

Lansdowne Public School

Weekly Newsletter Number 1

Tuesday, 5 February 2013



Welcome back Lansdowne
Public School 2013



Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

A warm and sincere welcome to 2013 to all our families in what promises to be a busy, exciting and productive year.

Classes

We have begun 2013 with 4 classes and have been able to include a literacy support class for stage 2 and stage 3. Mr Price is supervising these classes and they will be implemented 4 days per week, Monday to Thursday. We are very pleased to have Mrs Lynne Tsembis join us for the year assuming responsibility for our stage 2 class. We currently have 82 students enrolled and this has allowed the following classes structures to be put in place:

K/1G with Mrs Gilchrist

K ~ 10 students

Year1 ~ 6 students

3/4T with Mrs Tsembis

Year 3 ~ 6 students

Year 4 ~ 17 students

1/2B with Mr Bulley

Year1 ~ 7 students

Year 2 ~ 14 students

5/6W with Mrs Wild

Year 5 ~ 8 students

Year 6 ~ 14 students

With the introduction of 4 new syllabus over the next few years and with the new English syllabus to be implemented next year, teachers will be undertaking extensive professional learning throughout the year. With these time demands and teacher release taken into consideration we are going to be working on Fridays as a school team and will also take our individual class release on the same day. This will minimise disruption to class programs and support a more consistent approach to supervision and whole school programs. Therefore on Fridays each class will be supervised for sport, library, personal development and either HSIE or Science by the following teachers:

K/1G ~ Mrs Saunders
12B ~ Ms Schneider
34T ~ Ms Barry
56W ~ Ms Richardson

We are very confident that these arrangements will support a consistent approach to our curriculum delivery particularly literacy and numeracy.

During term 1 we are also trialling some other program delivery options. Mrs Gilchrist will be working with various groups of students throughout the year planning and delivering enrichment opportunities for targeted students in a variety of academic and creative areas. Mr Bulley and Mrs Tsembis will be supporting stage 2 and 3 with their music and singing programs. Mr Price and Mr Bulley will be taking K-2 for gross motor and fitness while on another afternoon Mr Price and myself will be looking forward to the joys and challenges of K-2 visual arts.

K-2 classes will be supported by Mrs Leanne Ruiner Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Anne Williams will be working with stage 2 and stage 3 classes Monday to Thursday. While Mrs Robinson takes long service leave we are very fortunate to have Mrs Sue Lovedee managing our office.

School Leaders

Last week Stage 3 students and I discussed possible portfolios, roles and responsibilities

As a team (cabinet) we will identify possible initiatives and responsibilities for each minister's portfolio. We are very aware that these need to be flexible and may require a shared responsibility between the ministers. We have also discussed engaging our year 5 students as "junior ministers" to support our year 6 student leaders. As expected, our leadership team has started their tenure with very sound and collegial thinking in deciding the appropriate portfolios and who will take up those roles.

Prime Minister	Selena Fletcher
Deputy prime Minister	Tammie Locchie
Environment	Rachael Plant, Niki Worth
Arts & Library	Brandan Ellison, Phoebe Luxton
Sport	Kyle O'Connor, Jayden Knott, Jay Rickett
Health	Alkira Roberts, Tyler Potts, Charlie wares

Our ministers have some very exciting ideas and I very much look forward to working with them. Later in the term we will hold a more formal induction ceremony to which everyone is welcome to attend.

Whole-school Assembly

We begin our fortnightly assemblies this Wednesday 6th February at 2:20 pm. If you are able to, please join us.

Swimming Carnival

Next Monday primary students will travel to the pool to participate in our annual swimming carnival. Successful students will then be nominated to compete in the district small schools carnival the following week. Notes will be going home today. Please return them as soon as possible so we can finalise the program.

Annual School Report

The report for 2012 is now available on our school website and hard copies are available from the front office.

With all that said, again, welcome to our 2013 school year and thank you in anticipation of your continued support of your child's education and our wonderful school.

Kind regards,
Christine Wild

TERM 1 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS TO REMEMBER

WEEK 2	Wednesday 6 February	School Assembly
WEEK 3	Monday 11 February	Primary Swimming Carnival for students turning 8 this year
	Thursday 14 February	Small School Swimming Carnival
WEEK 4	Wednesday 20 February	School Assembly
	Thursday 21 February	P & C Meeting 9.30am

P&C NEWS

The first meeting of the Lansdowne School P & C will be held on Thursday morning at 9.30am on the 21st February 2013.

