



Lord Howe Island Central School

Creating an environment to develop successful learners and confident individuals!



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June 24th 2015

Upcoming Events

26/06 Gold Day
14/07 Students return
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24/07 Tree day
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Term 3

July 17

Dani Rourke

July 24

Audrey Ball

Historical Movies Roster

June 24

Janice Chia

Natalie Chia

Isabella Vowles

Term 3

July 15

John Tofaeono

Lucinda Tofaeono

Aidan Martin

July 22

Trev Mason

Isaac Mason

Isabella Vowles

Thank you everyone for your continued support of our fantastic school this term. We will be holding the Winter Exploration Gold Day this Friday to celebrate and finish off the wonderful term of learning. We are encouraging all students to bring their reef shoes, a hat and something small to share to eat on the day. We will be providing a sausage sizzle for lunch. There will be no canteen this Friday.

Cross Country – The school and community gathered together on Friday, the 12th of June to enjoy one of the most picturesque Cross Country events in Australia. The conditions were ideal and there were a number of personal best achievements. The winners were: Midget Girl: Millie Riddle, RU Pippa Deacon. Midget Boy: Leo Logan. Minor Girl: Hayley McFadyen, RU Audrey Logan. Minor Boy: Brodie Wilson, RU Chase Thompson. Junior Girl: Natalie Chia. Junior Boy: Jake Wright, RU Lewis Vowles. Senior Girl: Isabella Vowles. Senior Boy: Ryan Galloway, RU Isaac Mason. Secondary Girl: Monique Thompson. Secondary Boy: Aidan Martin. Thank you to all the parents that came along and supported the students. They were very excited about our Cross Country Carnival event. A huge thank you and great job to Mrs Roberts who has been leading, planning and organising all the details behind the scenes to ensure another fantastic event. The overall winning house was Gower.

Last Saturday week we held the Stage 3 mainland excursion fundraiser at the Bowling Club. Greg Higgins hosted the Trivia with an informal professional finesse and a huge smile. He did a great a wonderful job, thank you Greg. A team of teachers, Helen Mason and Mel Vowles completed all the marking. Kelly sold raffle tickets and DJ-ed the night. Amy Hickey collected donations. A big thank you to all our helpers and also to our sponsors for the prizes - Pinetrees – Anchorage – Kiosk – Pandanus – Bowling Club (and Amy). As the night progressed we hosted the School Choir and the Island Voices Choir with a capella version of 'Walking On Sunshine'. The Island Voices Choir continued at the end of the Trivia with performances of the Sound of Silence and Hallelujah. This was followed by Teacher Comfort who performed 8 songs. It was a great effort. The Martin Duo completed a full set of over 20 songs where the audience danced and sang along. A huge thank you to all the staff, families and community members for their contributions, time and effort to support this event. We really appreciate it. On the night we raised \$1172 plus a further \$1000 which was donated by Fulton-Hogan. Awesome! - \$2172! The whole evening had a great vibe and was a fun night out.

Mainland School Camp – Next term our students in Year's 5 & 6 will be attending the biannual school mainland excursion. It has been an exciting process to provide a unique opportunity with carefully selected and planned experiences where our kids will be guided to develop their self-efficacy capacity in unfamiliar environments. We have engaged the kids and families to be involved in the planning and organizational process for well over a year. We wanted to ensure the kids have a range of challenges to develop persistence, grit and experience genuine opportunities to apply their skills in new situations. We also want to support our kids to develop their relationship skills, and have a lot of fun. All of the students are in various leadership roles at our school and this is something we wanted to encourage and support as part of the planning and adventure ahead. We have set up unique situations where the kids will have to work together to figure out how to meet the various social challenges and problems to stretch and grow each individuals' interpersonal skills and capacity. We all develop coping skills with support from experienced mentors and by being in situations that push us out of our comfort zones. The final 8 day adventure will provide a great opportunity for our kids to test themselves outside their Island and away from their families. They will see firsthand that they are capable, that they can connect with other kids, that they can solve problems and collaborate. Learning to experience setbacks and move forward is a part of life and an essential ingredient to continued success.

