



Lord Howe Island Central School

'Today for Tomorrow'



October 16th, 2013

Upcoming Events

18/10 Community Breakie
19/10 Drive In Movies
22/10 Drama & Gym Gps
23/10 RC Club
31/10 Kindy Orientation
04/11 P&C Meeting
05/11 Melbourne Cup

Canteen Roster **Term 4**

October 18
Janet Taka

October 25
Liz Wright

November 1
Leanne McGrath

November 15
Janice Ong

Historical Movies **Roster**

**POSTPONED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE!** We are
experiencing technical dif-
ficulties and are working
to resolve the issue ASAP.

The school welcomed several new students this term. Hamish and his sister Audrey Logan started day one this term and have settled straight into our school. We also welcomed Theo and Xanthe Huxtable to our school for the next six weeks. I know everyone will support and encourage our new students and their families with their Lord Howe experience.

Sometimes I feel really guilty about how incredible it is at Lord Howe Island Central School. There is always something special going on. We welcomed Alan Stewart from Freney First Aid or as most people know him – the passionate Scotsman from Sydney, to our Emergency Practice today at school. Alan volunteered his expertise and resources for free. The day started with sirens and mock scenarios. The students practiced various skills from putting patients in recovery positions to bandaging severe broken bones and wounds. The discussion, engagement and fun were outstanding. If an emergency arises – our children have had genuine practice from one of the best in the business to seek help and take action. Thank you Alan and the teachers for all your extra commitment and help to set up and run this awesome event for the kids.



Blood Sweat & Tears – Roaring thunder, lightning, heavy rain, gale force winds and then a perfect sunny day set the mood at the Golf Club last Monday and yesterday for the permanent teachers and Leonie to complete our First Aid training. Staff were soaked with fake blood, wrapped in bandages and subjected to extreme scenarios to practice and test our abilities to save lives in emergency situations especially designed around different settings on LHI. If something goes wrong on LHI we are a long way from help. It is comforting to know that there will always be someone fully qualified available at the school to lead and help if an emergency arises.

Professional Learning - As a trial Empowering Local Decisions school Mrs Higgins and I have to complete face to face training on the mainland next week to prepare for the DEC's new operating system. The Schools Budgeting and Planning solution and Student Well Being management system will enable schools to manage budgets, spending, student details and records consistently across the same operating system in all schools for the first time. I will also attend the NSW State Principal's Conference in Sydney and return to school on Wednesday of week 4. Mrs Roberts will be the Teacher in Charge whilst I am away.

Isaac star-jumping off the mini tramp



Drama and Gymnastics Groups – It has been a highly successful and fun start to drama and gymnastics for the students. The Instructors and teachers have been very impressed with the energy and enthusiasm of our students. The School Drama and Gymnastics Groups will be running on Tuesday 22/10 just for next week.

Dance Group Practise in action



School Breakfast – Please come and join us for a free breakfast at the school this Friday. It would be fantastic to see as many family, friends and visitors as possible. Everybody is welcome! Food will be ready by 8:30 a.m

Radio Control Club – Fast cars commanded by children zooming around the paddock above the SDA church. What is going on? The Radio Control Club starts today as part of our Chaplaincy Program. The RCC is aimed at students from 9 years of age and older. It will run on Wednesdays after school from 3:45 - 4:45. I asked Ryan Galloway what he thought the RC experience might be like: "It will be unreal to have something so fun to do after school with your friends. Everyone will help everyone else. It will be awesome. I can't wait to have a go!."



Lucinda keeping her eye on the ball at tennis camp

Tennis Camp – The tennis camp was a huge success in the holidays. Well done Greg and his son Hayden for the wonderful training sessions. Thank you to Blue Lagoon for the use of your tennis court. Thank you to the P&C for funding this amazing opportunity for our children and a huge THANK YOU to Emma Nulty for setting up, organizing and juggling the weather and variables as needed – Fantastic! It was incredible to see the skill development and growth of the children over the week. The students have been setting up the nets in the cola each morning and playing some great tennis.

Kindergarten Orientation – Invitations have been sent out for our 2013 Kindergarten orientation. The Kindergarten Orientation Program will run from 31/10, 14/11 & 21/11 from 9:00-11:00a.m. There will be a Parent Orientation Meeting on the first Thursday 31/10. Parents are asked to bring their child to the K-2R classroom at 9:00a.m for the beginning of our Kindergarten Orientation Program. Parents will have a chance to meet Mrs Roberts and visit the classroom environment and ask questions. Mr Mason will collect parents around 9:15 for the orientation meeting in the library. We are looking forward to welcoming all the new Kindy's for next year.

Thanks Judy, Matt & Trev



K2R News

Welcome back to Term 4. The children all seemed to have had a great holiday and those who stayed on island were very keen to tell us all about what a wonderful time they had at tennis camp.

This term is going to be very hectic with swim school happening during weeks 8 and 10, production practise for the end of year performance, drama and gymnastics happening every week.

This year, for the end of year production, the children will be performing the play "Rainbow Fish" and will need the following items for the performance.

Girls- Ballet or fairy dresses.

Boys- White t-shirts, jeans, caps.

I have burnt CD for all students so that the children can practise their dances at home.

Don't forget the nightly reading and homework is due in every Friday.

Looking forward to a fantastic term.

Judy



From 3-6N

Dear parents, teachers, boys and girls.

This is going to be an exciting and full term. Through the holidays we have had tennis camp which was really fun and a big thank you to all the parents for your support.

We are back at school with a few new faces, Hamish and Audrey & Theodore and Xanthe. We have also started gymnastics and drama with Lisa T and Kristie T.



from the 3-6N

Head lice - Unfortunately we have had unwelcome and unwanted visitors in our school. Can I ask every parent to please check their child's hair and treat if necessary.

A few facts about Lice

What are head lice?

Head lice are tiny wingless insects that live in the hair and feed on human blood. They can only survive on humans.

What are nits?

'Nits' is the common name for the small eggs that are laid by head lice. They are the size of a grain of salt, yellow-white in colour, and are found firmly attached to the hair close to the scalp.

How are head lice spread?

Anyone can catch head lice; they can not be prevented by cleanliness. Head lice are spread by direct hair to hair contact with another person who has head lice. Head lice cannot jump or fly from head to head but may be passed on by sharing hats and brushes. Head lice are commonly found in primary school children because of their often close personal contact with each other.

Recommended treatment

Occlusive products are now the recommended head lice treatment. Occlusive products kill lice by smothering them. These are silicone based products and are applied to dry hair.

No treatment kills all of the eggs so treatment must involve 2 applications 7 days apart. The aim of the first treatment is to kill all lice, the second treatment is to kill all young lice hatched during the period between treatments.

All household members should be checked for head lice and everyone with head lice should be treated at the same time.