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February 9 – Swimming Carnival at Roselands Pool

## Principal's Message

### Thought for the Week...

**"Education is not preparation for life;  
education is life itself."**

**~ John Dewey ~**

It's hard to believe it is almost the end of the year. Thank you again for your ongoing support this term as so many things have changed and required us all to adjust. We really appreciate your patience and understanding through this journey. Attached to this newsletter is a note containing the latest important information in relation to the Department of Education's COVID guidelines and COVID-safe school practices.

## Year 5 Leadership Day

Congratulations to our Year 5 students who recently participated in 'Leadership Day'. Led by Mrs Harris and Mr Walker, our Year 5

students experienced a range of collaborative activities aimed at developing their

understanding of what qualities are found in effective leaders. They also heard from our current student executive about their roles and responsibilities and provided words of wisdom to their peers. Our Year 5 cohort then nominated their peers for a role on the student executive team for 2022. The successful students who proceeded through to the voting process, prepared and delivered wonderful speeches articulating why the LPS student body should vote them for captain in 2022. **Well done to Georgia, Gabriella, Allie, Aisha, Marcus, Kieran, Riley and Ethan who have been selected as the student executive in 2022!** The outcome of the voting process to determine captains, vice captains and prefects will be announced at our Presentation Day Assembly on Thursday, 9th December. Well done to all of our Year 5 students, who have embraced the mantra that not all leaders wear a badge or have a title. We look forward to all of our 2022 Year 6 students modelling positive leadership to their younger peers.





## Students Enrolling and Departing

We appreciate the families who have informed us of their plans and school changes for next year. It has been helpful as we work through the class formation process. Please email the school if you will be leaving the school at the end of the year. We are still accepting enrolments for 2022 from Kindergarten to Year 6. Please let your family and friends know that if they are seeking enrolment at the school for 2022, they need to contact our school as soon as possible.

## Kindergarten Transition for 2022 students – ‘Leap Into Lugarno’ Transition Program

We are looking forward to the third and final session of our "Leap Into Lugarno" Kindergarten transition program tomorrow, Wednesday 1st December.

Please access our designated drop-off and collection point at your child's allocated time through the large double gates on Lugarno Parade. For COVID safety, we request adults wear a face mask while dropping off and picking up students. As per current Department of Education directives, only one fully vaccinated adult is to accompany each child/family to the transition visits. We ask that you sign in using the QR codes attached to the gates and provide proof of vaccination status on request. We will also confirm your child is well before entry. This may include signing of enrolment forms. The 2022 Kindergarten students will then be taken to the classrooms for their orientation and transition activities.

When you drop your child off, could you please ensure they have a labelled backpack containing a water bottle, a small container of chopped fruit or vegetables and a change of clothing in case of an unforeseen toileting accident.

For your convenience, we will once again have a uniform display at the drop off point for you to view the various uniform options and make an online order. An information pack/"showbag" will also be given to each child.

We look forward to parents joining us for our next parent information session at 5pm via Zoom on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December.

## **Class Placement 2022**

If you have any specific information that the school needs to be aware of in regards to your child's class placement for 2022, this needs to be put in writing and addressed to the Principal as soon as possible. Please be aware that requests for placement with specific teachers will not be considered except in exceptional circumstances.

If you provided information in relation to previous school years, please be aware that you will need to contact us again in relation to the 2022 school year as these considerations are looked at annually.

## **ICAS Award Winners**

We have now received the ICAS writing results. for Congratulations to our many students who participated in the 2021 ICAS Competitions, many of whom attained fantastic results! A list of students who attained a Credit, Distinction or High Distinction appears later in this newsletter.

## **No sharing of food**

Due to COVID guidelines we kindly ask that you please refrain from sending food items into school such as candy canes or lollies for other children.

