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Lyrebird 29 July 2022

Staff Development Day

The teachers had a very productive day working collaboratively to plan and program for the term ahead. Ms Yip and Ms Walker facilitated the next in a series of Wellbeing sessions, focusing on cognitive wellbeing. The KSP schools; LIndfield, Killara, Gordon East and Roseville joined us for the afternoon session, focusing on the implementation of the new K-2 Mathematics Syllabus. We were fortunate to secure a highly regarded guest speaker Dr Peter Gould, who spoke about reasoning in mathematics and how teachers can support its development.

A study by Nunes, Bryant, Sylva and Barros (2009) that tracked learning over time, found students' ability to reason about mathematical relations was easily the most powerful predictor of their mathematical achievement. As mathematical reasoning develops, students appreciate that mathematics makes sense, and can be understood. They develop an increasingly sophisticated capacity for logical thought and actions. Reasoning and communicating are central to Working Mathematically which underpins the syllabus.



COVID-smart settings in Term 3

Many of our existing COVID-smart measures continue into Term 3, including:

• staying home if unwell, even if you have a negative RAT, until you are free of symptoms;

- rapid antigen testing for symptomatic students and close contacts able to return to school
- strongly encouraging mask wearing, particularly for the first 4 weeks of term
- strongly encouraging all eligible students and their families to get vaccinated for COVID-19 and the flu
- maximising natural ventilation
- good hygiene practices
- strict requirements for close contacts attending school
- responding to local COVID-19 conditions

Some changes this term:

- COVID-19 vaccination policy update the mandate requiring COVID-19 vaccination will be lifted for staff in most school settings from 1 August 2022. We will continue to encourage all staff, students and our school community to keep up to date with their vaccinations, including getting a booster shot when eligible.
- Boosted day cleaning our cleaning model has shifted slightly and will now be more concentrated during school hours.



100 Days of Kindergarten

This week Kindergarten celebrated 100 days of Kindergarten. They dressed up in their party clothes and brought in 100 items from home such as 100 Pokemon cards, 100 buttons. Students had a great day celebrating how much they have learnt over the last 100 days. The teachers after teaching for 100 days, felt about 100 years old and dressed accordingly.



Kindergarten 2023

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101 days of Year 1

Year 1 celebrated 101 days of Year 1 on Wednesday. They dressed up in black, white or spotty clothing to celebrate the 101 days dalmatian style. They were able to bring in 101 items from home. We saw some clever collections of objects in the form of necklaces, decks of cards, feathers and leaves etc. We had such a fantastic day!



Year 5 CARES Excursion

5LN and 5MM attended CARES (bike safety) today in St Ives. It was a beautiful day and the students were commended by the police officers for their great behaviour and knowledge of road rules.



Attendance Term 3

I am very thankful to all families K-6 as you have all assisted in a smooth transition to use the Sentral Parent Portal to lodge absences. As the year progresses we will continue to gradually use the features that are offered.

The main feature we are utilising at this point is the daily notification if a student is absent. This notification will notify the parent/s that their child is absent from school. Please note: Parents may have already entered an absence through the Sentral Portal earlier that morning, and they may still get the notification. If a parent justification for the absence has been completed, then disregard the notification.

All student absences will now need to be sent through and logged in the Sentral Parent Portal.

- Parents may be aware their child is away, but they have not entered the reason for the absence. This is a reminder for the parent to enter the absence to inform the school as a reason is required under the Department of Education (DoE) Attendance Policy and Education Act 1990.
- Parents also have the option to create **future** absences for student attendance before the actual day. This should block a notification for that absence.

Working together to keep our student attendance at school above 90% is a Department of Education and Lindfield East school priority. The Sentral Parent portal allows families to monitor their child's attendance throughout the year. The term calendar allows parents to view patterns, days of absence and partial absences and provide an attendance percentage. These percentages are monitored by the class teacher, the deputy principal and the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO). Our school rolls are regularly checked by the HSLO to track attendance concerns.

A goal for our school attendance is to lower the amount of late arrivals and early departures. Many students are arriving late to school and then require a late note. With the number of students requiring a note, this can take 15 minutes to get through the line. The school day is short, students are missing vital instructions to start their day and this then places pressure on the child to get up to speed with what is going on in the classroom, often missing vital instructions. Ideally students should be arriving around 9am, this allows for students to get to their classroom, unpack their bag and go to the toilet as well as greet their friends. This assists in starting the day with a relaxed and positive feel.

Farewell To Mrs Cuneo

A special LEPS morning tea and mowercade with a rainbow to farewell Mrs Cuneo- we'll miss you.



Lincoln Scott Hegarty

Congratulations to Sarah and Scott Hegarty on the arrival of their new bundle of joy Lincoln Scott Hegarty who arrived early on Friday 1 July. Big brother Austin is just as proud and smitten as both parents.



Premier's Debating Challenge: Wednesday 20th July 2022

On Wednesday of week one, the Lyrebirds Debating team took to the zoom lobby to compete in the third round of the Premier's Debating Challenge. Together, Nia, Tait, Joshua and Spencer from Year 6, challenged our competitors, Castle Cove Public School, to a great and well-structured debate.

