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Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November
• Snack Canteen	• School Swimming	• Library Day	• School Banking Day	• Uniform Shop open at morning drop off

It’s hard to believe that we are already halfway through Term 4, which means the 2018 school year is coming to a close.

We have so much happening at the moment. A big thank you to the teachers and Cathy who stayed for a 3-hour PL session yesterday afternoon. It was great to have Jean Scott work with us. Jean is a Teacher Quality Advisor and provided us with information in regard to the NESA inspections. She also helped guide us through some of the features of an online Professional Learning portal for teachers. The teachers were also given the opportunity to review their own professional learning goals and we discussed some areas that we would like to focus on as a whole group in 2019. This included further PL in integrating technology and design thinking. Now that we have worked these hours, the last two days (20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>) will be considered ‘non-operational’ and there will not be staff at school on these days, including office staff.

Last Wednesday, I attended a principal’s meeting, where I was required to deliver a 15-minute presentation to the other principals in my network. We were asked to choose something that we are passionate about and I chose ‘student voice’. I was very proud to show off the kids at NLHIS and the wonderful ways they are given to say in their own learning and organisation of the school, as well as engage in topics that are real life issues.

On Monday, we witnessed student voice in action with the announcement of our PBL mascot winner. This announcement has been slightly delayed, as we were consulting with our Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (LAECG). Congratulations to Ruby Wooster in Year 2. Ruby’s design features a black ant because “ants are strong when they work as a team”. She also wished to use an Awabakal word, which after consultation with Miromaa, is ‘Yuyiring’ (black ant). We congratulate Ruby for the creativity, resourcefulness and open mindedness she has used to develop her idea. One of our parents is currently working on the design and we are hoping to present our first sign, featuring ‘Yuyi’ at Presentation Day.

Lisa Hughes  
(Principal)

**TRANSITIONS**

Thank you to the parents, who were able to stay for our 2019 Kindergarten parent meeting this morning and thanks to the P&C for providing morning tea.

Our new Kinders loved reading the Magic Hat and turning into animals when they placed the hat on their heads.



We have also decided on start dates for Kinder 2019. Please refer to ‘dates for your diary’ for 2019 start dates.



*At New Lambton Heights Infants School we acknowledge that we teach, learn and play together on the traditional country of the Awabakal people, who are the custodians of this land. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present*





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## TERM 4 WEEK 5 MERITS

### MERIT SYSTEM

4 Merit Awards = 1 Gold Award

4 Gold Awards = 1 Blue Principal's Award

1 Blue Principal's Award and a Citizenship Award = 1 Gold Principal's Award

Please have all awards in by the Friday before assembly on Monday.

### Congratulations Week 5 Winners!



### P&C News

#### BUNNINGS BBQ

Our school has a fundraising BBQ at Kotara Bunnings coming up on **Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019**. These BBQs are often the most profitable fundraising activities we have over the year as well as being a great place to meet other parents.

Assistance is required to help cook the BBQ, make the sausage sandwiches and serve. The BBQ runs from 8:30am–4pm. This is split into four shifts and volunteers are needed to cover these shifts. Enclosed shoes must be worn on the day as you will be near the hot BBQ. **Due to safety reasons only adults are able to assist.**

If you are available to help out, please contact the BBQ co-ordinator Dylan Gavin on [dylan.gavin14@gmail.com](mailto:dylan.gavin14@gmail.com) or the P&C via email [nlhipandc@gmail.com](mailto:nlhipandc@gmail.com).

#### DISCO

Only e sleeps to go until the school disco! Next Thursday NLHIS and the P&C will be hosting a school disco. All students, siblings, family and friends are invited to attend!

**Date:** Thursday, 22nd November 2018

**Time:** 6.00 – 7.15pm (tickets on sale from 5.45pm)

**Where:** at the school, under the cola (weather permitting)

**Cost:** \$5 per child for ages 4+ (younger children free)



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Tickets will be available on the door. Siblings/family friends are more than welcome to join in the fun, however please note that parent supervision MUST be maintained at all times for all non-NLHIS children. Please note the playground area and equipment will be sectioned off and out of bounds. All participants are expected to stay in the COLA area.

The snack canteen will be open for the duration of the event. Please make sure you pack a couple of \$ for your child to purchase a drink and snack.

If you can help out with setup the afternoon of the event, or during the event please email the P&C on [nlhipandc@gmail.com](mailto:nlhipandc@gmail.com).

#### THURSDAY SNACK CANTEEN – Updated Term Roster

Due to swimming on Fridays this term, from this Thursday snack canteen will be happening on Thursdays. The roster for this term is:

15th November	Mingjie Zhu & Megan Collins
22nd November	Kate Murphy & Sarah Clement
29th November	Louise Erikson & Edwina Carle
6th December	Megan Knott & Melinda Holme
13th December	Marion Brennan & Patrice Wallace-Smith

**Our canteen volunteers for this Thursday are Mingjie Zhu & Megan Collins.** Canteen is held from 12:45pm to 1:10pm. Please make sure you can setup at 12:30pm ready for this time. Thank you.

If you find yourself unable to make your rostered day please arrange a swap with someone and notify Melinda Holme at [melindaholmedesign@gmail.com](mailto:melindaholmedesign@gmail.com) via email and copy P&C [nlhipandc@gmail.com](mailto:nlhipandc@gmail.com). If you are unable to find a replacement, please advise Melinda and copy P&C so that a substitute can be organised.