## **Uniform Shop**

The Uniform Shop continues to remain closed for on-site purchases. Uniform Shop orders can be placed online via Qkr! and will be distributed via classrooms. If you have any questions, or are interested in second-hand uniforms, please send an email to: [uniformshop@lugarnopandc.org.au](mailto:uniformshop@lugarnopandc.org.au). Our Uniform Shop Coordinator, Janette Allardyce-Walker will get back to you as soon as possible.

## **Morning Supervision and Morning Drop Offs**

A friendly reminder that there is no teacher supervision before 8.30am. We have had a number of children arriving well before 8.30am this week. Please refrain from sending students prior to 8.30am. If you require before school supervision/care, please book in with our OOSH facility. Bookings can be made by calling ph: 0411 137 833.

Morning drop offs – Please ensure K-2 students are dropped off between 8.30-8.50am and enter through the Lugarno Parade gate.

Please ensure students in 3-6 are dropped off between 8.30-8.50am and enter through the Old Forest Rd gate.

Any students who arrive after the 8.50am bell, need to enter through the front office to obtain a late pass. Please ensure that if your child is late, that a note or email explaining the reason for your child's lateness is sent to the school.

## **Drop off and pick up COVID safety**

We are using a staggered pick-up schedule and multiple exit points to minimise the congregation of parents and families outside the school. Could you please help keep our community safe by not lingering after the school bell and exit the pickup zone as quickly as possible. Thank you.



## Virtual Assemblies

Our next virtual assemblies will be held this Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December via Zoom.

There will be a K-2 assembly at 10.00am and a 3-6 assembly at 11.30am. Zoom links attached to the newsletter.

## PSSA Uniforms

Please ensure all PSSA Uniforms are washed and returned to school as soon as possible. Thank you.

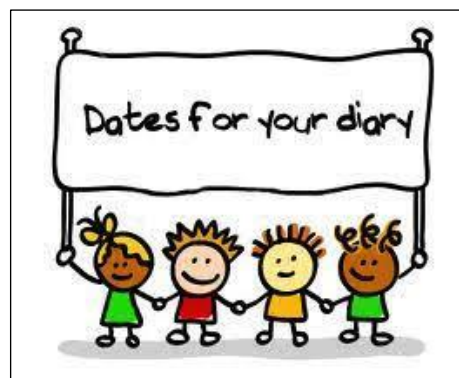
**Have a great week and stay safe LPS!**

**Mrs Williams**

**Principal**

## Dates for your diaries

Please note that dates are correct at time of publishing but subject to change and subject to COVID guidelines and restrictions.



### Term 4, 2021

#### **Week 9**

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Session 3 of our 'Leap Into Lugarno' Kindergarten Transition Program – please see information emailed to parents
- Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December – virtual parent information session for Kindergarten 2022

#### **Week 10**

- Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> December – Presentation Day Assemblies for Stage 1, 2 and 3 – please note that these will be student and staff events only but filmed for parents to view at a later stage. Please See attached COVID guideline information. **Students are asked to come in full school summer uniform.**
- Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> December – Semester 2 Reports sent home
- Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> December – Kindergarten presentation and graduation assembly — please note that this will be a student and staff event only but filmed for parents to view at a later stage. Please See attached COVID guideline information

### **Week 11**

- Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Farewell – more details to come
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December – final day for students; stage-based talent quests; Year 6 graduation assembly and clap out — please note our year 6 Graduation Assembly will be a student and staff event only but shared via Zoom for parents to view. Please See attached COVID guideline information.

## **2022**

### **Week 1, Term 1**

- Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2022 Years 1-6 students return
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February- Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 Kinder students 'Best Start' Assessment interviews – each student will be allocated a day and time

### **Week 2**

- Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> February – all 2022 Kindergarten students officially commence
- Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 – Swimming Carnival at Roselands Pool

## **Notes**

Please note that you can download notes from our website. If students need a copy of a note from the office, there will be a charge of 50c.

