



# Laura Primary School



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## WORKING BEE

Thankyou to all those people who helped out at last Saturday's working bee at the school. Many maintenance jobs were completed which will ensure a safer yard area for students. Thankyou also to Fraser Smith for overseeing the working bee and organising essential materials and equipment.

## SOCCKER CARNIVAL

Last Friday (March 22<sup>nd</sup>) our Year 3 to 7 students and staff, Morgan Slattery, Leonie Thomas and Bern Geddes attended a Round Robin Soccer Carnival at the Sports Stadium at Gladstone. From all reports, students enjoyed the day very much and were commended by staff from other schools for their sportsmanship, organisation and behaviour. It is very gratifying to know how well our students represented our school community. Well done to all of you who were involved and thanks to St. Jo's for organising this day.

## SAPSASA NEWS

Congratulations to Hannah Watson who won 2 silver medals last Friday at the Swimming Meet in Adelaide.

On Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March Year 6 & 7 students were involved in SAPSASA Netball/Football trials at Jamestown. Congratulations to Nikala Schmidt who has been selected to trial again for final squad selection on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April and to Joel Zanker, Scott Richens and Tyson Amey who will represent North Eastern in Adelaide from the 20<sup>th</sup> May-24<sup>th</sup> May, Term 2. Congratulations to Tyson who will be the Vice-Captain of this team. Thankyou to all parents who provided transport and organisational support to enable our students to be involved, especially Bern Schmidt and Mark Amey.

## STUDENT/PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

These are being held Tuesday to Thursday next week and Monday following (Week 11).

## FOLK FAIR BBQ STALL ARRANGEMENTS

The Folk Fair is being held next weekend – Saturday, Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> April. There are still many spots to be filled on the helper roster for the BBQ food staff for both days. Please respond with times you can help out asap, so the roster can be finalised and sent out to all families. A bag of onions for each family to slice will be sent home next Tuesday afternoon. Families can choose to return sliced onions to school that week and they will be placed in the freezer, or they can be delivered to the school's BBQ stall at the Folk Fair during that weekend. Year 7 students will help me weigh out and bag the onions for each family next Tuesday.

## STUDENT FREE DAY

Reminder Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April is a Student Free Day for Teachers in the Upper North to meet for Professional Learning regarding the new Australian Curriculum.

## Calendar Dates

- Fri.29<sup>th</sup> March Good Friday
- Mon.1<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Monday
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April – Student Free Day
- Tues.2<sup>nd</sup>- Mon.8<sup>th</sup> April – School Interviews.
- Sat.6<sup>th</sup> April – Folk Fair
- Tues.9<sup>th</sup> April – Charity Bike Ride visit
- Fri.12<sup>th</sup> April – Term 1 Ends – short assembly 2.20
- Mon.29<sup>th</sup> April – Term 2 starts

## EASTER RAFFLE



The Year 5/6/7 class has been conducting an Easter Raffle as a fundraiser for their camp which will be held in Term 4. The Raffle was drawn this morning and \$481.00 has been raised. The winners were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize **Julie Nettle**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize **Quentin Janz**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize **Jan Barberien**

## Student of the Week

Week 7



Presented to



**ANGUS MCCALLUM**

*For a thoughtful attitude and his hardworking approach to classroom activities.*

## Student of the Week

Week 8



Presented to



**NIKALA SCHMIDT**

*For her excellent spelling results and highly developed research skills.*

## VALIDATION

On Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> March our school went through a Validation process. All schools in the Yorke/Mid North Region are validated every 3 years. The Validation process is carried out by a panel of 4 Education Department members – 2 from the Regional office and 2 peer principals.

The Validation process is an audit of the Review, Curriculum and Teaching & Learning processes at the school and the panel looks for evidence in these areas to verify the quality of our work. The Panel gathered information through a school produced powerpoint presentation, documentation, observation in classes and through discussion with teachers, S.S.O's students and Governing Council representatives. At the end of the day a report was prepared. Our Validation Day was very successful with many commendations and some recommendations to follow up over the next three years.

## STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Yesterday, Sandra, Lyn, Morgan and I attended 2 workshops at Kadina, presented by Stephen Graham. Stephen provided us with many strategies to help students improve the quality of their exposition (persuasive) writing and spelling. Bern Geddes also attended a workshop in Clare presented by Carol Edwards from the Special Education Resource Unit on Oral Communication.

