



Lynwood Times

A newsletter for the community of Lynwood Park Public School

Great Expectations - Great Attitudes - Great Achievements - Great School

16th Dec 2022

T4 W10 **Dates for** **Your Diary** **2023**

Tue Jan 31
Y1-Y6
students start
school

NAPLAN
Practice Week

Feb 1-2
Best Start
Kinder
Assessment

Fri Feb 3
Kindy First
Day of School
9.30 – 2.30

Feb 6
Kindy start full
days 9.00 – 3.00

NAPLAN
Practice Week

Feb 9
Swimming
Carnival 12-3
Riverstone

Feb 13
NAPLAN
Practice Week

Mar 1
K-2 Responsible
Pets Show

Fortnightly
Attendance
Percentage of
students
attending school
90% of the time
or more in the
last fortnight:
78%

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

The staff and I would like to wish you all a safe and happy break. Take the time to treasure your family and to make memories together. Thank you for your support throughout the year. Our school is very lucky to have such a wonderful community.

Farewell Mrs Gould Mrs Lynne Gould is retiring from our wonderful profession after over 40 years of service to public education, a large part of which was spent here at Lynwood Park Public School. We conservatively estimate that Mrs Gould has helped over 1,200 students to learn to read over her career – which is a life changing achievement. We will miss her greatly and wish her happiness in the next phase of her life.

Other Staff Movements

- Mrs Natasha Sinclair has relinquished her permanent position with our school, but luckily for us, continues to work at our school as a casual teacher when needed.
- Mrs Jenny Lance is also retiring after taking extended long service leave over the last two terms. We will miss her very much and thank her for her service to our school.
- After taking two year's leave of absence from our school, Mr Lyndon McMasters has been successful in applying for an Assistant Principal position in another school which means that we will be able to advertise for a substantive replacement Assistant Principal in the New Year.
- Mrs Kate Stanaway is continuing her extended leave of absence for another year

Presentation Day We had a very successful and entertaining Presentation Day last Tuesday. The students' behaviour was superb during what was a very long assembly. The staff and I were very proud of all the students – not just the performers and the award recipients. Congratulations to our school leadership team for 2023: Ayden C, Kaylee G, Alev M, Nathan P, Haylee F, Oliver H, Owen M (VC), Lily O (VC), Salma N (C) and Steven S (C).

Service NSW Back to School Vouchers Just a reminder that the NSW government has approved a scheme that came into effect from 12 December 2022, whereby **NSW parents can access a \$150 Premier's Back to School NSW Voucher for each child in primary school, secondary school or home-schooling in 2023.**

Vouchers can go towards the cost of school uniforms, shoes, bags, textbooks, or stationery purchased from registered businesses. You can apply for the vouchers via the Service NSW app, and for more information, visit service.nsw.gov.au, call 13 77 88 or attend a Service NSW Centre.

First Day of School for Students in 2023 Please be aware that students in Years 1-6 will return to school on Tuesday January 31, 2023. Kindergarten students will have their first day on Friday February 2, 2023 with reduced hours (9.30am to 2.30pm). Kindergarten will commence normal hours (9am to 3pm) from Monday February 6, 2023.

If you will be late returning your children to school on these days, please inform the school as soon as possible after the start of the school year, so we can include them in our numbers.

Have a lovely summer break – Mrs Leigh Bade

Farewell Mrs Lynne Gould – Thank You for Your Service



Year 6 Farewell 2022

On Thursday 8th December, Year 6 celebrated their graduation. The Year 6 students who enjoyed a lovely dinner before being joined by the Year 5 students who were keen to celebrate with their friends. All students took to the dance floor and enjoyed taking photos at the photo booth. There were lots of hot and sweaty faces from some students who hardly left the dance floor.

We then heard from teachers and students as we reminisced at all the Year 6 students have achieved, and the memories that they have made, through their primary school years.

We know that they are all capable of amazing achievements and look forward to hearing of all their future adventures.





