From the Principal

Dear Parent/s

We are in to week four of the school term and November is upon us. The School Opening and Grandparent’s Day is next Friday 12th November and I would encourage you all to attend and see the unveiling of the plaques and the naming of the COLA. I will talk more about this next week, but please lock this date into your diary.

ASSESSMENT AND REPORTING

On Friday the teachers had the opportunity to complete their report indicators and commence the writing of reports. A lot of work has gone into developing these reports and I am sure you will find them to be most informative when you receive them in the last week of term.

STAFFING

Last week I mentioned staffing and congratulated Reanna and Joanne on winning permanent positions at St Albert’s. We still have a few more positions to fill and ESO (Education Support Officer) positions to make permanent. Over the next two weeks the Canteen, OHSW, Playgroup and Library positions will be advertised. Stay tuned for details.

ENROLMENTS

Enrolments at St Albert’s are going along nicely and I am now planning for 2012. If you have children ready to commence in 2012 please see Jenny for an enrolment form so that we can get our records updated. If you know of anybody interested in attending St Albert’s please get them to ring the school and I will speak to them personally to organise to meet them.

WORKING BEE

We are having a working bee at St. Albert’s from 5:30 – 7:30 pm on Monday 8th November. Please bring along a wheelbarrow!
DROUGHT FUNDING
This year we were lucky enough to receive Government Drought Assistance funding and we have distributed the money to help you the parent and benefit your child. School drink bottles have been ordered for the children and each child will receive a free one in the coming weeks. Other initiatives such as uniform vouchers and individual computer programs will also be issued. I will speak more about this in the coming weeks.

Jason Mittiga
Principal

Food help…….

Food Ideas from the Little Saints

We have around 30 recipe books left and would love to sell them all by the end of the year. If you are interested in buying one or more, please fill in the reply slip at the back of the newsletter. We have had lots of positive comments about the yummy recipes and it would be a great time to buy for Christmas presents.

Kind Regards
Joanne Hondow

Can you help?…….

Boxes

The Reception/1 class are making animal enclosures for design and technology this term. If you have any boxes at home (cereal, food, cosmetic etc) could you please bring them to school for us to use. Please bring them to the Reception/1 class.

Kind Regards
Joanne Hondow
SCHOOL OPENING and GRANDPARENTS DAY –
Friday 12th November 2010
At the end of week 5 we are holding our School Opening and Grandparents Day. We are expecting to have in excess of 60 people here for morning tea. We are in need of some donations of food such as cakes, slices, biscuits, savoury finger food (like bacon savoury's or pinwheels etc.) or fruit. If you are able to bring in or send a plate of the above to the school please return your donation form. Your donation can be handed to the Jenny at the front office either Wednesday 10th, Thursday 11th or Friday morning of the 12th. As always, your donation is always greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance!

LOXTON LIGHTS UP! –
Saturday 27th November 2010
At Loxton Light’s Up we will be holding our Term 4 fundraiser. We will be once again selling glowing wands, balls, fans etc at two separate selling stations. One will be at the top of the main street, and the other one at the bottom of the main street. We will be selling from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. We will need 2 overseers (1 for each station) and up to six helpers on the night.

It would be great for a family with older children (say Grade 4 and up) to volunteer as it would be fun for the whole family, kids taking money and learning about selling etc. It will be for such a short time and an idea to sell them from the back of a station wagon would mean there is not much packing and unpacking involved. Please fill in the return slip as soon as possible if you can help out, thanks.

Community Notices…..

LOXTON LIGHTS UP
SATURDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2010

SANTA’S CAVE: Santa arrives in Loxton and you can visit him in his Cave from 11.00am – 1pm and again from 5pm – 8pm.

LASER SKIRMISH: 800 square metres of combat zone with 20 inflatable barricade walls sure to test even the most skilled commandos, from 3pm

PAVEMENT ART: Join in a drawing competition by ‘buying’ a square of road for only $2. There are 3 categories available: Up to 8 years, 9-14 years or 15 years and over. Great prizes available from Loxton Toyworld, from 4pm.

PETER COMBE: The original “King of the Kids”, his timeless songs have been entertaining us for over 20 years including the much loved classics of Spaghetti Bolognaise, Newspaper Mama, Wash Your Face in Orange Juice and Juicy Juicy Green Grass, from 7.30pm, main stage riverfront.

TINSEL THE REINDEER: Dance and sing Christmas songs old & new with ‘Tinsel’. Win prizes, have fun and meet Tinsel after the show with lots of giveaways. 1.00pm at Santa’s Cave.

CHRISTMAS STORY & CRAFT: Listen to a wonderful Christmas story in the Loxton Library and then create and decorate your very own craft piece (children up to 12 years). 10am.

FIREWORKS: A masterpiece of pyrotechnic art erupting in colour-changing scenes choreographed to music.

AND LOTS MORE!

Lots of activities have been arranged to entertain everyone in a safe and fun environment, making it a great event enjoyed by the whole community. Therefore, children who choose to participate in activities outside of the Official Program should do so under the strict supervision of a parent or guardian. Thank you!

Kind regards,
Ms Sonya Altschwager
Business & Events Manager
Loxton District Chamber of Commerce
Canteen……

NEW ITEM: Bulla ice-creams– Splits - $1.20 each
NB: Splices – no longer available.

ROSTER
FRIDAYS - 9.30am to 1:30pm

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If you are unable to make your rostered day, please arrange a swap with another family. (Contact details will be in your Buzz Book) or advise me via the school office.

Kind Regards,
Julie Graetz

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SENIOR SOCIAL TWILIGHT TENNIS

When: Tuesday nights
Where: Loxton Lawn Tennis Courts
Time: 6:00 – 7:30pm (arrive 5:45pm)

Dates:
16th November – 14th December 2010
1st February – 15th March 2011
(12 weeks total)

Free sausage sizzle first week

Teams to consist of 2 men and 2 women and can be organised for you with the competition split into grades.

Register yourself or team details by Wednesday 10th November to John Rowe on 8584 7940 or 0459 215 318 or Kerrie-anne Hughes on 8584 7454 or 0400 567 720.

Community Notices…….

Flyers with newsletter…………….
JC GOLF ACADEMY
JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM
Jamie Clutterham
85951514.

FOR SALE
Water colour paintings for sale.
Different sizes – nothing over $10.
Ready for framing.
Also for sale Mary MacKillop memorabilia.
Contact Barb DeMichelis on 85847731.

Uniform Shop……

Open Thursday – 2-3 pm.
Jenny Hicks
Uniform Shop Manager.
T: 85845898

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