



Calendar

31/3/14—Assembly

The choir will be performing at Monday's assembly

3/4/14—Ab Art Day

7/4/14—ANZAC assembly 2pm

9/4/14—Lantern workshops

10/4/14—Easter Hat Parade. 2pm

11/4/13—Last Day of Term

29/4/13—Students return to school

7/5/14—P&C General Meeting - 7pm

8 & 9/5/14— Mothers Day stall.

29/5/14—Information night

Canteen Roster

31 March—Sally

1 April—Leanne

2 April—Marette

3 April—Nicole B, Lee

4 April—Bradley

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY
LHPS would like to acknowledge the Widjibal-Wybal people who are the Traditional Custodians of this Land. LHPS would also like to pay respect to the Elders both past and present of the Bundjalung Nation and extend that respect to other Aboriginals.

Newsletter

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From the Principal

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2014

In May 2014 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 13 - 15 May 2014.

TUESDAY 13 MAY	WEDNESDAY 14 MAY	THURSDAY 15 MAY
Language Conventions	Reading	Numeracy
Writing		

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. For the calculator test, primary students will be provided with a school calculator if they do not have their own.

The 2014 Writing test will require students to respond to either a persuasive or narrative Writing prompt. However, the genre of the prompt will not be disclosed prior to the test period.

Wherever possible, schools will organise for individual students who are absent at the time of testing to complete missed tests at another time during testing week. Individual students are not permitted to sit tests after Friday 16 May 2014.

Bakers Delight
We're for real.

supports our
Breakfast Club.

The choir will be performing at Monday's assembly

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if:

- they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- they have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests.

NO ABSENCES FOR FAMILY HOLIDAYS / VISITS WILL BE AUTHORISED DURING NAPLAN

TESTING PERIOD.

Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided.

Access to disability adjustment or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school Principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the Principal if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

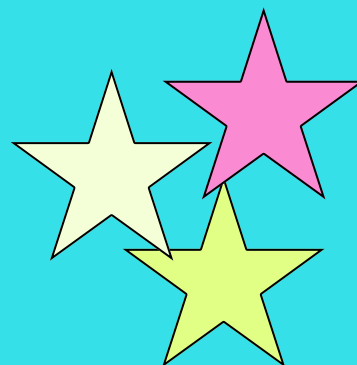
Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at:

www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent_Carer_support/index.html.

Mark Scotton

PRINCIPALS AWARDS

*Emily Auld
Violet Squires
Nakita Bailey
Ayla Goetjes
Jayden Whitlen
Blake O' Sullivan
Kyler Clements
Owen Halpin
Zachary Brenner
Aiden Morton
Jesiah McElligott*



These will be presented at Monday's assembly.

Positive Behaviour
For Learning

Week 10 Focus Rule



BE RESPECTFUL KEEP OUR TOILETS CLEAN

The PBL team thank you for your support at home and reminding your children of the importance in following our core rules.



Could you talk to your children about what 'Being Respectful' and 'Keeping our Toilets Clean' looks like? An example would be; make sure toilet paper goes in the toilet or in the bin.

Be Safe, Be Respectful and Be a Learner

ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

Fire Drill

All students and staff were involved in a school evacuation drill on Tuesday March 25. The students moved under the guidance of their teachers to the Emergency Assembly Point, swiftly and efficiently. Well done students and staff. It is good to know we are well prepared for the real thing.

- ♦ Donations for the Easter Hamper raffle are still required. The raffle will be drawn on 10 April at The Easter Hat Parade.
- ♦ Easter Hat Parade—Thursday 10 April at 2pm. Please bring in your decorated hat.
- ♦ High School—Expression of Interest forms. Even if you are not attending a Government school. We still need the form back.
- ♦ Lantern Workshops - some spaces are still available
- ♦ Care packages—Items for our troops serving overseas. Items can include—Skittles, chewing gum, cheese dip biscuits and small hygiene items.

P&C News

Our Annual General Meeting followed by the normal meeting was held on Tuesday, 25th March. The meeting was well attended and congratulations to our new committee for this year.

President - Stacey Yates
Treasurer and Canteen Treasurer: Warren King
Vice Presidents - Sally Drysdale and Shane Thamm
Public Officer - Sally Drysdale

Thank you to Jack Scarrabelotti for his nine years of service, volunteering in various positions. We wish him and his family well in their future endeavours.

Next term we have many fundraising events such as Mother's Day stall (8th & 9th May), Skate Night (18th June), and a Bunnings BBQ (1st June). An Information Night (run by the school) and pie drive will help contribute funds towards the running of the canteen. If anyone can help volunteer for these events could you please let us know by contacting the front office.

Our canteen Manager, Tricia Butcher has been running the uniform shop this year for three hours in the morning. More school shirts should become available next term.

The committee has made a donation to the school—soil to the value of \$375 to improve the vegie garden and allow for replanting.

The P&C has also a new night for general meetings, these will be on a Wednesday night. The next one will be Wednesday May 7 at 7pm in the staff room. All parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Regards,
Stacey Yates
P&C President



HARMONY DAY ACTIVITIES

