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## NAIDOC Day 2021

On Tuesday 22 June we celebrated NAIDOC Week affording us the chance to learn more about the culture and values of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This year the theme was 'Heal Country', a call for us to protect and look after our country. We are being asked to help protect Aboriginal land, waterways, sacred sites and Aboriginal culture and heritage. If we heal country we will have a healthier Aboriginal culture and be a stronger nation.

All students from K-6 participated in an Acknowledgement of Country and special assembly. We listened to the voice of Gurrumul Yunupingu who sang in his Aboriginal language from where he was born in the Northern Territory. A special thanks to students at Killara High School who prepared a touching and meaningful presentation about the importance of healing country for our younger students. Thanks to Aboriginal Studies teacher Victoria Barovs who supported the students to bring with them a clear message about looking after our country that was understood by all our children.

The students thoroughly engaged in outdoor and indoor activities with their buddy classes, these included Indigenous games, a nature walk, Aboriginal storytelling, sharing ideas in our yarning circle, art using natural materials from our environment and a mindfulness activity in a quiet spot in nature.

As a symbol of LEPS commitment to Heal Country, each class in our school planted a native plant to form a Caring for Country Garden. Each plant has a different traditional use by First Nations Australians as either bush tucker, medicine or resources. Through planting we commit to caring for Country. It is our hope that as our plant grows, we also grow in our understanding of First Nations Australians and in our commitment to care for Country sustainably.

We would like to thank Miss Noble, Mrs Stott, Mrs. Johnson and Ms. Read for all their hard work planning and preparing for

this important day. Thanks to their hard work and organisation, every student and teacher will be able to visit their plant throughout their journey at LEPS as we leave a legacy for our whole school community to enjoy for generations to come.

Further information about NAIDOC can be found at: <https://www.aidoc.org.au/get-involved/2021-theme>



## Staffing News

Today we farewell our Deputy Principal, Mr Roberts, who will be starting Term 3 as Principal at Marrickville PS.

Mr Roberts has been an outstanding Deputy Principal at LEPS for the past two and a half years and he will be truly missed. He has been a dedicated and committed executive member of staff who has brought many positive changes to our school. We wish him every happiness and success in his new role.

As a result, Ms Jacqui Coles will be taking the position of Relieving Deputy Principal for the remainder of 2021. Prior to this appointment Ms Coles was the substantive Assistant Principal at Collaroy Plateau PS since 2016. She has a strong background in Instructional Leadership in the area of Literacy and we are confident that she will make a significant contribution to our school. Please make her feel welcome when you see her next term.



## SRC Report

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## NSW Government School Improvement Projects

Dear Parents,

As you may be aware the NSW government has fast-tracked school improvement projects under the pandemic stimulus response. These projects were identified by school communities and will be co-funded by the school and NSW Government. Along with 5 other local schools LEPS was successful in securing one of these grants, the funds going towards the upgrade of the primary toilets. The proposed work should be completed in 2021. Below is a link with some information provided by the NSW Government.  
<https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/news/latest-news/school-renewal-program-full-steam-ahead>

## Cyber Safety Education Session For Parents

[https://lindfieldeastps.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/5892/draft-grey\\_ysafe\\_parent\\_information\\_session\\_july\\_2021\\_1.pdf](https://lindfieldeastps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/5892/draft-grey_ysafe_parent_information_session_july_2021_1.pdf)

## Cyber Safety Education Session For Children and Parents

Online safety is paramount for all students in this age of social media exposure and use. As part of our ongoing commitment to online safety, the Killara Schools Partnership have organised a **free parent session** on Thursday 22 July, from 6.30 to 7.30pm at Killara High School. (Select the link to register) LEPS will also run a staff session on Tuesday morning then student sessions for Years 4 to 6 throughout the day.

All sessions will be facilitated by Yasmin London, a cyber safety expert. The student education sessions are dynamic and engaging, teaching students in an interactive way how they can make cyber-smart choices. The session covers:

- Online 'Stranger Danger' & Catphishing
- Protecting Personal Information
- Cyberbullying & Online Etiquette
- Staying Safe Online

**When:** Tuesday 20 July 2021

**Where:** School Hall

**Time:** Year 4: 10.00 – 11am

Year 5: 11.30 – 12.30pm

Year 6: 2.00 – 3.00pm

**Cost:** \$6 per student

## How to pay

Please make payment using the link provided in the email you will receive from the school shortly. This system still uses the secure Westpac portal but there are less steps to complete which will make it easier and quicker to use. Please complete and return the permission slip below to your child's class teacher and make payment by Friday 25 June to confirm attendance.

## Stay, Play, Reconnect

Due to the currently evolving covid situation within Sydney we have decided to cancel this week's Stay, Play & Reconnect.

We wish everyone a restful and healthy school holidays and look forward to recommencing this community event in Term 3 when restrictions hopefully have eased.

We look forward to seeing everyone again on Friday 23rd July.



