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## Presentation Day Assemblies

Parents, carers and guests proudly celebrated the outstanding achievements of all our students at the annual presentation day assemblies this week. All students received certificates to acknowledge their academic and social achievement throughout 2018. Some students were also recognised with Special Awards for excellence in a wide range of subject areas including English, Mathematics, EAL/D, Mandarin, Science, Sport, Public Speaking, Creative Arts, Library and Technology. Attributes such as Creative Thinking, Citizenship, Conscientious Endeavour and Improvement were also acknowledged as important aspects of school life. Each assembly showcased the strong performing arts talents of the students and featured a photo movie that profiled the diversity of opportunity that LEPS students have experienced this year. Thanks go to Scarlet Aghajani who produced the photo movies which can be viewed in this newsletter and via the school website. Once again, we thank the Killara High School staff and students for their involvement. Having former LEPS students return as guest speakers in prefect positions has been a feature of the assemblies over the years.

Following the Year 6 Presentation Day assembly, Year 3-6 attended the Service Awards assembly. Here students were acknowledged for their participation in a range of areas across the school including band, the Green Team and the Premier's Reading Challenge. Our Year 6 Library Monitors, Bus Monitors and Flag Monitor were also recognised for their efforts throughout the year.



EOY Kindergarten Lunchtime 2018

EOY Kindergarten Colour My World

EOY Kindergarten 2018

EOY Year 3 Presentation

EOY Year 4 Presentation Day 2018

EOY Year 5 Presentation 2018

EOY Year 6 Presentation 2018

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## Welcome to David Roberts Our New Deputy Principal

I am thrilled about the prospect of starting at Lindfield East PS in 2019. The school is widely regarded across Sydney for the outstanding academic results it achieves, the wide variety of extra-curricular opportunities it offers students as well as the strong sense of community it maintains.

I bring to the school over thirty years of teaching experience in a range of



settings. I was the first Opportunity Class teacher at Georges Hall Public School, prior to becoming a member of the school executive at Chester Hill North Public School. A large proportion of my teaching career has been spent at Gladesville Public School, culminating in me taking on the role of Relieving Principal for eighteen months from mid 2016 until the end of 2017. Since 2017 I have been seconded to Toongabbie East Public School as Relieving Deputy Principal.

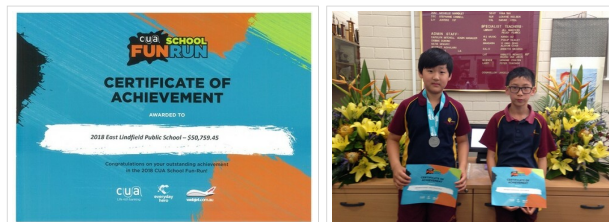
I am widely experienced in the area of Gifted and Talented education as well as being passionate about integrating technology into all curriculum areas. I believe strongly in the idea of providing an inclusive learning environment that offers all students significant opportunities to excel. I have had an extensive background in sport, as a participant, coach, convener and organiser. I am also a tragic St George Illawarra Dragons supporter.

I am very much looking forward to meeting staff, students and all community members and working collaboratively to ensure the school continues to grow its reputation.

5-6HT received the award for the class that raised the largest amount for the fun run and each student received a canteen voucher to celebrate the event.

The whole school was awarded a certificate to acknowledge the incredible enthusiasm and participation in the fun run. Combined over \$50 000 was raised which will go a long way to assist the P&C with the refurbishment of the school hall.

Fantastic work LEPS & Mrs Rath and the P&C.



## Welcome Back Night 2019



## Fun Run Awards

Congratulations to William Chong from 5-6 HT for outstanding fund raising for the event. William raised the largest amount across the entire school. Well done, William!

## School Opening Dates

The last day for students and teachers for 2018 is Wednesday 19 December. The school will be closed after this date until Tuesday 29 January 2019, when teachers will return to work for a Staff Development Day. Students in Years 1 – 6 will return to school on Wednesday 30 January. Kindergarten students have been sent a letter advising of their 'Best Start' appointment time, which has been scheduled between Wednesday 30 January and Friday 1 February 2019.

## Statement Of Accounts

Thank you to all the families who have paid their Statement of Accounts.

We will be emailing reminders for any outstanding fees. We would appreciate you finalising these before the end of the school term.

Please note that the End of Year Picnics will be held on Tuesday 18 December and payments must be received by Monday 17 December.

## Cyber Safety - Think U Know

Stage 3 were privileged to have Scott Howard, Crime Coordinator North Shore Police Area Command, visit the school to talk to them about cyber safety. He discussed relevant information about cyber bullying and cyber crime and how technology is misused by children, teenagers and adults. He specifically discussed chatting to unknown people online and how to protect yourself from cyber crime and harassment.

Definition: Cyber crime is the use of electronic communication systems to upset someone and commit crimes.

In 2019 new laws will be introduced in NSW around cyber bullying and crime. "This is not about protecting people's injured feelings, this is about protecting people against potentially devastating psychological and tragic consequences" NSW Attorney-General Mark Speakman.





