Upcoming Events

Mon 7th – Fri 18th Nov Swimming Scheme Wed 16th Nov "We Take Our Hat Off to Jack Day"

Wed 23rd Nov

Thank You Morning Tea

| | Notes sent home this week | |
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All Notes available from the LMPS Website for download. http://www.lakemunmorp.schools.nsw.edu.au/home

Term 4, Week 5—Thursday 10th November 2016







The Great Aussie Bush Camp is STILL on!

Our Years 5 & 6 students were bitterly disappointed when their excursion to the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens was cancelled due to dangerous bush fires in the area.

Thanks to Mrs Caban and the great staff at the Camp, arrangements have been made for our students to still attend The Great Aussie Bush Camp—now at their Kincumber site.

Some activities will include: orienteering, abseiling, the giant swing & flying fox, the ropes course, archery, canoeing, the commando challenge and much more! Students will be spending 3 action-packed, exciting days there from Monday 21st November to Wednesday 23rd November.







Thursday 10th November 2016 Principals Report

Stage 3 Camp

The Stage 3 students were very disappointed that the fires in the Port Stephens and Tea Gardens area prevented them from attending the Great Aussie Bush Camp this week. We were advised late on Sunday afternoon and we knew that this was going to be devastating for the children at this late stage. However, their disappointment was short lived with us being able to secure a three day camp at the Great Aussie Bush Camp facility at Kincumber in Week 7. This was great news for the students and will mean that they can still enjoy an enjoyable and rewarding experience with their peers.

School Facebook Page

An interesting aspect of this matter was how quickly the news spread on Sunday afternoon after it was announced through the school's Facebook page that the camp wouldn't be going ahead. Within hours, the message reached in excess of two thousand viewers and when checking with the students the greater majority had found out about it through the Facebook message on the Sunday afternoon. Clearly the Facebook page is proving to be very effective in getting information out to our families, quickly and efficiently. So if you haven't 'liked' us yet please search for the school and do so and enjoy the immediacy of us communicating with you.

State of the School Community Meeting - next Tuesday

Our school is on a great journey and has achieved many wonderful and remarkable things this year. I don't want this to be a secret and I really wish to share this information with the families of our great school. We are holding two community meetings in our new technology hub on 15 November to provide to our school community a report on the work and progress of the school over the last year and to provide an oversight of our plans for 2017. We will be holding one meeting at 9:30am and then an evening meeting at 6:00pm. Identical content will be covered and you will have ample opportunity to ask questions in the one hour allocated. I do hope that you can make one of these meetings and see what wonderful work is happening at your child's school.

Road Safety Concerns

The reports from community members about some less than safe behaviours being displayed by some students who ride bikes or scooters to and from school are continuing to be received. Yesterday I gathered those students who ride to school and once again spoke to them about safe behaviours. I also checked their bikes and helmets and noted the ages of students riding each day. It was pleasing that all students were wearing a helmet but by doing this it became apparent that there are a significant number of children in Years K-2 riding to school each day. Can I remind families of our school policy in relation to children riding to school? The details of the policy are provided in the parent handbook issued to families each year and at the time of enrolment. It reads:

Students who ride bikes to school do so at their own risk. They must park them in the bike racks provided. The school accepts no responsibility for damage to or loss of bikes or helmets. A padlocked or coded security chain is recommended. Helmets must be worn if a child rides a bike to school.

Bikes must not be ridden in the playground or on footpaths. All bikes must be walked across the overpass bridge, never across the highway. Children under 10 do not have their peripheral vision fully developed and are often unsure of road rules. Hence the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) advises that anyone aged under age 10 should be accompanied by an adult when riding a bike.

We will allow students in Years 3-6 to ride to school but we uphold the recommendations of the RMS and ask that students in K-2 are accompanied by an adult to provide supervision. In the interests of keeping our students safe I have asked teachers to closely monitor this expectation. I therefore ask your support of the policy by either accompanying a young child if they ride to school or if this cannot be managed to find alternate means for your child to come to school. Your support of this expectation is much appreciated.

2017 Enrolment Numbers

Our enrolment numbers for 2017 have been very strong and we are expecting a good increase in enrolments in 2017. Many people moving to the area are having our school recommended to them. Our Kindergarten numbers for next year are the highest they have been for some years and we look like opening the doors with more than three classes. We are still setting up classes for 2017 so I please ask that if you have intentions of leaving the school at the end of the year that you contact and inform the office as soon as possible? Similarly if you know of any families who are intending commencing with us in 2017 that you encourage them to contact the school immediately.

Kindergarten 2017 LINKS Program

This program continues each Wednesday at 9:30 and it has been terrific meeting our new families. Next week we are to be joined by the entire cohort of Kindergarten families joining us in 2017. I look forward to meeting and greeting them and commencing the formal orientation to our school.

Remember that valuable information for all families about starting school and how to support children in the transition process can found on the Department website at:

http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/primary/startingschool.php

Our school App, Facebook Page, Notes and the School website will continue to provide you with accurate and up to date information about all upcoming events.

Mr Graham Holmes

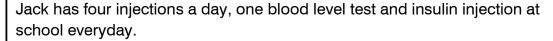
Quality Workers/High Achievers This Week

| Student/s | <u>Class</u> | Work Sample/s |
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| Noi Phrom-Oh Holly Boyd Toby Dowdell Adam Bennett Yasmin Bass Susan Cliff Georgia Wrightson | 5/6C | These students designed and produced exceptional art work on a fictitious animal showing their adaptation characteristics. |
| Caprice Lockhart Milahn Nicholls Indigo Twyford Tweedie Mikaelah Nichol Jade Burnham | 5/6\$ | Working collaboratively to produce a Power Point presentation on what modern schooling should be like. |



"We Take Our Hat off To You Jack" Wednesday 16th November Wear your Favourite Hat or Cap Gold Coin Donation

Jack is a delightful little boy in K Green. Last December just before Christmas, Jack was diagnosed with Type 1 Diabetes...and so Jack began his life long journey of being insulin dependent.





