Calendar – What’s On?

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Principal’s Message

Dear Parents, Carers

Last week was an extremely busy week for all at Leeton Public School with visits from various sport development officers as well as set planning days across stages taking place. This week is also a busy one with two key events set down in the calendar including the P&C AGM and our Meet the Teacher evening on Wednesday 13th February 2013. I would like to encourage as many parents as possible to join us on these two occasions.

This week Kindergarten students will also undertake Best Start Assessment. The Best Start Kindergarten Assessment is designed to identify each student’s literacy and numeracy skills and understanding at the beginning of Kindergarten. After undertaking the assessment regime parents are issued with a report indicating areas their child may need assistance in and ways in which they can further develop their child’s skills. The Best Start initiative is an ongoing commitment in all government schools. It is intended to ensure that all students are on track in their literacy and numeracy learning by Year 3.

At this time I would like to remind all parents and carers. If you as a parent or carer have an issue with the behaviour of any student or teacher please contact me, the office staff or a teaching staff member and report it. PLEASE do not approach students or teachers yourself.

Meet the Teacher Evening

As indicated in last week’s newsletter our Annual Meet the Teacher evening will take place this Wednesday 13th February.

S1 6:20pm – 6:40pm (Year 1&2)
S2 6:40pm – 7pm (Year 3&4)
S3 7pm – 7:20pm (Year 5&6)

Sessions will take place in your child’s / children’s classrooms. I would like to take the time to encourage all parents to attend these sessions and find out more information regarding the 2013 School year.

P&C Annual General Meeting

All interested Parents, Carers and Community members are reminded that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the P&C

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Principal’s report continued.

will be held tomorrow, Tuesday 12th February commencing at 7:00pm in the Primary staff room next to the main office. Existing and new parents to our school are most welcome to come along and I look forward to seeing many new faces and working with a P&C who will be committed to working with the school to provide enhanced learning outcomes and opportunities for all students who attend Leeton Public School.

All positions are vacant and if you are considering taking on an official role within the P&C we look forward to your nomination.

School Counsellor

Welcome to Mr Anthony Sleeman who will be working at Leeton Public School for 1 day a week throughout this year. Mr Sleeman replaces Jeanne Wang who returned to Sydney in 2011. Ms Danielle Dionis, who worked at Leeton Public School throughout 2012 as a Student Welfare teacher will continue to work at Leeton Public School at least half a day per week.

Complaints

A reminder to all that if at any time you find that you have a concern about anything to do with the school, you are encouraged to come to the school and tell someone so that your concern can be resolved. It is our aim to work with all of our school community to ensure that we do the very best we can to ensure a productive, safe and enjoyable experience for our students. However, should you feel that you must raise a concern formally, the NSW Department of Education and Training has procedures for ensuring that complaints are handled fairly. A brochure which provides information about how to lodge a formal complaint and a Complaint Form are available from the school office. Further information is also available in the Department’s Complaints Handling Guidelines which includes a guide to Lodging a Complaint. These documents can be accessed on the Department’s internet website at http://www.det.nsw.edu.au/…

Sport Development Sessions

Many thanks to the Australian Football, Australian Rugby League and Netball who provided Development Officers to our school last week. All students K-6 were engaged in some terrific skills based lessons where they learnt more about the respective football codes as well as netball, how to join a local club, and most importantly some key messages about how to stay fit, healthy and active whilst at the same time having fun.

As always I would like to reiterate to all parents that if you have a concern or query regarding your child’s education please make an appointment to see myself, the relevant classroom teacher of Assistant Principal to further discuss the matter.

Jayne Gill
Principal

Special Award Winners for this Week

Diamond Award Winners – Week 2 Term 1

Congratulations to these students for their exceptional achievement, behaviour and service to others!

Back Row: Sarah Allen, Morgan Lanceford, Tyson Melvin
Front Row: Adrian Mallamace, William Gray-Mills, Kasey Annetts, Tom Allen, Ethan Simpson, Brianna Chitts, Abbie Doyle

Swimming Carnival Age Champions

Back Row: Ella Saddler, Dayne Butler, Talise Rudd, Reece Grundy
Front Row: Taj Doyle, Hayley Sloan, Charlotte Rudd
Merit Awards Winners

