

# Lansdowne Public School

Weekly Newsletter Number 36  
Tuesday 13 November 2012



Students of the Week winners were Niki Worth, Chloe Moran-Choppin, Emily McLaughlin and Shtiki Baker.

Selena Fletcher was presented with her third GOLD AWARD!



Merit Award Winners: Rachael Plant, Alkira Roberts, Shannen James and Lachlan Moore



Merit Award Winners: Tashanah Knott, Zach Nielsen, Brendan James and Laralee Field



Literacy & Library Award Winners: Tyler Potts, Brett Worth and Shannen James



## Principal's Message

*Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,*

As you read this Stage 3 and I are having a wonderful time at camp!

**2013:** Even though there is still so much to do in the remainder of this year some thought is being given to our timetables and structures for next year. Our enrolment numbers at this stage indicate we will retain our fourth class. Over the past term and a half we have trialled some flexible staffing which has allowed Mr Price to work intensively with some students on increasing their literacy skills. This has been very successful. Next year we are proposing to extend the program for stage 2 & 3. With the introduction of 4 new syllabus over the next 2 years we are also looking at timetabling teacher release from face to face teaching and professional learning time to minimise interruption to class time. We propose to release teachers on Fridays so they can work together with planning and professional learning. This will allow a more consistent approach to literacy and numeracy throughout the remainder of the week. Given this we also propose to hold our fortnightly school assemblies on Wednesday afternoons. Of course all these proposals depend on our actual enrolments in the first few weeks of next year.

**Swimming School Program:** Notes and payments continue to come in. Please let us know if you have any issues with either payment or our organisation so we can tackle the problem together. A reminder that we will be having altered break times to fit in with our swimming times. We will be having recess at 10:30am and lunch at 11:45 am. Students will change in and out of their swimmers at school. When we return from swimming we will be providing all students with an afternoon tea of fruit, snacks and water ready for their afternoon class session

**End of Year Dates:**

Monday	17 <sup>th</sup> December	Presentation Day and Community Morning Tea	9:30-12:00ish pm
Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup> December	Class Party Day (each class to organise)	
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day for students	

*Kind regards, Christine Wild*

### ASSEMBLY AWARDS FROM FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER:

**Class K1G:** Student of the Week Award was won by Quinn Huber for improved concentration levels. Merit Awards were won by Laralee Field for improved sentence writing and Brendan James for improved reading.

**Class 12B:** Student of the Week Award was presented to Shtiki Baker for staying on task for longer periods of time. The Merit Award winners were Monique Davis-Marr for trying to work harder in maths and Zach Nielsen for excellent work in counting backwards. Brett Worth won the class Library Award.

**Class 34P:** Student of the Week Award went to Emily McLaughlin for improvement in maths. The Merit Certificates went to Shannen James for effort in maths and Lachlan Moore for great contributions to class discussions. The Library Award was presented to Shannen James.

**Class 56W:** Student of the Week Certificate was presented to Niki Worth for developing more mature work habits. Class Merit Certificates were presented to Rachael Plant for always staying on task and doing her very best and to Alkira Roberts for always doing her best in all activities. The Literacy Award went to Tyler Potts for continued hard work and great progress in reading and comprehension.

**Selena Fletcher was presented with her GOLD AWARD NUMBER 3... well done Selena.**

TERM 4 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS TO REMEMBER		
WEEK 6	Wednesday 14 Novem	STAGE 3 campers return this afternoon
	Thursday 15 November	P&C Meeting at 9.15am at school
WEEK 7	Monday 19 November	WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM COMMENCES THIS WEEK
	Friday 23 November	Whole School Assembly commencing 2.20pm
WEEK 8	Monday 26 November	WHOLE SCHOOL SWIMMING PROGRAM CONCLUDES FRIDAY THIS WEEK
WEEK 9	Monday 3 December	Kindergarten 2013 Orientation Program 10.00am to 12.00noon Chatham High School Parent Information Evening 6.00pm
	Tuesday 4 December	Kindergarten 2013 Orientation Program 10.00am to 12.00noon Combined Scripture Service at the Lansdowne Uniting Church 11.30am
	Wednesday 5 Decem	Kindergarten 2013 Orientation Program 10.00am to 12.00noon Chatham High School Orientation Day for our Year 6 students
	Thursday 6 December	Kindergarten 2013 Orientation Program 10.00am to 12.00noon
	Friday 7 December	Kindergarten 2013 Orientation Program 10.00am to 12.00noon Whole School Assembly commencing 2.20pm (Last one for 2012)
WEEK 10	Tuesday 11 December	P&C Meeting – last one for 2012, please come along
	Thursday 13 Decem	Student of the Week Morning Tea for Term 4 at 11.00am, thank you P&C
WEEK 11	Monday 17 December	Presentation Ceremony for 2012 this morning at the school, all welcome
	Tuesday 18 December	Party Day
	Wednesday 19 Decem	Pack up Day and last day of school for all our students for 2012
	Thursday 20 December	School Development Day Programs for Staff
	Friday 21 December	School Development Day Programs for Staff

### DONATIONS TOWARDS OUR PRESENTATION AWARDS HAVE ALREADY BEEN RECEIVED:

These are very much appreciated and we have already received \$200 from our local bus owners, John and Rona Greenshields, \$75 from the Taree Literary Institute and a \$25 Book Voucher from Manning Books. Thank you to all these people. Please support these local businesses as much as you can.

Taree Literary Institute would like to remind our community that they welcome all readers, young and old. They are located at 129 Victoria Street in Taree. They do not have any membership fees and are open Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 4.00pm, Saturday from 9.00am to 11.00am.

#### P&C NEWS – P&C Meeting this Thursday morning at the school commencing 9.15am

**P&C Christmas Mystery Raffle:** Tickets in the P&C Mystery Christmas Raffle were sent home last week. If you need more tickets please come to the office. Raffle will be drawn at Presentation Day.

**Prizes so far:** Large Outdoor Umbrella; \$100 voucher from a local butcher; \$20 vouchers from McDonalds Taree; a Christmas Hamper (donations would be lovely please); more prizes will be added each week as they are received.

This raffle is a major fundraiser for the P&C and the prizes are great so we are hoping that everyone will get behind us and help sell as many tickets as possible. Extra tickets are available at the school office.

We are especially asking for donations to include in the Hamper prize. These items can be anything from toys, food items, drinks, Xmas decorations and anything at all, small or large. Please leave donations at the school office or contact Margaret in the Canteen on Mondays or Fridays.