

Lord Howe Island Central School

'Today for Tomorrow'





December 7th, 2016

Upcoming Events

07-09/12 Swim School 09/12 Last Transition 2016

13/12 Year 6 Farewell

14/12 Reports home

15/12 Presentation Day 6pm

16/12 Gold Day

16/12 Secret Santa

17/12 School Hols begin

17/12 P&C farewell Pot Luck

06/01 P&C Disco 7-9.30p.m

18/01 P&C Disco 7-9.30p.m

27/01 Staff return

27/01 Uniforms avail for pick up

30/01 Students return

06/02 P&C AGM Meeting

<u>Historical Movies</u> <u>Roster</u>

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Kelly Galloway Ryan Galloway





As I write my final school newsletter since we arrived in January in 2013, I feel humbled by the experience that Lord Howe Island CS has meant. I truly believe that this is one of the most special schools in the state, and the opportunity to lead it for the last four years is one I'll always treasure. I'd like to thank the many people who've made it such a wonderful experience for Helen, Isaac, Taylor, Benjamin and myself to live here.

I would like to publically thank Mrs Roberts and Mrs Martin for their commitment to their classes and the school this year. Their care and approach to each student overcomes many obstacles for students which in other environments would lead to significant issues. Thank you to our dedicated and reliable casual teaching staff Mrs Tofaeono and Ms Turner who have all made significant contributions to all our kids learning in their own positive way. A very special thank you to Mrs Higgins for her support of the running of the school over the last 4 years. We simply could not have achieved the excellent learning and sensational culture without everyone committing 100% to creating a special place for learning. Thanks Denise and Craig for their work ensuring the school is genuinely a beautiful place for children to come to each day. Denise is formally retiring from the school this year. I know everyone will join me in wishing her a fond farewell and well earned rest for her next adventure.

Many thanks and the up most appreciation to all the parents and community members who helped make this a wonderful place for the kids. The engagement and effort to support the school has been phenomenal. Finally, thank you to the students who have made me smile and appreciate why we love making a difference every day. It is always an exciting time as we approach the end of the year as we get to see a lot of planning and hard work come to fruition with our kids. But it's also a sad time of year as the reality is that things will change and some of us won't be here next year. I will be leading Wallacia PS, Isaac will starting at Springwood High School, Taylor will be starting at Faulconbridge PS and Benjamin will be starting Xavier's School for Gifted Youngsters to begin his training to control his powers to help foster healthy human-mutant relationships. Ryan and Wilson will finish their Primary schooling and start DE with the High Schoolers and Camden Haven next year. The staff will be taking Isaac, Ryan and Wilson out for their Year 6 farewell on the 13th December. This will be a special night to farewell a special group of lads. On the last day of school all the students will finish the year at Ned's with our special Gold Day Secret Santa.

Warm regards Trev Mason

School Finish and Start dates - School finishes for students on Friday the 16th of December. School resumes for staff on Friday, January 27, 2017. Students commence their first day on Monday, January 30. We look forward to our 2017 Kindergarten students starting their schooling career.

P&C - The final P&C meeting was held on Monday night. There was some important discussion on the update for the 2017 Transition to School Program. We have had various communications with the Department Directors who have been considering the implications of our 2017 Transition to Program. The good news is we will be able to run our Transition to School Program again in 2017. The Department of Education believes that in order to ensure children in the year before commencing school on Lord Howe Island have the best start to schooling, they will provide funding to enable the principal to engage a teacher to operate a Transition to School program for half a day per week for the 2017 school year. As the department is funding the teaching position, parents and carers will not be required to contribute to the cost of the teacher. The school will receive funding for 12 months. During 2017, the Department will work with the principal, director and residents to develop a sustainable model of delivery for 2018 and beyond. It is recognised by the Department that due to the circumstances on the island (ie no other prior-to-school facility), the Transition Program will be unique in terms of service delivery. The program will allow the children who attend the opportunity to engage in various activities, including literacy and numeracy activities, to maximise their success at school. The principal will coordinate the program's development of activities, lessons and the logistics of the strategy including delivery location within the school, and liaise with the community.

Disco - The P&C will be holding a couple of special discos in the Hall, during the Xmas holidays, for all kids up 16 years of age. The first disco will be held on Friday 06/01 & the 2nd disco will be on Wed 18/01, both from 7.00-9.30 p.m. If you are able to support with supervision please contact our lead disco muso, Kelly G.

