



Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend and the weather that came with it. Sunshine is a lovely thing.

Our final weeks of Term continue to be very busy ones which makes school life even more fun for the kids. The returning to pre COVID life at LPS has had a positive impact on the behaviour and attitude of the children and the opportunities we are providing have been greatly appreciated.

PRC Debating

Last Thursday our team had their first debate against Harrington PS. All team members spoke exceptionally well as the affirmative for 'fewer school holidays', however, the opposing team also presented affirmative arguments for less holidays. What was the adjudicator's decision? (see report)

8-13yrs LPS Athletics Carnival

Last Friday's day at the oval was a pleasure to be a part of. Seeing the kids happily and sometimes nervously competing in every event make the organisational demands worthwhile. A big thank you to Mr Cook, staff and the parents/carers who operated the canteen and assisted at events. Collectively making a wonderful day for all in attendance. (see report)

On Friday 24 June our 5-7 year old students will have their day in the sun at the LPS Infants Carnival. Mrs Smith sent the information home with those who will be involved, yesterday.



PSSA Touch Footy

Yesterday our boys and girls touch teams travelled to Kendall for their first games in the PSSA Knockout. Simply, a loss ends involvement. I was very proud to hear of the collective performance our players, their determination and most importantly, their sportsmanship. Are we still in or out? (see reports)

PSSA Soccer

Tomorrow morning our boys and girls soccer teams will walk to Inmon Fields for their first games in the PSSA knockout against North Haven Public School. I know both sides will be very determined to stay alive in the competition. Good luck kids and thank you Mr Cook and Mr Hancox for preparing the children for their game.



North Coast Soccer Trials

On Friday 17 June, Will and Amaya will return to Grafton and hopefully this time, get to try out for the North Coast Soccer Teams. Congratulations on a wonderful achievement thus far and the best of luck on the day kids.



P&C PIE DRIVE - ORDERS AND CASH PAYMENT DUE FRIDAY

Year 6 Taster Lessons

Today our Yr 6 students were involved in taster lessons presented by teachers from CHHS. Two 40 minute sessions were provided in the subject areas of Drama and Japanese. Our visitors were very impressed by the respect and responsibility demonstrated by our children.



Life Education

This week all classes will visit Leeanne and Harold in the special van for the acquisition of knowledge associated with health and wellbeing. Tomorrow the last classes (2/3P and 4/5C) will attend the program. Permission note and payment is required.



Dance Festival

Next Tuesday 21 June our three dance groups, Liesa, Mrs Wallace and Miss Belford will be all at the Glasshouse in Port Macquarie, preparing to take the stage and entertain the sold-out crowd. We had to submit video auditions of the groups to gain selection and one group was also picked to perform again on Thursday night as a part of the very special Showcase Evening. Congratulations LPS Dance Crews and I look forward to watching you on the BIG stage.

Semester 1 Welfare Rewards

With the end of Term 2 comes the end of Semester 1 which means recognition time for behaviour.

Of the 163 students at Laurieton Public School, 97% have NOT been on Time Out this year. WOW!!! Yes, 100% of our students at this point in time have earned the right to attend the Bronze- Disco and the Silver-Movie (LIGHTYEAR). Children will redeem the rewards on Thursday 30 June (Week 10). A remarkable achievement and I hope you personally congratulated your child/ren on attaining these rewards. The information/permission note will go home on Monday next week.

P&C PIE DRIVE

Yesterday order forms for a variety of delicious pies from a local bakery went home. Please return orders with payment by this Friday 17 June.

Minor But Major

- Pay deposit for Stage 2 excursion
- Wear school jumpers (red NO logos) when cold
- Hats at school every day

Kind regards

Grant
Principal

DATES FOR THE DIARY

2022 Term 2
Wed 27 April - Fri 1 July

Tues 14 June - Thurs 16 June	Life Education
Thurs 16 June	Soccer v North Haven PS
	Stage Assemblies
Fri 17 June	Infant 11.40am - KS
	Primary 10.30am - 3/4K
Fri 17 June	P&C Pie Drive orders close today
Mon 20 June - Thurs 23 June	Dance Festival
Mon 20 June	Debate v Hallidays Pt PS
Fri 24 June	LPS Infant Athletics Carnival

PSSA Girls Touch

Yesterday the LPS Girls Touch Football team competed in the second round of the PSSA State Knockout competition.