## KSP Mathematical Problem Solving

Congratulations to Mrs Nielsen and Mr Cohen who participated in the Killara Schools Partnership Mathematical Problem Solving project. Teachers from each of the six feeder primary schools partnered with a Mathematics teacher from Killara High School to plan and team teach a problem solving lesson with their respective classes. The approach focused on differentiating the activity to ensure all students were able to access the learning and be fully engaged and challenged.

Year 4 enjoyed the lesson and really enjoyed being taught by a "real Maths teacher" as they expressed it. They loved sharing their ideas, discussing strategies in order to be successful and gained a lot from the accompanying software. They had a chance to ask questions about high school which was of great benefit to them.

Year 6 were thrilled to welcome a high school mathematics teacher, Mr Starling to one of our maths groups lessons in week 7. The students thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of completing "Year 7 work" based on multiplication and probability, and had a great time explaining their reasoning and problem-solving skills through games, activities and rich discussions. Mr Starling was even kind enough to answer a few questions after the lesson about what to expect next year in high school!





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## String Concert

On Tuesday 15th June 2021, students in Years 2-6 from Lindfield East Public and Killara Public School joined the Junior and Senior String Ensembles of Killara High for the Killara Schools Partnership Strings Workshop. The primary school students appreciated the enthusiastic mentoring by the Killara High School students, and together they participated in 2 workshops under the guidance of their conductor, Maryana Sywak. The parents joined us for a wonderful lunch time concert, where the students played Canon in D by Pachelbel, Autumn from Vivaldi's 4 Seasons Concerto and Symphony No. 5 by Beethoven. Thank you to Killara High School strings students for motivating our aspiring primary school musicians. Thank you to our junior students for their wholehearted participation in this workshop. The music produced was simply amazing.

On Tuesday 15, LEPS String group had the privilege of joining Killara High School and Primary School for a String workshop. I enjoyed this day immensely because we got to play with the high school students who played so well. I was pleasantly surprised that a large group of amateur players could learn three songs in such a short time. We performed excerpts of: Canon in D by Pachebel, Vivaldi's Autumn Concerto and Beethoven's No.5 Symphony for parents to hear at the end of the workshop. This was a great success. It was a new experience for me and I really enjoyed it. I can't wait to do something similar next time.

*Clara W 4/5LN*

*Ann Dixon*

*Coordinator*

*Killara Schools Partnership*



## Training Band Debut Concert

Training Band had our 1st concert on the 10th June, Thursday evening at our school hall. I was very nervous but excited. We performed in front of our parents and family. I like all the songs we played, my favourite song is "Latin Magic". The hardest song for me was "Variation on a familiar song". I also love watching the solo performances by year 5 & 6 students. My parents and other parents all thought we played excellent music! I really enjoy playing in the band because I do it with all my friends. I am also very proud to play percussion instruments because it is so much fun and my friends all think I look cool. Kimberlee H - 3JY

The first training band concert was Thursday evening 10th of June. We started in the library to warm up by playing the Fab Five. At 6:25 we excitedly walked into the hall and sat down in our chairs. For the next 3 quarters of an hour we played about a dozen different songs for our families and friends. Some people from concert band came to play solos. I really enjoyed my very first training band concert. I play the tuba which is one of the largest instruments in the training band. I really like playing the tuba because it plays really low notes. I'm really looking forward to the next concert. Emily E - 3SP

Big thank you to all PB soloists who played at the Debut Concert Night - Marina Z - 6NC (Flute), Adrian T - 6AM (Clarinet), Aidan H - 6JR (Alto Saxophone), Ellie J - 6JR (Bass Clarinet), Nicholas T - 5JW (Trumpet), Spencer C - 6OW (Euphonium) & Tom L - 4ME (Tuba).



## Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival

Despite the cold and rain last Sunday 20th June, our Stage Band had an amazing time at the Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival held at Harbord Public School. The aim of this festival is to provide a positive and non-competitive experience for ensembles.. Every ensemble received feedback on stage after their performance by an appraiser. Performances were held in small blocks of ensembles so that students had the opportunity to listen to other groups.

Well Done LEPS Stage Band, with all your hard work and thanks to our dedicated conductor, Melissa Mony, who was responsible for the success of this performance. Congratulations to all our remarkable soloists for their outstanding improvisation - Ashton C, Hugo S, Spencer C, Lucy P, Nicholas T & Hunter Y. We are so lucky to be at the same session with the Killara High School Stage Band 2. With the help of our former LEPS students - Nicholas H on trombone & Callum O on trumpet to fill our missing parts, they sounded extraordinary. The KHS Stage Band 2 performance created

a joyful atmosphere for all attendees at the conclusion of the performance.

*Elise Lee*  
*Band Administrator*

## School Grounds

We have been working hard to improve the school grounds and we are very pleased that the front of the school has been painted. A big thank you to Karen Aston from **Karen Aston Design** who has generously donated her time to consult with us to choose colours. Approval has been given to paint the Science building which will be completed during the school holidays.

