



June 14th, 2018 Newsletter No. 10

Coming up

Tuesday 19 th	Cinders Rehearsal at school with full costumes, make up for cast, props and back drops
Wednesday 20 th	Cinders Rehearsal at Parkes Hall, from 9.30 with costumes for Grade 5/6 cast only. All children will catch the bus to Parks Hall for rehearsal. Cinders Show time! 6.30 pm
Friday June 22 th	Reports go home
Monday June 25 th	Red Day
Tuesday June 26 st	Student Led Conferences. Students go home at 12.30 and families return at an appointed conference time
Tuesday June 29 th	End of term 2, school finishes at 2.30
Monday July 16 th	Term 3 begins

It's a busy time as we head towards the end of term, with 'Cinders' rehearsals and performance, student reports to be shared and student led conferences, all to be done before holidays! It's also a very exciting and affirming time at school. I love being able to read student reflections and listen to them discuss what they have learnt so far this year. Collaboration, creativity, imagination, performing arts and inquiry are words I'm hearing a lot when children discuss learning for the term. I wonder what response you would get if you ask your child what they have learnt? As it is very busy, please keep checking notices, diaries and watching for Updat-ed notifications, so you are up to date with what's going on, and if you're not sure pop in, ring, email or write a note in your child's diary

Cinders The big day! – performance evening

The excitement and anticipation is mounting and it is amazing to see how much our students have learnt. On Wednesday evening Grade Prep, 1, 2, 3 and 4 students need to report to their teachers at Parks Hall at 6pm. Children will be sitting on mats at the front for the whole performance and will not be with parents. NO younger siblings are to be with students. Students need to come with their costumes on.

All Grade 5 and 6 students, crew and cast are to be at Parks Hall and report to teachers in the Bayview Room (around the back) at 5.30 to get dressed and made/miked up.

It is important for all children to be on time, so they are ready for their big night and so they don't let the team down!

Please contact classroom teachers, Janette or Jenny if you have any queries.

The Cinders backdrops are looking amazing!



Do you know any students who will be coming to SLPS in 2019?

We are taking enrolments and organising information sessions for 2019 students. If you know any students who will be coming next year please get them to ask at the office for an enrolment form, or let Jenny or Janette know so we can make contact.

Student Led Conferences

Student Led Conferences will be held on Tuesday 26st June between 1.00 pm and 7.00 pm. Students will finish school on Tuesday at 12.30pm and should be collected from school so that they can then attend the conference with their parents. The Student Led Conference is a time when students can share and celebrate their work with their parents. We hope that all parents will take this opportunity to see what their child has been working on at school. A notice is attached to this week's newsletter so that families can indicate their preferences for conference times. **Please send your notice back by next Tuesday June 19th.**

Can you spare an hour?

Rather than have a working bee we are asking adults to volunteer an hour or so to do the following clean up tasks.

Being able to rely on community support saves us lots of money and keeps our school looking great!

You can do the task at any time to suit you, just sign in at the office if its school hours and see Jenny, Janette or Chris to direct you to the necessary tools and equipment.

We have a blower vac and pressure cleaner as well as brooms, garden tools etc.

- Remove cobwebs from the main building, especially around lights, eaves, doors and windows.
- Remove cobwebs from portable Playgroup/Music Room, especially around windows.
- Remove cobwebs from shed, at the front.
- Sweep concrete surface near garden shed
- Sweep concrete surface in front of art/sports shed
- Clean/clear green fake grass in front of the playground – the long strip which is the run up for long jump
- Clean/clear green fake grass in front of Prep/1 and Garde 3/4 room
- Clean/clear green fake grass around the library
- Clear up leaves and branches on asphalt area at the front of the school near the library
- Tidy front sundial garden
- Tidy garden/path area around the gaga pit
- Clean the seat around the cypress tree (at the back of the shed)
- Clean the drinking troughs

Parents visiting during learning time

Parents are always welcome at SLPS. However as you can appreciate sometimes Mum or Dad popping in can cause a bit of a disruption to learning, especially if they are delivering a hot lunch and there are delicious smells wafting out!

Can we ask all parents who deliver lunches or other things to children to leave them at the office? If you need to go into the Learning Space it is an OH&S requirement that you to come through the office and sign in and out.