Jack is going to be receiving an insulin pump in a few weeks time. He will be wearing the pump (installed in his tummy) at all times. This is another major step in his journey.

We are having a "Take Off Your Hat To Jack Day" on Wednesday 16th November, when all students and staff can wear their favourite cap or hat for a gold coin donation.

The installation of the insulin pump is costing approximately \$10,000.00!! There will be some health fund support, but we would love to see that Lake Munmorah support to help Jack and his family meet the costs.

Citizenship Awards

Each year we ask staff to nominate year 6 children, who have shown outstanding citizenship, to help us decide on 2 children to receive the Rotary Citizenship Awards and 1 student to receive the Citizen of the Year award at Presentation Day.

As usual, many students have been recognised by staff for their attitude and helpfulness. From the list below we now have the difficult job of selecting only 2 or 3.

Tayla Tonna – Happy friendly disposition. Always respectful and eager to learn.

Paris Hosie –Keen to help out, always with a smile on her face

Angie Birkin – Helpful, goes above and beyond what is expected. Excellent

attitude.

Cheyanne Teora-Caesar — Exemplifies excellent discipline and always tries her best Ashleigh Lawson — Goes above and beyond expectations. Always smilng.

Hayley Papa – Excellent manners, always helpful – Outstanding service to LMPS.

Maddie Danet – Always friendly.

Eliza Wetherall — Quiet achiever. Always happy to do anything for anyone.

Jade Burnham — Happy to help. Gets along with everyone. Respectful.

Milahn Nicholls — A considerate and caring student.

Mikaelah Nichol — Caring and courteous student.

Sally Whitelaw — Great role model. Friendly, helpful and happy. A quiet achiever.

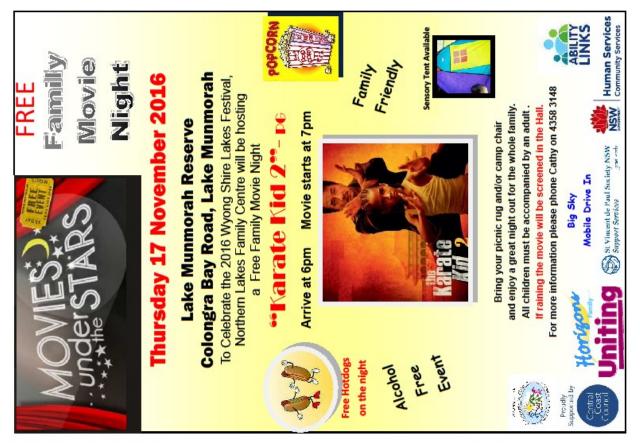
Toby Dowdell – Continuously setting a good example for peers.

Ebony Hughes — Always smiling and helpful to staff, peers and younger students.

Darcy Mullins — Respectful towards teachers and students. Always smiling.

As you can see from this extensive list, we have some great citizens at LMPS. Now the fun job of selecting only a few!





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Students are arriving in February 2017 and are looking forward to learning about Australia!

Meet some of our students!



Hello, I'm Anna from Italy. I can't wait to come to Australia! I am very sporty and I enjoy dancing, particularly hip hop. I also enjoy playing volleyball. In summer my family and I spend time together bike riding and hiking. Being outdoors in the open space in the lake, sea and mountains is something I really love!

Olá, I'm Tomas from Brazil. Here's a bit about me! My favourite sport is indoor rock climbing and I enjoy skateboarding. My brother has also been to Australia on a WEP student exchange and I am excited to have the same opportunity. While I am learning all about Australian culture, I am looking forward to sharing mine too!

Hi! I'm Diletta from Italy. I always look on the bright side of life! I am sporty and until recently I was involved in diving competitions. My parents run a restaurant and I often work there over the summer holidays. Sometimes I cook dinner for my brothers and I can bake delicious cakes!

Find out more! Request a free information pack for your family!

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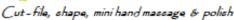
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School Diary Please stick me on your 'fridge'

TERM 4 November

- 07-18 inclusive, School Swimming & Water Safety Program
- 10 9:15 or 5:30pm Community Meeting
- 16 "We Take Our Hat Off To Jack Day" Gold Coin Donation 9:30 11:00am 2017 Kindergarten Orientation Program
- 21 23 inclusive Stage 3 Great Aussie Bush Camp
- 23 9:30 11:00am 2017 Kindergarten Orientation Program 11:00am Thank You Morning Tea in the Hall
- 24 8:30am 3:15pm Stage 1 Excursion to Newcastle Museum
- 9:30 11:00am 2017 Kindergarten Orientation Program6:00pm DRAMA Group Performance

December

- 02 Year 6 Luna Park Excursion
- 06 9:30 11:00am 2017 Kindergarten Orientation Program
- 9:00am Infants Presentation Day @ LMPS Hall 10:00am Primary Presentation Day @ LMPS Hall 12:00pm Year 6 Graduation
- 14 Year 5 Surf Fun Day
- 16 LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS

Canteen Wednesday Weekly Special

Week 6



Caesar Salad \$3:00 or Chicken Caesar Salad \$4:00 Canteen Volunteers
Still Needed Urgently

If you could spare a couple of hours that would be fabulous ©