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Student Voice Day – a Successful Partnership

Our school leaders are an important and valued part of the management and decision-making process at LEPS. Each year, we conduct a 'Student Voice Day' so that school leaders are able to contribute ideas, discuss issues, represent the views of the student body and build leadership skills. The day is also used to generate positive ideas and activities to reinforce the school's anti-bullying stance and to prepare for the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence which is an Australia-wide initiative taking place on Friday 16 March. School leaders met last week and contributed some excellent thoughts and ideas before co-ordinating the SRC members from Years 2-5 as they also participated in the day. We look forward to implementing some of these great initiatives from a very impressive group of young leaders!



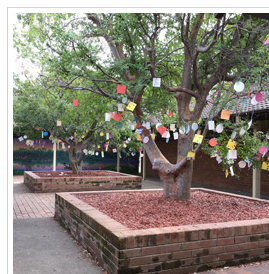
LEPS Joins Schools Across Australia to Say NO to Bullying and Violence



The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence is an Australia-wide initiative taking place on Friday 16 March. LEPS is proud to join thousands of other school students across Australia, as we have for the last 4 years, to acknowledge our 'zero tolerance' for any form of bullying or violence. To

acknowledge the day, all students K- 6 will receive a wristband, which they may wear for the rest of the year, and class teachers have lessons and activities planned to reinforce the message. One of these activities includes students writing anti-bullying / kindness messages on coloured paper and attaching them to the trees in the front of the office building for everyone to see. School leaders will also announce a school-wide competition for students to design a flag proclaiming our anti-bullying ethos.

We hope that as you travelled through the school you have the opportunity to read some of our student's words of wisdom as they encourage each other to uphold our school values of Care and Respect and make our school a bully free zone.



Killara Schools Partnership Delivers Outstanding Enrichment Opportunities

This week, Killara High School hosted students from local primary schools for two outstanding enrichment sessions:

Girls in Science for Year 5 students
Creative Writing for Year 3 students



Girls in Science – Enrichment at Killara High School

This week, girls from Year 5 went to Killara High School where Year 8 girls from Killara High School mentored our girls through two different science experiments.

In one laboratory, the students worked with Ms Arora and the Year 8 helpers to create an experiment using water beads and

other materials, including bicarbonate soda, sucrose and white vinegar. Girls chose which of these materials they would test. Some groups tested if the water beads absorbed colour from food dye and some other groups tested how the white vinegar affected the texture of the water beads. There were countless amounts of amazing experiments going on and it was a very good learning experiment for the girls as well as being a lot of fun.

In the other laboratory, students worked with Dr Tran and the Year 8 helpers to conduct an experiment on what affects the swing rate of pendulum. Our girls were able to change the length of the string, change the angle of the pendulum and increase the weight of the pendulum. They were able to fill in result tables and make scientific observations about the experiment just as you do in high school. They learnt the value of repeating experiments and working in groups. They were introduced to the scientific method and the concept of a fair test.

Mia M, Fran G and Brianna W of Year 8.



Year 3 Creative Writing – Enrichment at Killara High School

On Tuesday 13 March, Year 3 students from Lindfield East Public School undertook an extension workshop on creative writing at Killara High School with Mr Beach. The focus of the workshop was to build an enjoyment of Creative Writing and learn more advanced skills to achieve success in writing. The students were very engaged from the beginning and they all showed a great deal of creativity in their ideas. We moved on to thinking outside the box and expanding their understanding by seeing that everyone has their own unique ways of writing and imagining.

After these exercises they were able to explore the full capacity of their brains and come up with some incredibly unique ideas. The students really began to enjoy their writing now, being able to see their own personalities reflected on the page and learning to love the emotional process of writing.

Finally, they were able to go back to their original piece of writing and improve on it with the morning's lessons in mind. There was eagerness to share their stories with friends and with students from other schools – keen to laugh and be amazed by how their work was now able to create vivid images, ideas and emotions.

It was so impressive to see the creative skills these young minds already have and their eagerness to learn with both friends and strangers created an enjoyable morning.

Mr Beach was impressed with the capacity and keenness of the Lindfield East Year 3 students.



