

Aims of the LAP Association

The LAP Association Inc. is a non-profit organisation formed in 1994 to support the work and continuing development of the Learning Assistance Programme.

The Association aims to establish positive links between all people involved in the LAP programme by:

- Providing a range of professional development opportunities for teaching staff and volunteers.
- Sharing good practice and providing regular information to members through the LAP FACTS newsletter and Building Bridges with LAP website.
- Developing a range of quality resources to assist teachers, volunteers and students – at discounted prices for members.
- Networking opportunities with people in other schools and systems of education.
- Recognising volunteers, coordinators and schools through the LAP Association Awards.

Benefits for Members

- Membership cards for all volunteers and coordinators. This membership card entitles members to receive discount on goods at a small number of selected retailers. These retailers are advertised in the newsletter.
- LAP FACTS – the newsletter of the Association is published and distributed three times each year. All volunteers receive a personal copy.
- Discounted fees for attendance at all LAP Association seminars and conferences.

'Adopt a LAP 2007

Rotary District 9500 and The LAP Association are forming a partnership to provide assistance to the LAP programme in schools. Rotary is interested to support LAP programmes through:

- the provision of Rotarians as volunteers
- financial support for professional development, purchase of resources and equipment
- possible student encouragement awards

A Rotary Club will be formally linked with a school and it is expected that there will be regular communication between the school and the club.

Schools that have **CURRENT MEMBERSHIP** of the Association are eligible to apply to be part of this pilot project. Preference will be given to schools that have had LAP in place for at least two years. District 9500 covers a large portion of South Australia and schools will need to be located within the Rotary District. Criteria, details of location and documentation for this project is available on request from Penny Penhall.

Smidge the LAP Dog continues his journey in 2007

Our lovable mascot had exciting adventures visiting different school communities in 2006. If you would like Big Smidge to visit you this year, please contact Penny Penhall to arrange a time. He will bring gifts for you, as well as a journal for you to read about and record all of his adventures. He is very well-behaved and extremely cute – so don't miss out!

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