KF  Grace Hill, Matthew Puntoriero
KO  Caitlin Stewart, Jack Allen
KV  Kane Flack, Thiviya Manoharan
1B  Coco Sands, Adrian Mallamace
1MW Theresa Puipua, Cooper Emery
2M  Todd Hockey, Faith Young
2MG Izaak Halls, Hayley Bull
S2KA Noah Sands, Seth McBroom, Hamish Gilmour
S2KI Hugo Gerardy, Zac Poulsen, Alexandra Glenn
S2M Josh Davis, William Pizzolante, Emma Wallett
S2T Marni Elliott, Jade Cooper, Taj Doyle
S3RA Tanika Wakley-Taylor, Joel O'Connell, Blair O'Connell
S3RY Brianna Gray-Mills, Molly Wright, Benjamin Hottes-Tweedale
S3S Jakeb Steele, Zachary Sharp
S3W Lauren Young, Molly Dale, Ae Fiso

Canteen News

PLEASE NOTE: Icy Cups are only available Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Welcome
The staff at Leeton Public School Canteen would like to welcome our new kindergarten, parents and carers.

FAQs:

When does the Canteen Operate?: The canteen operates on daily basis from 9am - 1pm and serves healthy yummy food to all staff and students.

How do I order?: Students can place their lunch orders at the canteen between 9am - 10am. Please write their name, class and order with payment on a brown/white paper bag. Paper bags can be purchased in a bundle at Woolworths or a pack of 25 for $2.00 from LPS Canteen. We also sell reusable material lunch bags at the canteen for $12. These are environmentally friendly and saves us money on purchasing paper bags. The canteen is open through lunch, where students can purchase ice blocks, chips, drinks, fruit and daily specials. Because we don't operate recess we advise students to purchase recess at 2nd half of lunch. A menu will be sent home today with a list of items and prices.

What can I do to help?: The canteen loves Volunteers! Volunteers play a huge part in the operation of the canteen.

Can we donate items?: Yes the canteen loves donations! We accept all items that are beneficial to our menu. Please view our menu for such items we use. We greatly appreciate any donation. The canteen also has special days where donation of cakes/slices and other items are needed so if you have a special talent for baking we would love to hear from you!

THANKYOU
We would like to thank Tahlia Barton-Roden and Tarnya and Benjamin Schmidt families for their generous donation of yummy produce this week. It is very much appreciated and we certainly benefit from it. Thankyou again!

WELCOME BACK LPS

Welcome back to the rest of LPS!

VOLUNTEERS
Did you volunteer in 2012? If so, we dearly would love to see your face again!! Your help last year was greatly appreciated and very helpful in the successful running of the canteen. We are also hopeful to get more volunteers on board this year. If you can volunteer an hour or two of your time please fill in the slip below and return asap. A roster will be done and sent home with your child.

SPECIALS
We have some yummy healthy specials that will be on offer on a weekly basis. Please view the newsletter each week to find out what special we have for the week. The 2013 Term 1 menu remains the same as 2012 Term 4 menu. Spare copies can be obtained from the front office or canteen.

THIS WEEK ONLY

TUESDAY SPECIAL
Nachos:- Mince, Salsa, Cheese, Tomato and Lettuce $4.20

THURSDAY SPECIAL
Zucchini Slice $2.50
Zucchini Slice with salad $4.50
**Canteen Roster**

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Thank you,
Sarah Cleathero, Canteen Supervisor
(02)6953 3471

**Uniform Shop News**

All summer stock is now available for purchasing.
- Girl’s Summer Uniform Size 4-18 - $50.00 each
- Royal blue socks - $5.00 each
- Royal blue sunglasses - S - $10, M - $11, L - $12
- Wide Brim Surf Hats - $14.00 each
- Wide Brim Slouch Hats - $14.00 each

Please note: Girls royal blue socks sizes 2-8 are currently unavailable due to suppliers being out of stock.

Uniform shop will be open every **Tuesday from 3pm until 4pm**. For an appointment, or if this time is inconvenient, please phone the school canteen on (02) 6953 3471.

**Sport News**

Last week LPS students were lucky enough to be visited by a variety of sporting bodies. On Monday, each class participated in an AFL clinic, where they practised sport specific skills including kicking, catching and handballing.

On Tuesday, South Sydney Rabbitohs Captain Matt King, visited Leeton Public. He spoke to students about the NRL’s campaign to “Tackle Bullying”. During the assembly he explained the importance of helping others when you see bullying occur, instead of watching it happen without acting.

On Thursday, all Stage 2 and Stage 3 students participated in a sporting clinic presented by NSW Netball. Students learned the rules of the game and some skills necessary when playing netball. All LPS students are to be commended on their fabulous behaviour and excellent effort during each activity throughout the week.

