



Lynwood Times

A newsletter for the community of Lynwood Park Public School

Great Expectations - Great Attitudes - Great Achievements - Great School

6th December 2019

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event
11th December	Year 6 Farewell 6pm at Fox Hills Golf Course
12th December	Christmas Assembly 2pm
13th December	Lynwood Idol / Reports Home
16th December	Presentation Day Assembly - 9.15am
17th December	K – 6 Fun Day
18th December	End of Term 4 2019 Last day for Students
19th December	SDD-Pupil Free Day
20th December	SDD
Term 1 2020	
28th January	SDD – Pupil Free Day
29th January	Students Years 1-6 Return Kinder Best Start Testing
30th January	Kinder Best Start Testing
31st January	Kinder Best Start Testing
4th February	Kindergarten starts school – 9.30am Swimming Carnival 12-3pm
17th February	K-6 Assembly 2pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week we held our combined Christmas Scripture Assembly. Our students as usual were extremely well behaved and prompted this comment by one of our SRE teachers; *"It was the best Years 5 and 6 student participation in SRE Christmas Presentations, of which, I have had the privilege to observe at several schools, over many years. We would also like to recognise the excellent behaviour, good manners and participation of the children from Years K-6 during the whole celebration in the Hall."* Well done students!

Our Kindergarten Orientation program has finished for the year, culminating in a fun Teddy Bear's Picnic. Thanks to Mrs Thompson and her team for all their hard work in making the program a success. Thanks also to Westpoint Blacktown who provided *Welcome to Big School* gifts for our new kindergarten students.

Last Friday, Mrs Cathy Brennan (Executive Director, School Performance | Metropolitan North Operational Directorate) visited our school and spent time with our executive staff followed by a tour of our school. It was a very successful meeting and allowed us to showcase the changes and programs we have been working on this year in the areas of teaching and learning and student wellbeing. Cathy also met several of our students.



Our school leadership speeches were also held last week. What a wonderful group of students! Voting is going to be close, with all students deserving of a place on the leadership team.

We have a busy week and a half left of the year. Enjoy the countdown.

Mrs Leigh Bade

Principal

"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." - Theodor Seuss Geisel, author of Dr Seuss books.



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CLASS PLANNING 2020

We want to hear from you, if you know your child will be attending another school in 2020, or if your child will be delayed in returning to school at the commencement of 2020. School will commence for students Years 1-6 on Wednesday, 29th January, 2020.

Please complete the slip

below, if applicable and return it to the office asap.

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LPPS – STUDENTS LEAVING LYNWOOD PARK AT

END OF 2019

☐ My child / children will be moving to another school in 2020

Name of school:

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Name/s of children:.....

Class 2019.....

Class 2019.....

Class 2019

Parent / Carer Name:

Date / /

✂ LPPS – STUDENTS RETURNING AFTER 29th JANUARY

IN 2020

My child / children will not be back at the commencement of the 2020 school year, but WILL BE RETURNING to Lynwood Park PS.

Expected date of return: / /

Reason for delayed return:

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Name/s of children:

.....Class 2019

.....Class 2019

Parent / Carer Name:

Signed:

Year 6 Farewell / Graduation 2019



The Year 6 Farewell will be held on **Wednesday 11th December, 2018 from 6.00pm-9.00 pm at Fox Hills Golf Course.**

The dress for this occasion is smart casual .

Students in Year 5 are requested to arrive at 7.30pm after dinner to join in the celebrations with the Year 6 Students.

Parents are invited to attend the function from 8.30pm when the formal part of the evening will begin.

The evening will conclude at 9pm.

Thank you

Mrs Stewart



Kindergarten Assembly

We would like to invite our Kindergarten parents and caregivers to the Annual Kindergarten Christmas Assembly on **Thursday 12th December at 2pm in the school hall.**

Please come and share this wonderful finale to the student's first year at school.

Thank You

Mrs Thompson, Miss Gross and Mrs Brady.



