tuesday 21st June**
ICAS Spelling & Writing Competition
- ◆ **Wednesday 22nd June**
Year 2 Urrbrae Wetlands Excursion - Rooms 9 & 15
School DIAF Validation Day
- ◆ **Friday 24th June**
9.00am R-2 Assembly Rooms 7, 8 & 14
Year 2 Urrbrae Wetlands Excursion - Rooms 10 & 11

REMINDER

- ◆ Entertainment Books - Last Day to purchase **8th July**

ATTACHMENTS

- ◆ Sports Insert

NOTICES SENT HOME SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER

- ◆ Years 3-7 Disco Notice

AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners

Appreciation

Chang J, Sasha N

Caring

Erin M

Commitment

Elva K, Charlie M, Jayden T, Mia W, Willow F, Ben A, Juliane P, Micahel E

Communicator

Dylan H

Confidence

Lily M, Jack M, Bilal A, Joseph T, Eden R, Monique L

Co-operation

Catriona L, Angela L

Creativity

Eva L, Georgie B, Rosie B, Liam O, Rebecca A, Zoe M, Lucinda P

Enthusiasm

Romisa A, Violet B, Hal F, Lascelle W, Baxter W, James K

Excellence

Aaron W, Selina H, Simon L

Independence

Lachie D, Lily K, Jacob M, Zoe W

Inquirer

Oliver N, Charlotte H

Knowledgeable

Matthew P, Toby C, Christian M

Personal Excellence

Giorgio D

Principled

Henry B

Reflective

Ander F, Brielle R, Bronte B, Spencer D

Respect

William S

Responsibility

Hayley N

Well Balanced

Lisa F

Welcome

Harsimar S, Jaron D and Kazuko K



FROM THE PRINCIPALS

Dear Parents and Children

With winter well and truly upon us, it is a timely reminder for our winter uniform requirements. It is important to acknowledge that the vast majority of our students wear our smart and functional school uniform with pride. Well done.

However, it is important that there is consistent wearing of our school uniform by every student. Following is a reprint and reminder of our **WINTER UNIFORM:**

Girls Reception - Year 7

Maroon long-sleeve polo shirt with school logo

Winter tunic

Winter pleated skirt

Maroon polar fleece jacket

Maroon polar fleece vest

Rugby-style windcheater

Maroon bootleg pant

Maroon or grey tights

Raincoat

Scarf

Maroon hats – slouch, legionnaire or bucket

Boys Reception - Year 7

Maroon long sleeve polo shirt with school logo

Maroon polar fleece jacket

Maroon polar fleece vest

Rugby-style windcheater

Maroon track pant

Grey cargo pants

Raincoat

Maroon hats – slouch, legionnaire or bucket

Option for Year 7 Students

A special windcheater for Year 7 students.

All clothing must be named please.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

A reminder that Monday 13th June is the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday. We wish all families a safe and enjoyable long weekend.

VALIDATION

In all South Australia there is a validation process where schools present information and discuss their Improvement Plans. A panel consisting of our Regional Director, peer Principals and other DECS representatives will spend June 22nd in our schools to go through this process. Representatives from Governing Council and the community will have the opportunity to meet with this panel. In much the same way as our International Baccalaureate evaluation; we will receive a report with commendations and recommendations. This report will assist us in driving further improvements across the schools.

AEROBICS

Well done to the Aerobics teams for all getting through to the state finals. We look forward to your next competition in July. Thanks to Di Blowes for her wonderful leadership and skills in getting the teams organised and to the many parents who have volunteered to help. Don't forget there are **raffle tickets** available from the front office which you can purchase in support of the Aerobics teams.



July 2nd. The teams performed extremely well showing huge amounts of energy.

The teams included; the 'Explosives' made up of Year 7 students coming 3rd in their round, the 'Magic' including Year 6 and 7 students coming 2nd in their round and the 'Ultra - Violets' including students from Year 4 and 5 and coming 1st in their round. All teams did Linden Park proud!



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Roberta Spreadbury and Vicki Porter
Co-Principals

LIBRARY NEWS

We are delighted to have the 'Peace Tree' planted near the library. It seems fitting to have this focus near a centre that provides the opportunity for us to learn about others via research or immersion in a great fiction story.



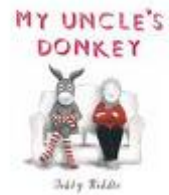
We have received many completed *Premier's Reading Challenge* forms from students. Thank you.

If you haven't handed in one yet - Keep reading! - Forms need to be returned early Term 3. Our school goal is for everyone to complete the challenge!

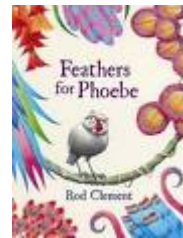
Please remember - if you have a damaged library book - return it to us so we can repair it with the correct mending equipment. Don't try to solve the situation yourself - sticky tape is often not the best option.

Thanks to everyone for letting us know when an item is lost. A special thank you to those who offer to pay for lost items. We appreciate your help in solving these problems!

We have several favourite titles at the moment as we are receiving copies of the titles that are shortlisted for the Australian Book Awards. This week we love 'My Uncle's donkey' by Tobhy Riddle.



Last week the school was busy reading 'Feathers for Phoebe' by Rod Clement - fantastic! Happy Reading.



Lesley Brideson
Teacher/Librarian

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION



We are moving towards offering the newsletter in electronic format. If you would prefer to receive the newsletter in this manner, please email newsletters@lindenpkr7.sa.edu.au so that we can add you to a distribution list.

Please include your child's name and room number in this email. We hope to have this up and running by Term 3.

Roberta & Vicki



MT BULLER SNOW TRIP - LAST CHANCE!

Haven't got anything planned for the second week of the **July school holidays** (July 17-22)? Why not join us for the Interschools Snow Trip to Mount Buller, Victoria. We have 5 LPPS families going so far. First timers are welcome and lessons are included. We have booked accommodation at the Southern Cross ski lodge. <http://southerncrossskiclub.com.au>. Due to a late withdrawal, there is one room left!

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COMMONWEALTH BANK VISIT



The CBA has given our school a \$300 cheque to go towards our fundraising in 2011. School Banking Coordinators **Youri Thai** and **Niluka Hattotuwa** (absent Alywin Lim) are

pictured receiving the cheque from "ADDY" one of the "Dollarmites".

Last week she was handing out stickers, colouring cards and new account packs to students and parents. If you would like to participate in school banking please return your account forms to the office. New account packs available at the office if you didn't get one. "ADDY" also dropped off some donations for the SRC to raffle at the disco.

REMEMBER SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS EVERY TUESDAY.

YEAR 7 SAPSASA TABLE TENNIS



On the 21st of May our Year 7 SAPSASA Table Tennis teams went to the Newton Sporting complex and played against two other schools. Our 'A'

team consisting of Thomas, Jackson, Hakim and Kelly along with the 'B' team consisting of Jeffy, Joonky, Martin and Alessio went through to the Grand Finals that were played at Woodville Table Tennis Club on the 28th May. Our 'B' team managed to secure 3rd place while the 'A' team took gold. All our players played at their best and did a great job of representing our school. A huge thanks to all of the parents who transported and supervised the teams and helped cheer us on.

Thomas

STUDENT DISCO

Last week students from Years 3-5 and Years 6-7 attended the discos held in The Performing Arts Centre. It was great to see so many students attending and joining in. The SRC executive did a wonderful job organizing decorations and drinks as well as games and prizes. We would like to thank 'The Commonwealth Bank' for donating prizes for the lucky draw as well as the staff and parents who assisted on the night.

Julie Edwards

