Thursday 20th August, 2015

School Fun Run
What a great day this was – the students thoroughly enjoyed the activities and the weather was sparkling. The P&C raised a considerable amount of money. Thank you to those families who joined us – I received some great feedback about how enjoyable the day was. A big thank you to the P&C exec and the organizing staff from the school – well done.

P&C Meeting – Business Items Outcomes
The P&C motioned and moved to support the possible establishment of an Out of School Hours (OoSH) program here at our school in 2016. A tendering process to contract a suitable provider will commence shortly but will take some months to resolve. Hopefully the program will be up and running come early next year. I will keep you informed.

Also it was agreed to support the school in conducting a Special Education in Ethics (SEE) program next year. This program gives families who have withdrawn their child from Special Religious Education (SRE), the option of the ethics program for their child/ren. SEE is a program in ethical decision making, action and reflection within a secular framework, based on a branch of philosophy. It relies on volunteers to teach the program. If you might be interested in doing this I ask you to please contact Ms Julie Bell, Regional Manager, Wyong LGA Primary Ethics Ltd M: 0415 697 109. Full training is provided. Further notice of this initiative will occur as the program is being established.

Student Absences – Phone Intervention Program
Last week I reported that staff are expressing strong concerns about the amount of time some students are away from school. With the averages being that every student in the school had seven full days and 8 partial absences during the first semester something has to happen to improve this situation. It is critically important that students are at school and learning as often as possible. A proven and tried approach and one which is used in many schools is what is known as the Phone intervention Program (PIPS). This program involves contacting every family of every student who is away on any day to secure a reason for the absence. From this Monday we will be commencing this program at our school and it will run until the end of the year at this stage. It is not a ‘big stick’ program, rather it is a supportive approach to ensure good student attendance and to support families who may be struggling in getting their child to school each day. Please understand that if you get a call that it is being done with the best of intentions to ensure our students are at school each day. I will report each week on the progress of this program. It is important to note that this is yet another example of how our school is using the Gonski money to support student learning.

NAPLAN 2015
Year 3 and 5 students received their NAPLAN results yesterday. Students were provided a report envelope which was to be taken home and given to their parents. Please ensure you receive the envelope from your child and take time to discuss the results with them. NAPLAN results provide additional information about your child’s progress in literacy and numeracy which should be used along with school assessment and reporting information and what you already know about your child. If you have concerns about your child’s progress I recommended you make an appointment with your child’s teacher to discuss this.

Ms Joanna Daley – Benefit Night
A reminder about the ‘Trivia Night’ to be held at the Doyalson RSL Club on Friday 11th September commencing at 6:30.
Please try to come along, you can come as an individual, or put together a table to play the trivia game, it will be a lot of fun. If you would like to join us you can purchase tickets from the school
Whooping Cough Update
Still no confirmed or reported cases of whooping cough – good news!

Headlice
We really need all families to be diligent on this front. Please, please, please keep checking hair regularly and take the appropriate steps to treat your child/ren if you detect they have the lice. The only real way we will stay on top of this problem is if every family is checking hair regularly.

Facebook
Just another reminder that the school does not have a Facebook account. There are several Facebook pages using the name of the school that appear to try to provide the community with information about the school. Please do not rely on these pages as the school does not endorse or add anything to these pages. The school ‘app’, the school website and a direct contact with the school is the best way to find accurate information about the school. To avoid confusion I would encourage the owners of these Facebook accounts to accurately identify your pages as being unofficial.

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

Boys Touch Football Results

On Wednesday 19th August, our boys’ touch football team played in the PSSA knockout gala day at Tunkawallin oval. I was absolutely thrilled with the effort and determination of our players. They played the game with respect for each other and their opposition, and refused to give up, even when trailing 3-0 against Toukley at half time. When our opposition turned on each other and became abusive towards the referee, our boys kept their composure and their integrity and came back to win 4-3. I was really proud of them. They went on to win the grand final and will now proceed to the next stage of the knock out tournament against the southern end of the Central Coast. I would also like to thank the efforts of Miss Lewis. Miss Lewis gave up a lot of her time to manage and coach the team, and her commitment was pivotal to the team success. The help of Former student, Dylan Pisani with the coaching and interchanges was also very much appreciated.

Congratulations boys; a well-deserved result from a fantastic group of kids.

Mr Miller
sports coordinator

Nathan Barlow, Seth Cason, Brandon Tangaroa, Jett Williams, Jake Darcy (front) Riley Pisani, Olli Williams (front) Dalton White.
## Quality Workers/High Achievers This Week

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<td>Breenan Pavitt, Mea Thornton, Jake Barnes, Jessica Steens</td>
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<td>Lily Galbraith</td>
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<td>Brooklyn Lindeboom, Tanisha Stockdale, Ashton Cooper</td>
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On Friday 4th September 2015, we are inviting the Lake Munmorah Public School community to wear their favourite team’s footy colours with pride. This initiative, which coincides with our Father’s Day Breakfast, has been organised to raise much needed funds to fight cancer. All students who wear their favourite footy colours are required to bring in a gold coin donation. There will also be donation buckets at the Father’s Day Breakfast for those wishing to make a donation. All proceeds will go to the Fight Cancer Foundation. Please support this worthy cause!
Nepal Week
Next week we are putting on a fundraiser for the Nepal earthquake victims. We are giving the money to Nepal through Rotary. We think that our goal should be more than $500.

