

HARMONY DAY TUES 21 MARCH

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Dear Parents

Yesterday torrential rainfall meant photos became an indoor event but it was very uplifting to see all students in their school uniform and looking fantastic as an individual and a member of team LPS. This is something I'm now experiencing nearly every day and I commend and thank all parents who have ensured this is the case. Well done to all!

Additionally, the photographers repeated throughout the day how magnificent the behaviour of our students was. I was told the exact same thing by the CPR instructor after working with Stage 3 Monday afternoon. Very proud!

NB We have organised for the School Photographer to return on Thursday 16 March to take individual and sibling photos for children absent yesterday.

North Coast Swimming Carnival

Yesterday, Maya, Larni and Harry were in Alstonville competing against the best swimmers from here to Tweed Heads. They have told me what an amazing experience it was and unofficially (I haven't received the results yet) Larni finished 4th in the 8yrs girls 50 metres freestyle and Harry 10th in the Jnr boys breaststroke. Unfortunately for Larni, only the Top 3 go to the state carnival. Congratulations kids on your wonderful achievements and thank you parents for getting them to the carnival.

NAPLAN

Today our Year 3 and 5 students commence their challenge that will conclude on Thursday 23 March. A catch up day is planned on the Friday for students who may have missed an assessment due to absence.

Schedule

Wednesday 15 – Yr 3 & 5 Writing

Thursday 16 – Yr 5 Reading

Friday 17 – Yr 3 Reading

Monday 20 – Yr 5 Conventions of language

Tuesday 21 – Yr 3 Conventions of language

Wednesday 22 – Yr 5 Numeracy

Thursday 23 – Yr 3 Numeracy

Friday 24 – Catch up tests

I wish the kids the best of luck and thank the staff for their wonderful work preparing the children for this little moment in time.

Teacher-Parent-Student Conferences (TPS) Tuesday 28th – 30th March

Today a special information note will go home with all children to inform you of the TPS conferences. The online bookings will then **open at 5pm** and as per usual, the early birds get the worms.

Tuesday 28 March: 8:00am – 5:30pm K/1S 6C

Tuesday 28 March: 3:15pm-5:30pm 4/5F

Wednesday 29 March: 8:00am – 5:30pm 4/5W

Wednesday 29 March: 8:00am-3:00pm 4/5F

Thursday 30 March: 8:00am – 5:30pm 1/2S 2/3P

We hope for 100% attendance by our families.

Attendance at School

The DoE is focused on student attendance and the importance of being at school every day unless unwell. The guidelines indicate that a student with less than 90% attendance at school is educational at risk. **Additionally, all absences need to be explained.**

1. Inform the office (ph) or class teacher (Dojo) **OR**
2. Respond to the daily SMS sent to you when your child is away.

IF YOU FORGET TO DO THE ABOVE

3. Respond to the reminder sent each Monday to those who forgot the previous week.

If none of the above occur, an unexplained/unjustified absence will be registered in the system.



We like to dance.

P&C NEWS

Next Thursday 23 March at 7:00pm in the school staffroom our P&C will be conducting the Annual General Meeting and parents are most welcome to attend. Without an Executive there would be no:

Canteen

Subsidies-swimming, hats

Presentation Trophies (64)

Gift stalls

And money toward technology and playground equipment this year.

On behalf of our school community I congratulate our 2022 Executive who again made personal sacrifices during COVID world to ensure the above occurred.

Amy Moore – President

Mel Harper – Vice President

Natasha Hancox – Treasurer

Gemma Harris– Secretary

Cassie Oxenbridge and Lisa Murie – Canteen

Gill Leek and Belinda Moir – Fundraising

Your endeavours to make LPS a better place is so uplifting.

EASTER CELEBRATIONS – Wed 5 April

Mrs Claes will be sending information home very shortly associated with our annual hat parade, though I'm sure you've already got all your materials organised for the creation of an eggcellent hat. A Year 6 fundraiser, competitions and prizes will support the festivity. Happy crafting everyone!