Red Day June 25th

On Monday June 25th, Max and Ruby from the Student Leadership Team will be hosting Red Day to support the work of the Salvation Army. Students and staff are encouraged to come dressed up in Red and bring a gold coin donation to support the appeal. The gold coin donation will entitle each student to Guess How Many Red Lollies are in the Lolly Jar.

CJ our Chaplain works with Mrs Layley and our staff and students as part of our Student Wellbeing team. She will be happy to have a cuppa and a chat with families after Monday morning assembly on June 25th.

School Fees Please!

Our learning programs rely heavily on subject contributions from parents/carers. We have been fortunate to be able to buy, in bulk, extensive stationery stock for every classroom, as well as a great supply of materials and equipment for STEAM, Art, Physical Education and Music. We are currently looking at updating our take home readers at a cost of around \$2000. Thank you to those families who have paid fees promptly. A large number of fees are still outstanding and we would appreciate payment as soon as possible. If you have not paid please see Janette or Jenny to do so or to discuss alternative arrangements.

Student Banking

Wednesday is student banking day. Make regular deposits to earn some great rewards.

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Book Fair

Thank you to the parents who organised Book Fair the school received \$400 of books, also a big thank you to all the people who purchased books and helped with the fundraising.

Earphones

We are finding that students are using headsets more and more in their learning. Because of health regulations we would appreciate students having their own headsets that they can bring to school. This might be a great idea for the next birthday present?

Book Fair

Come along and check out the books and other goodies at the school from Tuesday, May 22nd until Friday, May 25th. The book fair will be open from 8.30 – 9.00 am and 3.00 – 3.30 pm each day. If you can't make it to the book fair books can be purchased online, every purchase helps the school with fundraising and your child with reading. The school gets 30% back on all books sold.

Entertainment Books

The school is selling the popular Entertainment Books that have discount coupons for hundreds of restaurants, cafes, entertainment venues, hotels and resorts. Local venues participating include the Portarlinton Golf Club, Bakers Delight and Wildings Pantry Essentials, as well as Sovereign Hill, McDonalds and KFC. Books are \$60.00. You only need to use a couple of vouchers to get your money back! Come and inspect a copy at the office.

Absences

It's Not OK to be Away! At SLPS last term we lost 354 days of learning because of students not being at school...almost one whole year of learning. In February student absences added up to 130 days with 68 of those days unexplained. In March total student absences were 224 days with 83 of those unexplained. The Department of Education requires us to report absences and it is difficult when parents and carers do not let us know why their children are away from school. Please let us know through a diary note, letting the class teacher know directly or phoning the office explaining why your child is absent from school. We hope that we can work towards reducing the number of unexplained absences from school in term 2.

Chris Layley
Well Being Teacher

Mini Lotto

\$2.00 entry, cross off 5 numbers, envelopes available from the office. Drawn at the Bowling Club each Friday at 7.30 pm. Jackpot is \$6714 Last week's numbers were 01, 07, 08, 09 & 16.

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Personal Belongings at School

The Department of Education does not hold insurance or accept any responsibility for private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors. Students are asked not to bring valuable items to school.

Camps, Sport and Excursions Fund

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card are eligible to apply. Please come to the office and fill in the application form and bring your concession card so that we can photocopy it. A payment of \$125 for eligible primary school students will be paid directly to the school to be used towards camps, sports and excursion costs for the benefit of the student. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund aims to ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important educational and fun activities. This fund cannot be used to pay school fees or subject contributions.

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Sunglasses

As St Leonards Primary School is a sunsmart school we are looking at purchasing sunglasses, (\$13.00) we have samples in the office if you would like your child to try them on. SLPS is printed on them and are in school colours in 4 different sizes. They come with a matching case and bag clip, a microfibre cloth and are approved to the highest Australian UV standards.

Updat-ed Website:

Over the holidays our web services were upgraded with additional security patches. The consequence of this is that all Android subscribers to our phone app called Updat-ed will need to re-register. Here's what to do;

- Delete the app from your phone
- Go to Google Play and search for 'Updat-ed by sponsor-ed'
- Download the app and complete the registration process
- We will see your registration request and mark it as approved

Mothers' day Raffle
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