If you have any queries you can contact the P&C via email [nlhipandc@gmail.com](mailto:nlhipandc@gmail.com)

#### Dates for your Diary 2018

<i>Term 4 Events</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Library</i>	<i>Every Monday</i>
<i>School Banking</i>	<i>Every Tuesday</i>
<i>Uniform Shop</i>	<i>Every Wednesday am</i>
<i>Snack Canteen</i>	<i>Every Thursday</i>
<i>Swimming – Students come to school wearing sports uniform with swimmers underneath</i>	<i>Every Friday until 7<sup>th</sup> December</i>
<i>Kindergarten Orientation Session and Year 2 Transition to NLPs</i>	<i>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November</i>
<i>World Vision Coin Line</i>	<i>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November</i>
<i>P&amp;C Meeting</i>	<i>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 7:30pm</i>
<i>Disco for students</i>	<i>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November</i>
<i>World Vision Week Year 2 leaders organising TBA</i>	<i>WB Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</i>
<i>P&amp;C Meeting</i>	<i>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 7:30pm</i>
<i>End Week 9</i>	<i>Semester 2 reports home</i>
<i>Christmas Concert</i>	<i>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December</i>
<i>Presentation Day</i>	<i>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December</i>
<i>Party Day</i>	<i>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</i>
<i>Final Day of Term 4 (Staff and Students) Year 2 farewell (Year 2 parents and students) 2:30pm</i>	<i>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December</i>
<i>Year 2 clap out (whole school community) at 3pm</i>	



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'The Family School'

## School Newsletter



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*School non –operational*

*Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday  
21<sup>st</sup> December*

*Share Our Space*

*Playground open over the  
summer break.*

### Dates for your diary 2019

<i>Term 4 Events</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Term 1 Commences SDD – Staff Only</i>	<i>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January</i>
<i>Year 1 and Year 2 students return to school</i>	<i>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January</i>
<i>Kinder transition – selected students over 3 days – Wednesday, Thursday and Friday</i>	<i>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February</i>
<i>First day for all 2019 Kindergarten students.</i>	<i>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February</i>
<i>Final day for 2:45pm finish for Kindergarten.</i>	<i>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</i>

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P&C BUNNINGS BBQ FUNDRAISER

I \_\_\_\_\_, parent of \_\_\_\_\_ in class \_\_\_\_\_ would be happy to assist at the BBQ on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

My preferred time is: (please circle)

8.30am to 10.00am

10.00am to 12.30pm

12.30pm to 2.30pm

2.30pm to 4.00pm

I can be contacted on:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (phone contact for the day)




***PLEASE RETURN SLIP TO THE CREAM P&C LETTERBOX OUTSIDE THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> December 2018***

# New Lambton Heights Infants School

## What to do in the event of local bush fire activity

### Information for parents and carers



	<b>ADVICE ALERT</b>		<b>WATCH AND ACT ALERT</b>		<b>EMERGENCY WARNING ALERT</b>
<p>A bush fire has started, there is no immediate danger, our school will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update student rolls and account for early leavers/absences in our school system</li> <li>Monitor air quality and adjust school activities accordingly i.e. if smoke affected cease outdoor activities</li> <li>Monitor Fire Danger Ratings, <i>Fires Near Me</i> app, <i>Live Traffic NSW</i> app and local ABC Radio</li> <li>Parents/carers will be kept informed via Skoolbag.</li> </ul>	<p>There is a heightened level of threat and bush fire conditions are changing, in addition to the Advice Alert procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If possible, we will alert parents/carers the day before via Skoolbag. If the district is affected by heavy smoke, consider keeping students with an Asthma Plan at home.</li> <li>Parents/carers stay updated using the <i>Fires Near Me</i> app, <i>Live Traffic NSW</i> app and/or listen to local ABC Radio</li> <li>School will take action to prepare i.e. provide regular updates of bush fire activity to all occupants and prepare bush fire emergency equipment</li> <li>We will liaise with Newcastle Local Area Command for support and advice. If required, we will take action to implement our <i>Bush Fire Emergency Management and Evacuation Plan</i></li> </ul>				<p>This is the highest level of bush fire alert.</p> <p>Our school will take action to implement our <i>Bush Fire Emergency Management and Evacuation Plan</i></p> <p>We will continue liaising with Newcastle Local Area Command and keep parents/carers informed of all actions taken by the school</p>

## SHELTERING PROCEDURES

In the event of an approaching bush fire threatening our school premises within X hours, our primary action is to **SHELTER IN PLACE**

- All occupants will be relocated and accounted for at our designated refuge
- Parents/carers **DO NOT COME TO THE SCHOOL** we will be safely sheltering in place and keeping all staff and students calm through activities and games.
- It's important that parents/carers take measures to activate your family [Bush Fire Survival Plan](#)
- We will continue to keep you informed via Skoolbag.

## EVACUATION PROCEDURES

We will be evaluating the safety of all staff and students, with the Newcastle Local Area Command, throughout the bush fire event. If the threat is increasing it may be determined that it would be safer for all persons to evacuate to our designated refuge. If an **EVACUATION** is to occur we will:

- Immediately inform parents/carers via Skoolbag.
- Safe transportation will be coordinated to relocate all persons to our designated evacuation refuge
- Information will be provided all parents/carers and arrangements will be made for the safe pick up of all persons from the designated evacuation refuge