



Lord Howe Island Central School

'Today for Tomorrow'



August 7th, 2013

Upcoming Events

07/08 Open Day
07/08 After School Soccer
14/08 After School Soccer
16/08 Athletics carnival
16/08 The Living Room
21/08 After School Soccer
25/08 Yr5/6 Excursion
01/09 Yr5/6 Return
04/09 Interest Groups
06/09 Assembly
07/09 Elections
13/09 Cross Country

Canteen Roster

August 9

Kelly Galloway

August 16

Leanne McGrath

August 23

Helen Mason

August 30

Janice Ong

Historical Movies

Roster

August 7

Kelly Galloway

Sunny Oxley

Jordan McGrath

August 14

Craig Wilson

Riley Wilson

Keyah Crisp

August 21

Wayne McGrath

Emily McGrath

Katelyn McGrath

Principal's Report - The term is heating up and we have a lot of news for this fortnight. The Parents and Citizens Meeting on Monday night was very well attended with 11 parents and community members present. The discussion was vibrant and passionate with many ideas put out for discussion. It was a great night and I always enjoy seeing the strong community voice in action. The P&C are really desperate for a secretary. We really need someone to step forward and support the vital process of the P&C with this important role. Please, if you can help contact the school or Kelly Galloway.

Practicum Student - Next term we will be hosting a Uni student for 4 weeks in 3-6N. I have told the University that we will find a host family for our student teacher to stay with. I really need a family or someone to offer to take on our student teacher for his practicum at our school. It will be from the 11th of November until the 6th of December. Please support us in this fantastic opportunity for the school.

Open Day - We celebrated Education Week today with a song by K-2R and presentation in the library of some of the fantastic things that happen at our school. This was followed up by some nostalgic visits in the classrooms for the rest of the afternoon. The fun continued after school on the oval with the After School Soccer Competition.

Athletics Carnival - Our Athletics Carnival is next week on Friday, 16th August. I can't wait to see everybody on the day. We are at the final planning stages to organise any support to run some of the events. If you are able to give up some time to help on the day please contact Ms Roberts ASAP.

Playground equipment - The playground equipment is used every day mainly by our younger students. It supports all of the students to be able to play effectively in different areas in our small playground. This is vitally important as this supports our massive age range difference. Ms Rhonda Wilson is leading our campaign to improve our Playground Equipment. She is keen for parents or any helpers to join her in the planning and decision making process. If anyone would like a say or be able to help out with this project please see Mrs Wilson.

SLSO - Grace Krick was successful with her application to the school for the position School Learning Support Officer. She has enthusiastically started work and is really enjoying her new role at the school supporting some of our youngest students.

Cross Country - The School Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday 13th September. We need helpers to support us to run this event for the students. If you are able to lend a hand please contact Mrs Roberts. *Thanks Mr Mason.*

Free to good home!

Televisions - We have 2 large televisions that are not being used at the school. As we want to free up some space we are offering the TV's for free to anyone who is willing to come and collect them.

K-2R News

Lots have been happening over the last 2 weeks. The children went on an excursion to the Phasmid enclosure and had a meeting with Hank, who told them all about this wonderful insect that has been brought back from near extinction.



Last week we went to the museum, where Ian Hutton gave us an interesting talk about all the animals, birds and insects that we have on Lord Howe Island and how most of them came to be here and what we can do to help insure that these wonderful animals survive for years to come.

The students learnt some interesting facts and are now ready to begin the next stage of our unit of work with the 3-6 students, which is, writing presentations on 3 of Lord Howe Island creatures- The Phasmids, The Woodhens and The Shearwater Birds. The children are very excited about being given the opportunity to work with the older students in the school and Matt and I are looking forward to seeing what innovative ways the students come up with to present the information that they will gather.



As mentioned in the last newsletter Our COGS unit for this term is Growing and Changing and as part of this unit of work I would like each child to bring in 3 photos of themselves when they were a baby, toddler and present day photo. Thank you to everyone who has sent in photos and for those who have yet to do so could you possibly get them in this week as we are writing our information reports about ourselves starting with what we could do when we were babies. You can send them to me via email if you would prefer. My address is judith.louise.roberts@det.nsw.edu.au Looking forward to a great couple of weeks. Judy

From 3-6N

From 36N by Jordan McGrath

Over the last few weeks 36N have been busy with two mini excursions to support our COGS unit about Lord Howe Island and what makes it so unique. The first excursion was to the LHIB Nursery where we had a great hands-on experience with the Phasmids while Hank gave an informative talk about these wonderfully unique creatures. The second excursion was to the museum with Ian Hutton where we learnt about some endangered or once endangered island species like the Woodhen, the Phasmid and the Shearwater. We will be using all the information gathered from our excursions to create a multimedia presentation in our K-6 groups.



Riley and I are starting to pack our bags ready for the Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra, Jindabyne and Sydney in 18 days time. Monique will be joining us in Sydney and it will be good to hear about her recent travels around Australia. Hopefully, there will be lots of snow for us to enjoy.

Today sees the beginning of After-school Sport with the soccer teams all coming together to play in this fantastic community activity. Go the Blue Jelly Beans!! Finally, thanks to everyone that came to today's Open Day to see the great work that 36N have been doing. We hope you enjoyed your visit.

By Jordan McGrath.