**Spare payment envelopes are available from the office.**

# Kids in the Kitchen

## Milo Muffins

### Ingredients

- 1 3/4 cups self-raising flour sifted
- 1/2 cup milk choc bits
- 1/2 cup white choc bits
- 1 1/4 cups milk
- 75 g butter melted
- 1 cup Milo
- 1 egg



### Method

1. Combine sifted flour and choc bits in a bowl.
2. Combine milk, butter and Milo. Add to dry ingredients with lightly beaten egg, mix well.
3. Spoon mixture into deep lined muffin pans.
4. Bake at 200C for 20-25 minutes.

Recipe from *Australia's Best Recipes* ([Browse All Cooking with kidsrecipes](#) | [Australia's Best Recipes](#))

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Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021

## Important Update for Parents and Carers

Dear parents and carers,

In order to minimise disruptions caused to schools by COVID-19 cases, and to maximise the time our students have learning in the classrooms a number of changes to operations for schools will be introduced from Monday 29 November for the remainder of Term 4.

### Rapid antigen 'test-to-stay' program

A rapid antigen home testing (RAHT) 'test-to-stay' program will be available to any student who is a close contact of a COVID-19 case in a school setting. This will enable them to get back to school immediately following a negative PCR test and on the basis they do daily RAHTs before attending school across 7 consecutive days. This means that our students' learning is able to continue with minimal interruptions following a positive COVID-19 case. Full support will be available to help you implement this should it be required at our school and many other schools and students are already using RAHTs successfully.

### An update to our cleaning protocols

NSW public schools are cleaned by professional cleaners each day, guided by expert advice from the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC), the National Health and Medical Research Council and NSW Health. As we have already seen in many schools, cohorting and our other COVID-safe layers of protection have been effective at minimising disruption. NSW Health has provided clear advice, based on evidence that the department's regular clean, day clean and enhanced clean provides a more than sufficient layer of protection in schools for students and staff. NSW Health have advised there is no health and safety benefit to undertaking an environmental clean which is highly disruptive to a school's ongoing operations and can close a school for up to 2 days. This is another important change that will get students back into classrooms faster in parallel with the 'test-to-stay' program. You can read more on the department's [website](#) about the different levels of cleaning in place in our schools.

### Student attendance at school

- All students are expected to be at school unless they are unwell. Do not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms. Get tested for COVID-19 and follow NSW Health directions. Find your local [testing clinics](#).
- If you have any COVID-19 symptoms you will be sent home and must not return to school unless you have either:
  - isolated for 10 days, when no medical certificate is available
  - a negative COVID-19 test result and are symptom free.
- In circumstances where a student has other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from your GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.
- Self-isolation periods and testing requirements differ for close contacts based on their exposure and vaccination status. Refer to [NSW Health's advice for close contacts](#) for more information.

- Rapid antigen home testing might be an option for students and school-based staff to return to face-to-face learning and teaching. Refer to the department's [Response protocols](#) for more information.

### **COVID-safe measures at school**

A combination of layered safety measures – vaccination, wearing masks, student cohorting, physical distancing, ventilation, hygiene and cleaning - allows us to prioritise student and staff wellbeing while we keep schools operational.

### **Assemblies and presentations**

Assemblies and presentations will be allowed outdoors on site. Cohorts will be separated with physical distancing in place where practicable. Fully vaccinated visitors (including parents and carers) are only allowed to attend if **invited by the school to complete a specific role (such as presenting)**.

As per the guidelines above, our presentation day, Kinder and Year 6 graduation assemblies have been modified to comply with the guidelines.

Our presentation day assemblies will be in stage-based cohort groups for Stages 1, 2 and 3 and will be a **student and staff event only**. As we will be proceeding with stage-based presentation day assemblies in existing cohort groups, our assemblies will take place in the school hall.