Kathy Arthur  
Principal

## RECOGNITION AWARDS

Georgia Winter and Lillie Shepherdson – for excellent work in Maths.  
Samuel Shepherdson – for enthusiasm and valuable contributions in Science lessons.  
Hannah Watson – for excellent work in Maths.  
Talia Ziepes – for great counting in Maths.  
Jackson Staker – for excellent computer research on sea creatures.  
Georgia Wegner – for an excellent attitude in all maths lessons.

Connor Hoskin – for a good start with his exposition writing.  
Jez Hartmann – for her enthusiasm in writing.  
Dylan Davenport – for always completing his homework and excellent spelling results.  
Scott Richens – for outstanding results at MNSEC sports and beating his personal best in Long Jump.  
Will Griffin – for a fantastic “Magic Spell” in writing.  
Miriam Byron – for accurately adding up and solving problems.

## C - P - S -

### Hot Cross buns were prepared at recess and baked at lunch-time today.



Once again we observe the Easter holiday break and it is an opportunity to reflect why we observe Easter and its origins. The hot cross bun reminds us of Good Friday when Jesus died on the cross. (Hence the cross on the buns). The opening of the buns on Easter Sunday represents the opening of the tomb when Jesus rose again. The sharing of the bun can ensure friendship between 2 people ; “one for you and one for me”. Other symbols of Easter are the egg symbolising new life, with Jesus coming back to life. A butterfly is seen with that same meaning. However you celebrate Easter, have a blessed and happy time with your family and friends.

*Helen Wurst*

## CORNER

SAPSASA SWIMMING

Well done  
Hannah!

&  
SOCCER CARNIVAL  
WITH CRISTIANO



# COMMUNITY NOTICES

## Southern Flinders Netball Club

Mini's and Sub Mini's Netball Training starts on

Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2013

At the Gladstone stadium at 4 : 30 p.m. start

Ages 8 years to Year 5 's

## NET SET GO

10 week program designed for ages 5 up will start

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2013

4:30.p.m start at Laura Netball courts.

More information contact

Sandra 86622355

Bern 86684313

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School Groups	\$8.00
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Adult Groups over 10	\$12.00

Price includes all equipment hire – bag, clubs, buggy and ball.

Photographic ID of 1 player in your group is required to be presented to our staff and you will need to sign out and sign in for the equipment.

### OPERATING HOURS

Monday to Friday 7.30am to 5.00pm

Weekends & Public Holidays 7.30am to 5.00pm

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For bookings or more information

Phone: 82037273

SupaGolf@northadelaidegolf.com.au



## DANCE CIRCLES - LAURA



INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION EVENING  
WEDNESDAY 3 APRIL AT FROM 3.45PM & AT 6.00PM  
ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL—LAURA

### Dance Circles



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Contact: Cheryl  
E-mail: [dance@schwarz.id.au](mailto:dance@schwarz.id.au)  
[www.schwarz.id.au/dance](http://www.schwarz.id.au/dance)

Address:  
P.O. Box 712  
Port Pirie

- Tap & Soft Shoe
- Ballroom For Beginners

Love Dancing? Always wanted to know how? It's not too late to learn. In 2013— An exciting new dance opportunity will commence in the Mid North—Port Pirie, Port Germein, Napperby, Laura, Crystal Brook, Gladstone, or Peterborough—request one in your town.

Register your interest and take advantage of the Introductory Offer ..... A Course of 9 Sessions for Beginners at just \$45total. Learn basic dance steps & fly across the floor looking fantastic – no matter what the music, rhythm or dance style. Enjoy the benefits—socialise, improved flexibility, balance, fitness, posture, & coordination.

From *Swing to Rock 'n Roll, Folk Dancing to Modern Tap or Old Style Ballroom*, moving in *Dance Circles* is dedicated to providing a safe, inclusive & friendly environment. From 5 years to elderly, all body types will be celebrated. Ballroom participants are invited to come alone or bring a partner.

Cheryl Fischer is the founder of Dance Circles and is passionate about bringing a positive dance experience to your community. Cheryl from a dance family, trained with the Erryl Tap & Ballroom Dancers and is a member of Ausdance SA. She has completed a Dance Instructor's Course providing her with the appropriate *skill set* to assure you that *Dance Circles* will operate in accordance with Safe Dance, Child Safe & Inclusive principles.

### Dance Circles can provide:

- Community dance classes
- School dance programs to suit the Arts and PE curriculum
- Uniquely designed classes for various age, ability & cultural group

## Southern Flinders Football Club

Mini's and Sub Mini's Football Training starts on

Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> 2013 at Gladstone at 5:00



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