Assembly Awards- Congratulations to the following students on receiving awards:

Principal's Award

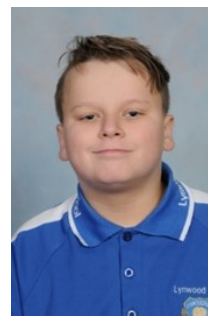


Gemma –1/2 Yellow

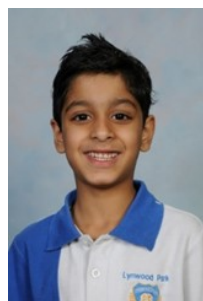
For displaying a positive attitude to her school work and her peers.



Kaleigh - 3 /4 Ruby
Citizenship



Mason 5-6S
PSSA -Sportsmanship



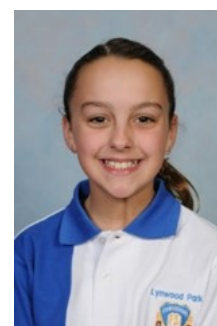
Reyaanveer K /1 Green
Citizenship



Ryker - 1 Orange
Sportsmanship



Haleigh - 5/6 Aqua
Values



Kaylen - 5/6 Teal
Values



Terry 1/2P
Values



Macie - K Blue
Values

Principal's Award



Zohal 3/4 Magenta

For an impressive improvement with her reading.

Silver Awards

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Silver Award:

3/4Ruby - Mahdi

5/6 Aqua –Liam, Auspal, Blayke

Gold Awards

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their

Gold Award

1Orange -Stella

1/2Yellow –Lawrence, Abirami, Gemma

2/3Crimson – Mikayla

3/4Ruby – Aliah, Renee

3/4Magenta – Claire, Charli

5/6 Sapphire – Kaelan, David

5/6Teal – Alexis, Emanuella, Jessica.

Platinum Awards:

Congratulations to the following students on receiving their Platinum Award.

1/2 Yellow –Steven

2/3 Crimson –Ved

3/4 Ruby – Angel, Thrishaa

3/4Magenta –Tahlia, Aiden

5/6Aqua – Brittany, Madison

5/6 Sapphire – Jacob, Jasmine

5/6Teal -Sanawbar



Learning Snapshot

Focus on Mathematics- Number and Algebra

Students have been learning a range of new skills and information during Mathematics and number lessons.

In K-6 students develop their mathematical knowledge, skills and understanding through a range of learning experiences across number and algebra, including whole numbers and fractions and decimals. They develop their problem-solving skills, and mathematical reasoning and communication.

Kinder-garten	<p>Students have been consolidating their knowledge of fractions of collections of objects and shapes.</p> <p>Kindergarten have been working to identify halves and quarters and have linked this knowledge to their understanding of sharing and making equal groups. Students have enjoyed hands on lessons as well as interactive demonstrations online.</p>
Stage 1	<p><i>Stage 1 have been busy learning their fractions and making connections with decimals and money.</i></p> <p><i>They are able to make and record fractions of objects and collections of items. Students have been understanding that fractions and dividing have similar actions and can be linked.</i></p>
Stage 2	<p>Classes have been looking at how patterns and algebra are used in everyday situations. They have been linking their number content to their digital technologies content, when looking at binary code and coding.</p> <p>They have also had fun assigning dollar values to the letters of the alphabet in order to solve word problems about their names!</p>
Stage 3	<p>Classes have been working on solving mathematical word problems requiring different strategies for single and multi-step problems.</p> <p>Students have also been using mental strategies to answer questions in a set time. They have enjoyed playing practical games which require collaborative thinking and problem-solving skills. See web links below for great sites to start with.</p>

Web wonders- Mathematics

Try these games and activities online!

Stage 2 - <https://www.smashmaths.com.au/number-and-algebra/patterns-and-algebra#year4>

Stage 3- <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>
<https://mathsstarters.net/>





Positive Behaviours for Learning

Fortnightly focus: Be Respectful : Classroom

- Allow others to learn
- Use a quiet voice
- Respect other's belongings
- Put your hand up

Value - Great People are

Problem Solvers

- Use a range of thinking skills
- Plan and carry out investigations
- Consider different strategies
- Find things out before making decisions



Excel Uniform Shop

The last day the Excel uniform shop will be open this year is Monday 9th December from 2.30 – 3.30am.