The presentation day assemblies scheduled for Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December will be filmed for parents to view. We hope to have these videos available on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> December. The Kindergarten Graduation Assembly scheduled for Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> December will also be a student and staff event only and will again be filmed for parents, with the film being made available on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> December.

Based on the current guidelines, the Year 6 Graduation Assembly on the last day of term on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> December will also be a student and staff event only. This will be held via Zoom and the students across the school will engage in a “clap out” of our Year 6 students and any exiting students. The clap out will be done in front of each class or on the class verandah prior to dismissal. Our annual presentation of small gifts to our departing families will be incorporated into the Zoom assembly, with gifts sent home with students.

We understand that this is disappointing for parents who would like to join us at school for the celebrations, but based on the current guidelines for all schools, we are unable to proceed as normal this year.

Please continue to refer to the department's [Advice for families page](#) for the latest information on settings in our schools.

Thank you again for your continued support during this school term.

Kind regards,

Justine Williams

Principal



## LPS LIBRARY NEWS

### TERM 4, WEEK 9

#### From 'The Hub'

Library this term was a little unusual and very flexible with fluid library days. Thank you to all the students who borrowed both eBooks and library books this year. Borrowing numbers increased from 2020 which is wonderful! Special mention to class 2R for their excellent borrowing record and their reward of an afternoon of 'Minecraft Education' learning.

As mentioned previously, a library website has been created to showcase students work and new book releases. I am happy for any student to send me a photo and book review blurb for the website.

Click on the link below to check it out.

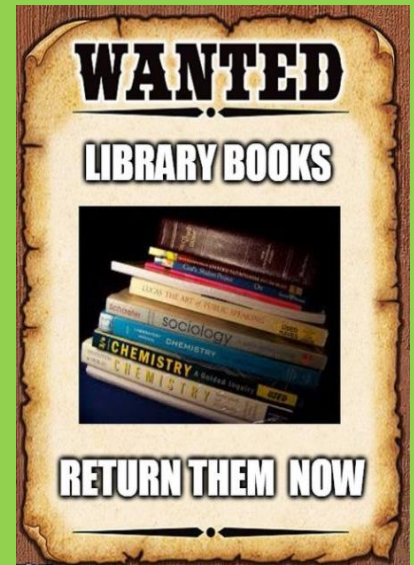
<https://www.lps-thehublibrary.com/showcase>

#### Friendly REMINDER

Would all LPS families please check for library books and return them to school this week (Week 9). We are conducting our annual stock take in week's 10 & 11 and it makes our job much easier if we have all our books returned prior to commencement.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Welcome to  
THE HUB



#### LPS Library Activities

Annual Stock take in Week  
10 and 11.



## 2021 NSW PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Premiers Reading Challenge closed at the end of August and certificates will be distributed later in the year. Congratulations, to all of K-2 as they have all qualified for a certificate this year and to those avid 3-6 readers who have logged their own books and completed the challenge again. All Gold, bronze and platinum will be presented at this year's presentation day. Well done!

### Kids Teaching Kids conference 2021

Lugarno Public School was fortunate enough to be invited to the 2021 Kids Teaching Kids Conference. The Kids Teaching Kids program has been running for over 22 years. The aim of the program is to promote positive wellbeing and help build resilience in young people. It raises awareness and drives action on local and global environmental issues, bringing communities together to solve common challenges and help our students to become leaders who will take collective responsibility for our future.

We were invited as a presenter for the Minecraft Education world we built that included Indigenous perspectives in our local area. Our world focused on H.V. Evatt Park, Glenlee Farm and the Georges River. Our first entry into the Indigital program was very successful and based on this we received an invitation to adapt our Minecraft Education World to focus more on the Georges River and an issue that was impacting the water quality. The Stage 3 students in this group researched major causes of pollution in the Georges River and discovered the main cause was from storm water runoff. They decided to build gross pollution traps (GPTs) into the world to filter rubbish along the river.

