This week at St Leonards we’ve been watching some TV in school time! After weeks of anticipation the Olympic Games are finally here and students are able to watch some of the athletes that they have researched competing live. They are learning about the variety of sporting events and about Brazil, particularly Rio de Janeiro. There is some wonderful work on display in classrooms, which is evidence of the learning that has been happening. This rainforest that has grown in Grade 3 is a great example!

If you would like to have a look at all the work on display, coming to school with your kids at 8.30 on Tuesdays for Breakfast Club, is a really good time to do so.

Lesson Study for Teachers
At some point this term your students will tell you that other teachers have been in their classroom learning about maths. This term teachers are spending time in classrooms learning from each other. The Lesson Study cycle has a very specific focus, such as understanding subtraction, or converting fractions to decimals. Teachers plan a lesson together, then collect evidence during the learning session, to discuss afterwards. It’s a great way for teachers to learn more about how students learn.

Thank You!
It was fantastic to see so many helpers at yesterday’s working bee to spread softfall mulch under the play equipment. Thank you so much to Steve for co-ordinating and to Nikki, Marlene, Susan and Graham, Gloria and Robin, Amanda, Rachel, Adam and Jackie. We appreciate your time and effort. Thanks to your hard work we now have safer and more attractive playgrounds.

Golf Competition
On the 5th of August Jorja, Steph, Maddy and Joel went to golf. It was at the Clifton Springs Golf Course. They did 9 holes. Joel got 55 hits, Steph got 72 hits, Jorja got 60 hits and Steph got 72 hits out of all the holes. There were 72 kids there in total. Jorja won 3rd place out of all the girls there. We all had fun. Thanks to Cheryl Schembri who drove us there.
By Jorja

Jeans for Genes Day
On Friday the 5th of August, we had Jeans for Genes Day. It is about raising money so that scientists can do more medical research to find treatment for people with diseases. Did you know that 1 in 20 kids are born with a genetic disease? That’s 1 in every classroom. We all wore denim and gave a donation to show our gratitude towards people with diseases. We raised $119.50.
By Jamison
**Head Lice**

We have had several cases of head lice reported recently and at SLPS, like all other schools, this is an ongoing problem. Whilst parents have the primary responsibility for the detection and treatment of head lice, the school has a role to play in providing support for parents and students. At any given time, most schools will have some students with head lice, so it is important that no stigma is attached to those who are infected.

Parents will be encouraged to report any head lice infections to the office. When live lice are detected in a student’s hair during school time, the parents will be contacted and asked to take the child home for treatment. The presence of eggs is not cause for exclusion.

Children with untreated head lice will be excluded from the school until treatment occurs. Students may be treated one evening and return to school the next day. Parents need to be aware, however, that one treatment is not sufficient to manage the problem. We ask that you are vigilant in checking your child’s head so that we can minimise this problem. It would be great to think that we could stamp it out completely!

**School Fees**

All unpaid fees need to be paid as soon as possible, as there are still many outstanding. If you have any concerns or queries please talk to Jenny or Janette at the office. CSEF does not cover books and materials. BPAY is available.

**Circus Quirkus**

Highton Rotary Club Inc. would like to thank the following 2016 ticket sponsors who made Circus Quirkus available to the Geelong Community:- Geelong Rangers Soccer Club, Leopold Sportsman Club, CJ Henderson Builders and Huyck Wanger P/L

**Congratulations to our students of the week:**

- **Prep** – Jed Gray: Great work with measurement (longer & shorter)
- **Grade 1** - Zara Coleman: For great work on fractions
- **Grade 2** – Wiki Wihongi: Great retell on her ‘I’m not scared’ story
- **Grade 3** – Ruby White: Excellent effort when doing addition with trading
- **Grade 4** – Brianna Beard: For completing a great report on The Campbell Sisters
- **Grade 5** – Harry Sayers: For wonderful narrative writing. Keep up the good work Harry
- **Grade 6** - Jamison Camilleri: Being an excellent role model to younger students

Indonesian Jamison Camilleri: For contributing to discussions and for translating words

Congratulations to the following students who were nominated by their peers for demonstrating our school value SAFETY, as part of our School Wide Positive Behaviour Program: Jed (Prep), Zarah (Grade 1), Rogan (Grade 2), Jeanine (Grade 3), Max (Grade 4), Joel (Grade 5), Jamison (Grade 6).

