Thursday 28th May, 2015  
Principal's Report

National Reconciliation Week and National Sorry Day
National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is celebrated across Australia each year between 27 May and 3 June. The dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey—the anniversaries of the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision.

The week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and to explore how each of us can join the national reconciliation effort.

National Sorry Day coincides with this week, on the 26 May, to remember and commemorate the mistreatment of the continent's indigenous population. During the 20th century, the Australian government's policies resulted in a "Stolen Generation"—i.e., "Aboriginal children separated, often forcibly, from their families in the interest of turning them into white Australians".

The annual National Sorry Day commemorations remind and raise awareness among politicians, policy makers, and the wider public about the significance of the forcible removal policies and their impact on the children that were taken, but also on their families and communities.

On Tuesday we held a whole school assembly to mark this occasion and to raise student awareness about the injustices done to the stolen generation. It was a powerful assembly where students listened to stories and music and watched visual presentations. Following this the students returned to their classrooms and further explored how reconciliation with our indigenous peoples could take place as we move forward as a united Australian society.

The engagement of the students in the occasion was very impressive and I encourage you to discuss with them what they learnt on the day.

A big thank you to Miss Wong for her organisation of the activities for the week and in particular for the wonderful assembly on Tuesday.

Future Leaders Camp
Our student leaders were involved in a three day leadership camp conducted by the Sport and Rec people at Point Wolstoncroft earlier this week. The aim of the camp was to build a strong leadership team and for the team to develop a plan of action for one key initiative in the school. I had the great pleasure of spending time with them on Tuesday afternoon where our leaders presented their plan to their parents and other schools.

The leaders have decided to introduce the concept of a buddy bench, where students can come to during lunch and recess when they want to find other students to play with. These Students will know that they will be picked up by a designated student and included in organised play activities. A great initiative which I look forward to fully supporting as it is established over the coming months. Our leaders were outstanding ambassadors for our school and we can be truly proud of them. Thank you Mrs Caban for organising this for the students and giving up her time to attend the camp with the children.

Principal's Q&A
Please try to join me next Friday for this opportunity to meet me and to find out what my vision for Lake Munmorah will be over the coming years. You will have ample opportunity to ask me questions and to raise general issues about the school. In my leadership you will be given many opportunities to be included in school and the Q&A will be one way in which this will happen – please try to come along. It will commence at 9:15

Student Morning Arrival Time - No Earlier Than 8.30
I have become quite concerned about the large number of students who arrive at school prior to 8.30 each day. We do not provide supervision at the school until this time and therefore the students coming before this time are not under any direct care. This is a
Significant safety issue for the children as there would not be anyone present to attend to an injury, a danger, or a problem if one was to occur. As a worksite we are bound to observe workplace health and safety regulations and if we identify that there is a risk to anyone’s safety we have a legal obligation to address this. So from this point forward I am strongly requesting that students do not arrive at school prior to 8.30 (8.15 if they come to breakfast club). I have directed the students in this regard this morning. I understand that many families work but the school is not positioned to provide child care before 8.30. There is a before and after school care program provided on the St Brendan’s site which families may choose to access. I thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

Quality Workers
This week I have had the pleasure of the following students showing me their quality work.

I was so impressed with the writing from Jack Fradd, Emerson Hammond and Harper Allsop from 2J for their recounts of their Aquarium excursion activity. They really show great promise as writers as their current work is of a standard beyond their years. Well done!

Again I was amazed by Toby Dowdell’s (5/6S) mathematical ability and his skills in reasoning to find solutions to the problems on the Maths Olympiad test. He got 100% correct and I assure you the problems were quite complex and not at all easy. Well done Toby.

Also Jackson Carroll (5/6S) clearly understood the concepts of triangular and consecutive numbers and was clearly competent in utilising them and in recognising interesting patterns that develop in constructing them. Well done Jackson – I wonder how far you can go with them?

New Student Awards - Instagrams and Herograms
Next week we will be instituting two new awards for quality work – Instagrams and Herograms. Instagrams will be awarded to students who produce work that is deemed to be of a quality that it should be shared with a member of the executive team. Herograms will also be for high standard, quality work but instead of the student receiving it directly they will be mailed home to families and therefore will be a surprise for the student. It will be a way in which the family can share and celebrate their child’s achievement at school. These awards will commence next week.

Mr Graham Holmes
Principal
M.Ed. Admin., B. Ed.,
Grad. Cert. Public Sector Management

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

Please send in permission notes and deposit of $50. Final numbers have to be confirmed on 1st June.

Contact the office for further information.
National Sorry Day Observance Assembly

On Tuesday the 26th May, Lake Munmorah P.S held a special commemorative Sorry Day Assembly.

The purpose of the assembly was to remember the mistreatment of our nation’s first people and the injustices done to their stolen generation. We revisited the historic formal apology by, our then Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd on behalf of the Australian people.

Our principal Mr Holmes challenged the children to consider “How could they help our country move forward?” and “What were they going to do to make a difference?” Later in the day, 2J children brainstormed other words that mean ‘sorry’, made a word wall and jointly constructed a class feeling poem.

Well done to all our Lake Munmorah children. We were very proud of your respectful conduct on such a significant day in Australia’s history.

For the remainder of the week and into next, classrooms across the school will be addressing significant issues and holding conversations about the importance to further Reconciliation between Indigenous and Non Indigenous Australians.

