

New Lambton Heights Infants 'A Family School'

School Newsletter



176 Lookout Rd New Lambton Heights Ph: 49572744 Fax: 49562432 Website: www.newlambhti-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

Respect

Responsibility

Safe Learning



Principal's Message

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

Rain, rain and more rain! We have been forced indoors during playtimes quite a bit over the past week due to the wet weather. I hope the weather will allow a few sunny recess and lunch breaks soon.

It is a great idea to pack a raincoat into your child's bag; however, *umbrellas are not to be brought to school*. We have had incidents where they have caused injury. We now have covered walkways for the children to move around the school so the children can move around the school with no fear of getting wet. If you need an umbrella to get your child to the car at pick up time please bring it from the car at that time. Thanks.

Neighbours have asked that parents please help their children to respect their fences and their gardens by not walking along the fences or picking flowers etc from the gardens.

School Photos – Tomorrow

Don't forget that tomorrow is Photo Day! Order envelopes have been sent home and must be returned by tomorrow. If you also require a family photograph there are special envelopes available from the office. **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 an option to pay 'online' this year. Go to www.newcastleschoolportraits.com. Our school code is **142186**.

Daffodil Day this Friday

We will be having a Daffodil Day as a **fundraising day** on Friday 22nd August to support the Cancer Council. The children may come dressed in their own cloths with something yellow and give a GOLD coin donation.

We also have Daffodil Day merchandise for sale on the 'sign in' bench near the schools office.

Please take time to support this worthy cause.

Arriving Late or Leaving Early

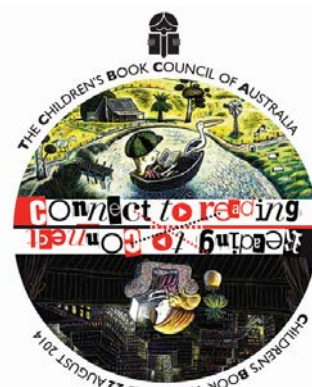
Thankyou to the parents and family members who have been following the new system of taking the top copy of the *Student Leave Form* to the classroom teacher when arriving late or leaving early.

If you arrive late, go straight to the bench outside the office and fill in the *Student Leave Form* and 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.

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. Please ensure you complete and return the permission form sent home on Monday. The cost is \$4 per student.

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*. There will be a free sausage sizzle and fruit cup for the school's students. You will be able to buy a drink and sausage sandwich for yourself and other family members on the day.

Please remember to pack a large drink of water, regular recess and a school hat. Sunscreen will need to be applied before school and please send some in their bags for reapplication throughout the day.

Lunch will be a free BBQ for the school's children, however, as children often become quite hungry on sports days a second healthy snack could be packed.

We are also calling for volunteers to help with holding the finishing tape, judging, etc. If you are able to help from approximately 9.30am–12.30pm please add your name to the volunteer list outside Mrs Dowman's room.

The carnival starts at 9:30am:

- **Sports Houses march past**
- **Events round 1**
- **Recess break**
- **Events round 2 and finals**
- **Lunch break** – BBQ/picnic
- **Presentation Ceremony** – *participation awards, finalists' ribbons* will be awarded and the *winning house announced*
- **Pack up**
 - ✓ **Kinder parents** to help pack away the recording table and event equipment
 - ✓ **Year 1 parents** to help pack up and carry up the shade shelters and ground tarps
 - ✓ **Year 2 parents** to help pack up and carry up the BBQ, chairs and tables

It will be lovely to see the children competing and hear them cheering each other on. I look forward to what will be another wonderful day full of great memories at our school.

Aboriginal IncurSION and Excursion Blue Gum Hills National Park

The whole school will be participating in an incurSION to learn about local Aboriginal artefacts and local Aboriginal knowledge. National Parks will be delivering this and have great Aboriginal instructors who will be visiting our school making the experience exciting and memorable. This visit is planned for Monday 25th August during school hours.

Please see the office if you do not have a copy of the permission note. These notes should be returned ASAP.

Awards

KE	K/1P
Sophie Taylor	Tom Garland
Kieran Shah	Pippi Shaw
Tommy Picton	Isabella Ormiston
Sibella Dawes	Sebastian Macks
1D	2C
Niklas Mueller	Isabella Burchell
Isaac Clement	Dannon Peck
Kiara Drinkwater	Alice Roberts
Sarah McTiernan	Jade Willis

Principal's Award:

Lilly Kime

Gold Awards:

Alyssa Griffiths

Ellie MacDonald

Deepanwita Mahata

Sarani Marsh

Archie Vandenberg

Dates for your Diary 2014

TERM 3	Date
Event	
Sport – Sally Yoga	Every Friday Term 3 – Sports uniforms to be worn
School Photos Tomorrow	Thursday 21 st August
Daffodil Day <small>Dress in yellow – GOLD coin donation</small>	Friday 22 nd August
Aboriginal IncurSION (Visit)	Monday 25 th August
Education Week Celebration & Michael Salmon visit Author/Illustrator	Thursday 28 th August \$4.00
Blue Gums Hills National Park Excursion	Monday 8 th September \$15
Athletics Carnival	Tuesday 9 th September
Wetlands – Year 2 10am–2pm	Thursday 18 th September

OPEN THE DOOR TO A
NEW CAREER IN

Counselling

AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

With a Double Diploma of
Counselling and Community Services
from Careers Australia, you can be
qualified in as little as 18 months
to start making a difference in the
Newcastle community.

Courses are starting
soon, so contact
Careers Australia
on 02 4967 9200
to get started.

 CAREERS
AUSTRALIA
careersaustralia.edu.au

PBL – We are

responsible

PBL enables the explicit teaching of our values to support our positive behaviours. We share and take turns, we are organised and care for others and their property.