

STURT STREET COMMUNITY SCHOOL



Government
of South Australia

*Friday 15th October
2010 No 13*

Diary Dates



October

MONDAY 18th

Governing Council mtg
6.30pm

TUESDAY 19th

Festival Centre excursion – Rm 4/5
Botanic Gardens excursion – Rm 7/8

WEDNESDAY 20th

Art Exhibition official opening at the
South West Community Centre

THURSDAY 28th

Assembly 2.45pm, CAN space
Arthur Street

SPORT

School soccer sessions 18th &
25th October.

Active After School

Athletics: Monday 18th Oct –
Monday 29th November

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We welcome the following students:

School: Zara, Kalypso, Joshua, Lottie & Stefan. **Preschool:** Angus, Ashlyn, Caitlin, Genevieve, Maya, Omali, Vaughan, Xi, Yianna

Dear Families,

Springtime brings renewed energy with warmer weather and Term 4 is a time for future planning. I meet regularly with the Education Committee to review the Site Improvement Plan and seek feedback from our community. The parent workshops held last term, to discuss the new Strategic Plan 2010 - 2015, drew energetic responses and many ideas to be considered. The Education Committee is preparing the final copy ready for distribution to our school community and for wider audiences.

Since the school's reopening in 2004 we have highly valued a Memorandum of Understanding between DECS and The Greek Orthodox Community of SA. Apart from our children learning about Greek Culture and Language, the Greek community has provided resources, served on Governing Council and committees and has been instrumental in the growth of the school.

Through previous parent opinion surveys, strategic plan feedback and other forums it has been expressed that an additional language to Greek be provided as a pathway to Secondary schools which specialize in languages. Looking to the future it is critical that we prepare our students to take their place as global citizens working with diverse communities, cultures and languages.

The federal government is funding the National Asian Languages and Studies in Schools program (NALSSP) which has a priority of increasing the numbers of students studying one of four targeted Asian Languages. In 2010, Reception to Year 7 programs have so far been developed for Chinese, Indonesian and Japanese languages. More information about the NALSSP may be found at the following website.

<http://www.deewr.gov.au/Schooling?NALSSP/Pages/default.aspx>.

The Education Committee is seeking your thoughts about introducing an Asian language. Could you please complete the enclosed form and return it to the front office.

Alternatively you might like to speak with committee members, Wendy on 0411 449 668 or Emma on 0403192573. We look forward to hearing your ideas.



The gym roof is currently being installed.

Regards,

Pat Cardone – Principal

**Valuing our children....
Building their future**

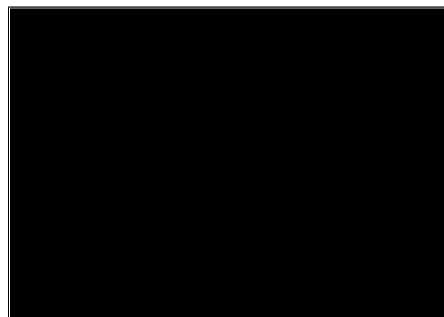
EARLY LEARNING CENTRE and PRESCHOOL NEWS

We would like to thank Emma and Chris Hosking, Jill and Lachlan Richardson, Tom Barnwell and Alex Hart, Alanna Murphy, John Williams and Mandy Wells who helped Austin and Bevan out at the Working Bee on Saturday the 25th and Sunday the 26th of September. We appreciate that your time is very valuable and the children and staff appreciate all of your efforts in converting our playground into a place of excitement and interest. If you were unable to help out on the day but can spare some time to help with on going projects please send us an e-mail on admin@sturtstcs.sa.edu.au or let the staff know in your child's room. Grandparents, Aunts or Uncles are welcome to offer their services as well.

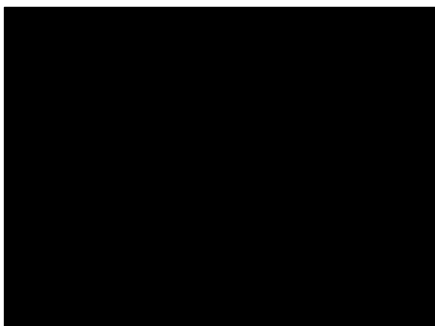


Watering some plants that we will establish in our native garden area. We will get to work on putting in the timber for the 'boat' feature in the next month. When the gate arrives for the new area—we will be able to use it like a garden room.

Kaoru exploring the new garden beds.



Children will have the chance to step up to do gardening or look at the plants growing, and then the plants will be able to grow and spill over the beds, without risk of being trodden on.



Three Dentistry Students came to visit the ELC and pre-school to talk about care of teeth, the importance of parents helping children brush teeth, making sure children drink plenty of tap water and also eat plenty of fruit and vegetables.

This visit was a follow up from last term's program about Being Human. Children were also very keen to share their learning with the dentistry students and to show off their smiles.

If parents want more information about the Cowandilla Dental clinic or dental health for children please see staff.

This term's focus in Pre-school is about environmental learning – we welcome children telling stories or showing pictures of their favourite places and we will be visiting local places of interest and learning more about different kinds of environments and how to care for them.

End of year closure arrangements:

This year our end of year holiday closure will be from Thursday 23rd of December until Tuesday 3rd of January.

Staff will be at work on Tuesday 3rd of December to be involved in planning for the year and setting up the rooms after holiday cleaning.

