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Term 4, Week 3, 2nd November, 2017
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IMPORTANT DATES

Tues. November 7th –
RAA visiting to talk about
Road Safety

Fri. November 10th –
Assembly 2.50pm

Mon. November 13th –
Rocky River Performance
Gladstone Town Hall

Wed. November 15th –
Italian Day

Fri. November 24th –
Assembly 2.50pm

Mon. December 4th –
Governing Council
Meeting 7.30pm

Tues. December 5th –
Year 7 Graduation
Dinner

Fri. December 8th –
Assembly 2.50pm

Tues. December 12th –
School Concert

Thurs. 14th December –
BIG DAY OUT

Fri. December 15th –
Last Day of Term 2.30pm
dismissal

Staffing and classes 2018

Planning for next year is well under way with staffing for 4 classes and Non Instructional time being considered.

Josie Smallacombe has informed me that she will continue her long service leave until the end of Term 2 next year. Therefore she will not be here at the beginning of the year, meaning that we have 2 classroom teacher contracts to fill. We should hear about the teachers who have been placed in these positions in the next week or so. The Early Years Leader position for the Preschool leader closed last Thursday and the panel will meet this week to begin the selection process.

Support staff positions are also being investigated for the School and Rural Care.

Amalgamation

- Recently we have had visits from engineers, drillers and the architect.
- The plans are currently before the finance department who will give us costings, hopefully before the next PCG meeting in Week 5.
- The project will be delivered in 4 parts including works to: the Primary School stone building, the Preschool, the quad block at the Primary School that currently houses the Reception to Year 3s, an upgrade to the toilets and an access path linking the Preschool and school.
- Each part will be separately costed and decisions will be made to prioritise each aspect, if the total cost exceeds the budget.
- Due to the uncertainty of building and demolition timelines, we will hold off on shifting out of the stone building until we have a more accurate time frame.
- Ashley Smith has agreed, in principle to the bus run proposal made at a recent meeting of parents. He will put the proposal to the Minister's delegate.
- Uniforms and Logo – we will include the name 'Laura Primary School' on the uniforms under the new emblem, after consulting the SRC. The logo is currently before the Premier's department for approval and we are preparing to order new uniforms as soon as we have approval.
- It has been decided that the Preschool shirts will have the words, 'Laura Preschool', and 'Rural Care' with the emblem on them.
- Matt McCallum, June Cowin and myself met with Northern Areas Council representative, Peter Porch, to request that the Council include a pedestrian crossing similar to the one on East Terrace for safer access between the Preschool and the school.
- Kelly Burton continues to work on securing an OSHC service for next year. At this stage it will not be available in first term but permission has been granted to extend Rural Care into 2018.

Magazine

A reminder that magazines need to be pre-ordered and paid for this year. Please contact the front office to order yours.

Prue

Changes to school card eligibility

The state government is raising the school card income threshold from next year to help families with the cost of living. This means that families with 1 child and a gross income of \$57,870 in the 2016-17 financial year will be able to apply for a school card. Application forms for 2018 will be available from schools or www.sa.gov.au by the end of the 2017 school year.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Haylee Magnay received this award for trying hard in all subject areas and taking risks with learning.
Well done Haylee!



Lucy Kleinig received this award for outstanding effort in her fractions learning.
Well done Lucy!

Recognition Awards

Lachie Schultz – for great sounding out of words in his recount of the holidays.
Alicia Walton – for working hard to learn about shapes.
Harry Staker – for a hardworking attitude since his return to school.
Simone Duke – for a super helpful start to the term.
Adam Wegner – for an amazing effort towards his reading goal and for always working diligently.
Samuel Shepherdson – for an amazing effort towards his reading goal and for being a responsible and friendly leader.
Amber Duke – for improved group work skills and amazing Maths.
Tess Cleggett – for a super helpful start to the term.

Talia Ziepes – for excellent effort in P.E., resulting in improved catching and throwing skills.
Oscar Fudge – for excellent writing & neat bookwork.
Bodie Palmer – for excellent writing and neat bookwork.
Darcy Cowin – for improved spelling & reading.
George Klemm – for helping and encouraging a younger student in P.E.
Taylah Palmer, Hannah Zanker & Kathryn Zanker – for excellent effort towards their reading goal.
Haylee Magnay – for improved problem solving in Maths.
Jake Schultz – for working hard to improve his writing and maths skills.
Will Griffin – for showing good persistence skills in Maths.

Today you will receive the annual LPS Parent opinion survey information. Please complete the survey on line on the first page under the heading **Survey availability** (type this link into your browser) or by paper to be returned to the school in the envelope provided.

