



Lynwood Times

A newsletter for the community of Lynwood Park Public School

Great Expectations - Great Achievements - Great Attitudes - Great School

27th Sept 2018

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

| Date | Event |
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| 28th Sept | Last Day of Term. Summer PSSA |
| 15th Oct | Students and Staff return for Term 4. |
| 16th Oct | P&C Meeting 6pm |
| 23rd Oct | Invictus Games excursion 6.45am – 3 pm |
| 24th Oct | Kinder Orientation Parent Information night 6.30 – 7.30 pm in School Hall |
| 25th Oct | Year 4 Cares |
| 26th Oct | P & C Inflatable Obstacle course 11.30am – 3 pm |
| 5th Nov | K-6 Assembly - Item performed by 1/2 Purple & K/1 Green |
| 7th Nov | Stage 2 Public Speaking Competition |
| 8th Nov | Stage 3 STEAM team expo at Vardy's Road PS Stage 3 Speaking Competition Kinder Transition Session 2 - 2.45pm. |
| 9th Nov | Summer PSSA |
| 12th Nov | Remembrance Day Assembly |
| 13th Sept | P & C Meeting 6pm |
| 15th Nov | Kinder Transition Session 2 - 2.45pm |
| 16th Nov | Book Fair– until 22nd November |
| 22nd Nov | Kinder Transition Session 2- 2.45pm. |

NB: Check the calendar regularly in our Newsletter, on our website and on our school app—updates/changes are made as required.

Quote Of The Week

"I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the set, I go into the other room and read a book." — Groucho Marx

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 3 has flown by and we are set for a two week break before the final push to the end of the year. I would like to thank everyone in our school community for making me feel so welcome, especially the students who greet me everyday with big smiles and lovely manners.

It has been busy as usual with the highlight of the last two weeks being the Stage 3 Camp. Many tired students and teachers returned last Friday, with lots of funny stories to tell! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the four dedicated teachers who accompanied our campers on their three day adventure - Mrs Stewart, Miss Kitson, Mr Taylor and Mr Gonzalez. Many parents and students don't realise that attendance for teachers on these camps is purely voluntary. They are not required to accompany the students, and are certainly not paid any extra to do so. They voluntarily give up time with their own families in order to ensure that our students are safe and have fun. These camps could not happen without dedicated teachers like these all over NSW.

On a yummy note, our canteen will have a new menu starting Week 2 next term. Menu options and prices are listed later in this newsletter. Take a look at what will be on offer!

At last week's Blacktown Primary Principals Council meeting, we heard from a Principal whose school is in the middle of drought affected NSW. You may be aware from reports on the Channel 7 Sunrise program that the Principal of Trundle Central School, has opened up the school facilities to the local community for showers, particularly school families who have simply run out of water. He indicated there was a significant need in the following areas:

** The provision of stationery type consumables for students' use at home is his number one physical resource need at this stage. Pencils, biros, workbooks, folders, looseleaf paper, display books and the like.*

** Support for the school's agricultural programs, including replacement of 11 chickens/chooks that were killed recently due to starving wild dogs.*

** The school vegetable gardens and grounds have been decimated by the drought. The playing fields are unbearable due to the dust.*

I'm proud to say that the primary schools in the Blacktown area (including Lynwood Park Public School) rallied round and sent a trailer and van load of stationery up to Trundle for the students and families in order to try and make life just a little easier. Let's hope the drought breaks soon.

NAPLAN results for 2018 went home this week for our Year 3 and Year 5 students. Please take the time to look through your child's results and celebrate their successes. If you have any

questions regarding the assessment, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher early next term when we return.

I hope you have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable time with your children over the next two weeks.

Mrs Leigh Bade

Principal

From the Front Office

Notes sent out

Lynwood ObSTRARRcool note

Stewart House Bags

Cares note –Year 4

Notes to be returned

Lynwood ObSTARRcool note – by Monday 22nd October.

Stewart House Bags – By Friday 2nd November

Cares note- First 30 students to return note will attend.

The School Photographer

Re-Order Group Photos

All Group Sport's photos and special photos can be viewed both online at

www.theschoolphotographer.com.au or

at the school office.

Online order code 18S399EL39LP

If you wish to order please either;

collect an order envelope from the office, fill out /enclose payment and return to the

School office or alternatively

visit the school photographer's website and

order /pay online.

The photos are \$16 each, 2 for \$30, 3 for \$42, 4 for \$52 or 5 for \$60.

Any additional photos are \$10 each. This discount is available per family order OR

Purchase a Booklet of all Sport / Special photos for \$30.

Payment Options

Cash payments enclosed in order envelope or ONLINE Payment by credit card. –Envelope NOT required.

Photos will be available to view and purchase online.

All orders must be made by tomorrow,

28th September or a late fee of \$5 will apply.

Stewart House Collection

Clean out your child's cupboards now and fill a Stewart House bag with unwanted clothing. Proceeds will help disadvantaged children who visit Stewart House. Your donations are very much appreciated and are due back at school **by Friday, 2nd November**.

