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Kinder Buddies

Today, during the Kindergarten Orientation session, next year's Kindy students met their buddies. It is clear that we will have wonderful student leaders at our school for next year! The Buddy program is wonderful way for our new students to feel comfortable at school and further develop leadership skills for our older students.

Playground Activities

The new activities for our playground have started to be installed. They further improve on an already amazing space.

Thank you again to the P&C for making this possible.



Outdoor picnic tables



Chalkboards for students

Year 2 Visits

Tomorrow, students who are going to New Lambton Public School in 2017 will be visiting their new school. The session commences at 9:20am and will conclude at 12:15pm. Parents are invited to the information sessions at the start and will then bring the children back to school at the conclusion.

School Reports

Teachers are working towards the students' end of year reports. These will be distributed in Week 10.

Kindergarten will receive a comment for each Key Learning Area (subject) and a general comment.

Stage 1 will be given A-E grades. Please see a descriptor of the grades below. When a student receives a 'C' grade this means that they have a sound understanding of the curricula content and they are going well in that subject area. C means that your child is 'on track' in relation to what he or she is expected to learn. Other grades will indicate whether your child is doing better than expected or needs more help.

Grade	Descriptor
A	<u>Outstanding achievement</u> The student has an extensive knowledge and understanding of the content and can readily apply this knowledge. In addition, the student has achieved a very high level of competence in the processes and skills and can apply these skills to new situations.
B	<u>High achievement</u> The student has a thorough knowledge and understanding of the content and a high level of competence in the processes and skills. In addition, the student is able to apply this knowledge and these skills to most situations.
C	<u>Sound achievement</u> The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills.
D	<u>Basic achievement</u> The student has a basic knowledge and understanding of the content and has achieved a basic level of competence in the processes and skills.
E	<u>Limited achievement</u> The student has an elementary knowledge and understanding in few areas of the content and has achieved very limited competence in some of the processes and skills.

Child Safety

Supervision of children commences at 8:45am. To ensure safety, we ask that children are walked into the school by a responsible adult at or after this time. The two gates which can be accessed are the gates facing Lookout Road and Marshall Street. Children are not to use the side gate near the driveway as this provides vehicular access to the school.



School Attendance

If your child presents to school after class has started, please ensure that a 'yellow slip' is completed by the adult dropping them off. This ensures that the school is compliant with the Department's **Attendance** and **Child Protection** policies.

Uniform Shop

Orders for 2017 Uniform purchases need to be in to school by Wednesday 9th November, This will ensure orders can be filled before the end of the year.

Enrolments for 2017

If you are aware of any families in our local area who have school age children, please encourage them to make contact with the school to discuss enrolment.

Dates for your Diary

<i>Term 4 Dates</i>	<i>Event</i>
Wednesday 9 th November	LAST ORDERS - UNIFORM SHOP
Thursday 10 th November	9:20am – 12:15pm Year 2 New Lambton Public Transition
Friday 11 th November	School Swimming program continues
Wednesday 16 th November	All Book Club orders due
Thursday 17 th November	9:20am – 12:15pm Year 2 New Lambton Public Transition
* Tuesday 6 th December	P&C Meeting – note change of date
Thursday 8 th December	5:00pm – 7:30pm Christmas Concert
Wednesday 14 th December	10:00am Presentation Day
Thursday 15 th December	Party Day
Friday 16 th December	Last day of school – Talent Quest and Year 2 Clap-out

P&C News

Canteen Reminder

Canteen is on Thursday this term due to swimming on Friday. Our Thursday canteen volunteers for this week are **Tanya Hall** and **Doone Stojkovski**. Canteen is held between 12:45pm and 1:10pm (recess time). Please make sure you can setup at 12:30pm ready for this time. Thank you.

If you have any queries you can contact the P&C via email nlhipandc@gmail.com

Christmas Raffle

Each year the P&C runs a Christmas Raffle that is drawn on Presentation Day. This year we are asking for donations of all things special and Christmassy to be left in the box outside the office over the next two weeks. Ideas include: colouring/activity books, shortbread, bubble bath, storybooks, gingerbread – anything that won't spoil (please note no alcohol can be accepted as children's names are often put on the tickets). All donations will be wrapped into raffle prizes on Thursday 1st December and tickets will be sent home that day to sell to friends and family. If you have any questions, please email the P&C, nlhipandc@gmail.com.

Next P&C Meeting

The last P&C meeting of this year will be held on **Tuesday 6th December** rather than the usual Wednesday to allow an extra day between the meeting and the Christmas Concert. Everyone is most welcome to attend.



Congratulations to all our award winners from last week!