The last day of care for 2010 is Wednesday 22nd of December; the first day of care for 2011 is on Wednesday 5th of January.

LANGUAGE SUGGESTIONS

- * What additional language do you think should be offered at school?
- * Why would you support this?

Comment: _____

Please return this slip to the front office.

ART EXHIBITION – FACES AND PLACES

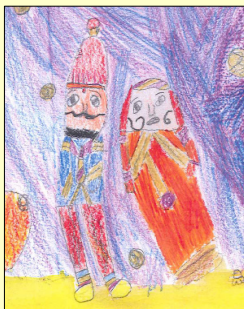
Preschool to Year 7 students will have their work displayed at the South West Community Centre from October 21st to 1st December.

This will depict many of the skills and styles introduced in art lessons. We will combine this exhibition with a business enterprise where individual student canvases can be sold. Parents will have the opportunity to purchase art work.

School paintings: \$15.00
Preschool paintings: \$10.00

An Official Launch, opened by artist Kirsty Martinsen, will be held on October 20th

Time: 5.00pm – 6.30pm



Sturt Street At Your Service!



NAME or BUSINESS: _____

SERVICE or GOODS: _____

There is still time for school and community members to participate in this fundraising event.

Sturt Street at Your Service is an auction where we sell people's service e.g. babysitting, provision of a meal, a decorated cake etc. If you, or a family member or your family's business can donate skills or goods we will auction them to the highest bidder.

The person donating the service can set a reserve and also a brief outline of what they will/won't do in their service.

If you would like to take part in this fundraiser please fill out the service form at the front office.

Room 1 News

This term we welcome Silvina Muino. She is a university student doing a Degree in Early Childhood Education and will be doing her final teaching practicum in our class. She has already visited the class twice this week and is looking forward to working with the children and myself on our new theme 'What's it Made Of'? Together we will be exploring natural and built environments from our own communities to all over the world.

Using tessellation shapes Lauren, Lanna and Valentina have been busy mapping out their personal design of a house.

Their house is fully equipped with a kitchen, living room, dancing room, bedroom, bathroom, toilet, stepping stones and a swimming pool.

Kerri Southwell – Class Teacher

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs of the school netball, indoor soccer, choir, and Student Representative Council members will be displayed in the front foyer till next week.

Group photographs are available for purchase from Master School Portraits for \$20 per group. Please ask the Front Office for an Order / envelope form.

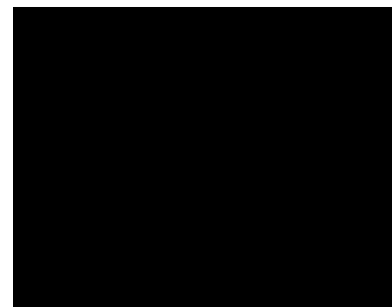
COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

Students have until Sunday 31st October 2010 to collect points for the school to exchange for new sporting equipment.

For every \$10.00 spent at Coles Supermarkets, Coles Online, Bi-Lo and Pick'n Pay you can receive at the checkout a voucher worth 1 point. Vouchers can be dropped into the collection box at the Front Office.

FUN RUN MONEY

A reminder to parents that Fun Run money can still be sent back to the school this term. Please drop the money off at the Front Office.



MILO IN2CRICKET PROGRAM

MILO in2CRICKET is a fun introduction to the game of cricket for boys and girls in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. It provides children with an enjoyable and safe environment where they can learn skills and play games.

The Program will be run at numerous locations across South Australia, but your local Centres are run by the following Cricket Clubs:

Sturt District, Coromandel Ramblers, Happy Valley, Flagstaff Hill Primary School, Marion, Morphettville Park, Plympton Football.

The cost of the Program is \$50 per participant (this may vary slightly between Centres). Every registered child receives an in2CRICKET Pack including bat, ball, t-shirt, bucket hat, backpack, activity booklet and lots of other goodies.

To find out more details about your nearest Centre and to register for this season log on to www.in2cricket.com.au



LIBRARY NEWS

It is hard to believe that it is term 4 already. The library will be a busy place this term, especially during week 6 when we are holding the **Scholastic Book Fair**. The book fair is a wonderful opportunity for students to choose books to read over the summer holidays as well as to purchase birthday and Christmas presents. It is also a wonderful way to support the library's collection. We receive 20 % cash from all sales.

The Book Fair will be open on Monday, November 15 all day for students to preview and make a wish list that they will bring home. See below for purchasing times:

	AM	PM
Monday, Nov 15:	N/A	3:15-3.45
Tuesday, Nov 16:	8:30-9:30	3:15-3.45
Wednesday, Nov 17:	8:30-9:15	3:15-3:45
Thursday, Nov 18:	8:30-9:15	N/A

We will need volunteers to help with sales and supervision at the above times. If you are able to help at any of these times, please let us know by filling out the tear off slip below. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

Just a reminder that parents will need to accompany children to the book fair this year due to the construction of the gym.

We only have a few more weeks for the birthday book program so if you want to purchase a book for your child's birthday, please talk to Andrea or Sue in the next few weeks. We have a variety of books to choose from. Once purchased, a book plate will be put inside with your child's name and birthday and it will be a part of our library collection.

Andrea Kipperman

Teacher/Librarian

BOOK FAIR VOLUNTEER

I am able to assist at the Book Fair at the following time(s). Refer to the dates and times above when filling this out.

Name: _____ Child's Name: _____

Class: _____ Phone Number: _____

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