The uniform shop will reopen in the first week of the school year on the following dates:

Wednesday 29th January 8.30am -9.30am

Thursday 30th January 8.30am -9.30am

Friday 31st January 8.30am –9.30am

P&C Uniform Shop

The P&C uniform shop is now closed for the year.

It will reopen on Friday 31st January 2020 from 8.30 - 9.30 am



Lynwood Park was proudly presented with a cheque from Kings Langley Lions Club on Monday afternoon at our school assembly.

Thank you to our Stage 1 and Stage 3 Dance groups and teachers for participating and representing our school on Sunday 13th October competing as part of the "School's Got Talent" competition. They danced their way to 2nd Place, proudly winning \$1000 prize money for our school.

Congratulations to our students on their performance and special thanks to our dedicated staff who prepared the students for their performances.

Well Done! What a fantastic achievement.

Lynwood Park Public School

Canteen Licence

Tenders are called for the licence of the school canteen for the school year commencing 2020 and for a term of approximately 3 years.

Annual school enrolments will be approximately 240 students.

General enquiries and requests for a Tender Information Package should be referred to:
Mr L. McMasters Telephone: 9622 2659

Tenders must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Confidential – School Canteen Tender" and sent to:
Mr L McMasters Lynwood Park Public School 87 Turner St Blacktown 2148

Tenders close at 3pm on Friday 13th December 2019.

A tender visit and briefing session will be held on Monday 9th December 11:30am – 12:00pm.

Lynwood Park Public School
87 Turner St
Blacktown 2148
lyndon.mcmasters@det.nsw.edu.au
9622 2659 (PH)
9831 6726 (Fax)

ICAS Tests

Dear Parents

The final International Competitions and Assessments for Schools results have arrived and been presented to the award recipients. The students achieved some outstanding results and were all very proud of their attainments.

The participation of the students was excellent and their enthusiasm was wonderful to watch. It is very encouraging to see all the children who participated in ICAS this year say they want to do the same in 2020.

Please keep an eye for the information sheet next year.

Thank you for your continued support

Mr McMasters



Jump Rope for Heart



Thank you to ALL the students who got involved with Jump Rope for Heart!

A huge thank you for the effort skipping and fundraising for the Jump Rope for Heart program this term.

Together we raised an incredible \$2738.43 and this money will all go towards vital heart research and education programs.

Congratulations to our top fundraisers :

K Blue – Willow

1/2 Yellow -Hudson

10 Orange - Renee, Madisyn

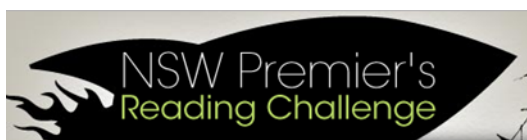
2/3 Crimson - Amelia

3/4 Ruby – Gurshaan

5/6 Aqua - Brittany

5/6 Sapphire –Liam





Each year our school participates in the Premier's Reading Challenge. All K-2 students complete this with their classroom and library teacher. Years 3 to 6 read their own books and they are responsible for adding their books into the student record on the PRC website. I hope that all enjoyed reading a wide variety of books. Each student who completed the challenge will be receiving a certificate. Congratulations go to the following students who have completed the challenge for enough years to earn a higher award.

Platinum - Emma

Gold - Joanne . Jasmine , Rami , Naomi, Benton and Gurshaan

Keep on reading and we may see you receive a Premier's Reading Challenge medal in future years.



Book Fair

I would like to thank our school community for supporting our annual Book Fair. The sales from the fair have enabled us to have just over \$700.00 to spend on resources for our school library. I would also like to thank the Vassallo family for the very generous donation of 3 lovely books which they purchased from the Book Fair. I am sure that the students will enjoy reading them.

A huge thank you goes to Ms Killen, Mrs Rositano, Mrs Cash and Mrs Heiler for their daily assistance and to the other staff members who assisted at other times.

Library Stocktake.

