



Lord Howe Island Central School

'Today for Tomorrow'



September 4th, 2013

Upcoming Events

04/09 Interest Groups
06/09 School Assembly
07/09 Elections
11/09 Interest Groups
13/09 Cross Country
18/09 Interest Groups
20/09 Last of term
30/09 Tennis camp
08/10 Students return

Canteen Roster

September 6

Janet Taka

September 13

Jim McFadyen

September 20

Lucy Kuilman

Canteen Roster

Term 4

October 11

Helen Mason

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 difficulties and are working to resolve the issue ASAP.

I hope all the fathers out there had a special day last Sunday. On Father's Day it's worth reflecting on how good fathering matters. It matters to mums. It matters to men. And importantly it matters to kids. I have included an article about the importance of being a dad with this newsletter. I hope you enjoy it.

Year 5/6 Excursion – Mr Nulty and the 5/6 students returned last Sunday from their 8 day excursion to the mainland. Everyone enjoyed the amazing experience. Please join us this Friday for our school assembly where we will be having a special presentation on the excursion. Thank you to the P&C for funding the airfares and also for their financial contribution to keep the cost of the excursion so low so all the students could enjoy the unique experience. A huge thank you is especially due to Mr Nulty for all his planning (which started from last year), organising and time to set up the excursion, run meetings, work out budgets, organise notes and the various experiences. I believe 8 days away from his family for the benefit of our students demonstrates a dedication that goes well beyond the 'call of duty'.



Jazz Band Experience - Last Wednesday the students walked over to Pinetrees to enjoy some fantastic Jazz music. The students joined in with their ukuleles and were offered the opportunity to have a go with some of the bands instruments. It was a fantastic experience. Thank you to Pinetrees for the venue and for supporting the experience. A member of the public in attendance donated a cheque for \$1000 to the school to buy some musical instruments.

University Student – A big thank you to Daphne Nichols who has volunteered to offer accommodation to our Student Teacher in term 4. Kurt Diercke Practicum placement will be with 3-6N from week 6 to the end of week 9 (11/11 to 06/12).

Laptops – Next term the school's technology operating system will be updated and aligned with the DEC's most current eT4L network system. This will improve our capability and capacity to utilise technology across the school. We currently have 6 PC's for student use in the 3-6 room and 5 for student use in K-2 room. None of the PC's in the Secondary room are fully functional. We really want to look at getting a set of laptops so we can utilise our wireless capabilities and ensure the learning environment is not restricted to one location at a desk. We are asking for financial help to support the school to purchase a set of new laptops. If you or a business you know can offer to finance \$850 for us to purchase a laptop please contact the school.

Interests Groups – We kicked off Interests groups today. This is for each Wednesday from 2-3p.m until the end of the term. We have Bowls, Pottery and a Drama groups. Thank you to Craig Thompson, Anna Aua and Kristie Thompson for offering to run these extra-curricular experiences to enrich what we can offer at LHICS.

Melbourne Zoo Visit - Rohan Cleave from Melbourne Zoo has offered to provide and lead number of presentations at the school on Lord Howe Island Stick Insects focusing on Melbourne Zoo's work over the last 10 years. He has also kindly offered to present on various aspects and animals from Melbourne Zoo. We are very excited to welcome Rohan to our learning community.

Model Planes - Bob Greaves came into the school and ran some lessons with the students and teachers where they used plans, developed by Bob Greaves, and balsa wood to build their wooden planes. The kids loved it and it was a blast to watch them test their creations. Thank you to Jim McFadyen for organising and providing the balsa wood for the students to use and also to Bob for his energy and time.

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 Trev Mason

Fundraiser - You have probably seen me out walking/running around the roads and hills of Lord Howe Island and the reason for this is that I am getting myself fit to participate in a 9km run/walk at the Blackmores Sydney Running Festival to be held on Sunday 22nd September. I have chosen to fundraise to support the McGrath Foundation which is this years Lord Howe Island Central School SRC charity. I have set myself a goal to raise \$500 and I need your help to achieve this. If you would like to donate to this fantastic cause could you please cut and paste the following link into your browser and make a donation. Any donation is greatly received. <http://www.gofundraise.com.au/pageJUDITHROBERTS1>

Thank you in anticipation and I will keep my page updated with how I am going with my training and how I go on the day of the run.

Judy Roberts





K2R News

There is only 3 weeks left of Term 3. The year has gone so fast, it is almost time for holidays again. Over the last couple of weeks I have bench marked all the students and it has been very exciting to see the progress all of the students have made with their reading. All students have moved reading levels and they will be bringing home different levelled home readers. Keep up the great reading.

This week in maths we will be working on Time, so please discuss with your child what time you usually have dinner, what time the children go to bed and get up in the morning and discuss with them any times that the family usually does an activity together. Here is a great website that you can go onto so that the children can practise reading the time and have fun learning. Just cut and paste the website into your browser.

<http://getsmarts.weebly.com/measurement2.html>

Looking forward to another exciting week of learning.
Judy



My travels were wonderful with many highlights but most memorable was our trip to Katherine Gorge where we experienced a tour along two of the gorges seeing the beauty of the Aboriginal rock paintings and the amazing structure of the gorges. They were gorgeous. Another great experience was our visit to Kakadu National Park where we saw lots of crocodiles, water birds and some beautiful National Park.

When we met our Lord Howe friends at the airport it was the start of another great adventure. I really loved the my first time skiing at Blue Cow on the perfect slopes and going to Questacon in Canberra along with learning about Parliament in this busy election time. I also enjoyed our visit to Sydney where we went to the Sydney Observatory and saw Saturn with its beautiful rings. The Australian National Maritime Museum was great as was the Opera House tour. We had a special surprise when Mr Nulty and mum took us on the Sydney Tallship, 'The Southern Swan'. We were able to climb the rigging up to the top of the mast when we sailed under the Harbour Bridge. What an experience!!!

On behalf of Riley and Jordan, I would like to thank Mum (Julia Thompson) and Mr Nulty for taking us on this awesome excursion.



From 36N

By Monique Thompson.

After three months of traveling with my family to some wonderful places it was fantastic to meet Mr Nulty and my friends from the island at Sydney Airport to begin our 5/6 Canberra, Jindabyne, Sydney Excursion.



Lord Howe Island Parents & Citizens Association

2013 TENNIS CAMP

Dear Parents,

The annual P & C tennis camp will take place during the second week of the coming school holidays – Monday 30th September until Friday 4th October. The camp is open to all students including Transition. The cost is \$60 per student for the five sessions (\$50 for Transition students, as their lesson will be of shorter duration). The camp is also open to siblings & past students who are home from Boarding school if they are interested. Once numbers are finalised, children will be allocated to groups and a note with group times will be sent home in the last week of Term.

Parents of students participating are asked to assist by providing transport in the event of rain (lessons will continue under the COLA if it is raining). Please return the bottom portion of this note, with money, to the P&C in-tray, located in the front office, by **Wednesday 11th September**. If you have any questions, please contact Emma on 6563 2416.

2013 P&C TENNIS CAMP

I wish to register my child/children
for the 2013 P&C Tennis Camp.

Please find attached \$.....being payment for the camp (\$60/school student, \$50/Transition student)

I am/am not able to assist with transport in the event of rain.

Signed: Date:.....