

newsletter

ILLAWARRA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CORDEAUX



TERM 2 WEEK 8 • 12TH JUNE 2015

A message from Mr Lainson

"But God demonstrated his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

God's love is abundant in mercy, justice, wisdom, beauty, joy, grace and peace. His greatest act of love was in sending his son Jesus Christ to die and pay the penalty for our sin so that we might be reconciled to him and be saved. Scripture tells us that we love God because he first loved us, and he loved us while we were still in a state of rebellion against him. To love and obey God is to believe, receive, follow, admire, enjoy, treasure, delight in, desire him, and be satisfied in him. If we truly love God then it is Christ who lives in us, and our lives should reflect his character and produce the fruit of his Spirit. Our lives, lived out in love, should point others to Christ.

Athletics Carnivals

Special thanks to all the parents who helped out with the athletics carnivals last week and to Mr Clifford and Mr Kime for their organisation of the carnivals.

Lost Property and Clothing Labels

There are a number of uniform items in the lost property bin at school. Please make sure that you label your child's clothing and that you regularly check their clothing labels to ensure that they are not wearing other people's missing items.

PRAYER & PRAISE

Give thanks for God's provisions in our lives both at home and at school.

Give thanks for all in our community who faithfully volunteer their time and energy.

Please pray for the Working Bee on Saturday 13th June. Pray that many hands will make light work.

Pray for the Year 12 students at Cordeaux and Tongarra Campuses as they increase their study regime.

Pray for their good health as the winter months encroach on us and the stress levels increase.

Pray for upcoming sporting events, for safely in travel and competition.

Prayer Points for GAWA

Give thanks for school and community life returning after the turmoil of the cyclones.

Give thanks for the abundance of children and families in Gäwa and Banthula communities.

Give thanks for the wonderful teachers' aides who work alongside us every day.

Give thanks for individuals, schools, churches and organisations who continue to support what we do here in Gäwa.

Pray for healing for those who are unwell in our community. Pray also for regular support from health providers in Galiwin'ku.

Pray for wisdom and patience in dealing with the many and varied issues that arise every day in the school and across the community.

Key dates

Saturday 13th June
Stage 4 WORKING BEE

Monday 15th June
CSSA State Secondary Netball Gala Day.
Year 3 Wollongong Museum and Wollongong Harbour

Tuesday 16th June
Creative Arts Evening.
6.00pm in the HALL

Wednesday 17th June
Primary Zone Metro Cup Netball and Soccer
Year 12 Drama Belvoir Theatre, Surry Hills

Thursday 18th June
CSSA Secondary State Gymnastics Homebush
Phi Day
Year 7-12 Qwestacon Smart Skills Science

Friday 19th June
Chess Club Years 5 and 6
PSSA Sport
HSC Revision Day at UOW

Monday 22nd June
Year 4 Wollongong Museum and Wollongong Harbour

Tuesday 23rd June
Year 12 Chemistry to Maritime Museum Sydney
Infants - Primary Assembly 3G and 3R presenting.

Friday 26th June
Chess Club Years 5 and 6
Year 12 Biology Museum of Disease Fund raising Barbeque Lunch

LAST DAY OF TERM

Working Bee Dates

13th June (Year 7 & 8) 8.30 - 11.30am
 8th August Make-up day 2pm – 5pm
 12th Sept (Year 9 & 10) 8.30 - 11.30am
 10th Oct (Prep/Kinder) 8.30 - 11.30am
 7th Nov (Years 5 & 6) 8.30 - 11.30am
 5th December Make up day 2pm – 5pm

Entertainment Books

Need more info? Contact Jane Whitelaw: janewhitey@bigpond.com or 0407 157 913

Parent Survey

As we come to the end of the financial year, we are in the process of finalising our Annual Report for 2014.

As part of that report, we need your help with some feedback on 2014.

If you were a parent in ICS last year, please click on the link to the 2014 Parent Satisfaction Survey:

<http://goo.gl/forms/Lv7S96jriQ>

Thank you.

Golden Phi Day

We are celebrating Golden Phi Day on Thursday, June 18.

To celebrate our Golden Phi day, we will be selling *Home Golden Sun Bars (a smaller version of Golden Gaytime) during recess and meat pies during lunch.

If you would like to order either one or both, you will need to fill out a note (sent home with your child) along with the correct amount of money by Friday June 12. Each child needs a note to ensure the delivery process. Thank you for your support.

Found

A pair of Sunglasses on Tyalla Place.

Also found at school two pairs of reading glasses .

Please come to the office to claim them.

Bake Sale

Our Bake Sale was a great success thanks to the School Community.

We raised \$1,001.00

Thank you for your support on the day.

Primary Creative & Performing Arts Evening

Tuesday 16th June 6.00pm The Hall

Our talented students from Kinder to Year 6 will be performing in the areas of Dance, Music and Drama.

There will also be performances by the Primary Vocal Group and our Dance Club along with performances by the children from the Year 2 Music Class. Students' visual art also will be displayed.

Please come along and support our wonderful children on this exciting night. Refreshments will be available on the evening.

Careers

Apprenticeship and Traineeship Information Sessions:

Wollongong – The Builders Club on June 23rd 2015

Shellharbour – The Shellharbour Club on June 24th 2015

6.00 pm – 8.00 pm

Wollongong bookings (free event):

<https://register.eventarc.com/30250/apprenticeship-traineeship-information-sessions>

Shellharbour bookings (free event):

<https://register.eventarc.com/30253/apprenticeship-traineeship-information-sessions-shellharbour>

Information delivered:

- The 5 key steps to finding an apprenticeship
- Employer insights into what they look for in applicants, plus
- Apprentices describing how they were successful.

Secondhand Uniforms

Would you please check your wardrobes for uniforms that no longer fit your children. We are desperately short of stock for our little secondhand shop. Please send donations to the school office.

Blazers are now part of our uniform. No other jackets are to be worn at school.

School Photos

The school will once again be facilitating photos for our students. This will happen over two days.

Infants Primary Monday 27th July

High School Tuesday 28th July

Envelopes will be sent home over the next few weeks. Envelopes are bar coded for each student; please keep them safe.

The FIRST LEGO League

The FIRST LEGO League (FLL) is an international science and robotics competition for young people, designed to inspire a love of learning and thinking. Teams of children aged 9-16 will be challenged to build autonomous robots from LEGO MINDSTORMS technology, invent solutions to real-world problems, and learn to work in a team – and have a lot of fun in the process! Each year, the competition culminates in a series of tournaments where teams and their robots go head-to-head in a celebration of everything achieved during the season. The best teams are selected to proceed to National and International levels of competition.

The 2015 task will be given in August, with a Regional Tournament being held in Wollongong in November. The Australia National Tournament will be held in December at Macquarie University in Sydney. You can find out more about the FLL at www.firstlegoleague.org.

Our school has again registered a team in this competition - and we are now looking for members of the team!

If you are a student aged between 9-16 years, and are interested in being a part of the school team, please either see Mrs Shaw at school, or email me (shaw.beth@ics.nsw.edu.au). We are planning to run the first meeting on Wednesday 24th June at 3:30pm - 4:30pm in D14. We have two very experienced technical advisers willing to mentor the team, and two very willing parent helpers - so please register your interest soon



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