If you have any issues having access to the online survey please feel free to use one of the school computers. Front office staff will only be too happy to help.

Surveys need to be returned by 15th November 2017.

On Friday October 27th it was World Teachers Day.

Here at Laura Primary School we are fortunate to have great teachers and to celebrate, a morning tea was organised by SSO staff.



COMMUNITY NOTICES

Entry Forms and more information available in the front office.



2017 Burra AGL Country Music Festival
Talent Quest

****2018 Mid North Country Music Senior & Junior Scholarship****
(valued approx \$6,000)

*** FREE WORKSHOP - EMU TREE***

Nathaniel O'Brien

Memorial Award

\$500

SOUTHERN FLINDERS NETBALL CLUB

Annual General Meeting

Held on Monday 6th November

7:00p.m. start

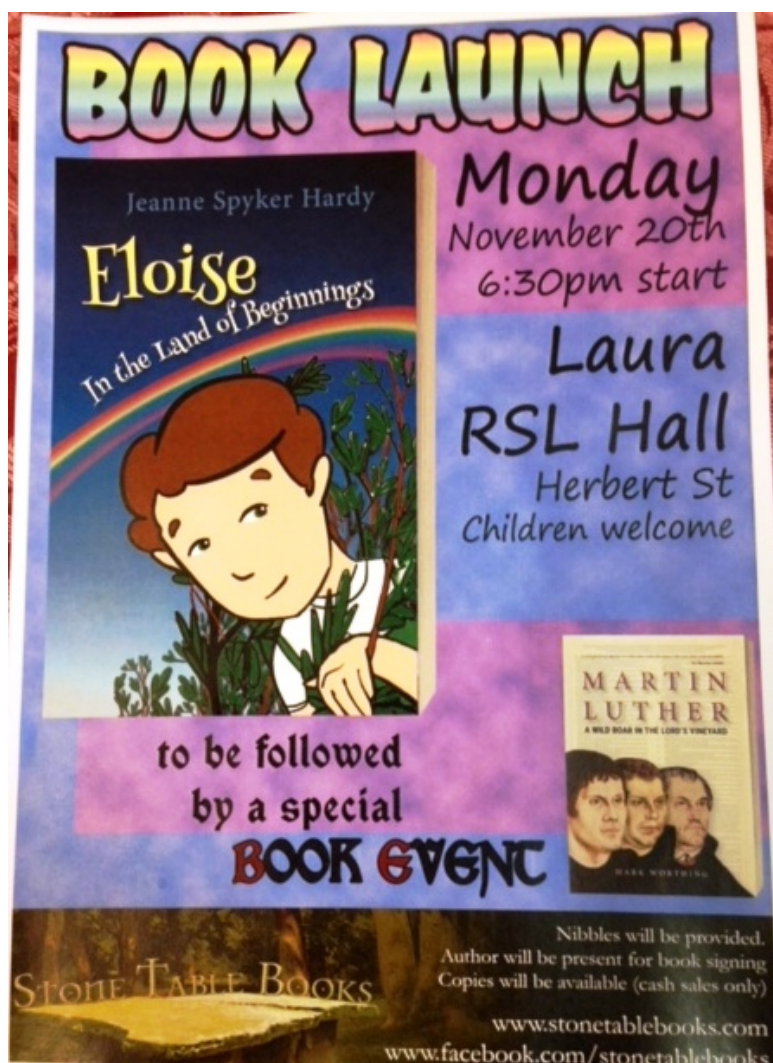
Laura Tennis Shed

All previous and new players, coaches & members are welcome to attend.

Any Queries

Contact Kelly Zwar 0412189883

Or Bern on 0439864330



BOOK LAUNCH

Jeanne Spyker Hardy
Eloise
In the Land of Beginnings

Monday
November 20th
6:30pm start

Laura RSL Hall
Herbert St
Children welcome

to be followed by a special
BOOK EVENT

MARTIN LUTHER
A WILD BEAR IN THE LORD'S VINEYARD

Nibbles will be provided.
Author will be present for book signing
Copies will be available (cash sales only)

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www.facebook.com/stonetablebooks

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd
December

Enrolment Sat. 2nd December
10-12am

At the Gladstone Swimming
Pool

For swimmers of all levels
School starters 2018 and older

RLSS Bronze awards on
request

Jayne Potter: 86622338



Come join us for...

Italian Day



On Wednesday 15th November
Children's dress up parade at 9am

Children's work will be on display in the
multipurpose room.

