



Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Welcome to Week 5 and the calm before the storm. The back end of this term has many extra-curricular events scheduled along with the analysis of student achievement for Semester 1 reports so please keep a close eye on the calendar (App, newsletter or website). This week we'll provide opportunities for students to represent their school in debating, PSSA soccer and cross country thanks to Mrs Strong, Mr Cook and Mrs Barnett and of course, the parents who will provide the transport.

PDC DEBATING

Mrs Strong has been preparing our team for their first battle in the Premier's Debating Challenge against Tacking Point on Thursday. Good luck kids. (see report)

PSSA SOCCER

Both our girls and boys soccer teams will play their first games against NHPS. A big thank you to Simon Hancox for finding time to coach the sides. Good luck LPS (see report).

STAGE ASSEMBLIES

Our first assemblies for the term will occur this Friday in the hall. Parents may attend but must sign in and out and socially distance.

LNC CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 21 May, a strong team of competitors will be travelling to Kempsey to compete at the Lower North Coast Cross Country Carnival with the hope of gaining selection and progressing to the North Coast event. Mr Cook and I will be attending the event with the team and can't wait to see our representatives 'having a go' and I hope the training here at school will pay dividends. Please return outstanding permission notes and entry fees ASAP.

COVID restrictions apply to seating arrangements for parents/spectators, which will be away from the competitors.



NEXT WEEK

Next Monday 24 May our PSSA Netball team will play Wauchope PS in round two of the knockout. They've been training hard (great having a court on school grounds) and I wish the team and Mrs Strong the best of luck.

Wednesday 26 May is the day for dancing with our Stage 1 crew, Jazz and Contemporary groups, following auditions, gaining selection to perform in the LNC Dance Festival at the Glasshouse in Port Macquarie. The contemporary crew were also selected to perform at the Showcase evening which is an awesome achievement. Thank you to Mrs Wallace, Mrs Ginnivan and Miss Liesa for all your ongoing hard work preparing the children for this event.

NATIONAL SORRY DAY

National Sorry Day is a special day that occurs in Australia on the 26th of May every year. It is a day of remembrance and commemoration held to highlight the impact of past policies of forcible removal on the Stolen Generations, their families, and their communities. National Sorry Day is of particular significance to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in Australia. The day is an opportunity for all Australians to remember past mistakes and build stronger bridges for a richer, stronger future together. All classes will take time to discuss and reflect upon the importance of this day and what it stands for, utilising stage based syllabus content.

CANTEEN CLOSED ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

Next week Laurieton Public School will commence the recognition and celebration of National Reconciliation week on Thursday 27 May. The theme for NRW 2021 is '[More than a word. Reconciliation takes action](#)'. Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians – as individuals, families, communities, organisations and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Each year National Reconciliation Week celebrates and builds on the respectful relationships shared by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and other Australians.

MINOR BUT MAJOR

- Wear school uniform every day; RED JUMPER PLEASE.
- Broad brimmed hats are a part of our uniform.
- Pay school contributions and fees
- Make payments for Stage 3 Canberra excursion.
- Smile every day.

Grant Timmins
Principal

LNC Cross Country

This Friday the Laurieton Public School Cross Country team will travel to Kempsey to compete at the LNC Cross Country Carnival. Our school team has been practising every day around our school track and are excited to be representing our school. We wish all our LPS competitors the very best of luck.



Lillian, Chloe G, Cooper W, Tallowa, Taela, Kealey, Emmeline, Aiden H, Nash
Brayden, Ila, Alissa, Amaya, Evy, Delta, Jai, Kobi, Jesse, Cooper B, Darby
Portia, Avisha, Sebastian, Venice, Kash, Gemma absent: Rhys, Augustus, Eva, Johnny, River, Will

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 2

20 APR - 25 JUNE

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| Thurs | 20 May | PSSA Soccer |
| Fri | 21 May | LNC Cross Country |
| Fri | 21 May | Primary Assembly - 10.30am - 4/5C |
| Fri | 21 May | Infant Assembly - 11.30 - 2/3P |
| Mon | 24 May | PSSA Netball |
| Wed | 26 May | LNC Dance Festival |
| Thurs | 27 May | Dance Festival Showcase |
| Fri | 4 June | Primary Assembly - 10.30am - 3/4K |
| Fri | 4 June | Infant Assembly - 11.30am - KS |



Armani, Sienna C, Maresa, Sienna G, Tallowa, Emmeline, Taela
Ayla, Ila, Havanah, Lillian, Finlay, Amaya, Lexiee, Taylah absent: Emily

PSSA Soccer

Tomorrow our boys and girls soccer teams will participate in the first round of the PSSA knockout competition. The matches will take place at Laurieton sporting fields with the girls kicking off at 9:30am and the boys starting immediately after. We wish both our teams the best of luck.

Jacob Cook



Cooper B, Ned, Aiden H, Kody, Sam
Mason, Kobi, River, Quinn, Noah, Nash, Riley, Jesse absent: Will H

Debating News

This Thursday the Premier's Debating Challenge begins. Our Laurieton Lorrykeets have been working hard to learn the structure of how to debate, crafting persuasive arguments and coming up convincing rebuttals in preparation for the competition.

On Thursday they will take on the first round of the four preliminary rounds. They will be debating against the very strong and experienced Tacking Point Public School, Tacca One team.

Ashleigh will be the First Speaker, followed by Grace in Second and Hayley L as Third Speaker. The Team adviser for this first debate will be Archie. Stella and Caitlin T will be Chairperson and Time Keeper.

The first debate is always the most nerve racking, especially for the new Year 5 members of the team. The team find out the topic only minutes before locking down for an hour to prepare without any teacher support or advice. The topic for this round will be about education.

Good luck to our team. No matter what the outcome, you can be proud of the work these students have already put into being prepared for the competition.

Melanie Strong



Archie, Ashleigh, Grace, Hayley L, Stella, Caitlin T

Grip Leadership Conference

Last Wednesday, our school captains, Ashleigh, Bronx, Sienna and Cooper attended the Grip Leadership Conference with students from 14 other schools across our region. The activities throughout the day centred around how to brainstorm, plan, implement and lead bright ideas across in our school. All captains represented our school well by displaying excellent behaviour and participation. We look forward to seeing what great initiatives you lead in our school and also throughout your life. I'm excited that the future is in your hands. Well done Ashleigh, Bronx, Sienna and Cooper!

Mystie Smith

PSSA Netball

On Monday 24 May, the PSSA Netball team will be competing against Wauchope Public School in the second round of the PSSA Netball competition.

The team have been training hard at lunchtimes with Mrs Strong and Lyn Sparenburg. The team are working well together and making lots of progress with getting the ball to our goal area and also working on their defence skills. They are looking forward to playing another game in the knockout competition.

Good luck to our team, hopefully they can come away with another win.

Melanie Strong



Kody, Sara, Ashleigh, Taela
Emmeline, Finlay, Stella, Zahli, Kirra

Dance Festival

Next Wednesday and Thursday our Laurieton Public School dancers will be performing at the Glasshouse as part of this year's Lower North Coast Dance Festival. Dance Festival is one of our biggest performances of the year and our groups have been working extremely hard to be prepared for these shows. All three groups will be performing on Wednesday evening and one of our primary groups will also perform on Thursday at the Showcase evening. It will be a massive week of dance, but is sure to be a great time! We wish our dancers the best of luck up on the stage!



Stage 1 Dance

Millie, Amity, Kalarnhi, Annie, Tikira, Kiera, Maya H, Ivy S, Portia Mia, Lincoln, Kylah, Saanvi, Ara, Blake