

Lansdowne Public School

Weekly Newsletter Number 9

Tuesday 2 April 2013



Happy faces last Thursday for our Easter Eggstravaganza! Lots of people came to help our children make hats and then we had a hunt for Easter Eggs. Mitchell Lunney, Rachael Plant, Selena Fletcher, Keoni Ford, Phoebe Luxton, Bailey Knott and then Mr Price giving out eggs.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,

Stage 3 Easter Eggstravaganza! - What a fantastic, fun-filled afternoon we had. An amazing response from our community and families including the many sets of extra hands we had in the canteen and on the BBQ, made for a great day. We were very fortunate to have our sausages and the bread donated. Thank you to Mrs Gilchrist for organising this for us. This big effort has added almost \$500 to the students' fundraising coffers. Thank you for your support.

Life Education Van - A reminder this is on this week and we need permission notes and payment for all students. As you are aware the school is subsidising each child's participation as we place great value on this program.

School Voluntary Contributions - It was decided at the last P & C meeting to keep the fees the same as last year. They will remain at \$15 for the first child and \$30 maximum total for the entire family. All contributions will be directed towards our swimming program at the end of the year. We will be sending invoices out soon.

School Photos - The date for our school photos is 20th June. Please put this in your calendars.

Upcoming Events - The next 2 weeks have many changes to routines to allow for a variety of activities. This week we have our Induction ceremony today and Life Education Van on Thursday and Friday. Next week K-2 are going to Billabong Animal Park and 56W are heading to Sea Acres rainforest. 34 T will be taking a tour of Lansdowne highlighting its rich history and past. On the final Friday 56W are going to be involved in a cultural day with Jamaadi a visiting artist and storyteller of Indonesian background. We acknowledge that changes to routine and different situations can sometimes unsettle some students. We are very aware of this and take care to keep students informed and to discuss, highlight and counsel students on how to deal with change while maintaining our expectations of high standards behaviour and engagement. As a staff we have been discussing the need to make time and opportunities available to work with individual and small groups of students, where appropriate, during break time. We see this as a proactive strategy to promote positive behaviours. The processes, documentation and supervision of these sessions is a work in progress.

(Principal's Message continued.....)

Term 2 - We complete term 1 on Friday 12th April.

Term 2 commences for students on **WEDNESDAY 1ST MAY**.

Monday and Tuesday are 2 School Development Days. This is usually only 1 day but with the introduction of the new syllabus we have been allocated an extra day. Our staff will be involved in on-line learning for the new English syllabus across those 2 days.

I will be out of the school this week on Thursday at professional learning regarding the introduction of new syllabus **and also on Friday** at Forster Office as a member of an interview panel.

Kind regards, Christine Wild



Mr Rob Oakeshott, MP, poses with our Student Leaders for 2013 before their Induction Ceremony. Jayden Knott, Kyle O'Connor, Brandan Ellison, Charlie Wares, Alkira Roberts, Selena Fletcher, Mr Oakeshott, Phoebe Luxton, Darryl Morrison, Jay Rickett, Rachael Plant, Niki Worth, Tammie Locchi, Tyler Potts and Georgie Locchi.

Our 2013 Prime Minister, Selena Fletcher, welcomes everyone to the ceremony



Today we had a special visitor, Mr Rob Oakeshott, MP, for the Inductions of our 2013 Student Leaders. Rob then stayed on for morning tea with the Student Leaders and their invited guests. Thanks to the canteen once again for providing the morning tea.

P&C NEWS

The Annual General Meeting of Lansdowne School P&C was held last week and the new President for this year is Jayne Stuart. The Treasurer is Rebecca Moore and Secretary Margaret Haddon. Thanks to all who came to the meeting.

Easter Activities last Thursday – A big thank you from Canteen for all our extra helpers last Thursday, it was fantastic and their help was very much appreciated.

TERM 1 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS TO REMEMBER

WEEK 10	Tuesday 2 April	Induction of our 2013 School Leaders at 10.30am with Mr Rob Oakeshott
	Wednesday 3 April	Whole School Assembly at 2.30pm, all welcome
	Thursday 4 April	Life Education Van (56W 9.30am to 11.00am)
	Friday 5 April	Life Education Van (34T 9.30am to 11am, K1G 11.30am to 12.30pm and 12B 2pm to 3pm) Manning Zone Cross Country for qualifying students (Those in 34T who are going to the zone cross country will not attend Life Ed Class)
WEEK 11	Wednesday 10 April	ES1 and S1 Excursion to Billabong Wildlife Park S2 Excursion – Historic Tour of Lansdowne Village S3 Excursion to Sea Acres Rainforest Centre and Shelley Beach
	Thursday 11 April	Student of the Week Morning Tea for Term 1
	Friday 12 April	Jamaadi - S3 Indonesian Culture Visit in School Library This is the last day of school for Term 1. Have a nice holiday for 2 weeks!

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Fundraising Event for Tyler Potts. Tyler Potts has been chosen in the Australian FUTSAL team to play in Spain in November and there will be a **DISCO IN LANSDOWNE HALL** this coming Saturday night to help raise funds.

Doors open at 6.00pm with a Gold Coin Donation. There will be a Disco DJ, lots of fun music and also a sausage sizzle, hot chips and drinks on sale. Come along with your family and have a great dance night.

Attachment to newsletter: Drama and Drawing at Upper Lansdowne Hall during school holidays.