

Newsletter

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Lundavra State School | Tuesday 8th September 2009 | Week 9 | Term 3



Principal's Views

If we aren't willing to pay a price for our values, then we should ask ourselves whether we truly believe in them at all.

Dates to Remember

11th September
Fit 4 Fun
Church Service 6.30pm
18th September
Last day of term three

As we commence our second last week of term three the students continue to work hard in all aspects of the curriculum. Our Science space unit will culminate tonight with our visit to Kindon State School for a joint initiative with the University Of Southern Queensland (USQ) which has allowed Eugene O'Donohue from the university to visit our students for a presentation on our solar system, followed by a night sky viewing through a computerised telescope. The evening will be a wonderful opportunity for our students to listen to and then ask questions to an expert in this field whilst experiencing hands on astronomy.

Next week I will be absent from Tuesday through till Friday at the Australian Primary Principal's Association (APPA) National Conference. This conference will bring together over 700 Principals from across Australia and New Zealand for professional learning and networking. As the Queensland Association of State School Principals (QASSP) President for the Macintyre region I will be in attendance representing our cluster principals. If you have any questions or enquiries about this important professional learning experience please do not hesitate to contact me. I will discuss the conference and its content in further detail at our next P&C meeting on Tuesday the 6th of October.

We would like to invite all parents to school this Friday from 2:00pm for an end of semester celebration. The students in years 4 to 7 will be presenting seminars on Q150, Queensland's 150th birthday. Each student has researched a famous event, landmark or celebrity and will present a short seminar on this person. The students artwork from across the semester including the Imachinations they made with our artists in residence from the arts council will be on display also. The afternoon will conclude with a short information session on what will be occurring in term four. Parents are welcome to join us at the school from 2:00pm for a relaxed afternoon. If possible please bring along something to share for afternoon tea. Coffee and tea will be available.

We will commence term four with two prac students from QUT. Carol England and Yasmin Harper will be working with us for four weeks for their second practicum experience. Carol will be looking after our early years program and Yasmin focussing on our year 5 to 7 students. Both students are looking forward to working at Lundavra and experiencing teaching in a small school.

As I will be absent next week, this will be my final "Principal's Views" for this term. I would like to thank all staff and students for their commitment and hard work throughout this term. It seems only yesterday that I was welcoming you all back after the winter holidays and now we are only a week away from another two week break. I hope you all have a safe and restful holiday. I would like to take this opportunity to wish Harry Rae all the best. Harry is leaving us at the end of next week to continue his schooling at Toowoomba Prep for term four. Harry has been a student at Lundavra State School since Pre-school and will be missed by all students and staff. I wish him all the best for his future endeavours and look forward to hearing of his successes. Have a great week.

100's CLUB—Week 3

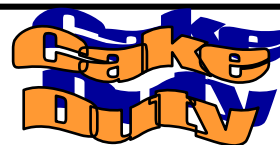
- 1st— Paul Lynch
- 2nd— Wayne & Tracey Sander
- 3rd— Total Ag Social Club

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

CPR Recertification Moonie Sports Club - Thursday 17 at 4.15pm
1st Aid Recertification Club on Friday 18, 9-12.00 (approx)

Please advertise and get them to contact office if wanting to participate.

Marina Clarke
Ph: 4665 0133



September 9th
GUINEY
September 16th
LADNER

JUST FOR TODAY

I will live through the next 12 hours and try not to tackle all of life's problems at once.

I will improve my mind,

I will learn something that requires effort and concentration.

I will be agreeable.

I will look my best, speak in a well modulated voice, and be courteous and considerate.

I will not find fault with a friend, relative or colleague.

I will not try to change or improve anyone but myself.

I will have a programme; I might not follow it exactly, but I will have it.

I will save myself from two enemies: hurry and indecision.

I will do a good turn and keep it a secret; if anyone finds out, it will not count.

I will do two things I don't want to do, just for the exercise.

I will believe in myself.

I will give my best to the world and feel confident that the world will give it's best to me. *Anonymous*

2009 National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy test results

In May this year, around one million students across Australia in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participated in the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests for reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

From 14 September 2009, The Queensland Studies Authority, which is responsible for the administration of the NAPLAN tests in Queensland, will begin distributing results to schools across Queensland.

Every student who participated in the 2009 NAPLAN test will receive an individual report containing their results.

This report provides a range of information about your child's performance on each of the literacy and numeracy tests. It also contains a detailed guide on what was assessed in each test and how to interpret these results.

Parents and carers are encouraged to thoroughly read the report and the explanatory notes.

While these tests are important 'point-in-time' indicators or 'snapshots' of student achievement in literacy and numeracy, the results should be considered along with other information collected by our school about your child's performance.



From the Sports Desk, with Glenda Bignell

What a wonderful fall of rain to lift everyone's spirits. Let's hope that the follow up rain comes true, as predicted by the Weather Bureau! We can sit back and watch the grass grow and the crops ripen.

I do hope that the Fathers all had a lovely day on Sunday and that you were surprised by your gift from your children. They all worked very hard to finish their hat rack or key holder for you.

The rain interrupted our PE on Friday but no one really minded as the rain was very welcoming.

The term has been a busy one with the PCAP Bike Education, Zone Athletics, Jump Rope for Heart and our Fit For Fun this Friday. It is always a busy time at Lundavra.

The joy of Spring is with us.

Glenda

Help us keep our school secure these holidays



With the holidays fast approaching, please look out for after-hours crime in our school.

If you see anything suspicious, please phone the School Watch number – 13 17 88.

The School Watch Program is a partnership between Education Queensland, the Queensland Police Service and the State Government Protective Security Service. It aims to reduce vandalism, theft and arson in Queensland schools.

If you do see something suspicious, don't attempt to intervene. Call the School Watch number and let the local police or State Government Protective Security Service deal with the matter.

Keep the number handy – 13 17 88 – and let's work together to help create a safer school community.

If you would like to know more about the School Watch Program, please call Education Queensland's School Security Section on (07) 3237 0874.