From the Principal
Thank you to our P&C mothers for the lovely selection of gifts for our students to give to their mum’s on Mothers’ Day. I hope all of our wonderful Mums’ had a great day! Our next P&C meeting will be held in the Staffroom next Monday evening at 7pm. All parents are very welcome to attend.

Safety and security
From last Monday the back gates on Short Street, the side perimeter gates on Eskbank Street and the Mort Street (West Block) gates will be locked between 9.15am and 2.45pm. During these times access to the school is via the Front Office at the entrance to the school on Mort Street. When parents and friends come to the school during the day, they should present to the front office on arrival. This is a Legal and Workplace Safety requirement and is followed for the safety and security of all children and teachers.

NAPLAN
This week on Tuesday to Thursday all our Year 3 and 5 students are sitting the National Assessments in Literacy and Numeracy. These tests will compare our student’s progress with similar aged students across Australia and are a snap-shot of their achievements.

If your child misses one of the tests, due to an unforeseen absence, there will be an opportunity for them to sit the test within the week, but for management reasons, we would prefer all students working through the assessment schedule without variations.

Food Allergies
We do have several children at our school who have peanut allergies and have severe reactions if exposed to this food. Parents are asked to be mindful of this when packing recess and lunch and are encouraged not to send products which contain nuts in them to school.

A general reminder:-
We continue to encourage parents to make appointments to come and talk about your child’s progress, problems that may arise, ideas etc. It is reminded that the education of your child is a team effort with teachers and parents being the main stakeholders. With this in mind, it is an important reminder that the parent/teacher relationship always needs to be cohesive and supportive and one of mutual respect. I am sure we will continue to work with one another in a positive manner.

Our School Newsletter is uploaded every Wednesday to our school website so all parents receive information at the same time. Please refer to our website at www.lithgow-p.schools.nsw.edu.au to download the weekly newsletter.

Have a great week!

Vicki O’Rourke
Premier’s Reading Challenge Week 4, Term 2

Congratulations to the boys and girls on reaching these milestones during the week – we’re certainly powering along!

5-9 Books: Alyssa Falls, Sparsh Kothari, Monika Mason, Bree Muldoon, Emily Savage, Lily Hazell, Sam Irvin


15+ Books (Primary): Emily Healey, Connor Hoson, Andrei Falls

20+ Books (Infants): Tristan Smith, Riley Cameron, Jaimie Falls, Ashlea Griffiths, Ryan Hodges, Amieka Mayenschein, Leane McManus, Bailey Tucker, Thomas Benincasa, Brandon Burgess, Hollie Ellis, Kai Fuller, Mitchell Kinney, Lauren Kirby, Navraj Kochhar, Cooper Mostyn, Christopher Pilarcik Gee, Eli Tonkin, Ryan Van Der Velden

Challenge Completed: These boys and girls have now finished reading the required number of books for their age group – 30 books for K-2 and 20 books for Years 3-6. Well done!!!!

Kindergarten: Beau Gill
Year 2: Jordan Livingston
Year 3: Sophie Slatter
Year 4: Emma Dick
Year 5: Harrison Livingston

“Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body.”
(Richard Steele)

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
NORTA NORTA Program In-Class-Tutor
Lithgow Public School

Expressions of Interest are being sought from individuals interested in tutoring Aboriginal students for the Norta Norta Program.

The Norta Norta Program provides targeted support for Aboriginal students to accelerate progress in student achievement.

The focus of the program is to provide learning assistance in the key learning areas of literacy and numeracy to improve educational outcomes for Aboriginal students.

Applications close Wednesday 20th May 4pm.

For further information please refer to last week’s school newsletter.