## Kindergarten Fairy Tale Dress Up Day

To end the year in style and capture the look of the characters that we have been reading about, all Kindergarten students dressed up as a fairy tale character of their choice. On Friday 14 December we had Jack and his magic beans, one of the three little pigs and a magical fairy or two floating around the school. The children have enjoyed listening to the tales and working out the moral or lesson that each one taught us. We hope that all the children continue to seek out and listen to more fairy tales, folk tales and fables over the holidays because if they do they will... "Live happily ever after!"



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### Cyber Safety: Age Restrictions

App Name	App Icon	App Use	Age Classification
Instagram		Photo-sharing	Recommended for ages 13 years and above.
Facebook		Social networking	13 years or over
Kik		Sending and receiving texts, pictures, videos.	13-17 year olds need parent permission.
YouTube		Video sharing	13 years or over. YouTube Kids for Under 13 years
Snap chat		10 second pictures/videos	13 years or over
Twitter		Communication channel	13 years or over

For more detailed information on each app please go to [www.thinkuknow.org.au](http://www.thinkuknow.org.au)

## Class Formations 2019 - Thank You For Your Continued Support

We wish to extend a huge thank you to our parents who have supported our request to refrain from asking for a particular teacher or friendship group for their children in 2019. An enormous amount of time and effort goes into class placements each year, with teachers working in collegial groups to create a balance of academic ability, gender, language background, friendships and work habits in each and every class. We appreciate parents' confidence in our professional capacity to form well balanced learning environments and value your support and understanding as we move through this process in preparation for 2019.

## Thank You Morning Tea

Last Tuesday, LEPS staff showed their appreciation to our amazing volunteers with a sumptuous morning tea. We are very fortunate to have such dedicated helpers who assist us with so many aspects of school life – from the uniform shop, bands, string and library, to helping out in classes, attending and helping on excursions, sporting events and performances, planning events and initiatives, serving on the P&C, fundraising, teaching scripture or ethics groups, and providing time, expertise and support in a myriad of other ways. To everyone who has volunteered in some way in 2018, we say 'thank you'. Your contributions are very much valued and appreciated.

## Killara Schools Partnership

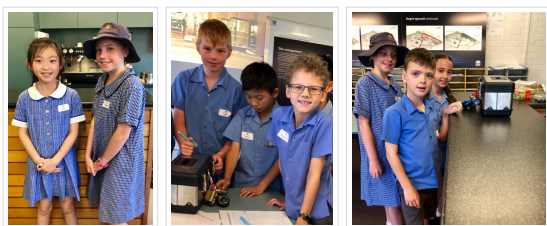
### Year 3 History Workshop at Killara High School

On Monday 3 December 25 Year 3 students from Lindfield, Lindfield East, Roseville, Killara and Gordon East Public Schools attended a history workshop at Killara High School. The students learned about history while making new friends from the other schools.

First the students brainstormed their ideas on history and who and what exactly history, and historians are. After a short break, the students returned to undertake some activities about historical mysteries and investigations. This included a matching game with different historical mysteries. e.g. the Bermuda Triangle and Stonehenge.

The Year 3 students were assisted by Year 8 students in their adventure of uncovering clues to open a breakout box, similar to an escape room, in order to solve the problem of a theft from the British Museum, London. There was a storyline following the location of the Elgin Marbles and who should rightfully own them. After completing this exercise, the students discussed who should have the Elgin Marbles: Britain or Greece.

This workshop was exciting for everyone involved and the students expanded their knowledge of history.



### Year 2 Mathematics Workshop at Killara High School

On Thursday 29 November the Killara High School, Mathematics department hosted a Mathematics program for Year 2 students about fractals. Mrs Nath, Mr Yeo and Ms Wong developed this program for the students of Lindfield East and Killara Public Schools.

Four Year 9 students Ying Chang, Alfie Jones, Gaby Whalland and Leyten Yu helped to run the activities. The students discussed fractals and how they differ from the shapes that we observe in nature. They watched a brief clip from the movie Guardians of the Galaxy which predominantly used fractal mathematics to design the landscapes and exquisite palaces.

The Year 2 students participated in two different activities involving simple and complex shapes. In the first activity, students made their own fractal patterns by constructing Sierpinski triangles which were later combined to create a larger scale design. In the second activity, the students assembled fractal tetrahedrons using toothpicks and marshmallows. Students enthusiastically worked beyond the scope of this activity to collaboratively assemble multiple tetrahedrons and create larger structures. The students were proud of the structures and designs they created and were excited to take them home.

A big thank you to the teachers, participants and student volunteers for making this day a great success.



### Work Experience

During Weeks 7 and 8 this term we hosted students from Killara High School as part of their work experience program. Work experience provided these students with a general introduction to the 'world of work'. They assisted teachers in the classroom K-6, as well helping with PDHPE, Science and General Assistant work. Thank you to all the Year 10 students, it was a pleasure having you at LEPS.



### Premier's Reading Challenge

Here's some of the fantastic students that completed the challenge this year.