It is necessary to complete a stocktake of library books each year. I would ask that all students return their books to the library this week. If your child receives a reminder note, please understand that they are not in trouble but this is just a communication to assist them to remember to return the book.

Thank you to everyone for your co-operation.

Mrs Gould

Librarian

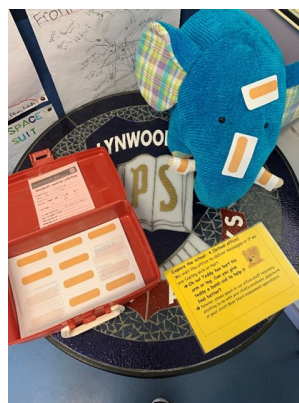
Kindergarten Orientation

Last Thursday we welcomed our Kindergarten 2020 students and their families for their final orientation visit. We were excited to plan a Teddy Bear's picnic for the students, allowing them to complete a scavenger hunt around the school. The students were able to become familiar with key locations around the school grounds as well as interact with current Kindergarten and Year 5 students who will become their "buddy" in 2020.

It was a fun afternoon for everyone with Kindergarten students receiving special gifts in the form of a story book, lunch bag and colouring activity pad courtesy of Westpoint Shopping Centre in Blacktown.

We look forward to seeing our new Kindergarten students for their Best Start Kindergarten Assessments between 29th and 31st January .

School starts for Kindergarten students on Tuesday 4th February at 9:30am.





Lynwood Park is once again participating in Toys 'n' Tucker and we would be grateful for your support. By supporting this you are helping to make Christmas a much happier time for those who would otherwise go without.

Please be advised that all gifts must be brand new and all gifts are to be left unwrapped.

We always run low on the following items:

Christmas Pudding	Christmas Cake
Tinned Ham	Tinned Salmon
Tea	Coffee
Milo	Biscuits
Age appropriate Games	Picture Books
Outdoor Games	Sporting Equipment
Gift Cards	Toiletry Packs

Please hand in your donations to the front office.

The last day for donations will be Friday 13th December.

Thank you for your support of this worthwhile charity

Mrs Killen



Looking for some great ideas for stocking fillers? Or perhaps suggestions for relatives to purchase for your children? Why not suggest some of the following items which your child will require for 2020.

EARLY STAGE 1 – STAGE 1 (K-2)

The following items will be required for your child who will be in Kinder, Year 1 or Year 2 in 2020.

For **SCHOOL**

- *Paint shirt
- *Library bag
- *Glue sticks x 2 solid (not liquid)
- *Tissues x 1 box
- *Liquid soap pump pack x 1

Home Reading bag (waterproof-able to fit A4 size book)

For **HOME** (to complete homework):

- *HB lead pencils x 2
- *Coloured pencils and pencil case
- *Pencil sharpener
- *Glue sticks x 2 solid (not liquid)
- *1 x 96 page A4 lined book for homework (Year 1 & 2 only)

STAGE 2 (YRS 3-4)

The following items will be required for your child who will be in Year 3 or Year 4 in 2020.

HB lead pencils x 4

30cm ruler (with cm markings – not steel; not bending and with the 0 starting at the left edge of the ruler)

Coloured pencils and small pencil case

Pencil sharpener (with enclosed container)

Eraser

It's coming....

Tuesday 17th December

K to 6
FunDay



Glue sticks x 2 solid (not liquid)
 1 x 128 page A4 lined book for homework
 1 display folder with plastic insert sheets
 Paint shirt
 Library bag
 Tissues x 1 box
 Liquid soap pump pack x 1
 Textas water base (optional)
 Twistable crayons (optional)
 Excursion bag x 1 (optional)

STAGE 3 (YRS 5-6)

The following items will be required for your child who will be in Year 5 or Year 6 in 2020.

*HB lead pencils x 4*Biro red x 2
 *Biro blue x 2*Biro black x 2
 *30cm ruler (with mm and cm markings – not steel; not bending and with the 0 starting at the left edge of the ruler)
 *Coloured pencils and small pencil case
 *Pencil sharpener (with enclosed container)
 *Eraser
 *1 x 128 page A4 lined book for homework
 *1 display folder with plastic insert sheets
 *Paint shirt *Library bag
 *Glue sticks x 2 solid (not liquid) *Tissues x 2 box
 *Excursion bag x 1(optional)
 *Textas water base (optional)

NB: Liquid paper and permanent markers are not allowed at school.