Having had Round 1 as a bye, it took the explosive start from a fast-paced Kendall Public School player scoring a try from the tap off to prompt the girls into action. The girls quickly rallied as a team and outplayed their competitors, winning the game 4-2.

Ayla was the top try scorer on the day, showcasing some great diving, with Shelby utilising her pace to also score for the team. Ayla and Shelby provided great drives forward and were always ready to step in as dummy half. Amaya lead the team with great commitment, pushing herself to her upmost. Her footwork and zippy runs left the opposition scrambling in defence. Finlay unselfishly worked hard, helping her team mates to the point where they were able to cross the line. Ila's ball control was impeccable, catching some very tricky passes, proving herself as a very reliable player. Zahli and Stella showed versatility in their positioning on the field. Zahli stepped up in pace and confidence playing the 2nd half in link, with Stella learning to use her pace out wide. Alani worked hard in the far wing position with her team having every confidence in her to defend the runaways. Sara made some great defensive touches and positioned herself well on the field. Lily being new to the game showed great initiative and listened to all of the advice from her coach and team mates.

All girls were to be commended on their defensive game. Great talk, covering for each other with missed touches and squeezing in to defend made it very difficult for the opposition to score. The girls never gave up and with little preparation have shown some great skills and determination to perform.

Well done girls!

Leigh Carlton



PSSA Boys Touch

A glorious day greeted us at Kendall, where our boys touch team competed in the second round of the PSSA knockout competition. It was a difficult and fast paced game that saw both teams score exciting tries. Nash, Noah and Will worked hard in the middle keeping the defence tight and managed to find plenty of space to make good runs through the middle. Riley, Brayden and Darby were keeping the defence guessing with their dazzling footwork. Johnny, River and Kobi found plenty of space out wide and made some long runs down the sideline. Brayden and Riley each managed to score a hattrick. Darby and Will bagged a double. Nash, Kobi and Noah crossed for a try each. Johnny and River went awfully close with both having tries disallowed. Final score Laurieton 13 Kendall 2. Overall, it was a fantastic day with the Laurieton team displaying excellent sportsmanship and behaviour. I would like to thank all the parents who assisted with transport on the day.

Jacob Cook



Primary Athletics Carnival

A fantastic day was had by all 8 – 13-year-olds last Friday at Inmon Oval. Our students walked to the oval on what was a glorious Winter's day. Over the day I witnessed strong competition between the students and the Houses, however, what really impressed me was the supportive and encouraging attitude that the students displayed toward one another. It was also wonderful to witness the very high participation rate of the children, with most competing in all the events they could enter.

We are currently in the process of completing the high jump and with the House points being extremely close, it is very exciting times right now. Those students who have been successful in qualifying for the HCH District Carnival will be notified before the end of term so they can continue their training over the holiday break. Permission notes for the district carnival will be handed out early next term. The winning house will be announced after the completion of the 5 - 7 yrs carnival along with age champions, at the Whole School Assembly to be held early next term. Finally, thank you to all our staff, the ladies and gentlemen in the canteen, parent volunteers for track and field events and the CHHS students who worked so hard all day to ensure the carnival ran smoothly.

Jacob Cook







Debating Report

Last week our debating team took part in the first round of the Premier's Debating Challenge. The team worked hard during their 1 hour preparation and developed some great arguments. Unfortunately, there was a bit of confusion around the meaning of the topic and both teams ended up arguing the same side of the debate. Laurieton PS did not come away with the win this time. The kids displayed excellent sportsmanship throughout the adjudication and are now focused on their next debate. Next week, we will be starting fresh with the 2nd round of the competition. Our team will be competing against Hallidays Point Public School. The debate will take place over Zoom and the adjudicator will be streaming in from the Arts Unit in Sydney.

Good luck to Liam, Archie, Kenzie, Ben and Patrick!

Melanie Strong



Dance Festival

Next Tuesday 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 Tuesday 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!

Shelley Wallace



Yr 6 Taster Lessons Japanese and Drama





Learning with Harold

