

Term 4 Week 1  
Friday 19 October 2018

# HEIGHTS HAPPENINGS

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'AIM HIGH'

## Calendar

**29 October—**  
**Grandparents Day**  
9.40-10.40—in class  
10.40-11.10—morning  
tea

**19 Nov—30 Nov –**  
**Intensive Swimming**  
**for students 8 years and**  
**older who cannot swim**  
**25mtrs confidently.**

**Canteen Roster**  
**22 October—Sara**  
**26 October—Jo**

There is no canteen on  
Tuesdays & Wednesdays

**We are currently**  
**taking Kinder**  
**enrolments for 2019.**  
**Please call 6624 3344**  
**for further**  
**information.**

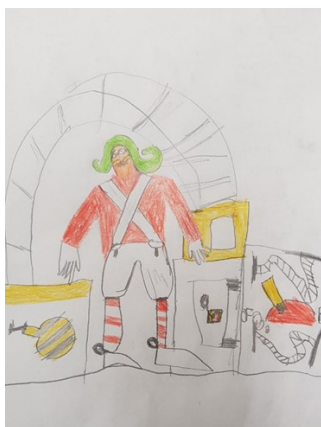
*We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Elders, past and present, of the Wijabal Wyabal people and other peoples of the Bunjalung Nation. We acknowledge that they are the first peoples of this land on which our school stands.*

## Welcome Back!

It promises to be a very busy term ahead as we enter the final term of 2018. Key events to look out for this term include our Year 6 Graduation Assembly 10 December, Carols By Candlelight Concert 13 December, Presentation Assembly 17 December, and the election of our new School Captains for 2019 to be announced during our Presentation Assembly! And we also have our 'step-up' days on 27 November and 4 December when students spend the day with other children and teachers who will be on their Stage next year.

## Parent Survey

We would love to find out more about what our parents/carers think about our beautiful school. This is an opportunity to identify and celebrate much of what we do well, as well as having an opportunity to reflect on our practices and look for ways to do things even better. Parents can access the online survey by typing the following URL into Google: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/survey/splash/4085> Parents who do not have access to a computer can request access to the school's computer lab where you will be able to complete the online survey. All responses are anonymous. Thank you for taking to the time to provide your feedback.

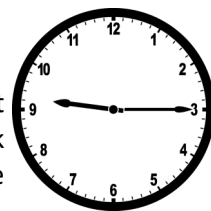


## Oompa Loompa Art

Kindergarten Student, Marley, was so inspired by our school's production of 'Charlie' that he created this gorgeous picture of an Oompa Loompa (left).

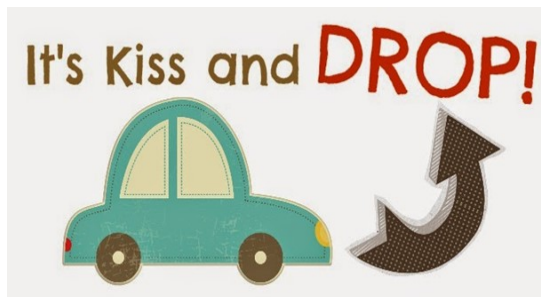
## Assembly Times

A reminder that our assemblies start at 9:15am this term. Class assemblies to look forward to this term include 5/6R on the 7 November and 3/4LP on the 21 November.



## Milton Street Pick-up/Drop-Off

Thank you to everyone who has been using the Milton Street drop-off/pick-up zone. This is by far the safest place to drop off and pick up students from school, and we would encourage everyone to make use of this purpose-built facility. Thank you carers for keeping the traffic flowing.



## School Attendance

Average attendance at LHPS is below the state average of 92.4% for most year groups. Our congratulations to students in Years 3 and 5 who have achieved better attendance rates than state average.

Kinder	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
90.4%	89.0%	90.6%	92.7%	87.7%	93.8%	88.3%

To give our students the best chance of succeeding at school it's really important to have them in attendance every day that they are well enough. Every day that a student misses school really does count. Let's work together, to do everything that we can to top state average attendance rates and give all of our students every opportunity to reach their potential at school.



## EVERY DAY COUNTS....

**A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...**

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

**Every day counts!**



## Peer Support

Our whole school will be starting Peer Support sessions this week. The children will be participating in a new module, Moving Forward, which focuses on resilience. The experiences in the module help children to identify their qualities and strengths, develop new skills, respond with a range of strategies and seek support when faced with challenges. In these sessions, the children will establish connections with the other members of their group and develop their group agreement to enable them to

work well together. The children will discuss an example of a challenging situation and some resilient and non resilient responses. You might like to discuss with your child what they can do to help them take an active role in Peer Support sessions.


## Book Club

Just a reminder there will be only one Book Club catalogue being sent home this term. So if you are requiring gifts for the end of the year, now is the perfect time to order. Order forms have been sent home which also include details for ordering online.

## School Garden Produce

Our school garden is looking lovely thanks to all this rain and a lot of hard work over the past few weeks. And we have our first crop (see below). We'll be donating fresh produce to the school canteen and we are selling batches of greens for a gold coin donation at the school office (it's guaranteed to beat supermarket prices and is all organic!). If you would like to join our garden club please contact the school office and a member of the garden team will be in touch.



**Be safe**
**Be Respectful**


**Be a Learner**

**This weeks rule: Back Gate**

When students are at the back gate they must walk, stay in bounds, sit under shelter and wait patiently for their vehicle.