### Music



## End of Year Concert

The annual 'End of Year' concert, held last Thursday evening at Killara High School, showcased the exceptional talent of our amazing bands. All the students have worked tirelessly throughout the year and are to be commended on their outstanding achievements. The Junior and Senior String Ensembles performed together with the Training, Concert, Performance and Stage bands. The concert was thoroughly enjoyed by our supportive parent community. Many thanks to the band committee, conductors, and parents who ensure the students are given these wonderful opportunities.

Our Band and String programs will continue to flourish next year. Currently we have 44 students starting in the Training Band, 40 students in the Concert Band and 36 students progressing to the Performance Band. Our three string ensembles will also expand. If you would like to participate in a 'String Trial' please complete the note included in this newsletter. If you would like to join the band or the string ensemble next year, please contact **Elise Lee** and **Charmain Yap** or **Olivia Korompis** for Strings.



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## Gate Concert

The Performance Band entertained the school community as they arrived at school on Monday morning. The annual 'Gate' concert, led by conductor Colin Smith, highlights the talents of the senior band members. They performed an entertaining repertoire of Christmas songs outside the administration area. Thanks to our dedicated band committee and parents who set up and put away all the equipment.



## Arts Alive Combined Schools Band Primary Band program

I was very thrilled and excited when my Arts Alive Combined Schools Band Primary Band conductor, Mr James Hills, announced that I was the winner of the top musician award in 2018. Each year, one recipient receives this award. It is presented to students who are outstanding members of the team, excellent in musicianship, keen to learn and have consistent attendance. It also offers the winner a music scholarship for the following year in the combined school band program. I received this award during an end of year concert at Ku-ring-gai High School last Sunday. I played a lot of movie themed songs at the concert this year which I enjoyed, including 'How to Train your Dragon', 'Selections from Sing', 'Highlights from High School Musical' and 'Selections from Moana'. It is a great program which I highly recommend to all ambitious and talented students.

*Samantha D 6SL*



## Junior String Ensemble Performance

On Tuesday 27 November our Junior String Ensemble performed an end of year concert for Lindfield East Community Preschool. They performed beautifully and showed off their skills and talents learnt throughout the year. Our students played a couple of their favourite pieces and Christmas songs. The pre-schoolers were delighted and eager to have a go at playing and holding the different string instruments. It was a lovely morning and a treasured experience for everyone.



### Band EOY Party

Thank you to the band committee for such an enjoyable band party for students today.



### Strings Trial Program for K-3 in Term 1 2019

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## Sport

### LEPS 1100

On Friday 14 December we held our annual LEPS 1100 competition. This involves two laps of the school track for students in grades 1-6 and one lap for Kindergarten. Students have different opportunities to qualify for the event throughout the year. This year's event is special as it is a slightly different track with the new oval (therefore new records). I believe this event is the reason for our school's success at the Zone Cross Country Carnival, winning five out of the last seven meets. Go LEPS!! Cross Country is scheduled for April 8 next year, in the last week of Term 1. Good luck to all the runners.



### 2018 Tennis Tournament

Congratulations to Isaac Chen for winning the Year 6 Primary Boys Tennis Tournament last week. Isaac competed against the best tennis players in Sydney representing Lindfield East. It is a fantastic achievement and the school is very proud of you. Well done!!



### 2018 LEPS Tennis Champs

Isaac Chen – Primary Boys Sydney Tennis Champion (did not play in LEPS comp)

School Champion – Emily Xu v Andy Yang (Playing Monday 17<sup>th</sup>)

Andy Yang – Year 6 Boys Champion

Ryan Li – Year 6 Boys Runner-Up

Emily Xu – Year 6 Girls Champion

Chloe Nemeth De Bikal - Year 6 Girls Runner-Up

Kian Cifuentes Year 5 Boys Champion

Zac Tan - Year 5 Boys Runner-Up

Thomas Sanbrook – Year 4 Boy Champion

Ryan Low - Year 4 Boys Runner-Up

Ellie Burgess - Year 4 Girls Champion

Mia Nemeth De Bikal - Year 4 Girls Runner-Up

## Creative Workshop Term 1 2019

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## Welcome Spikett to LEPS

Last week the school adopted Spikett, a 4 month old Abyssinian guinea pig through Cavy Central Guinea Pig Rescue which represents The Australian Cavy Sanctuary in NSW.

Cavy Central rescues and rehomes abandoned, injured and mistreated guinea pigs in Sydney and across NSW. Lyn is the knowledgeable, dedicated and caring lady who oversees this



wonderful group. She educates people about guinea pig care and housing and assists when there is no one else. She spent 1 ½ hours talking with us and helping us choose the best guinea pig for our Eco Garden at LEPS.

If you would like to care for the guinea pigs on a weekend please send an email to school and we will put your family on the roster for 2019.

If you are considering getting guinea pigs for your family please consider getting them from Cavy Central which is non-profit and funded through donations. They are located in Hornsby.



## Care and Respect Awards

K-2 , Week 8, Term 4	
Archer	KMS
Kieden	KJP
Clara	1DS
Will	1EG
Mateo	2KD
Heidi	2MM