End OF Year Reports

Student reports will be sent home sent home on Friday, 13th December. Staff have spent many hours in preparing the reports on the students and they have been checked many times for errors. However, as we are all human, it is possible that a report slips through the many eyes that check it and it goes home with an error in it. If you do find an error and would like a corrected copy of the report, please let your child's teacher know so that an amended copy can be produced for you.

Have your contact details changed ?

Has your mobile or home phone number changed?

Do you have a different address?

Have the emergency contacts for your child changed?

Please let us know! We need to have current details should we need to contact you about your child.

Please update your details at the office.

Important Legal Information

The Department of Education recognises that some families will be subject to family breakdown. In the absence of any notification to the contrary, it will be assumed that both parents retain a shared and equal parental responsibility for their children and have been involved in making any decisions regarding their children's education.

This means that the school will recognise that each parent has equal duties, obligations, responsibilities and opportunities in relation to matters involving the school. If any changes occur in your family relationships which have the potential to impact on the relationship between the school and your family, you are required to advise the school immediately. This includes providing copies of any court orders that may be obtained.

Lost Property

Once again we have a HUGE amount of lost property. Items range from school jumpers, shirts and jackets to a variety of lunch boxes and drink bottles. These are good quality items which we are sure many families would like to get back. Please come and check our lost property baskets at the office as we would like these items to find their rightful owners.



Lynwood Park P&C News



Christmas Stall

Friday 6th December 2019.

A great selection of gifts available for students to purchase.

Students will be able to choose a couple of gifts with their class groups.

More gifts will be available for purchase at lunchtime.

We would like to wish all our students, their families and the staff at Lynwood Park a safe, joyous and magical Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

See you back in 2020.



REMINDER P & C store donations

We are asking for your donations of school uniform items that your kids might have grown out of and which are still in good condition.

All donations can be left in the office. THANK YOU!



Our Last P&C meeting for 2019 – change of starting time

When: Tuesday 10 December 2019 **Where:** In the staffroom **Time:** 5.30 pm

Enter via Turner Street gate

Children allowed though we ask to please bring a quiet activity to occupy them.

New faces are welcomed!!!

CONNECT WITH THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

To keep informed about what the P & C are up to Like us on Facebook.

www.facebook.com/lynwoodparkpandc



Summer Reading Club about to start at Blacktown City Libraries

Reading Rocks!

Summer Reading rock stars will start reading on Monday 25 November 2019 for this year's Summer Reading Program at all branches of Blacktown City Libraries (Blacktown, Mount Druitt, Stanhope Gardens, Lalor Park and Riverstone).

This year's theme is Reading Rocks!

The Summer Reading Program extends across the whole summer to promote reading and reading related activities to children aged 0-12 years. Parents and siblings reading to a young child is counted as that child reading a book. Children participating must be members of the library. It's **FREE** to join the library, borrow books and participate in the program.

Children can join the library and pick up reading records at any library branch starting from 25 November 2019, then begin reading and writing titles of the books on the reading record.

Once participants have read 10 books, they should return the completed reading record to the library to receive an invitation to a special presentation event at their local library. For every 10 books read, participants receive entries into prize draws and have their name displayed on our Wall of Fame.

The program runs until Friday 31 January 2020.

We would appreciate you including the details of the Summer Reading Program in your school newsletter, and encouraging your students to participate in the program.

If you require any further details about the program, please contact Lee Castledine on (02) 9839 6645 or lee.castledine@blacktown.nsw.gov.au.



Children's Summer Reading Program

JOIN NOW!

Read 10 books to receive an invitation to the presentation night.
Ask one of our friendly librarians for your reading record.

#ReadingRocks2020

    BlacktownCityLibraries
libraries.blacktown.nsw.gov.au



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City Council