

# Lansdowne Public School

Weekly Newsletter Number 1

Wednesday 29 January 2014

## Principal's Message



*Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members,*

*A warm and sincere welcome to 2014 to all our families in what promises to be a busy, exciting and productive year.*

***Classes** - We have begun 2014 with 4 classes. We currently have 78 students enrolled and this has allowed the following classes structures to be put in place:*

<i><b>KG with Mrs Gilchrist</b></i>	<i>K ~ 13 students</i>	
<i><b>1/2B with Mr Bulley</b></i>	<i>Year1 ~ 8 students</i>	<i>Year 2 ~ 11 students</i>
<i><b>3/4P with Mr Price</b></i>	<i>Year 3 ~ 12 students</i>	<i>Year 4 ~ 7 students</i>
<i><b>5/6W with Mrs Wild</b></i>	<i>Year 5 ~ 19 students</i>	<i>Year 6 ~ 8 students</i>

*In the next 3 weeks we will submit our final enrolment numbers and this will allow us to maintain the current class structures. If our numbers drop below 78 there may be a need to restructure our classes.*

*We continue to work with the introduction of 4 new syllabuses. The English syllabus is being implemented this year and our focus for professional learning will be the development of literacy units, comprehension strategies and beginning to work with the new Maths syllabus.*

*During term 1 we are also trialling some other program delivery options. Mrs Gilchrist will be working with Year 6 students on Friday afternoon to further develop their leadership, public speaking and debating skills. Mr Price will be leading our program of positive behaviours for learning and the playground. Mr Bulley will coordinate and lead our Learning Support Team.*

*Teachers will be having their release from face to face teaching on Fridays as will I.*

*Mrs Gilchrist will have extra time to coordinate our technology and work with year 6. Mrs Saunders will work with KG on Fridays. I will take some administration time as well as my class release on Fridays also and to start the term Mrs Dianne Horrobin will teach 5/6W. Mr Bulley and Mr Price will have their 2hour release on Friday and Mrs Melissa Lockey will assume responsibility for those classes during that time.*

*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 Wednesday.*

***School Leaders** - Over the next 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. Each teacher will work with 2 ministers in a mentor role to support their leadership responsibilities.*

***Whole-school Assembly** - We begin our fortnightly assemblies next Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 2:20 pm. If you are able to, please join us.*

**Swimming Carnival** - Next Tuesday 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 in the following weeks. Notes will be going home today. Please return them as soon as possible so we can finalise the program.

**Annual School Report and School Plan** - The report for 2013 is now available on our school website and hard copies are available from the front office. The School Plan is also available on the website and outlines our key strategies and focus for 2014.

**Toilet Block Upgrade** - During the holidays our toilet block was upgraded with the boys' toilets being extended, all areas re-tiled, rendered and painted. We have new soap and paper dispensers and a storage area for cleaning equipment and chemicals was also built.

With great excitement and anticipation let the year begin!

Kind regards, **Christine Wild**

**P&C NEWSLETTER** - Welcome back everyone to the new 2014 school year. Hope that everyone is well rested after having the holiday break and ready to roll up your sleeves and get to work.

**BUNNINGS BBQ** - We will be running the Bunnings BBQ on Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup> February. We desperately need helpers on the day. Even if you can only help for an hour please it would be helpful. It is too much to ask anyone to be doing it all day so please help. The day runs from between 9am and 4pm. No children allowed on the day. (Bunnings rule).

**P&C meeting** - The first meeting of the Lansdowne School P&C for 2014 will be held on Tuesday evening 18 February. The meeting will be held in the senior room and will commence at 6.00pm. Everyone is welcome to come along.

**School Canteen** - A new and updated canteen menu is being sent out today. There have been some adjustments to prices but as usual they are only small ones. As always the aim is to keep prices as low as possible so that parents can afford to purchase recess and lunches.

Last year we started to do our own flavoured milk. We purchase the milk and flavouring and put the milk in thick shake containers with lids and straws. We also commenced doing our own freshly made pizzas. Both have proved to be extremely popular with the children. Depending on weather there are helpers in the canteen we also make other fresh food items for the children.

Canteen days are Mondays and Fridays and helpers would be very much appreciated. Please see Margaret in the canteen on either of these days if you can help out even once a month or every 2<sup>nd</sup> month.

#### 2014.....TERM 1 – CALENDAR OF EVENTS TO REMEMBER

WEEK 2	Tuesday 4 February	<b>Lansdowne School Swimming Carnival</b> for all students who are 8 years and over during 2014. Notes going home today so if your child missed getting a note please see Sue in the Office asap.
	Wednes 5 February	<b>Whole School Assembly</b> commencing at 2.20pm. All community welcome.
WEEK 4	Tuesday 18 February	<b>P&amp;C Meeting to be held at the school</b> commencing at 6.00pm. All welcome.
	Wednes 19 February	<b>Whole School Assembly</b> commencing at 2.20pm. All community welcome
WEEK 6	Wednes 5 March	<b>Whole School Assembly</b> commencing at 2.20pm. All community welcome
	Thursday 6 March	<b>PLP and 3 Way Conferences</b>
	Friday 7 March	<b>PLP and 3 Way Conferences</b>

#### COMMUNITY NEWS:



95 Victoria Street, Taree.

Taree Church of Christ, in the Fellowship Centre!

