End of Year Excitement

As we approach the end of the 2016 school year excitement is building amongst students and staff with a number of events happening over the next 3 weeks.

All classes are preparing for the concert (see the flyer on the back page). This is on Tuesday 6th December. It is really important that every child and family attend if possible as your children are rehearsing their items and it is very disappointing for other students if only a small number turn up on the night. Teachers will send home information about any special clothing etc. that might be needed. Should it be too wet or too hot the alternate date is Thursday 8th December. We will let you know before 2:30pm on the Tuesday if the concert is to be changed to the Thursday.

Over the next 3 weeks many classes will be going on end of year excursions or have some type of celebration in their classes. You will get information from your child’s class teacher about these.

We have an incursion from the Fulham North Percussion band on Wednesday 30th November.

Our Pastoral Support Worker, Annelise Bradley, is arranging some optional Christian performances for Wednesday 7th December. Again you will receive information and can decide if you wish your child to participate.

Our choirs, led by Wendy Banks, will be performing for some local groups in the last week of school.

The Shining Star assembly will be on Friday 9th December and parents whose children are receiving awards will be invited. If your child has done anything really significant (state level representation for example) let us know so we might be able to acknowledge their efforts at this time.

The final assembly for the year is on Friday 16th December and again if your child is receiving or presenting you will be invited.

Reports and class allocations will go home on Wednesday 14th December. We expect that we will be unable to confirm some class teachers but will let you know if at all possible. There will also be some re-arrangement of class spaces in anticipation of the STEM building works that will happen in 2017.

If you are uncertain about anything happening between now and the end of the year please either ring the front office, see you child’s teacher or email us.
ATTENDANCE REMINDER

We are aiming for Excellence!

100%

At West lakes Shore School this means we would like to see
EVERY CHILD AT SCHOOL, EVERY DAY, AND ON TIME

Remember students:

• school is your first and most important job and as such it is important to be here on time every day.

• it is in the first 10 minutes of the day that important information is given that sets you up for a successful day.

• if you are 10 minutes late every day you will miss 30 hours of learning time during the school year. That is about 1 week.

• Attendance of less than 95% means you have huge gaps in your learning.

Parents if your child arrives late you must sign them in at the front office. If they are not accompanied by a parent or carer they are instructed to sign in via the office as an unexplained late arrival. Therefore if you are unable to accompany your child into the office, please advise the school as to the reason for absence by one of the following methods:

• Skoolbag App (under eForms then Absentee Form noting reason for late arrival)

• Ring the absentee line 8449 7574 and leave a message

• Diary note (remind your child to show staff at sign in)

Attend today, achieve tomorrow!

HATS AT SCHOOL

This is a reminder that it is school policy for students to wear a hat for any activities outside for term 4.

Please check with your child that they have a school hat in their class room for use.

WEST LAKES SHORE STUDENTS
AT MUSIC WORKSHOP

On Wednesday and Thursday of Week 3 this term seven WLSS R-7 students participated in the annual Primary School Concert Band Workshop held in the Ridley Centre at the Royal Adelaide Showgrounds. The workshop was conducted by staff from DECD’s Instrumental Music Service and involved 107 young musicians from 45 DECD schools across metropolitan Adelaide and regional South Australia.

On the Thursday evening, after only a day and a half of rehearsals, the students performed a program of 11 pieces to family and friends. The repertoire included arrangements of music by The Beatles, ABBA, Queen and Gotye, as well as music from Pirates of the Caribbean and a number of other works written specifically for young Concert Bands.


Kerry Hewett
DECD Instrumental Music

CANTEEN LUNCH ORDERS

** IMPORTANT NOTICE **

No lunch orders will be available on Friday 16th December.

The Canteen will be open for over the counter drinks and snacks purchases only. Please provide your child with a packed lunch for this day.
YEAR 7 TOP DESIGN FOR 2017

Every year the year 6’s have the opportunity to create a design to feature on the back of their year 7 tops. The creations are voted on by the year 6 students to find the winning design to be screen printed on the summer and winter top.

Congratulations to Soli on being voted by the students as creating the winning design to be featured on the back of the year 7 tops next year.

My year 7 top design was chosen for 2017, and reflects on the Japanese garden’s main features, which include the bridge, with its stone path around it and a river underneath. I realised that a new style should be made, so I designed a top with something special to our school in it.

FEED THE WORLD

This term our Connected Curriculum focus has been about feeding the world. To celebrate our learning we are planning to have a whole school picnic lunch on the oval on Friday 2nd December.

Students will eat their own lunch on the oval with their buddies. We are also asking students to bring a non-perishable food item on the day to donate to St Vincent de Paul. These donations will be given to a representative of this charity on our concert night. We appreciate your donation to this worthy cause.

PARENT SURVEYS

A reminder to the randomly selected parents to complete the parent survey online or hand in the hard copy to front office to be entered for you by Wednesday 30th November. We would appreciate if everyone selected could participate in this survey as the results give the Governing Council and Principal valuable information on which to base improvements in the school.

NEW RACQUETS A HIT WITH THE RECEPTIONS

You would be forgiven for thinking there was a racquet going on in Sea Star last week, as reception students bounced out of the building at the end of the day, clutching their plastic covered presents. Each reception student was gifted with their very own tennis racquet to take home, thanks to the wonderful teams at West Lakes Tennis Club and State Tennis.

The reception to year seven students had a ball last term, participating in a tennis workshop at the West Lakes Tennis Club, as part of our Physical Education program.

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots For Kids provided the Racquets, to encourage kids to have a go at Jump Start and Little Joey Tennis. For more information: visit www.statetennis.com.au, email westlakes@statetennis.com.au or call 8355 4466

Noni Allen – PE Teacher

Q1. Who makes moves whilst being seated?
Q2. What flies when it’s born, lies when it’s alive, and runs when it’s dead?
Q3. I exist only when there is light, but direct light kills me. What am I?
Q4. Which travels faster? Hot or Cold?
Q5.

ANSWERS TO STRETCH CORNER WEEK 4

A1.

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6 + 8 &= 14 \\
+ &+ \\
7 + 9 &= 16 \\
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13 + 17 &= 30
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A2. Fire
A3. The horizon
A4. I, T, S. The complete sequence is the first letter of every word in the question.
WEST LAKES SHORE SCHOOL
‘FEED THE WORLD’ END OF YEAR CONCERT
Tuesday 6\textsuperscript{th} December

You are invited to attend our end of year concert
This is a community event
We encourage you to bring along family and friends

BYO Picnic on oval: From 5:00 – 6:15PM

Sausage Sizzle: From 5:00pm selling from the oval – Hosted by & proceeds to the West Lakes Rotary Club
Cans of soft drinks also available for sale
Gelati and coffee will also be available with part proceeds towards our school

Where: Concert to be held at the amphitheatre near the OSHC building (North West Oval)
Start: 6:30pm
Finish: It is expected that the concert will conclude at approx. 7:45pm
Students are expected to remain in their class area until all performances are completed.
Non-performing students may attend with their families, but must remember to follow the guidelines of good audience manners. No bikes or scooters are permitted on the oval/asphalt.

Please Note: In the event of the concert being cancelled due to extreme weather, a cancellation note will be sent home on the day of the concert. The back-up date will be Thursday the 8\textsuperscript{th} December.

We are collecting non-perishable food and new toy donations for Vinnies.
Please send your donations to your child’s class.