## Attendance Poster

[https://lindfieldeastps.schoolzineplus.com/\\_file/media/5901/attendance\\_poster\\_a4\\_primary\\_school.pdf](https://lindfieldeastps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/5901/attendance_poster_a4_primary_school.pdf)

## COVID-19 Guidelines

It is important that schools and families continue to follow the COVID-19 guidelines outlined on this page. In particular we wish to highlight the following:

- Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms of COVID-19. Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms should be sent home and should not return until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free. In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.
- Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received. Locations of testing clinics are available via the **NSW government website**
- **External link**
- Schools must continue to implement:
  - Personal hygiene, physical distancing, cleaning and record keeping practices.
  - Where possible to use outdoor areas weather permitting or large open spaces to enable adequate physical distancing.
  - All visitors to a school site must be well and symptom free, comply with sign-in arrangements, and the 1.5m physical distancing requirements.
- Visitors to schools should maintain 1.5m distance from other people where practicable. Avoid congestion of groups of visitors in specific areas where possible.
- All visitors to a school site must comply with sign-in arrangements. This includes acknowledging that they

will comply with the COVID-19 requirements for visitors, contractors and service providers each time they visit. Visitors must also check in using the Service NSW QR code. Parents and carers who are dropping off or picking up students do not need to sign in or use the Service NSW QR code.

## PSSA

### Boys PSSA Soccer Results 18 June

Div 1 A Senior Soccer	Played Gordon West PS and won 1-0	Player of the match: Marcus D
Div 1 B Senior Soccer	Played Gordon West PS and won 2-1	Player of the match: Michael J
Div 1 B Juniors Soccer	Played Gordon West PS and won 2-1	Players of the match: Jack F
Div 2 A Senior Soccer	Played Beaumont Road PS and won 4-0	Player of the match: Darcy W
Div 2 B Senior Soccer	Played Beaumont Road PS and won 3-1	Player of the match: Aaron T
Div 2 A Junior Soccer	Played Beaumont Road PS and lost 4-1	Player of the match: Ethan M
Div 2 B Junior Soccer	Played Beaumont Road PS and lost 3-0	Player of the match: James B

### Girls PSSA Soccer Results 18 June

Seniors	Played Masada and won 3-1	Players of the match: Chloe LG & Madison C
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### PSSA Senior Netball Results 18 June

Gold	Played Lindfield PS and lost 20-12
Maroon	Played Pymble PS and won 15-12
Red	Played Gordon West PS and lost 16-6

### PSSA Junior Netball Results

Gold	Played Beaumont Road PS and lost 10-0
Maroon	Played Beaumont Road PS and lost 6-3
Red	Played St Ives North PS and won 4-1

#### PSSA Boys Soccer Results 25 June

Div 1 A Senior Soccer	Played Chatswood PS and lost 1-2	Player of the match: Alex M
Div 1 B Senior Soccer	Played Chatswood PS and won 2-0	Player of the match: Michael Z
Div 1 A Junior Soccer	Played Chatswood PS and won 6-5	Players of the match: KJ H & Roman N
Div 1 B Juniors Soccer	Played Chatswood PS and lost 11-2	Player of the match: Louis J
Div 2 A Senior Soccer	Played Pymble PS and won 4-0	Player of the match: Kieran L
Div 2 B Senior Soccer	Played Pymble PS and won 6-0	Player of the match: Joshua N
Div 2 A Junior Soccer	Played Pymble PS and won 2-0	Player of the match: Tom L
Div 2 B Junior Soccer	Played St Pymble PS and won 0-1	Player of the match: Hugo J

#### PSSA Girls Soccer Results 25 June

Seniors	Played St Ives North PS lost 0-3	Players of the match: Grace O & Zara P
Juniors	Played St Ives North and lost 8-0	Players of the match: Sienna K & Olivia S

#### PSSA Netball Results 25 June

Gold	Played st Ives PS and lost 15-23
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#### PSSA AFL Results 25 June

Seniors	Played Chatswood PS lost 135-0	Player of the match: George
Juniors	Played Chatswood PS and won 74-12	Player of the match: Ridley H

## PRC

#### Premier's Reading Challenge



Congratulations to the following students who have finished the PRC:

#### Kindergarten

Riley C., Luke L. and Caden M.

#### Year 1

Lizzie B., Toby C., Alison D., Sam D., Josh F., Henry J., Emilia L., Madison S., Isla V. Emilia Y. and Ashlea Z.

#### Year 2

Stanley B., Jaden C., Nathan C., Vicky H., Daniel K., Jayden L., Rowan L., Henry S., Jesse T. Aiden V. and Aaron Y.

#### Year 3

Bilal A., Jessica B., Ryan H., Camilla J., Alexis L., Euris L., Wendy L., Zara T., Madeleine T., Darcey Y. and Christine Z.

#### Year 4

Iyla C., Jack F., Hugo J., Elise K., Connor S., Max S., Giles T., Anya V., Jayden W., Belle Y., Jolie Y. and Amelia Z.

#### Year 5

Dalston C., Abigail L., Anny L., Max M., Sarah Q., Saummya R., Nicholas T., Harvey T. and Evelyn Y.

#### Year 6

Xuan C., Aidan H., Ivy H., Evelyn L., Jessica W., Jisoo Y., Michael Z., and Marina Z.

The deadline for the PRC is August the 20th.