Student Wellbeing Initiatives

Stacy, our wonderful yoga teacher, is back at LEPS again this year, leading all students in Years 2–6 through yoga routines to develop strength, balance, focus and flexibility. Students also learn relaxation techniques to promote calm and wellbeing. This term, students in Year 4 are enjoying weekly lessons. For more information about the program, follow the link to see ex-LEPS students speaking about the benefits of the yoga program.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sArVG1s3MUU>

Driving Around the School – Safety First

The safety of all students at LEPS is paramount. We ask that you obey all traffic rules and signs around the school when you are dropping off or collecting your children. Please help your children understand the importance of safety around cars. All students at LEPS have Road Safety lessons and we ask for your support and assistance in reinforcing important safety messages.

SCHOOL ZONE OFFENCES
WHAT ARE YOU RISKING?*

FACT Children are small, harder to see, behave unpredictably and are extremely vulnerable. They need YOU to take extra care when driving and parking around school zones.	
<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center; margin-right: 10px;"> No Parking <small>You have 2 minutes to drop-off or pick-up and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle.</small> </div> <div style="border: 2px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; text-align: center; color: red;"> PENALTY \$183 <small>+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS</small> </div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center; margin-right: 10px;"> Pedestrian Crossings <small>Do not stop on or near a marked crossing.</small> </div> <div style="border: 2px solid red; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; text-align: center; color: red;"> PENALTY \$439 <small>+ 2 DEMERIT POINTS</small> </div> </div>
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*Fines current as of July 2017. Fines and demerit points are subject to change.

NSW Police Force

NO STOPPING ZONES

No Stopping signs mean you must not stop here at any time. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at those times.
An unbroken yellow kerb line is a no stopping line. You must not stop for any reason.

Fine exceeds \$330 + 2 demerit points

Classroom News

Drama Tool Box Workshops Years One and Two

Our Year 1 and 2 students have completed a series of workshops led by Tiegna McCarty from the Drama Toolbox Company in relation to Facing Our Feelings and handling emotions effectively. The sessions have been developed to give children the opportunity to journey along with Seal and her puppet friends, learning self-awareness, social awareness and social decision-making skills to build resilience and perseverance.

When 2SC were asked what they thought was an important message Seal and her puppet friends were trying to make them remember to use in their everyday interactions with each other some of the responses were:

Stop, think and breathe. This will help me when I get angry so I can calm myself down.

Hyatt

That when we are angry we can just have a deep breathe to calm ourselves down.

Georgie

To be kind to one another.

Killara

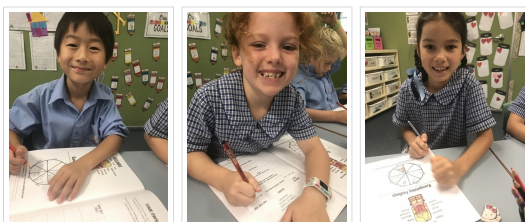
Stop, think, and breathe.

Julian

I learnt that it's alright to make mistakes.

Lucy

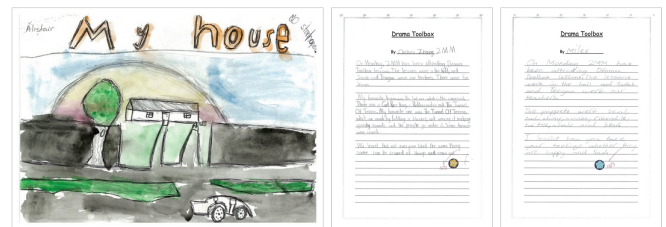
Our Kindergarten students started their sessions with Teigan and Sarah Edwards this week and complete the program in Week 11. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures with Seal.



2SC



2MM



K-2 Assembly Merit Award Winners

Congratulations to all our Merit Award winners for this fortnight. We are so proud to be able to acknowledge the wonderful efforts that our students make each day at school be it in their work habits, accomplishments or the way they conduct themselves in the classroom or playground. Well done to you all.



Mathematical Problem Solving

Year 6 students have been engaged with open-ended problem solving activities. More open-ended types of problems have potential for stimulating higher order mathematical thinking. Are you able to find another solution to this problem?