Please come along and join in every one is most welcome.

As usual the Breakfast program and Crunch and Sip will be run each day at school. Any donations of items for either of these programs would be most appreciated.

If anyone would like to help out in the canteen on Mondays or Fridays please see Margaret in the canteen on either of these days. It is not hard to do so please how about giving it a go. Even if you can only manage once a month or even just help out for a couple of hours.

Special this Friday for lunch a sausage sandwich for \$1.20 (1 thin sausage on 1 slice of bread and sauce)

Or

Sausage sandwich and a bottle of water for \$2.00

COMMUNITY NEWS

- *Fun Exercises,
- *Terrific Dances,
- *Awesome Music
- *and Lots of New Friends!



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Call Lyn on 6558 1576 or 0428 210800.



Dynamic Dance Studio enrolments for 2013.

- * Uniting Church Hall at Cundletown on Wednesday afternoons and

- * Lansdowne Hall on Friday afternoons.

Bring your children for dancing and gymnastics for fun and fitness rather than the stress of exams and eisteddfods. There are no unrealistic fees involved, just one weekly fee and the children are getting fit without even knowing it.

For further enquires please contact Maree on 65538439 or 0412060071.

Taree City Netball Club inc

Registration days

Wednesday 6th February 3.30-5pm at the Taree Netball Courts, Bligh Street Chatham

Wednesday 13th February 3.30-5pm at the Taree Netball Courts, Bligh Street Chatham

The Taree & District Out Door Competition is set to Start 9th March 2013

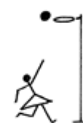
Players are welcomed to register. From 5 years - Seniors

Anyone interested in coaching, umpiring and playing are also welcome.

For Enquiries Phone Lorraine

0427832401 0265539605

[tareecitynetballclub@hotmail.com]



Taree Auskick Registration Day is Thursday the 28th of February at Taree City Centre between 4pm & 6pm. Registered Participants in the program receive an Auskick backpack containing a football, pump, drink bottle, cap, pencil case and lots more. For further details contact Taree AFL Auskick on 65533345.

Kind Regards Taree AFL Auskick Centre



Wet weather - Big Flood Lansdowne School Bus Timetable



A.M. 8.50 Depot

7.55 Warrens Lane

8.16 Start of Yarratt Road

8.25 Melinga

8.40 Hogans Road

8.42 Terragong Road

8.46 Burgmanns Lane

8.50 Timbermill Place

8.54 School

9.05 Hammonds/Gill

9.16 School

9.21 Depot

P.M. 2.50 School

2.57 Koolah Creek

3.01 Forestry Turn

3.08 School

3.19 Hammonds/Gill

3.30 School

3.40 Hogans Road

3.42 Terragong Road

3.46 Burgmanns Lane

3.55 School

4.15 Yarratt Road

4.40 Warrens Lane

Attention - extra Information.

Listen to 2RE- MaxFM. This timetable will apply if Crittenden/Nellys Bridge is or are over.

Please note if parents aren't at the bus stop within five minutes of the afternoon timetables children will be taken back to school.

URGENT NEWS FROM THE BUS DRIVERS:

The Lansdowne School Bus is reaching its capacity. Any student who is not on the bus list will have to pay \$2 per trip e.g. friends home or birthday parties etc.

Please note: Bus transport children must have a note from their parents to the bus company when they need to vary their travel arrangements to go anywhere but their home address when leaving the school on the bus.

Any enquiries - please call John or Rona on 6556 7258



General use of adrenaline auto injectors

The Department of Education and Communities has recently announced that all government schools will receive a general use adrenaline auto injector (an EpiPen) for their first aid kit.

This does not replace the need for parents to continue to provide the school with an adrenaline auto injector and ASCIA Action Plan for Anaphylaxis signed and dated by their doctor when their child has been diagnosed with anaphylaxis. Instead the general use adrenaline auto injector is intended to be used if:

- ⇒ An undiagnosed student has an anaphylactic reaction at school
- ⇒ There is a misfire of the adrenaline auto injector that has been prescribed for a student
- ⇒ A student requires further adrenaline auto injector to be administered after his or her own adrenaline auto injector has been administered.

Please contact the school if you would like further information in relation to this matter.

Kinder 2013



Welcome

Kattie

Casey

Kiara

Brayden

Aaron

Bradley

Kulan

Cheyenne

Chloe

Callan

