



Newsletter

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RECONCILIATION WEEK MAY 27 - JUNE 3

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Dear Parents and Carers

We now enter the cold period of the year and I'm very impressed by the number of students proudly wearing our school colours. Please ensure your child has a school jumper (**red**) to wear each day, remember, we are a team.

NB We have a number of jumpers available at school if your child has lost his/hers.

COLDS, FLU and COVID

We are currently experiencing significant impact from possible Colds and the Flu, whilst COVID cases are minimal. Our absences this week have been over 50 each day and our camp was somehow invaded by a virus which has resulted in many becoming sick over the weekend, myself included. A couple of weeks ago absences were under 10.

My current concern is associated with staff and covering classes in their absence.

Please continue to act proactively if your children are unwell, keep them home.

NB Positive COVID cases need to be reported to NSW Health through the Services NSW app (Covid-19 Resources) and to the school...whether it is an adult or child. The clearance notice needs to be provided to the office on your child's return if he/she was positive. If your child is a close contact then he/she needs to be tested each morning before attending school and I need you to encourage the wearing of masks when indoors.

Preventative Measure – To attempt to minimise the current situation, we have decided that our planned gatherings in the hall for **Infants and Primary assemblies this Friday will be cancelled**. Certificates will be handed out in class and scheduled class performances will occur in Week 8.

Stage 3 Great Aussie Bush Camp

I honestly believe that the group of 52 children who attended the 5 day camp this year, were the best cohort I've been on such an excursion with. From the onset, following instructions, being respectful and demonstrating responsibility, resilience, appreciation, manners and a genuine care for each other was obvious. Our camp instructors highlighted this and how envied they were by their colleagues. Additionally, we were the only five day school for some time. Mrs Wallace, Miss Belford, Mrs Mayo and I were very proud.

Although the weather wasn't flash, the kids dismissed 'cold' and did all the activities provided. When fear found its way into minds, it was the children who removed it from each other and as each day passed, we the staff could see the camaraderie building in the group. Team work, whether tent mates, group mates or simply Stage 3 mates, was a pleasure to observe and be a part of.

General Observations

- All children could wake at 6am and be ready for brekky in 15mins.
- All children could get their own meals and put dishes and utensils away.
- All children could wash, take care of hygiene matters and dress themselves.
- Not all children could look after their belongings.
- Fussy eaters on Day 1 were not fussy on Day 2.
- Late night revellers Night 1 were not revelling Night 2.



Translation - LPS RULE!

P&C AGM Thursday @ 7pm

Dance Crews

We received wonderful news from the LNC Dance Festival committee, informing us that our three dance group auditions had been successful and will be part of the Dance Festival at the Glasshouse in Week 9. Additionally, the Primary dance group performing 'Read All About It' were selected to also be involved in the special Showcase Evening. A fantastic achievement by all our dancers. Well done kids and congratulations Liesa, Mrs Wallace, Mrs Chesher and Miss Belford.

Reconciliation Week

Last Friday, whole school activities associated with Reconciliation Week commenced and I congratulate all staff for the wonderful learning experiences they are delivering to the children and Mrs Chesher and Mrs Price for organising the event.

Assessment Weeks

Over the next two weeks, students will be involved in tasks designed to inform teachers of their progress in strands investigated from the Key Learning Areas taught in all NSW schools. This information will be analysed and then support the achievement levels presented on the Semester 1 reports.

LPS 8-13yrs Athletics Carnival

Our carnival is scheduled to occur next Friday 10 June and hopefully the weather will enable this to occur. Mr Cook will send home information associated with the day in the near future.

Baby Time

This Friday will be the last day for Mrs Chesher this year. Manuela will be on maternity leave and in a couple of weeks' time, another little Chesher will enter the world. We wish Manuela and Chad all the best and I'm sure little Remi can't wait for his sibling to arrive.

Speaking of babies, we now have quintuplets that arrived last week. I know the kids will adore playing with them.



Our five baby drones

DATES FOR THE DIARY

2022 Term 2
Wed 27 April - Fri 1 July

Thurs	2 June	P&C AGM 7pm
Fri	10 June	LPS Athletics Carnival 8+
Mon	13 June	Public Holiday
Tues	14 June - Thurs 16 June	Life Education Stage Assemblies
Fri	17 June	Infant 11.40am - KS Primary 10.30am -
Fri	24 June	LPS Infant Athletics Carnival Stage Assemblies
Fri	1 July	Infant 11.40am - K1S Primary 10.30am -

MINOR BUT MAJOR

- Explanations are required for absences
- P&C AGM this Thursday 2 June
- Yearly school contributions and fees may be paid at the Office or online.
- All children should have a hat at school every day.
- Regularly check the calendar of events; website, App, newsletter.
- **Winter Uniform** is our dress code

Grant
Principal

Responsible Pet Education Program

Stage one participated in The Responsible Pet Education Program earlier in the week. The excellent facilitator, Barbara, taught the classes how to be safe around dogs and how to respectfully and safely approach owners with their dogs. Students participated in role plays, singing and some even got to pat Jaxon, the Border Collie who attended as a helper for Barbara. This was a very useful and practical session with some lifelong lessons learned. A good time was had by all!

Mystie Smith



Reconciliation Week

This week we have been celebrating 'National Reconciliation Week' at Laurieton Public School. During this time we have discussed the meaning and importance of this week and the role we all play in ensuring reconciliation. Students have all worked on a piece of art in which they expressed what reconciliation means to them as individuals. Students have explored various aspects of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture from songs and games to art and stories. We hope that everyone continues to strive to achieve this year's theme "Be Brave. Make Change."

Manuela Chesher



Aussie Bush Camp Snaps











THE 2022 GREAT AUSSIE BUSH CAMPERS