Suppose you have cards with the digits from 0 to 9, one card for each digit.
Complete the following calculation using all of the cards.

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 \end{array}$$

Reading Groups K-2

Our classrooms are always a hive of activity and as many get underway with their newly formed reading groups we see many parents offering their support and joining in the fun of assisting the students. We would like to thank all of them for giving up their time to lend a hand and hope they find the experience a rewarding one. We know the children gain great pleasure in seeing you back at school and in their classrooms.



Uniform Shop – Changes to opening hours

The uniform shop will be closed from Monday 2 April to Friday 13 April.

It will re-open on Monday 30 April, 9am – 11am.

Sport

Zone Swimming

The Ku-ring-gai zone swimming carnival was held on Friday 2 March at the Homebush Olympic Aquatic Centre. When we arrived at the Aquatic Centre the grandstand was packed with the competitors from the 13 schools in the zone. The atmosphere was tense everyone was nervous but excited to compete in the zone.

It was good to see the LEPS banner and to cheer on our LEPS swimmers. Overall I think everyone swam amazingly and we had a great team spirit and I believe that the zone swimming carnival was one to remember.

Max L.



School Sport – Fun and Fitness for Everyone!

Every Friday morning, while the PSSA teams are out and about, LEPS students are fortunate to be able to enjoy a range of sporting activities ranging from tennis to golf to orienteering. Here students hone netball and soccer skills to prepare for

winter sports, under the watchful and expert eye of coaches from our learning partners, Sporting Schools, all of whom are trained teachers.



Meanwhile, others prepare for a career in the circus with a range of intriguing equipment and challenging activities!



PSSA

Following are the results of games played on Friday 9 March 2018

Division 1 Senior Cricket played Lindfield and won 91-82.

Division 2 Senior Cricket played Roseville and won 96-66.
Player of the match was Dempsey.

Division 2 Junior Cricket played Roseville and won 148-68.
Player of the match was Charley.

Senior Girls Cricket played Roseville and drew 110-110.

Junior Girls Cricket played Roseville and won 100-64.

Senior Girls Touch Footy played Killara 1 & 2 and Forfeit.

Senior Boys Touch Footy played Pymble and won 4-2 and lost.
Player of the match was Griffin.

Senior Boys Touch Footy played Chatswood and won 2-1.
Player of the match was Zac.

Junior Boys Touch Footy played St Ives North and we tied 4-0.
Player of the match was Alex.

Friday 16 March

Cricket Boys	
Division 1	
Friday 9 March	LEPS vs St Ives North @ Wellington Oval
Division 2	
Friday 9 March	LEPS vs Pymble @ Bannockburn Oval
Touch Footie	
Senior	
Friday 9 March	St Ives Show Ground
Junior	
Friday 9 March	Hassell Park

Junior Girls	
Friday 9 March	Hassell Park

No PSSA – Grounds Closed - 23 March, 30 March, 6 April

3-6 Assembly



Congratulations to the students who received Silver Awards at last week's 3-6 assembly.

Care and Respect Awards

K-2, Week 5, Term 1		K-2, Week 6, Term 1	
Arianna	KMS	Kieden	KJP
Leroy	KJP	Keisha	KNV
Gabriel	1EG	Jimmy	1DS
Jeffrey	1CS	Eamon	1CS
Heidi	2MM	Heidi	2MM
Nate	2KD	Eli	2KD

School Tour Dates 2018

Thursday 22 March
 Thursday 17 May
 Thursday 14 June
 Thursday 2 August
 Thursday 13 September
 Thursday 18 October
 Thursday 15 November Years 1-6 new students only

All tours commence at 9.30am outside the library and take approximately 45 minutes.

Term Dates 2018

Term 1

Friday 13 April - Last Day Term 1

Term 2

Monday 30 April - Staff Development Day

Tuesday 1 May - All Students Return

Friday 6 July - Last Day Term 2

Term 3

Monday 23 July - Staff Development Day

Tuesday 24 July - All Students Return

Friday 28 September - Last Day Term 3

Term 4

Monday 15 October - All Students Return

Wednesday 19 December - Last Day Term 4