The P&C needs all the mums and dads to catch some fish for the Fish Fry/Discovery Day which is on the 17/02/17. Any fish caught can be dropped up at Ocean View for cleaning and freezing ready for Discovery Night. The P&C AGM will be held on Monday, 1st of February in the library. All Welcome! Well done to our awesome P&C and in particularly Kelly, for such a wonderful 4 years, thank you.

School Reports – The teachers are organising all their assessment and are busy writing the final end of year reports for the students. The reports will go out on Wednesday next week – 14th December.



Presentation Day - The students and team are working over-time to really out do themselves to put on a super exciting show for Presentation Day. A huge thank you to the teachers for their extra work, effort and dedication to push on with our best foot forward to celebrate and appreciate a special year for the kids. Presentation day will be held at School on the grass like last year. We will celebrate the success of our students in style on Thursday, December 15th here at 6:45pm. The students will need to wear black shorts or bike pants and a black T-shirt (Rockfest top is great).

The audience will have the grass area to view the performances. Please feel free to get right up the front for the best viewing spot to see the kids. We will have a few seats out which will be reserved for the elderly. The rest of the grass is for everyone to use. Please bring their your own seating. There is plenty of room for families and friends to enjoy with a picnic rug.

Swim School – Hats off to the team for the fantastic swim school program. The kids are having a ball learning to improve their vital swimming skills. The intensive swimming training supports our students to be able to swim safely in the holidays. A big thank you to all the parents involved. Without your help we could not provide the program across the school for all students.

Uniforms - We will need all school uniform orders returned to Leonie (in the office) please,. In order to ensure the uniform delivery is returned before school starts back up, we require returned order forms prior to Thursday 15/12. Please see the uniform order form attached if required. Uniforms will be available for collection from Staff Development Day, 27/01/17.

Judy, Trev (& family) **PC Farwell -** It has been a very busy end of year with the principal handover, swim school, planning, reporting and end of year organisation & packing for the move back to the mainland. As such, we would really enjoy the opportunity to say Good Bye to everyone. Please come and join us for a Pot Luck on Saturday 17/12 from 5 p.m. at the Aquatic Club or Neds-Actual venue to be advised on the day depending on the weather. All welcome.



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UNIFORM ORDERS Prices include GST

NAME								
Quantity					<u>Size</u>	<u>Total</u>		
SPORTS	SKIRTS " Sleeke" Net	tball Skirt (N	IS) Sizes 6-	16 \$ 13.75				
	Black (Lidgbird)							
	Royal (Gower)							
SPORTS	& SCHOOL SHIRTS							
	Short Sleeved	LW Reid	42205 12205	Child 6-16Y \$ 20.00 Adult 14S-26 \$ 14.00				
	White (Lidgbird)		12203	Adult 143-20 \$ 14.00				
	Gold (Gower)							
	Bottle Green							
	Long Sleeved	L W Reid	4220LS	Child 6-16Y \$ 25.00				
	Bottle Green							
SCHOOL SHORTS Gaberdine Long Leg Full Elastic Waist Size 6 -16Y L4866\$ 12.00								
	Grey (Junior Boys)							
	Royal (Gower)							
	Black (Lidgbird)							
	Black Knit Shorts size							
	Royal Knit Shorts							

SWEAT:	SHIRTS & JAC	KETS								
	Sweat Shirt	LW Reid 4310CN	Child 6-16 Y\$ 14.00							
	School Green (Bottle)									
	Polar Fleece Jacket LW Reid 4300JK Child 6-16Y \$ 17.00									
	School Green (I	Bottle)								
TRACK PANTS LW Reid 4310TP Child 6-16Y \$ 16.00										
	School Green									
JUNIOR	GIRLS UNIFOR	<u>RM</u>								
	Size 6 @ \$ 38.0	00								
	Size 8 @ \$ 39.0	00								
	Size 10 @ \$ 40.	.00								
	Size 12 @ \$41	.00								
	Size 14 @ \$ 42	.00								
SENIOR	GIRLS SKIRT									
	Sizes 8-18 @ \$	38.00								
SCHOOL	LHATS @\$1	8.00								
	Green									
LIBRARY/CONFERENCE BAGS BO11LC @ \$ 3.50										
	Unbleached Cal	lico								
SCHOOL	L BADGE @ \$ 6.	60								
	Badge									
TOTAL COSTS WILL BE CALCULATED WHEN THE ORDERS ARRIVE. ANY MONIES OWING ARE TO BE PAID ON RECEIPT OF GOODS										

Trev Mason Principal