Value of the Month – Creative

- Come up with a range of ideas
- Look for other solutions
- Make new things happen
- See things in different ways

Silver Awards

K Blue - Herby, Austin

1/2 Purple - Connor

2 Orange - Angel

3/4Crimson – Noah, Jedayne, Liliana

Gold Awards

K Blue – Gemma, Sofia

K Red –Amelia, Madisyn

1/2 Yellow – Ayden

1/2 Purple– Giorgia, Clara



Happy Birthday to the following students: Mursal, Daniel, RawiriTahlia, Aurora, Taleb, Haleigh, Sanawbar, Shan, Ekam, Joshaan, Laylah, Gwen, Madison, Joseph, Khushi, Murat.



Learning Snap Shot



Focus on Mathematics- Measurement and Geometry

Students have been learning a range of new skills and information during Math (Measurement and Geometry) lessons. In K-6 develop their mathematical knowledge, skills and understanding through a range of learning experiences across measurement and geometry lessons. This broad umbrella includes learning relating to length, area, volume and capacity, mass, time, position, two-dimensional and three-dimensional space.

Kindergarten- Kindergarten have been learning about time and in particular manipulating analogue clocks. We have been talking about why time is important and the difference between early and late. Lots of discussion has been taking place around the concepts of seconds, minutes, hours and days. Many students are able to tell the "o'clock" time and then link these times with various activities that happen throughout the day at certain times.

Stage 1- Stage 1 have been focusing on position and time. In position we have been learning lots of words that can describe position and using these words to navigate across a map. During lessons focussing on time, students have learning half past, quarter to and quarter past times.

Stage 2- Stage 2 have been learning about working with units of measurement in everyday life outside of school. For example, converting litres to millilitres in order to compare the size of drink containers. You can assist your child by including discussion about measurement in your daily life. This might include talking about the volume of drinks or the mass (weight) of food when shopping or cooking..

Stage 3 –Stage 3 have been working on 'area of quadrilaterals and triangles' in Measurement lessons this term. In particular, the students focused on measuring and calculating area of triangles using the formula $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$.

Web wonders- Mathematics

Try these games and activities online!

<http://education.abc.net.au/home#!/media/1388927/area-of-triangles>

Interactive lessons on the area of triangles.

<http://toytheater.com/telling-time/>

A game for younger students matching analog to digital clocks.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/topic-group/measuring>

A series of interactive activities covering all aspects of measurement.

Selective High School Applications for 2020.

Online applications will be open between **9th October 2018** and **12th November 2018** for parents or carers of Year 5 students who wish their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2020.

Applications **WILL NOT** be accepted after this date.

All applications must be completed online You can find the application form at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

Parents will be receiving a note with further information.

They are required to indicate their 'Intention to Apply for Selective High School' and return it to the school office.

If you have any questions about the selective high school placement process see Mrs Stewart .; call the DoE High Performance Students unit on 1300 880 367 or email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au

Seven Hills High School Showcase 2018



On Wednesday 26th September, Stage 3 students, teachers and some parents went to Seven Hills High

School to see a variety of performances in their annual Showcase. In the hall, we were joined by other local primary schools to watch a range of performances by Seven Hills High School students. There were musicians, dancers and singers. Some of Lynwood Park Public School's ex-students and siblings of current students showed they were very talented singers, dancers, musicians and entertainers.

Thank you very much to all the parents who helped transport Stage 3 students to and from Seven Hills High School on the day.

Change of Hours For EXCEL Uniform Shop

The Excel Uniform shop hours will change on the following dates due to the Kindergarten 2019 Orientation program.

The uniform shop will be open on Monday 5th, 12th and 19th November from 2.30-3.30pm as usual.

It will be closed on Wednesday 7th, 14th and 21st of November. in the morning.

It will open on Thursday 8th, 15th and 22nd November for the Kindergarten Orientation afternoons from 2.00-3.30pm.

The last opening day of the year is Wednesday 5th December. The shop will re-open in 2019 on Wednesday, 30th January.

Kindergarten Responsible Pet Ownership program

On Monday 17th September Kindergarten classes welcomed a furry visitor to the school in the form of Jaffa the poodle and his owner, Suzie. Students attended a session in the hall that explored ways to approach a dog on a lead if you would like to pat it and what to do if an angry or scared dog approaches you. Students keenly followed the sequence to ask Suzie for permission to pat Jaffa, with many overcoming some anxieties at the same time.



Kindergarten families were provided with a resource on living safely with pets and the key messages explored during this session. For more information and for family friendly interactive activities to enjoy with your children, please visit www.pettown.nsw.gov.au

Great Aussie Bush Camp



Last week stage 3 enjoyed a great time away at Great Aussie Bush Camp at Kincumber. The students tested their own comfort zones, experiencing a variety of challenging activities such as canoeing, the giant swing, tree climbing, raft building, pioneering, lost island muddy challenge, power fan jump and archery. Our students were extremely enthusiastic and well behaved and they arrived back at school happy and tired on the Friday.