Mrs Martin, Mr Galloway and our four senior students will fly out on Saturday, August the 21st. Please feel free to come out to the airport and send off the crew at 2.00p.m. They will arrive in Sydney and travel to Taronga Zoo for a night of safari adventures and camping. They will enjoy the zoo the next day and then make their way to Brooklyn for the night. Then the kids and adults alike will rock climb, fox slide and engage in a range activities for 3 glorious days at the sport and recreation camp at Milson's Island. Then it's back on the ferry and train to the airport. The team will fly down to Canberra. I can't give away too much as we don't want any spoilers. They will team up with another school for their Parliament House experience. Then they will step onto the footsteps of giants at Cockington Green. Next is the incredible War Memorial experience. It will be early start the following day at the National Museum of Australia before the kids go to Questacon. No school visit to Canberra is complete without a visit to the National Electoral Education Centre. They will squeeze in a tour of Anzac Drive and Embassy Drive before dinner and airport check in for the flight back to Sydney. After a good night's sleep the team will have to rough it on a private launch tour on Sydney Harbour for the day. It will be an early check in and flight back to Lord Howe Island on Sunday the 30th August for a well-earned rest.

School Mainland Camp Meeting – I would like to meet with all the parents of the Year 5 and 6 students who are attending the Mainland Excursion for a meeting at 3.15-4.00p.m on the 16th of July. We will revisit the budget, funds and other requirements. I will also be setting a timeline checklist for everyone to use before the big day.

2-6M Compositions - Mrs Brasche is inviting family and friends into the school tomorrow from 2p.m. The kids have been designing original compositions in groups and will be taking this opportunity to share their creations. It would be great if families and friends are able to come along and support this event.

Public Speaking Presentation - All the students will have the opportunity to participate in our Public Speaking Presentations next term. There was a note sent home last week. Public Speaking will take place in the safety of classrooms. One student from each year group will be selected to demonstrate their Public Speaking Skills at the School Assembly. Make sure you come and witness this wonderful event.

Gold Day - On Friday we are planning on walking up to the Pines at 12p.m to celebrate and finish off the wonderful term of learning this term. It would be appreciated if each family could contribute a small plate of treats to share. The canteen will not be on this Friday as we will be providing a sausage sizzle for lunch. All the kids will return to school around 2.30p.m for a tidy up before the holidays. If it rains we will watch a special movie and have a BBQ at school.

Time off from School - Can you please let us know in advance. This lets us update our planning, assessment and learning routines and also provides the formal written evidence I need for approval of leave. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Term 3 Transition to School Program - We have put out a note to the parents of Transition students as we have had to make some minor changes to the timetable for next term. The Transition Program for Term 3 will commence on Friday, 17th July and will run for the term finishing on Friday 18th September. The Transition Days run from 9:30am – 12:00pm. Ms Turner will be on leave for two weeks and as such we will not be running the program for those 2 weeks she is away. The Transition program will not run on Friday 21st and 28th of August.

Supervision of kids after school - we have had various students staying after school on their own either meeting up with friends for some extra play or waiting around for piano lessons. Mrs Brasche is busy giving her individual lessons during this time. All parents are reminded that all students must either return home straight after school or have active adult supervision please.

School Uniform - It is getting a bit chilly and it is great to see most of the kids wearing jackets and jumpers. We have a couple of students who are wearing jackets that are not school uniform. Can everyone please ensure that all kids are wearing full school uniform.

Education week: We are inviting families and friends for Open day to show case and highlight the quality and diversity of our classrooms on Tuesday the 28th July. We will start in the Library after recess to celebrate being and enjoy a song from our School Choir. Families and friends are then invited into the Open Classrooms up until lunch. Parents are welcome to picnic with their children for lunch to conclude our special Open Day. Students would love their parents, grandparents and friends to see them engage in action in the classrooms.

Reminder about Pupil free day - There will be a pupil free day at the beginning of term 3 on the Monday 13th of July. The students will return to school after the holidays on Tuesday the 14th of July.

K/1R News

For the last couple of weeks we have been learning all about Reducing Waste and how we can be a more sustainable society. We have read some amazing books from some very talented authors and we went to the local co-op where Megan Bennett explained to the students how the co-op does its part in reducing the waste that comes onto the island. This week we have moved onto doing a Film Study on Fern Gully to see how we can use different forms of media to impart knowledge on this subject.