**P & C PAGE**

**EZ COVER FUNDRAISER**
This great new fundraiser will benefit both the school and your pocket!!! Please see attached flyer for more information and order your EZI COVERS now ready for beginning of Term 1 in 2013!!!!!!!

**P&C AGM 2013**
The annual general meeting will be held Tuesday 12th February 2013 in the primary staffroom @ 7.00pm.
ALL positions will be vacant with only current members eligible for nomination and voting rights.

Positions vacant are:-
- President:
- 1st Vice President:
- 2nd Vice President:
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Canteen committee x 2

ALL positions will need to be filled. Memberships can be renewed for the 2013 year at the conclusion of the meeting for a $1 fee.

All new parents and carers are encouraged to come along and become P&C members.

**HAVE YOUR SAY!!!!!!!**
Tell us know what you would like to have as fundraisers for 2013 by dropping us an email leetonpublicschoolpc@hotmail.com

Bec Cleathero
President LPS P&C

Kye McGregor getting his Rabbitohs footy signed by Matt King!
Photo Gallery

Braxton Wallace and Skye Heeb with Matt King – NRL Rabbitoh’s Player naming all 16 footy teams

Junior Nikoro and Lailani Watts with Matt King

Girls getting autographs from Matt King – NRL player for the Rabbitoh’s!

School Captains – Ella Saddler and Braxton Wallace with Matt King – Rabbitoh’s player - NRL

Lailani and Junior with goodies autographed by NRL Rabbitoh’s player Matt King!
Ronald McDonald House, Wagga Wagga

YOU & US

Ronald McDonald House Wagga Wagga, has been established to assist Riverina and South West Slopes families with sick or injured children and expectant mothers receiving treatment at Wagga Wagga Base Hospital, Calvary Hospital, Calvary Day Procedure Centre and attending medical appointments.

The House provides a home away from home for families with children and expectant mothers receiving medical treatment in Wagga Wagga enabling families to stay together.

The House is located at 300 Edward Street, Wagga Wagga (on the corner of Edward Street and Harrison Avenue), one block from Wagga Wagga Base Hospital, Calvary Hospital and the Calvary Day Procedure Centre. Specialist medical practices are in close proximity to the House.

Ronald McDonald House Wagga Wagga features four bedrooms. Two rooms have ensuite facilities and the others have access for the disabled. Baby cots are available.

Other features of the House include a comfortable lounge room, activities room for the children, quiet/meeting room, modern kitchen facilities where families may prepare their own meals and sun filled dining room. Laundry facilities are also available. Parking is off-street.

For further information, tariff and accommodation bookings, please contact our House Manager.

Phone: (02) 69250122
Fax: (02) 69250722
Email: rmhwagga@bigpond.net.au

Ronald McDonald House Wagga Wagga is located at 300 Edward Street, Wagga (corner of Edward Street and Harrison Avenue) or PO Box 5800, Wagga Wagga 2650

Leeton-Whitton Football-Netball Club

2013 Registrations for Wednesday Night 9 a side football and SWJFL under 11’s, 13’s and 15’s football & under 11’s, 13’s, 15’s netball & Auskick

Friday 8th Feb 5pm-7pm @ Irrigation Specialists Oval

Saturday 23rd Feb 9am-12noon @ Jarrah Mall

Registration for boys: $90.00 1 boy, $140.00 2 boys, $190.00 3 boys.
Registration for girls: $90.00 1 girl, $140.00 2 girls, $190.00 3 girls.

(Rego includes Wednesday Night Football)

Wednesday Night Only: 1 child $60, 2 children $90, 3 children $120.00

Full payment to be made at time of registration

All new players to bring their birth certificate

Junior Football & Netball enquiries to Patrick Burke 0427 413 894

Auskick registrations are $65.00 for 1st Child & $60.00 for 2nd child.

Auskick enquiries to Travis Doyle on 0418684236

LEETON JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

2013 registrations for

Under 7 – Under 14 Rugby League Players

Under 7 - 16 League Tag Girls

Saturday 16th Feb, 9am–12pm @ Jarrah Mall

Registration Cost - $50 per player

($45 for all additional family members)

Full payment must be made at time of registration.

Details for online registrations will also be provided.

All new players must bring their birth certificate

Training starts Thursday 14th March

4pm at the Leeton High School Oval

All enquiries to Alesha McDonald 0418 968 387

or Matt Van Buuren 6953 7347

LEETON PONY CLUB

Registration Day Sunday 17th February

10.00am to 12.00pm

(Merungle Hill Community Centre)

Pony Club Grounds

Enquiries: Keryn Lamb 0408636495