From the Principal

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

All students other than those in Kindergarten will attend SRE or attend other activities as per last year arrangements unless parents provide written requests to the contrary. Kinder and new parents to the school are asked to nominate either Catholic, Protestant or Non Scripture by filling in attached and returning to their class teacher. Our specialist volunteers are trained to provide Special Religious Education.

P&C AGM

The first P&C meeting of the year is fast approaching. We hope to see many new and familiar faces participate in this vital school community group. At each meeting, a “Principal’s Report” is provided which includes more detail about what is happening at the school. There is also the opportunity to ask questions and to participate in discussions about issues of interest. It is a wonderful chance to get to know other parents and staff.

In 2015 we are looking for people who are willing to take up various positions of the P&C. We have staff and parents who are willing to provide all the support and help needed to transition into these positions. We had a small but fantastic P&C team last year and we are now in a period of transition and would love to see new parents step into these roles and help bring some new ideas to the P&C team. All office bearer positions are declared vacant and therefore, available for election at each AGM. Positions to be filled: President / Two Vice- Presidents / Secretary / Treasurer.

Vicki O’Rourke

IMPORTANT DATES

WEEK 5

Monday, February 23  
7pm

P&C AGM

Main Staffroom

Friday, February 27  
11:45 am

Induction Assembly

Leadership Team, SRC, House Captains, Library Monitors, Music Monitors

WEEK 8

Wednesday, March 18  
School Photos

Living Life Well

How fantastic it is to walk through our playgrounds and see the entire school participating in physical activity each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning! As a school we value the importance of regular physical activity for both the body and mind. Following our dedicated physical activity sessions, we are noticing that students and staff are entering classrooms happier and more ready to engage in classroom tasks. During the semester you might notice that regular homework will also incorporate some movement components. After witnessing the positive impact that exercise has on the demeanour of staff and students here at school, we are definitely encouraging everyone to jump on board with regular physical activity at home.
District Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to all of our students who travelled to Portland last Friday to participate in the Lithgow District Swimming Carnival. All students represented the school with distinction and great sportsmanship culminating in Lithgow Public being named Champion school for 2015. Well done to our students who made it through to the next round at Dubbo and those who were named champions in their age divisions.

Junior Boy Champion   Angus Clues
Junior Girl Champion  Emma Healey
Senior Boy Champion   Owen Haddon
Senior Girl Champion  Molly Compton

Head lice
There have been numerous cases of Head lice reported within the school. We would appreciate if you could please check your child’s hair for lice on a regular basis and treat your child for head lice as soon as possible. Sometimes it may take more than one treatment to get rid of this common childhood complaint. Further information is available from NSW Health on their website www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/environment/headlice/treatment.asp

Canteen Orders
Please make sure when placing lunch orders at the Canteen that you put your child’s name and the full class name that they are in. For example 1/2 Waratahs, not just 1/2W.

Netball
Lithgow Netball Association will be running muster days at the Valley Plaza on 21st February and 28th February from 10am-1pm opposite Sunny Ridge butchers. All current and new players are welcome.

Workies Junior Hockey Muster Day
Registrations for the 2015 hockey season will be held at the Lithgow Workies (OGrady’s) on Thursday 19th February & Thursday 26th February from 4:30 to 6:30pm and also on Saturday 21st February from 10am to 12pm.
All new and previous players welcome. Mixed competition - boys and girls from U7’s to U15/17’s.
If you require further information contact Kylie 0429003646 or Robyn 0439418177.

Zig Zag Junior Hockey Club
Zig Zag Junior Hockey are having their Muster Day February 25 from 4-6pm at the Hockey Club House meeting room.
Ages groups are u/7’s, u/9’s, u/11’s, u/13’, u/15-17’s.
We take ages from 4 and upwards.
All are welcome.
For further information please contact Mick McGrath 0427 547 650 Christine Stapleton 0418 395 927.

LPS P&C
Annual General Meeting
Monday 23 February
Commencing at 7pm

At the Annual General Meeting, office bearers will be elected for 2015. A short meeting will follow the elections to allow for updates on building and maintenance projects around the school and for the Principal to speak to parents about the coming year.
All newcomers very welcome!