**Bulb Drive**

Attached to the newsletter is a bulb form from bulbs direct, if you or someone you know is a keen gardener have a look and order from the catalogue and help the school at the same time. Order forms due back 25th August 2016

**Playgroup Raffle**

Our St Leonards Playgroup has some wonderful wooden toys for raffles prizes. There are 5 prizes – A toy bassinet, a rattling wheel and 3 train sets. Tickets are $1.00 from playgroup members or the school office. The raffle will be drawn on Monday 22nd August at Playgroup and announced at assembly on Tuesday.

**Breakfast Club**

Thanks to Jorja and Charis for helping with breakfast on Tuesday.

**Playgroup**

There are now two playgroup sessions held at school. Monday and Thursday mornings. Playgroup meets in the Playgroup Room at the back of the playground from 10.00 am – 12.00 noon. For bookings and information, please contact Tracey Marshall at tmmarshall@geelongcity.vic.gov.au or 0427 670 905.

**Mini Lotto**

$2.00 entry, cross off 5 numbers, envelopes available from the office. Drawn at the Bowling Club each Friday at 7.30 pm. Jackpot is $3852. Last week’s numbers were 05, 08, 10, 12, 19

**School Banking**

Wednesday is school banking day. Make regular deposits to earn some great rewards.
St Leonards Film Society – Australian Film Societies Federation

Last Wednesday of the month February to November at 7.30pm at the Indented Head Community Hall.
For program: visit facebook.com/groups/1679431008995890/ Membership enquiries Lina 0421 343 988

Updating Changes
If you have recently moved or changed any phone numbers please contact the school (phone or email st.leonards.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au) as soon as possible with the updated information. This can include changes to phone numbers (landlines and mobiles), living and postal address, email address and Emergency Contact details. Emergency Contacts are people that the school may need to contact in an emergency. Please ensure that the people named are aware that they have been nominated as emergency contacts and agree to their details being provided to St Leonards Primary School.

School Crossing Safety
A reminder for parents from The City of Greater Geelong:
The speed limit past the school is 40kph and in the car park it is walking pace only, please observe the road rules when dropping your children off at school. Parents who are late need to slow down when in the car park, parents also need to remember that they need to sign in their child/ren at the office when late.

Members of School Council in 2016 are: Kerri Cartledge – President, Elisa Allen - Vice President, Leanne Jacques – Treasurer, Jenny Cowburn - Executive Officer, Steve Walker, Jackie Cloke, Jenny Green, Susan Ballagh and Chris Layley.

Lions Club Raffle
We are fortunate to again have the opportunity to participate in the Portarlington/Drysdale Lions Club Community Raffle. All the money from the tickets we sell goes to the school. There are lots of prizes, including a Bendigo Bank account to the value of $1500, accommodation packages, gift vouchers, petrol vouchers and more. Tickets are $2.00 each and are available from the office until August 21st or until sold out. Please consider collecting a book of tickets (5 tickets per book) to sell to family, friends and work colleagues. Books and tickets are available from the office.

Pop Up Playgroup
Next Thursday as well as Mini Olympics we will have a Pop Up Playgroup happening from 10am near the playgroup portable. This is to promote the community playgroup and an opportunity to come and try for anyone who would like to join in the fun. Thank you to Jorja from Playgroup Victoria and Tracey from CoGG who have helped to organize this exciting happening
Everybody is welcome so please encourage friends and families to come along.