MINOR BUT MAJOR

- **YR 6 to High School 'Expression Of Interest' forms need to be completed online by 31/3/23.**
- **Pay St 1 Excursion, Dance and Band fees.**
- **Don't ride a bike or scooter to school unless you have a helmet on your head.**

Grant Timmins

Principal

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 1 2023

Tues 31 Jan - Thurs 6 Apr

Wed	15 Mar - 27 Mar	NAPLAN - Yrs 3 and 5
Tues	21 Mar	Harmony Day
Thurs	23 Mar	Y6 - CHHS Planetarium
Thurs	23 Mar	P&C AGM 7pm
Fri	24 Mar	Stage 1 Excursion 'Are we there yet?' - \$20
Tues	28	TPS Conferences K/1S 6C 4/5F
Wed	29	TPS Conferences 4/5W 4/5F
Thurs	30	TPS Conferences 1/2S 2/3P
Thurs	30 Mar	Big Vegie Crunch
Thurs	30 Mar	HCH Netball
Fri	31 Mar	Regional Debating Day - LPS
Mon	3 Apr	LNC Soccer Trials
Tues	4 Apr	Whole School Assembly - K/1S
Wed	5 Apr	Easter Hat Parade

Harmony Day 2023

Harmony Day is a day to celebrate Australian Multiculturalism and cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Harmony Day is celebrated on the 21st March (Tuesday – Week 9). Throughout Week 9, students will be learning about the celebration and completing a variety of activities such as:

Diversity flowers, to help students explore topics of inclusion and multiculturalism.

A personal story wheel, which will allow students to look at their similarities and differences.

A chatterbox, all about themselves, their family and friends.

On Tuesday our school will come together as one to sing 'I am Australian.'

This year, the Harmony Day Poster Competition's theme is 'Living in Harmony'. This is an optional activity that can be completed at home and submitted online. Entries close on the 16th April. More information can be found at <https://movingforwardtogether.org.au/poster-competition/>

Katie Fenwicke and Jadie Claes

Assembly Awards Term 1 Week 7

	Merit	Citizenship	Principal's
K/1S	Dylan-Rose Buckmaster	Ava Lordanic	Connor Craven
K/1S	Louie Castleton	Murray Woolner	Jensen Hagan
K/1S	Evie-Rae Simpson Coffman		Walter Santman
1/2S	Mackenzie O'Brien	PJ Cranfield	Parker Quince
1/2S	Milla Smith	Ebony Scrivener	Layla Hunt
1/2S	Hudson Moore		Ivy Latham
2/3P	Penny Crowe	Nataya Green	Hudson Bull
2/3P	Max Dunn	Lillian Kisler	Matilda Moore
2/3P	Evander Sams		Ashton Eggins
2/3P	Lincoln Stockdale		Sophie Poole
4/5F	Brooke Moir	Max Oxenbridge	Ivy Scrivener
4/5F	Evie Taylor	Amarlie Vernon	Kurtis Lavender
4/5F	Willow Roelandts		Gemma Fowler
4/5F	Banjo McDonald		Tikira Cummins
4/5W		Kiera Ansell	Portia Latham
4/5W	Riley Meredith	Annie Forbes	Rhys Barry
4/5W	Havi Moore		Sapphire Murie
4/5W	Avisha Allport		Kash Harris
6C	Augustus Christeson	Kenzie Johnson	Kaiden Bruce
6C	Cooper Trenfield	Isabella Latham	Vaibhav Ror
6C	Lucas Poole		Curtis Ansell
6C	Brax Bosbach		Johnny Mullen

Class of the Assembly



K/1S



4/5W



Principal Pencil
Connor and Johnny



Infant Assembly

Rule of the Week	Aleira suggested, 'Don't put your finger over the bubbler'.
Principal's Pencil	The special pencil went to Connor. He got a sparkly magic gold and blue pencil. The pencil came out of the burst water pipe out the back of the school two weeks ago.
Performance	2/3P performed with song and fun facts about Uluru.
Class Cup	K/1S



Primary Assembly

Principal's Pencil	The Principal's Pencil was created by Mr Timmins from gold and sapphires. It was awarded to Johnny for his excellent work in mathematics.
Performance	2/3P sang a song called Solid Rock. This was combined with a fantastic video presentation featuring artwork and facts about Uluru.
Class Cup	4/5W
Overall assembly rating	Outstanding!



CPR Awareness

On Monday Stage 3 participated in a CPR Awareness Program. The program is supported and run by the Royal Lifesaving Society and aims to teach students how to perform effective CPR around water and in the general community. Students learned about DRSABCD, which is an acronym that you can follow in a medical emergency. Everyone had fun practising putting patients in the 'recovery position' as well as testing out their newfound CPR skills on a mannequin!