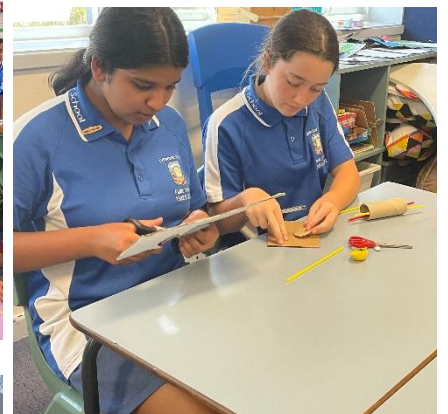
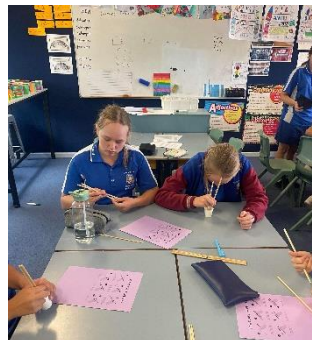
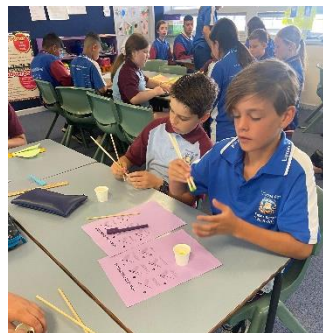
Stage 3 High School Rotations

During Week 9, Stage 3 students participated in High School Rotations, where they were engaged in a variety of activities similar to what they might experience in Year 7. They were given a timetable and moved around the school for each new lesson.

They were involved in lots of exciting activities such as food technology, robotics, fitness, sewing, drama, Japanese culture, art, science, STEM and lessons that discussed strategies that will prepare them for their transition high school.



Stage 3 High School Rotations





2022 Mini-Fete Day for Lynwood Park Students

On Wednesday 14th December, students at Lynwood Park had a lot of fun at our mini-fete.

Stage 3 students had a busy morning setting up all the activities, ensuring that they were ready to run the stall and help all the other students have a great day. We had so many awesome cake, slice, donut and cookie donations from Years 3 and Year 4 that we needed to hold another cake stall at recess the next day too! Thank you to all the families for their store bought and homemade donations.

All students spent the middle of the day dancing up a storm at the disco, testing their athletic skills at the obstacle course, creating masterpieces in the art room and challenging friends to a variety of board games and large connect 4 games.

The Stage 3 students, and some teachers, enjoyed being the targets for sponge throwing, everyone who won a prize was happy to eat their chocolate from coin toss, some students enjoyed the opportunity to shoot Nerf guns at teachers photos at the Knock'em Down stall and many students created beautiful jewellery at the bead making stall.

There were lots of laughs at the donut eating as students challenged their friends to eat donuts without using their hands, there were some impressive dress ups in the photobooth, the robotics room was always busy and students enjoyed challenging themselves with some great minute to win it games. Can you recite the alphabet backwards?

The students tested their goal scoring accuracy at the netball and soccer shoot outs, lots of students chose to get their nails painted and there was never a spare seat at the face painting! We had spiders, Rudolfs, butterflies and many more wonderful creations.

Stage 3 students, you did an amazing job of setting up your stalls, running your stalls as well as a great clean up at the end! Thank you for helping to make it such a successful day. Thank you also to everyone who donated equipment for the day, donated chocolates and donated donuts! Thank you very much.

Thank you to all the families who purchased wristbands, sausage sizzles or spiders! You all helped to make this a very successful fundraising opportunity.

Thank you to all the staff at Lynwood Park, the kids wouldn't of had such a great day without your involvement and hard work to prepare everything needed for the day to be successful.

Here a just a few photos of the great day we all had!

Rachel Osborne

Relieving Assistant Principal 3-6











2022 Mini-Fete Day Major Donations Thank You

We would like to acknowledge the contribution of:



Woolworths, Kings Langley, who kindly donated all the beef and chicken sausages as well as the bread rolls for our Mini-Fete lunch. Their generous donations have allowed us to raise more funds than we had originally planned.

Coles, Kings Langley kindly provided a \$100 gift voucher that we were able to use to purchase additional supplies for our Mini-fete including sauces, ice-cream and soft drinks.



We would also like to thank **David McKibbins** who donated a voucher for a student to purchase a pair of Asics shoes up to the value of \$120. Students were able to earn a raffle ticket for their chance to win this prize by participating in Netball shooting, Soccer shots, Knock'em Down or Minute to Win It games.



Congratulations to Harang from 4/5M who was the winner drawn out of all the raffle tickets. We hope your new shoes will help you run fast.