Coordinating Teacher,
Miss Wong
Netball Results

On Wednesday, 20th May 2015 Lake Munmorah Public entered into the PSSA netball gala day at Wyong. Both our A team and B team put in a great effort and achieved some fantastic results. Our B girls won their first game and were narrowly defeated in their next two. Our A team won their side of the draw after some strong performances and excellent pressure in defence. They were narrowly defeated in the final against Bateau Bay, but they showed how immensely talented and skilful they are and we are all very proud of their effort and commitment.

Mr Miller
Cross Country 2015

Well done to all our cross country competitors, especially our place getters. There were some fantastic performances, great rivalries between the competitors and an excellent team spirit. This year we were plagued by inclement weather and had to make some last minute changes to plan to ensure the safety of our students. I would like to thank the assisting teachers, who were flexible and understanding throughout the event, our school leaders for their assistance with helping to set up and our parents who braved the weather to come and watch. Special thanks to Mrs Cakan for her invaluable assistance setting up and Mrs Batten for tallying up all the points and checking the accuracy of the information.

Mr Miller

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Please note: Due to the size of the junior boys age bracket, the 10’s ran separately to the 8’s and 9’s but were all competing together for a position on the zone team. This was worked out on times. However, ribbons will be given out to 1st, 2nd and third for both races.

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CHESS

On a cold miserable Friday our chess team headed to Gwandalan Public School for the fourth round. Our team managed to score three and a half points out of a possible four. Anthony Robinson, Logan Denyer and Harry Wetherall managed to come away with a win and Kale McMillan achieved a draw, great effort boys! Thank you to Mr Denyer for driving the boys to and from the venue.

James Gray
Chess Coordinator

Grip School Leadership Conference

On Tuesday 19th May 2015 our SRC reps and school sport leaders went to a leadership conference at Central Coast Leagues Club. Our students (pictured below) participated in a number of activities with other aspiring leaders from around the central coast and listened to a presentation about standing up for what’s right and making a positive difference. I have been really impressed with the willingness our students have shown to initiate their own ideas about they can improve some aspect of our school. The behaviour of students was exemplary and it was a pleasure to take them on this excursion.

Mr Miller
Central Coast Choral Festival Rehearsal

Last Friday, 31 members of the Choral Festival choir travelled to Wamberal Public School for their first rehearsal with the 11 other schools. While the weather was wild the children were not. Mrs Nebauer & Mrs Knight were very proud of all of our students who behaved beautifully, sang enthusiastically and enjoyed looking around another school. They came away saying how lucky we are at Lake Munmorah to have such a fabulous school. The next rehearsal date is a composer workshop on Monday 20th July – term 3 week 2.

Mrs Knight
Choir coordinator.
School Banking Rewards now available! Term 2

Two new rewards have been released for term 2 and are available while stocks last:

- ET DVD
- Planet Handball
- Intergalactic Rocket
- Invisible Ink Martian Pens

For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for these exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Remember our school earns 5% commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program and don’t forget that WEDNESDAY is School Banking day!

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Girl Power
It’s all about me!

If you’re a 11, 12 or 13 year old girl this EVENT is for you!

Come along and discover simple and powerful ways to feel really great about yourself, to learn how to be a good friend and to enjoy healthy friendships.

There will be both fun and relaxing activities providing you with some valuable life skills to help you transition confidently into your teenage years.

**Wednesday 12 August, 4-5pm**
**Tuggerah Library**

Bookings essential on 4350 1560.

This session will be presented by Pamela Northcote, a Registered Nurse and a qualified Meditation Facilitator and has two teenagers in high school.
GOTCHA ! AWARDS
TERM 2, Week 3
CONGRATULATIONS

♦ Coco Williams
♦ Marcus Engel
♦ Declan Glasspell-Lee
♦ Ebony Hughes

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Making Friends
Making Friends is an interactive social skills program for children aged between 3 and 6 years of age.
This popular and successful program aims to develop skills such as saying hello, sharing and taking turns, asking for help, managing feelings such as fear and frustration, calming down and speaking up.

Our qualified child carers will be working with your children to demonstrate and practice these skills, which are an important pre-requisite for starting school.

Dates: Monday 25th May, 2015 for 8 weeks
Time: 11.00am - 1.00pm
Venue: Northern Lakes Family Centre
1 Colongra Bay Road
Lake Munmorah

Parents/carers are requested to provide their child with a healthy lunch.
Parents/carers are not required to stay onsite during each session but an overview of each week will be presented when you collect your child.

For further information and bookings, please contact:
Northern Lakes Family Centre
Telephone: 4358 3148
If unattended please leave a message on phone
School Diary

Please stick me on your ‘fridge’

TERM 2

May
29  Wallarah Zone Cross Country Carnival @ Wyong Race Course

June
03  ICAS - Science Test
04  C.A.R.E.S. Bike Excursion
08  PUBLIC HOLIDAY - QUEENS BIRTHDAY
09  Stage 2 Activity Day @ Pt Wolstoncroft
09/16 Inclusive - LIFE EDUCATION Visit
10  Sydney North Cross Country Carnival @ Gosford Racecourse
15  ICAS - Writing Test
16  ICAS - Spelling Test
26  11:45am Primary Awards of Excellence
    12:45pm Infants Awards of Excellence
    Last Day of Term

C.A.R.E.S Bike Excursion

Rescheduled Date is:
Thursday, 4th June

Healthy Harold
Will be Visiting our School
09/06-16/06/15