



Lord Howe Island Central School

To create a happy and engaging environment focused on every student's learning!



February 11, 2015

'Today for Tomorrow'

Upcoming Events

16/02- School Council
17/02- Fish Fry - Disc Day
20/02 - Swimming 4 Sport
02/03 - Sea Week
13/03 - Swim Carnival
20/03 - Senior citizens
Morning Tea 11:00am
20/03 - Assembly 12pm
23/03 - Big Music Week
31/03 - School Photos
1-2/04 - School Camp

P&C Canteen Roster

February 13

Natania Drew

February 20

Lucy Kuilman

February 27

Cam Lay

Historical Movies

Roster

February 13

Julia Thompson

Monique Thompson

Jake Wright

February 18

Megan Bennett

Hamish Logan

Aiden Martin

We are well and truly into school life for 2015. It has been a wonderful start to the school year and all the teachers have been impressed by what all of our kids have been doing. Fantastic job everyone!

Despite our technology infrastructure being completely fried during the holidays and into the first few weeks of school the teachers have managed to forge ahead with no printing, no internet and no computer files and still complete assessments, develop relationships and cater for individual learning. The buzz in the classrooms and in the staffroom is very exciting. The kids and team are highly engaged and enjoying learning. Thank you parents for supporting such a smooth start to the year. We look forward to seeing as many families as possible on Tuesday to support the Fish Fry, celebrate the Discovery Night Sports Carnival and also the up coming School Swimming Carnival.

P&C - The P&C Annual General Meeting was held to a record crowd of 12 parents on Monday. Congratulations to our elected P&C committee members - President: Kelly Galloway, Vice President 1: Liz Wright, Vice President 2: Julia Thompson, Secretary: Andrew Logan and our Treasure: Amy Hickey. There were many important issues discussed. The P&C agreed to fund an electronic keyboard for the school choir, part of the Gymnastics cost and also the school photo day, which will be held in the last week of school, Tuesday 31st March. The P&C Canteen Committee is looking into the option of drinks and low fat yoghurt that meet the *Green Label* requirements. Rachael volunteered to lead the P&C phonebook project. This is a big job and we need any changes to the existing numbers, details or names to be noted in the exercise book in the Post Office. The book will be in the Post Office for 2 weeks starting from this Friday. Please support this as soon as possible. The kids will be designing individual pictures at school which will be included the phone book.

Happy Birthday to Mrs Roberts today! *On sad note Mrs Roberts has to leave the Island quickly due to personal reasons. I know everyone will join in our prayers, love and support in this difficult time.*

Gymnastics Program

The children are certainly enjoying their gymnastics with Lisa. It is wonderful to see the students building on their skills from last year. Our new Kindys had a great time getting involved and are gaining in confidence.

Transition Program gives students the best start

The Best Start Assessment data is in for all our Kindy's. We are definitely off to a great start again this year. The 2015 Transition to School program started last week with four students. Good luck everyone involved.

Developing Good Sports

School sport is off to a great start. The students are getting fit and learning to develop teamwork and cooperation skills as they work together having fun practicing for Discovery Day.

Swimming Carnival Update

Our Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 13th of March. To accommodate setting up and the tides we will be starting the carnival at 10:00am.

K-1R News

What a fantastic start to the year! Last week the students were lucky to have Ms Dearden teach them while I was working with the kindergarten students on Best Start Assessments. The students had a wonderful couple of days working on The Very Cranky Bear and performing Reading Theatre with the book as well as playing lots of Ten math game.



On Wednesday, Lisa began Gymnastic lessons and it was good to see that most of the students remembered a lot of the activities from last year.

Rainbow words have been sent home in the student's homework folders and all of the children are very keen to move up the rainbow. Just reminder Kindergarten students only have to read the words whereas Year One need to read and write the words before they move up the Rainbow.

Bertie the Bear has been for his first visit and all the students are keen to have him home for the weekend. Please remember to send him back on Mondays so that the students can share their weekend experiences that they have with him with the rest of the class.

Judy

2-6M News

I would like to start my newsletter insert by saying a big "Thank You" to the Lord Howe Island Community for making my family and I feel so welcome. My children Bonnie and Aidan have already made great friends and are loving the island life – swimming, snorkelling and jetty jumping. Their first day at school was a little surreal for me. I loved watching them walk into school so care free and without shoes!

As for Lord Howe Island Central School, what can I say? I have been blessed to be able to come and experience working in a small, supportive and friendly school environment. I can actually say that I love being on playground duty because it is so refreshing to see and hear all children getting along and caring for each other. If you happen to walk through the school grounds at any 'play' time you will see most of the students skipping (jump rope), from Kindergarten to Year 7. The other day they were even trying to 'Double Dutch', not so easy. I have enjoyed getting to know all of the students at LHICS, particularly 2-6M. What a fantastic bunch of kids! Although it's been a hectic start to the year it's been a lovely start to getting to know them all individually. I look forward to working with them and with the wider community for a productive, exciting and engaging year.

As expected, the year has started with a full timetable. This week the students resumed Gymnastics with Lisa. They had a great time learning, practicing or mastering their handstands. Then finishing with a circuit of mini tramp, tumblers and balancing. A few hesitant students on the balance beam, but with support and encouragement they made their way across. What a great program!



We added Scripture, Island Heritage, French and Music to the timetable this week also. The students enjoyed all of them.

Once again, thank you for such a warm, friendly and welcoming start. It has made my commencement here so easy!

Kylie

Picking up kids - There are a lot of vehicles, bike riders and walkers out when school finishes. Please make sure that any pick-ups and drop-offs before, during and after school by vehicle are done on the oval side of the school please. The front of the school is only for students travelling to and from school on foot or by bike. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

2015 P&C Historical Movie Roster

Wednesdays at 5:00pm at the Town Hall (4:45pm arrival)

January	28	Trev Mason	Isaac Mason
February	4	Inga Brasche	Micah lay
	11	Julia Thompson	Monique Thompson
	18	Megan Bennet	Hamish Logan
	25	Kelly Galloway	Isaac Mason
March	4	Melissa Vowels	Isabella Vowles
	11	Anthony Wright	Wilson Hickey
	18	Simon Martin	Aidan Martin
	25	Inga Brasche	Micah Lay
April	1	School Camp No Historical's	School Camp No Historical's
	22	Jim McFadyen	Ryan Galloway
	29	Melissa Vowels	Lewis Vowels
May	6	John Tofaeono	Lucinda Tofaeono
	13	Janice Chia	Natalie Chia
	20	Julia Thompson	Monique Thompson
	27	Anthony Wright	Jake Wright
June	3	Megan Bennet	Hamish Logan
	10	Simon Martin	Aidan Martin
	17	Kelly Galloway	Ryan Galloway
	24	Janice Chia	Natalie Chia
July	15	John Tofaeono	Lucinda Tofaeono