We managed to complete our sand coloured jars this week and the students did a wonderful job. I just hope they all made it home in the state they left school in! Hopefully we will get enough milk cartons to complete our milk carton pencil cases before the end of term.

Hope everyone has a relaxing holiday and comes back ready for an exciting fun filled Term 3.

Judy

From the Secondary Room - Hello mums and dads, Another term is rapidly coming to a close --- holidays are peeping over the horizon. Monique and Aidan have been applying themselves diligently to their subjects and have been rewarded with many accolades from their teachers. They are quick to lend a hand to each other if they're stuck on something but best of all they respect each other. Once again I'd like to tell their parents what great kids they've got and that they should be proud of them. I'd also like to wish Monique and Aidan and the other staff at the school happy and safe holidays. See you all next term.

Pam Goyen

News from 2-6M

I can't believe another term is nearly over! And a jam packed one it's been, again. Despite the miserable weather this term 2-6M have achieved so much. With a focus on persuasive text, the students have been working very hard writing persuasive texts on a number of topics. The latest being that "School holidays should be longer". Here's a couple of quality texts. If you would like to see more, come into to our classroom and check them out.

Student Writing Samples

I am avidly confident that school holidays should be longer. It is absolutely imperative that kids have fun in school holidays. They have already had 10-12 weeks of school time.

I absolutely believe that school holidays should be longer because they are enjoyable. If school holidays were longer, kids would be able to explore a lot more places. They would be able to spend quality time with family and friends. Do you want your kids to have fun?

I am passionate that school holidays should be longer because kids have already had enough learning time. If school holidays were longer kids would be able to relax more. They would also be able to visit more places.

*To wrap things up, I am confident that school holidays should be longer because they are fun and kids have already had a lot of learning time. Don't you agree? **Micah Lay***

It's the first day of school holiday, I'm really happy but it feels like the holidays are only one day long.

I'm strongly confident that school holidays should be longer. Kids deserve to have more family time in the holidays. School holidays must be longer so you can relax and have fun. Do you want to relax and have fun?

I'm avidly passionate that school holidays should be longer because your brothers or sisters are home longer from high school. School holidays should be longer so you have more quality time with your family. Do you want to spend more quality time with your family?

I'm extremely accurate that school holidays should be longer so you can relax and have fun. School holidays should be longer so you can play with your friends.

*To wrap things up I know that school holidays should be longer so you can relax and have fun. **Jake Wright***

We've also been working on our unit Australia. Just this week we've been looking at the states, territories and capital cities of Australia. All the students demonstrated a pretty good knowledge. Maybe you could quiz them a little at home? It was interesting to share which states each student had been to. As part of this unit we've started looking at some classic Australian music, specifically, Waltzing Matilda. We've even started playing it on the ukes.

Jumpers, Jumpers, Jumpers! Please ensure your child's jumper is clearly labelled. Unfortunately each afternoon there seems to be a few jumpers left behind, despite my nagging, so please make sure they're labelled clearly so at least they can get them the next day.

Thanks again everyone for a great term, can't believe this year is half way through. And a big thanks to the students of 2-6M for working so hard this term. Looking forward to the second half of the year.

Kylie

Historical Movie Roster - Term 3

July	15	John Tofaeono	Lucinda Tofaeono Aidan Martin
	22	Trev Mason	Isaac Mason Isabella Vowles
	29	Inga Brasche	Micah lay Wilson Hickey
August	5	Julia Thompson	Monique Thompson Jake Wright
	12	Megan Bennet	Hamish Logan Aiden Martin
	19	Kelly Galloway	Isaac Mason Ryan Galloway
	26	Melissa Vowels	Micah Lay Lewis Vowels
September	2	Jim McFadyen	Hayley McFadyen Jake Wright
	9	Janice Chia	Hamish Logan Natalie Chia
	16	Simon Martin	Aidan Martin Wilson Hickey

Canteen Roster - Term 3

Week	Date	Volunteer	Phone
1	17 July	Dani Rourke	2378
2	24 July	Audrey Ball	2263
3	31 July	Natania Drew	2124
4	7 August	Lucy Kuilman	2497
5	14 August	Cam Lay	2387
6	21 August	Rachael McFadyen	2481
7	28 August	Judy Riddle	2268
8	4 September	Emily Riddle	2243
9	11 September	Janice Ong	2284
10	18 September	Megan Bennett	2353