Save up your coins for some jellies, and some fun activities.
Milahn, Darcy, Indigo, Kiana, Jessica and Charli will be organising it and selling them on Friday, 28th August.

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| Monday  | Opening day Assembly with Mr Allan talking about his earthquake experience.
| Tuesday | Drawing a big Nepal flag on the ground and outlining it with coins.        |
| Wednesday | Hang our coloured paper flags with our prayers around the school.       |
| Friday  | Closing assembly, go in mufti (red, blue and white.)                    |

Basketball Gala Day
Friday 14th August.
We travelled to Niagara Park Stadium for the annual Basketball Gala Day. The boys played Gorokan but came up against a more experienced team losing 32-2. Next up was Warnervale. This time the boys showed a lot more cohesion but again lost 24-14. Finally the boys played a friendly match against Northlakes PS girls’ team. This time they managed to win 42-2.
The girls began their day with a comfortable win against Northlakes 86-12. They were then asked to play a friendly against Gorokan boys’ team. The girls fought hard before going down in a tight game 46-28. This led the girls to the final of the gala day against Gorokan PS girls. This match highlighted the girl’s persistence, determination and sportsmanship. They played as a team and came away with a 35-24 victory.
Congratulations to both teams on your commitment to learn and wonderful sportsmanship.
The girls will play the next round of the knockout against Erina Heights PS at a date to be advised.
Mr Rowe

Boys ready to go!  Girls in action!
Mind Marathon

On Wednesday 19th August, 10 Year 6 students travelled to East Hills Boys Technology School, Sydney to compete in the annual Mind Marathon Competition. The Mind Marathon Competition was full of a variety of brain-teasers and mind-boggling exercises. Throughout the day the students worked as a team to compete in a range of categories including mathematics, English, history and general knowledge.

This year our school entered a team of boys and girls. Throughout the day I was very impressed with the efforts of our students and the way they undertook the complicated tasks cooperatively. Congratulations to all students involved. They are as follows:

Boy Team - Jack Mathews, Zac Dowdell, Harry Wetherall, Kale McMillan and Logan Denyer

Girl Team - Natalie Denniss, Tiah Cox, Jessi Bailey, Lillian Starrett and Shaylee van Breukelen.

Grant McFarland
(Mind Marathon Coordinator)
Central Coast Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations to the seven students who represented our school at the Zone Public Speaking Finals on Thursday, 6th August, 2015.
Cooper Carroll (K Red), Tamsin Conti (1KN), Harper Allsop (2J), Bella-Rose Pennell (Year 3), Asher Francais (4C), Toby Dowdell (5/6S) and Zac Dowdell (5/6C) all spoke with great confidence and were a credit to our school.

A special mention goes to Tamsin Conti who won the Stage 1 final. Well done Tamsin! 😊
Congratulations to Cooper Carroll and Toby Dowdell who received Highly Commended in their Stage finals. Great effort boys! 😊

Harper, Bella-Rose, Asher and Zac should be proud of their efforts! 😊

All students looked fantastic in their uniforms and blazers! Thank you to the family members who were there to support children, I’m sure you were very proud of your child’s effort and courage to speak in front of an unknown audience. As a teacher, I was extremely proud!
Miss Batten 😊

Tamsin, Bella-Rose & Asher featured in last week’s newsletter. This week includes photos of Cooper, Harper, Toby & Zac.
STAYING CONNECTED - home and school

An important part of staying connected with your children and their school is the after school conversation with your children about their school day. A problem many parents face however is the only answer we get when we ask ‘How was your day?’ is an ‘Okay’ or even a non verbal shrug of the shoulders. The following conversation starters help to develop a greater insight into your child’s day at school and also help to build a great parent to child connection if done on a daily basis. It’s also a good idea if older siblings and parents join in answering the questions too so as the whole family unit gain a greater understanding of each other’s day and enjoy sharing and caring together. The idea is to choose 4 or 5 of these and mix them up so they don’t become mundane.

After school conversation starters:

* What was something that made you laugh today?
* Tell me about something you read at school today?
* What did you learn that was new today?
* Who did you sit with/play with at lunch today?
* Did you see something beautiful today?
* Did you do a kind deed today?
* Tell me about a new word you heard in class today?
* What class rules do you think are important?
* What was the hardest thing you did at school today?
* What was the easiest?
* If I called your teacher today what would they tell me about you?
* Top 3 things about your day
* What are you looking forward to tomorrow?

