

New Lambton Heights Infants 'A Family School'

School Newsletter



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Respect

Acceptance

Cooperation

Resilience



Principal's Message

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers and Friends of New Lambton Heights Infants School,

We have our first night event for the whole school tomorrow night – PYJAMA PARTY! The children can come dressed in their pyjamas and even with their teddy if they wish to watch a movie together. They can bring a cushion or pillow to help make themselves comfortable.

Pyjama Party

Our school's P&C will be hosting a pyjama party on **Thursday 29th May** from 5.30pm–7.30pm in the Year 2 classroom at New Lambton Heights Infants School.

All current New Lambton Heights Infants School students are welcome to come along for a fantastic evening. The evening will be supervised by school staff and parent volunteers. If parents wish to stay to help out they may, but no other siblings (older or younger) are able to attend.

Jump Rope for Heart

Our Jump Rope for Heart event will be held this Friday, from **9:15am until 11:15am**. We have moved the event to the morning so as to not interfere with the Ethics/Scripture lessons.

Our children will be rotating through eight different group activities. These activities include small and large rope skipping, learning skipping chants, skipping to music, doing an obstacle course, learning some very basic information about the heart, heart health and then testing ourselves to see if we can feel our own heartbeat. The children will also be watching a few quick clips of professional skipping teams.

For more information about Jump Rope for Heart please feel free to look at the Heart Foundation website: www.heartfoundation.org.au. You can find the Jump Rope For Heart Information under the 'Active Lifestyle' tab.

We are asking that all students donate \$2 that will go directly to supporting the Heart Foundation and the wonderful work they do. Please return the donation and the participation slip into the black 'School' drop box no later than Thursday 29th May. **All children are expected to participate.** If, for special reasons, you do not want your child to participate please inform your child's teacher.

We need your help! Mrs Dowman is looking for four volunteers to help on the day. If you are free on Friday 30th May between **9:15am and 11:15am** please contact the school or Mrs Dowman.

We are all looking forward to what will be an exciting day.

School Student Banking

We need you! School Banking was reinstated into our school last year thanks to our Banking Coordinator, Sally Roberts (one of our mums). Sally now needs some assistance as she has returned to full-time work. We need someone who can spare an hour or so on Wednesday mornings to lend a hand. It would be a shame to have to stop this service if we are unable to get some volunteers. If you are interested *please see me or ask at the office for Sally's contact details.*

School Leaders

Congratulations to **Cooper Gilligan** and **Alice Roberts**, our school leaders for Weeks 5 & 6 of Term 2.

Awards

KE	K/1P
Jessica Parsons	Sophia Hassall
Sophie Mackay	Jasper Toyne
Will Hatton	Addyson McCaffery
Amaya Dowman	Riordan Munnoch
1D	2C
Bailey Beresford	Ben Alvaro
Archie Vandenberg	Cooper Gilligan
Rory Peck	Dannon Peck
Oskar Gulbrandsen	Isaac Rees

Gold Principal's Award:

Ben Alvaro

Gold Awards:

Zane Brand
Alexia Ferris
Cooper Gilligan
Sarani Marsh
Jessica Parsons
Vincent Poposki
Hester Taylor

Dates for your Diary 2014

TERM 2	
Event	Date
Dance2bfit	Wednesdays
Pyjama Party 5.30pm–7.30pm	Thursday 29 th May
Jump Rope for Heart (Gold Coin Donation)	Friday 30 th May
Monday Canteen	Monday 2 nd June
P&C Meeting 7.00pm – Resource Room	Wednesday 4 th June

TERM 3	
Event	Date
School Photos	Tuesday 12 th August
Michael Salmon visit Author/Illustrator	Thursday 28 th August

Enjoy your week.
Greg Culhane
Principal

Food Revolution Day



Too sick for school?

As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It's often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1hytn2E

Mental maths strategies

We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we're helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of "number" which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here : www.bit.ly/JkiUsY

Does speaking another language at home confuse children?

Are your children fortunate enough to be growing up in a home where two or more languages are spoken? Many parents worry that bilingualism can cause confusion and even delays in learning for their children, but according the Raising Children Network, that's not the case at all. A good knowledge of your native language can actually help your child with learning English. Bilingual children who are read books and spoken to in their in their native language find it easier to learn to read and write in English when they get to school. More information is at www.bit.ly/1m0agnk

