

STURT STREET COMMUNITY SCHOOL



Government
of South Australia

*Wednesday 2nd
February 2011 No 1*

Diary Dates



February

TUESDAY 15th

Preschool Acquaintance Day

WEDNESDAY 16th

School Acquaintance Day

MONDAY 21st

ELC Advisory mtg 5.00pm
Governing Council mtg 6.30pm

March

MONDAY 14th

Adelaide Cup Holiday

Athletics Programme

Thursdays from 24th February to
31st March.

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Dear Families,

A warm welcome to all our new families! It was a very settled start to the year and the heat did not detract from the student's smiling faces as they met up with old friends. We are thrilled with the diversity of skills, experience and interests of our 2011 teaching staff. Welcome to:

Judith Crisp - Rec/Year 1 in Room 1,
Vee Mignone - Reception class in Room 3,
Kerri Southwell - Years 2/3 in Room 4,
Nicole Scrivener - Years 1/2 in Room 5
Claire Wood/Michael Hastwell - Years 5,6,7 in Room 7
Alanna Murphy - Years 3/4 in Room 8,
Lyn Long - JP Literacy Focus
Andrea Kipperman - Teacher Librarian
Kathleen Patitsas - LOTE (Greek)
Kathy Xanthis - Greek First Language Maintenance
Natalie Shallow - JP Music
Lynton Rivers - Yrs 3/4 Music
Margie Sekulic - Drama,
Robyn Henwood - Visual Arts
Lesia Zubjuk - English as a Second Language,
Lisa Ewens - Preschool
Jane Salb - SSO

Several building projects are nearing completion. A stone wall using the Historic bluestone which formed the southern boundary of the school is being reinstated near the Early Learning Centre car park. Old scholars are very pleased to have this stone retained. A wooden boat structure is under construction in the Early Learning Centre outdoor area and the external finishes on the Gym are under way.

Our school has successfully won a 2011 application to receive funding from the Federal Government for the Active After School Communities (AAS) program. This Commonwealth initiative encourages children into sport and other structured physical activities after school. A separate note will be sent out to parents with further details about the Active After Schools event and day on which the programme will run.

We have also been accepted into a DECS funded instrumental program where Alanna's Yr 3/4 class will learn recorder. In Year 5, through a selection process, students will then have the opportunity to learn woodwind instruments. This further expands the Arts focus at the school as students learn new skills and creative expression.

Governing Council

The 2011 School Annual Report will be presented to the School Community at the AGM on **Monday March 21st**. We invite all parents to attend and hear about the school's successes, any issues and learning areas for improvement. This also provides an opportunity for you to nominate for a Committee or Governing Council position. We will be calling for nominations shortly.

Regards,

Pat Cardone – Principal

We welcome the following students to our Preschool and School.

Noah, Mika, Toby, Alyssa, Andrew, Tilly, Pipi, Luka, Angus S, Anthony, Miranda, Filippa, Simran, Tom, Ruby, Lysander, Nicholas, Evie, Sienna Robert, Lucinda, Shaune, and Chrysa.

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Building their future**

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This year Lyn Long will be taking all classes for Physical Education. Rooms 4, 7 & 8 will be going to the South Parklands for lessons on Wednesday afternoon until the hall is completed. For the first part of this term the students will be learning cricket skills. To help with supervision and safely walking to and from the park, we are asking for parent volunteers to assist us for an hour between 11.40am – 2.45pm. If you are able to assist please contact the Front Office or Lyn Long so we can assign a time that suits you.

Lyn Long – PE teacher.

PRE-SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome back to all of the families in Kindy Room.

Over the school holidays, we many new children and their families have joined our room. It has been a great time for them to settle, before the start of the school term.

We welcome back Lisa Ewens as Pre-school teacher for 2011. We also welcome Deana Frangos to Kindy room. It has been great for children to have time with her again after getting to know her in the Lorikeet room. Mardi, Kylie, Leah and Silvana will continue in the Kindy Room and Anna Liese will join us on Mondays and Wednesdays for special needs support, with Poh Keng working in this role on Fridays. Jill will be spending time in the Baby room while we are recruiting staff for the Team leader position there.

Our program for Term 1 will begin with a focus on getting to know each other and reinforcing the routines of the Kindy room. Watch the photo board for displays of how the program progresses. We will be talking about some of the celebrations that happened during the holidays, Birthdays, Christmas, New Year and Australia Day and also celebrating Chinese New Year/Tet Festival in the first week of February. We welcome families' sharing photos about happenings that have been special for their child.

We also welcome your contribution as parents. Please let us know if you would like to join in with our program.

Some ideas of how to join in are listed below.

- Come and share some family photos or stories
- Share a family recipe—maybe come and cook it with a group of children
- Offer to join in with us on small group excursions—if we know some days that are available for you we can organise trips around this.
- Come and help with art experiences—children will be drawing self portraits, family pictures and pictures of their homes and holidays—they love to have adults to draw and write with.
- Share a song or musical talent.
- Teach some greetings, numbers or phrases in your home language.

Anne-Marie Shin - Early Years Director

SCHOOL CALENDAR

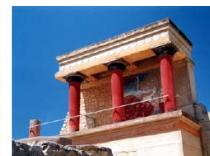
Please note that the Term 2 – Term 4 school calendar still has some other activities and confirmation of events to be made. These calendars will be distributed to parents at the beginning of each term and posted to the school website.

Classes commence Saturday 5/2/2011

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LEARN GREEK

The Greek Orthodox Community of SA Inc, has the pleasure of informing you that Modern Greek Language Classes will be offered at Sturt Street Community School, every Saturday from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon. Enrolments commence on Saturday 5th February 2011 at 9.00 am, on site. For further information regarding enrolments and fees please contact the Schools Coordinator on (08) 8231 4307.