These are just some ideas to start the after school conversation, and as you can see they help to give you a good over view of your child’s day and open up the door to positive communication and to children who feel heard and valued.

Warm regards

Rochelle Madden
Community Liaison Officer
LMPS Trivia Night

The school is approaching local businesses for donations for our Trivia Night. If anyone would like to donate prizes it would be very much appreciated.

Please help us to raise money for a staff member at LMPS who is battling cancer

WHEN
FRIDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER 2015
6.30-9.30pm

WHERE
Doyalson-Wye RSL
Doyalson NSW 2262

KID FREE ZONE
$10 TICKETS
Available at the office at Lake Munmorah Public School
For more information please ring 4358 1171

LUCKY DOOR PRIZES!
BAR OPEN!!!

BRING A GROUP OF FRIENDS
### Mr Sanday’s Mathematics Puzzle Page

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Red 1   Green 5   Yellow 4   Blue 3   Orange 2

Name _________ Class __________

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### Stage 2

Challenge – can you use 1, 2, 3, and 4 in number sentences to equal:

1 = ___ ___ ___ ___

2 = ___ ___ ___ ___

3 = ___ ___ ___ ___

4 = 2 × 4 – 3 – 1

5 = 3 × 4 ÷ 2 -1

Remember you must use all the digit; 1, 2, 3, and 4 and any of the signs +, -, × or ÷.

Name _______ Class __________

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### Stage 3

Four 4’s challenge.

Using **four 4’s** and any operations, try to write equations that have the numbers 2, 3 and 4 as their answers.

1 = 4 ÷ 4 + 4 - 4

2 = ___ ___ ___ ___

3 = ___ ___ ___ ___

4 = (4 – 4) × 4 ÷ 4

Name _______ Class __________
Boys Softball

Our boys softball team played 2 games on Monday 17th August. The first game was against Woongarrah Public School and we won 16-13. The dynamic pair of Kale and Brandon were unstoppable, running many players out at 1st base. Tallon was fantastic at catcher and Seth took an amazing catch. The boys played well as a team and showed great sportsmanship.

We then played Tuggerah Public School and were once again victorious 11-8. Kale and Brandon once again played unstoppable with Mitchell taking a fantastic outfield catch. The boys now play Point Clare Public School in the Central Coast decider.

Mrs Caban

Amendment to Athletic results:

Apologies to Kyah Blake and Lucy Velu, from Carter and Macquarie respectively; unfortunately there was a clerical error when tabling the results of the junior girls shot putt. Kyah Blake won this event with a throw of 6.87m and Lucy Velu was 2nd with a throw of 6.00m. The scores have been updated and points adjusted accordingly. The previous results were actually from the long jump.

Apologies,
Jeremy Miller

The house points are as follows;

Freeman 4th 208 points
O’Connor 3rd 244 points
Macquarie 2nd 276 points
Carter 1st 300 points
PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL
INFO NIGHT
PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL
YEARS 7 – 11
YEAR 11 (from 2017)
INFO NIGHT
7:00 PM – THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST
VENUE: LEE ACADEMY
3 TEAMSTER CLOSE, TUGGERAH 2259
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Mon-Fri: 9am—5pm  Saturday: 9am—12 noon
MEDICARE BULK BILLING

“Proudly Supporting Lake Munmorah Public School”

$710.47 raised through School Banking!

Thanks to the fantastic efforts of our admin staff and student bankers we have raised $710.47 for our school through School Banking commissions for FY14-15. Our school receives $5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of $10 per individual deposit).

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Lake Munmorah!
School Diary

*Please stick me on your ‘fridge’*

**TERM 3**

**August**

21 11:00am Cake Stall
   **12:45pm 2KM Parent Assembly**

24-28 **BOOK WEEK** - ‘Books light up our world’

27 Yrs 3&4 Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Final - Good Luck Jessica!
   **11:45am BOOK PARADE**

28 Wallarah Zone Athletics Carnival @ Mingara
   **12:45pm K Blue Parent Assembly**

**September**

01 LMPS Drama Group Performance for students

02 6:30pm LMPS Drama Group Performance

04 7:30am Fathers’ Day Breakfast
   **Footy Colours Day**
   **12:45pm 2AF Parent Assembly**

14 **PHOTO DAY** - Sports and Specials

15 6:30pm P&C Meeting

18 11:45am Primary Awards of Recognition
   **12:45pm Infants Awards of Recognition**

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**DRAMA ...DRAMA...DRAMA...**

LMPS DRAMA
‘Everybody Makes Them’
   **Performance**

Wednesday 2nd September
6:30pm

Our Drama group would like to invite our parents and community members to our annual drama performance.

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**Sweet Treats**

Cake Stall
Friday 21st August

Prices from 50c to $2
On sale 1st Lunch
All proceeds go to Jo Daley
Stall run by parents of MC classes