Thursdays 10 am \$4 per child or \$5 per family. Morning tea included.

Starting 6th February 2014, For children 0-6years

Come along and tell your friends

Call (or text) Kylie: 0410194718

for more details!

**Manning Valley Physical Culture Club:** Enrol now for 2014 for fun, friendship and fitness. Dance classes for children from 3 years to ladies of all ages. Physical culture provides a combination of Exercises, dance, ballet and gymnastics all rolled into one. Enjoy it as an individual or in a team environment. Classes commence 10 February 2014 and you can contact Nola on 0419 237715 or [bathy@tsn.cc](mailto:bathy@tsn.cc) for information.



### **LANSDOWNE LIONS SOCCER CLUB**

*'40 Years of Football in 2014'*

Register Now!

Online @ [www.myfootballclub.com.au](http://www.myfootballclub.com.au)

or contact Carol Potts on 0428567063

Pay Direct or Online before 28/2/14.

Bank Details CBA bsb: 062603 acc: 10456645

Ages 5-7 **\$70** 8-11 **\$95** 12-18 **\$110** Seniors **\$200**

Coaches, Managers and Volunteers also welcome

**Taree RSL RED ROVERS Junior Rugby League Sign Up's for 2014:** The Taree RSL Red Rovers Junior Rugby League Football Club has given us information sheets to pass out to interested students for the upcoming season. They have also been kind enough to donate to the school a brand new Spartan League Football.



Leaflets will be attached to the newsletter today and for more information please contact the Club Registrar, Julie Wagener on 0417 488633 or The Club Secretary Melissa Gahan on 0400 348594

***On the attached 2 pages of our newsletter there are some very important requests for help and information from the Lansdowne Public School P&C Association. Please consider if you are able to help out and contact Margaret in the Canteen on Friday.***



From your P&C...

# URGENT REQUEST

Helpers are required to help with the

## BUNNINGS BBQ

**This SUNDAY - 2 FEBRUARY**

This is a perfect opportunity to raise funds to assist with the school swimming program later in the year.

So far we only have 4 names in to help.

We need helpers throughout the day from **9am to 4pm.**

Please contact Margaret as soon as possible if you can help even if for only an hour or so.

We are required to have four helpers on at all times throughout the day.

Sorry no children are allowed (Bunnings ruling not ours).

This is a good start to the year doing the BBQ commencing our fund raising efforts early and bringing in outside money.

Please help us by supporting our efforts.

**Phone Margaret on 65567146 or 0428567146 or see me at canteen on Friday. Hopefully we will be able to work out a roster for the day.**



# **LANDSDOWNE SCHOOL CANTEEN PRICE LIST**

**DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY ON DAY**

<u>DRINKS</u>		<u>SANDWICHES</u>	
Milk –		Salad	\$4.00
Chocolate 300ml	1.80	Ham	\$2.50
Strawberry 300ml	1.80	Ham & salad	\$5.00
Banana 300ml	1.80	Egg	\$1.70
		Egg & lettuce & mayo	\$2.00
Flavoured Aroona drinks	1.55	Egg & salad	\$4.00
Berri Pop top juice	1.80	Cheese	\$1.50
Poppers	1.10	Cheese & tomato	\$2.00
Plain Water	1.00	Vegemite	\$1.00
		Bake beans / spagg	\$1.10
		Any of above toasted extra	.20c
<u>HOT FOOD</u>			
Sausage Roll	1.75	<u>SALAD PLATES</u>	\$5.50
Pizza Cheese/ Ham	1.75		
Large Pie	2.50each		
Goujons	.40c each		
Nuggets	.40c each		
Mini pies	.70c each		
Fish fingers	.30c each		
Mini Spring Rolls	.30ceach		
Cheese subs	.60c each		
		<u>FRESH FRUIT</u> in season	
<u>SNACKS</u>		Price depends on cost	
.20c to \$1.00		Fruit Salad cups	
Muffins small	.30c		
Muffins large	.60c		
Custard	.50c		
		<u>FROZEN YOGHURT</u>	\$1.30
		<u>ICE BLOCKS</u>	
		Prices ranging from	
		.10c to \$1.00	
<u>SPECIAL DAYS WHEN NOTIFIED</u>		<i>Salad includes, tomato, beetroot, cheese, cucumber, carrot, lettuce</i>	
Hot dogs			
Pasta bake			
Burgers			
Sausage sandwiches			
Egg and Bacon Buns			
Other			
Pizza			

Changes to these prices may be made without notice