This program required the students to create a lesson that would demonstrate the impact of pollution in the river, teach the lesson through a video recording and then brainstorm an idea to leave an 'action legacy plan' for Lugarno Public School. The students decided on a 'rainwater garden' to help filter pollution before it reaches the storm water on our school property and drafted a plan to put this in place for 2022.

The students enjoyed listening to guest speakers Eddie Betts, Costa Georgiadis & Lucy Skelton and their inspirational stories about leadership, the environment and sustainability and most importantly how one person can make a difference.

### #KidsTeachCon21 Objectives



**Build**

the existing program to  
over a comprehensive  
action peer-teaching  
program



**Increase**

environmental and  
sustainability literacy  
within schools across  
Australia



**Establish**

solid understanding of the  
threats to the environment  
with a view to their protection  
by generating action



**Provide**

young people with  
opportunity to develop  
they will be heard  
and into the future



# ICAS Results 2021

	<u>English</u>	<u>Writing</u>	<u>Maths</u>	<u>Dig. Tech.</u>
High Distinction	Kally S (Yr2)		Harry Z (yr4)	
Distinction	Isabelle C (yr3) Chelsea W (yr3) Zac P (yr4) Ryan S (yr4) Liliana R (yr4) Zoe R (yr4)	Ryan S (yr4) Harry Z (yr4) Lexie L (yr5) Eva V (yr6)	Terry C (yr3) Alexander C (yr3) Chelsea W (yr 3) Chloe H (yr4) Zac P (yr 4) Liliana R (yr4) Ryan S (yr4) Riley T (yr5) Anthony K (yr6)	Isabelle C (yr3) Zac P (yr4) Liliana R (yr4) Ryan S (yr4) Harry Z (yr4)
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Merit	Baxter B (yr2) Ethan C (yr2) Christina Z (yr2) Jamie L (yr3)	Lucas G (yr4)	Joshua A (yr2) James G (yr2) Noah M (yr2)	Francesca V (yr4) Maximilian W (yr6)

Mrs Androulakis  
2021 ICAS Co-ordinator





"LEAP INTO LUGARNO"

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR  
OUR NEXT  
KINDERGARTEN  
TRANSITION  
PARENT & CARER  
INFORMATION SESSION**

Virtual Meeting

**THURSDAY, 2ND  
DECEMBER 2021  
5-6PM**

[https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/67157920065?  
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Meeting ID: 671 5792 0065  
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**THURSDAY, 2ND  
DECEMBER 2021 @5PM**

Meeting Agenda:

- Uniforms
- Info Pack
- Welcome from our LPS  
P & C President, Melissa  
Porter
- Best Start Assesment  
and interview times
- Information about the  
Kinder start in 2022





## Week 9, Term 4 LPS Virtual Assemblies – Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021

<b>K-2 – 10.00-10.30am</b>	
<b>Assembly Leaders:</b>	Sophia, Anthony, Ashton and Lillah
<b>Classes:</b>	KW, K/1A, 1/2D, 1/2M and 2R
<b>Zoom Link:</b>	<a href="https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/61523880312?pwd=SjB1cFdkdEWHZrMjFhOXZFUjZUT09">https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/61523880312?pwd=SjB1cFdkdEWHZrMjFhOXZFUjZUT09</a>
<b>Meeting ID:</b>	615 2388 0312
<b>Passcode:</b>	530476

<b>Years 3-6 – 11.30am-12.00pm</b>	
<b>Assembly Leaders:</b>	Sienna, Billy, Summer and Max
<b>Classes:</b>	3/4AS, 3/4B, 4/5H, 5/6FM and 5/6W
<b>Zoom Link:</b>	<a href="https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/64449503031?pwd=cS9LRs3WlBnTjFQOmlCbXFOOT0Ryd09">https://nsweducation.zoom.us/j/64449503031?pwd=cS9LRs3WlBnTjFQOmlCbXFOOT0Ryd09</a>
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