The trivia night is fast approaching and students are busy working on art works for the auction. Some of the art works created have a beach and nature theme. They are looking great!

2016 Term Dates:
Term 2: 11/4—24/6
Term 3: 11/7—16/9
Term 4: 3/10—20/12
The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and the South Gippsland Specialist School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 9 September 2016.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or ‘experience’ 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and can choose to have their name included on the online Honour Roll. If you would like your child’s name to appear on the Honour Roll, please contact the school and we will send out a letter for you to sign.

To read the Premier’s letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photos will be taken on Monday 18th April.

If you are needing a new form, please contact the office.

Late orders will be accepted.
No Awards this week
**EVENTS THIS TERM**

**PARENTS & FRIENDS**
President: Kris Vallay  Secretary: Jodie Lennon  Treasurer: Tona O’Connor

Next meeting: Monday 9th May 2016 @ 10.30am at SGSS for a coffee and chat. **New members needed.**
Please contact Jodie via the office if you are interested.

All Welcome

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**Room 4 Wins People’s Choice Award in Art Exhibition**

Students take on message

The artwork by South Gippsland Specialist School students caught the attention of Leongatha’s Beth Shields and Inverloch’s Jacqui Rock.

The piece ‘Like Diamonds .... Plastic is Forever’ listed the estimated time it takes for each piece of art (plastic) to break down in the environment.

The art relayed the message to ‘Reduce, Reuse, Recycle’ in the Recycled Art Exhibition at Coal Creek’s gallery. D20071416.
ALL ABILITIES
NETBALL

LEONGATHA AAA PROGRAM
Open to all players 10yrs of age or older.

Where:
Leongatha & District Netball Association
Leongatha Recreation Reserve

When:
Saturday’s: 10:00am – 11:00am
Starting 16 April 2016

Contact Details for more information:
Bec Arnason (AAA Coach) 0438 002 999
Lisa Kuhne (AAA Coach) 0427 642 407
Sue Ritchie (LDNA President) 0413 000 877
Dan Poynton (GippSport) 0428 358 336
Transport assistance may be available.
Contact Dan for information.
Welcome back to term 2. Students have settled into their routines well. Students and staff have come back looking refreshed after the holiday break.

**Whole school Breakfast**
On Monday we had a whole school breakfast in the kitchen. A Bacon and Egg sandwich was enjoyed by all our students and staff. Thank you to Barry and Brock for cooking them.

**School Photo’s**
Reminder to all parents that school photos will be on Monday. Please ensure your child is in school uniform.

**Wilson's Prom Camp**
This week we had two classes attend the Tidal River Camp. They managed to get mild weather and have had a terrific time.

**School Fees**
This terms school fees have gone out this week. School Council appreciates families with their prompt payments.

**Mothers Day Gifts**
On Friday May 6th, could all students bring in $5 to choose the mothers day gifts that the Parents and friends Club have purchased for their fundraising campaign.

**Welcome**
We welcome Kim and Therese to our staff for the rest of this year. They will be working in Room 3.

**Important Dates for Term 2:**
- April 18th— Whole school photo’s
- April 20th—School Council
- April 25th—Anzac Day public holiday—No school
- April 27—29—Room 4 Licola Camp
- May 6th—Mothers Day Stall
- May 11th—Learning Stones Opening/Duke of Ed Award celebration 11.30am
- May 20th—Education Week Parent/Carer Luncheon
- June 13th—Queens Birthday Public Holiday—No school
- June 15th—School Council
- June 24th—End of term 2—2 pm finish

Have a great week.
Heather Braden
Principal