

New Lambton Heights Infants 'A Family School'

School Newsletter



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Respect

Responsibility

Safe Learning



Engaged and Learning

Principal's Message

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

The weather has truly landed hard upon us, reminding us that it is still winter. Please help us to keep your children warm and healthy by ensuring that they arrive at school rugged up for the cold. They may need an extra jacket/jumper in their bag for break times.

PBL – Thank you!

Thank you to the community members who attended the New Lambton Heights Infants School's workshop for the Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) framework.



We discussed PBL, what it means, how we can use PBL and how we can work together to grow a Respectable, Responsible, Safe Learning Community.



The input by the participants will become part of the development of what will become a 'whole school' approach to building on our structures and processes.

Late or leaving early – some changes

Our school has moved to an electronic roll system that is predominantly run through the classroom. Because of this, we are making a slight change to the late arrival and early pick up structure. If you arrive late you still go straight to the bench outside the office and fill in the Student Leave Form BUT you then need to tear off the top (yellow) copy and take it to the classroom teacher so they can amend the digital roll. If you are picking up your child early, again, go to the same place before

you go to the classroom, fill in the form, tear off the top copy and hand it to the teacher so they can amend the digital roll.

School Photos

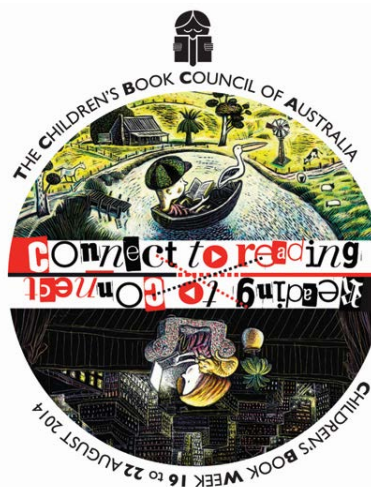
On Thursday, 21st August our school photos will be taken. Order envelopes for photographs were sent home last week. If you require a family photograph as well, there are special envelopes available from the office for these orders. **Please ensure that your child is in full Winter Uniform for photograph day.** Our photographer always does an excellent job and with your help the photos will be wonderful keepsakes.

There is a new payment option to pay 'online' for this year's school photos. A specialized code has been printed on your order form.

To pay online visit www.newcastleschoolportraits.com. Our school's code is **142186**.

Education Week/Book Week

This year we are once again combining Book Week and Education Week activities. We are having an 'Open Day' on **Thursday 28th August at 12 o'clock**. There will be an assembly to celebrate the school's achievements. The theme is '**Connect to Reading**'.



The students are invited to come dressed as a book character. Please remember that the weather may limit some choices and that we are only an infants school. You can add to the theme by dressing up also if you wish.

The children will present an item

for you and the Year 2 dance group will perform the dance they have prepared for the Hunter Schools Dance Festival. You will then be able to go to your child's classroom to look at the work that they have been doing this year.

At lunch there will be a **family picnic/BBQ**. I will give more information as to what items the P&C will have available for sale on the day in next week's newsletter.

Also, during the lunch break there will be a Book Fair in the library where parents will be able to buy books to donate back to the school's library. **The library will be open from 8.45am for those parents who are unable to come to join us at lunchtime.** Books will be on sale for donation. (Books will be priced \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20).

Each book donated will have the child's name on a bookplate inside the cover. They will also be the first child to be able to borrow the book.

I hope this will be a great opportunity for the students to share their learning and for families to observe our outstanding quality school.

Michael Salmon will be presenting to the children in the morning. He will have books available for purchase and signing on the day.

School Leaders

Congratulations to Oliver Tobin and Isabella Burchell, our school leaders for Weeks 5 & 6 of Term 3.

Awards

KE	K/1P
Amaya Dowman	Amelia Dawes
Hester Taylor	Ellie MacDonald
Will Hatton	Pippi Shaw
Amber Asbury	Jasper Toyne
1D	2C
Laura Alvaro	Samien Dowman
Reuben Crispin	Bailey Drinkwater
Arabella Parker	Alec Griffiths
Deepanwita Mahata	Isaac Rees

Gold Principal's Awards:

Robert McDowell

Principal's Awards:

Niklas Mueller

Gold Awards:

Laura Alvaro
Riley Brook
Reuben Crispin
Kiara Drinkwater
Lexi Ferris
Niklas Mueller
Kieran Shah
Sam Treyvaud

PBL - We are Respectful

PBL enables the explicit teaching of our values to support positive behaviours. We make good choices & take turns we are resilient.

Athletics Carnival

Our school will be holding our annual Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 9th September. You are invited to attend the event as it is traditionally an ideal *family day*.

Dates for your Diary 2014

TERM 3	Date
Event	
Sport – Sally Yoga	Every Friday Term 3 – Sports uniforms to be worn
School Photos	Thursday 21 st August
Daffodil Day Dress in yellow – GOLD coin conation	Friday 22 nd August
Education Week Celebration & Michael Salmon visit Author/Illustrator	Thursday 28 th August
Athletics Carnival	Tuesday 9 th September
Wetlands – Year 2 10am – 2pm	Thursday 18 th September

Enjoy your week.

Greg Culhane

Principal

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