The topic for the debate was, 'That Parents Should Have to Provide Pets for their Children', and the Lindfield Lyrebirds were the affirmative team. We raced against the clock, working endlessly to finish our speeches in the sole hour... well, the 50 minutes that we had, just as the timer rang to finish our speeches, we were done.

After some technical zoom issues with the other team, we were off to begin the debate. Nia and Josh delivered some strong and amazing arguments, Josh's speech being the longest of the whole debate! Castle Cove also shot back with some fierce rebuttals! Then it came to Spencer to superbly summarize the debate.

We waited for a bit, and after some more Wi-Fi complications on our end, we were ready to hear the results...

...The adjudicator took his final pause. Would this be an unfortunate loss or a well-deserved win? Our hearts were beating as the adjudicator, Mr Hossain, announced the result. "I have decided to give this debate to... the affirmative team! We were all ecstatic hearing those few exciting words.

And that's how the Lindfield Lyrebirds won the third debate of the challenge.

Tait C and Nia J



Saraswati School in Nepal

Exciting news! The Napalese Government have funded and built a new amenities block at Saraswati. The old building was in disrepair so this is wonderful news. Now your generous donations will go towards a computer and printer for the school, as the village now has access to power.



Sydney North at the NSW PSSA Cross Country

Archie Hetherington will represent Sydney North at the NSW PSSA Cross Country on 22 July at Eastern Creek.

Congratulations Archie H!!!! 4th at the state cross country today, now off to the nationals in Adelaide on 26 August. We're very proud of you.



PSSA Netball Championship

Bella Nemeth de Bikal was selected to represent Sydney North at the annual PSSA Netball Championships from 26-28 July 2022 at Homebush Netball Central. Bella has played for the past three days at a state level. Congratulations Bella, on such a wonderful opportunity.



Term 2 Tennis Primary School Challenge

Term 2 PSC was held on Saturday 18 June. The cold winter night did not affect the mood as competition was heating up on the tennis courts at Willis Park and Forestville.

24 LEPS tennis players proudly represented our school, of which 10 players earned a medal.

There was some rain but that did not deter the players from competing. They battled on courageously.

All players kept their composure and provided support to each other in between their games. The matches and social time promoted team spirit and friendships on court and beyond.

Congratulations to LEPS medal winners:

Yellow ball: Callum L & Tom L (Gold)

Thommen J & Amit M (Silver)

Green Ball: Jaden C & Adam J (Gold) Orange ball: Henry J & Conor M (Gold) Sophia W & Roselyn A (Silver)



Sienna A



Regional Golf Tournament

Congratulations to Ethan H, Sarah Q and Audrey Q for participating in the Regional Golf Tournament on Monday 25 July at Warringah Golf Club.

It was a competitive tournament as they all played 12 holes with the other students. The fairway was very muddy and wet which makes it a little tricky when playing. Ethan enjoyed his day and enjoyed the challenge of playing against others and the challenge of playing at a new golf course.

Education Week







Celebrate Education Week 1-5 August 2022

Creating futures - education changes lives

OPEN DAY Wednesday 3 August

9:30 - 10:15am K-2 COLA Official welcome Band, String Ensemble, Senior Choir, Junior & Senior Dance Troupes

10:15 - 11:00am

Participation in Open Classrooms

10:15 - 11:45am - School Hall STEM Fair 'Creating Futures'

11:00 – 11:45am Join your children in the playground for morning tea SRC Cafe outside the staffroom serving tea, coffee & morning tea Parent/student handball games in the K-2 and 3-6 playground

Visit our specialty programs and initiatives including: STEM Fair – School Hall Minecraft for Education builds – Computer room Eco Garden Library





The Golden Lyrebird July-August Addition

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Parenting Course

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Maggie Dent Webinar

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LEPS Band

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Creative Workshop Up date

We have had more than 180 enrolments for the Creative Workshops programs in Term 3! Thank you for your support. If you haven't booked your child in, it's not too late!

Find out more information here:

Program info: https://lepspandc.asn.au/programs-2022/

Book here: www.trybooking.com/cafio

Email: creativeworkshops@gmail.com to enquire

Is your child ready for the upcoming public speaking competition?

Talent Club offers a world class public speaking and debating program. Our coach Mark from North Sydney Boys High School is a member of the Premier's Debating Challenge team and an active speaker for his school team.

Thursday afternoon Year K to 2 - 3.20pm to 4.30pm, Years 3 to 6 - 4.30pm to 5.30pm

Lindfield Chamber of Commerce Father's Day Art Competition

Lindfield Chamber of Commerce are holding their annual LCOC Fathers Day Art Competition this year. Their news page displays previous years Father's Day art https://lindfieldbiz.com.au/ news-events/.

Artworks will be displayed in local participating businesses on Pacific Highway and Lindfield Avenue as well as their website and facebook page.

If your child/ren would like to participate, please deliver your artwork to school prior to 11 August. Judging will take place on 15 August with artwork up in local businesses from 19 August to 5 September. Prizes will be delivered to school on 31 August.

PSSA Results

Term 3, Weeks 1 and 2

Unfortunately due to wet weather both weeks we have no PSSA results to report.