Here are some photos, student comments and student writing pieces about their experiences on camp.

Camp Kincumber by Jada 5/6Aqua

On the 19th to the 21st of September 2018, 64 Stage students and 4 teachers from Lynwood Park Public School went to the Great Aussie Bush Camp in Kincumber. They went by two buses that took about 1.5 hours to get to the campsite.

When they arrived at 11am, the students were introduced to their camp leaders and went to their cabins. After setting up their cabins, they went to the dining hall to have lunch. Later, they were split into 3 groups and did their activities. Group 3 had tree climb, Group 2 had Lost Island and Group 1 had Raft Building. There were lots more activities like Power Fan, Giant Swing, Pioneering, Canoeing and Archery that were completed on Thursday and Friday. The activities were lots of fun and some very challenging. On the first night the students and teachers played in a challenge game. Obviously the teachers won. The next night they played Commando where the teachers took student hostages for the rest of the students of find in the dark bush.

On Friday students headed home by bus with Jada Shaw stating "It was a once in lifetime trip!" Most of the students went home to rest!

Last week on the 19th-21st of September, 64 students and teachers from Lynwood Park Pubic School went to the Great Aussie Bush Camp in Kincumber. They went by bus to the camp for 3 days to get away from school and learn some independence!



The camp had 8 different activities on offer, some painful and some fun. There was the giant swing, raft building, pioneering, archery, lost island, tree climb and the power fan. At night there were two different activities, Challenge Night and Commando. The activities at night were a bit weird on the first night. Commando, on the second night, was really fun, the

teachers guided students hostage while the rest had to find them in the dark bush!

The students had three main meals daily. Chloe from 5/6Aqua had to say "It was a fun a camp but the food was really bad!" Who knows what they ate!

All in all, most kids ignored the food and had a really great camp!

OUR CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

*The best thing was the power fan. It is a pole that is about 15metres high which you climb up and jump off with from the top or half way a harness on. Paige 5/6 Sapphire

*My favourite was lost island mud run. Also commando was my favourite night activity. Liam 5/6Aqua

*The best thing about camp was the giant swing when my friends and I got over our fear of heights. Shreya 5/6Teal

*The best part of camp was canoeing because I got to try something new and no one capsized the canoes. Yah! Jasmine 5/6Teal.

Debating News



In week 8 our team participated in their final debate for this year against Blacktown South. The topic was, 'Space exploration is worth the cost'. Despite their hard work preparing fantastic arguments, our team were defeated by the skill of the other team. Our debating team are to be congratulated on their excellent effort throughout the year, attending 2 meetings each week as well as researching and preparing their arguments in their own time at home.

Well done to everyone.

Mr Blume

ICAS - Test Results

Congratulations to the following students on achieving pleasing results in the ICAS tests for Spelling, Writing, Digital Technologies and Science.

Spelling:

Distinction: Thrishaa, Joanne, Angus.

Credit: Gurshaan, Malakai.

Merit or Participation: Shareen , Abyudh, Jedayne, Danijela, Emma, Auspal, Mark, Aiden, Emanuella, Jasmine, Izabella .

Writing:

Merit or Participation: Amina

Logan, Abyudh, Curtis, Katija, Emma, Auspal, Mark, Emanuella, Jasmine, Izabella .

Digital Technologies:

Credit: Thrishaa

Merit or Participation: Logan, Blayke, Shareen, Liam, Angus, Henry Curtis Auspal Simone, Mark ,Emanuella, Kayla .

Science:

Credit: Liam, Henry, Mark

Well done to all our students!



GARDEN CLUB

The gardeners have been working hard and they are excited about all the produce they planted last week. In 6 to 8 weeks they will be able to harvest lettuce, tomato, cucumber, zucchini, carrot and spinach. A big thanks to Mr Leonard and Mrs Falvey for their help this year.

Mrs Davis



Snail Trail

The final measurements for our SNAIL TRAIL have been taken and the two winning classes of this year's competition are 1/2Purple with a whopping length of 56.10m and 3/4Crimson with a length of 33.10m.

These two classes enjoyed a pizza party with their teachers this week to congratulate them for their efforts. A big thank you must go to all classes. This year's competition was very close and all students did a fantastic job to raise some money for our school! We were able to raise a total of \$1173.00.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Sinclair

Lynwood Park P&C News

Lynwood ObSTARRcool

Friday 26th of OCTOBER!

An obstacle course made up of a giant mix of inflatables together with timber walls, tunnels, rock walls, commando nets and stepping stones.

Drawing COMPETITION !!!

Each student is given the opportunity to create their ideal obstacle course!

A winner from EACH CLASS will be selected to receive an exciting prize!!

Make sure to get your money and permission notes in by **22nd October!!** DON'T MISS OUT!!

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We hope everyone enjoys their school break. Stay safe and have lots of fun! We are back on Monday 15 October for an exciting Term 4.



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Next meeting is on Tuesday 16 October, 6pm in the staffroom.