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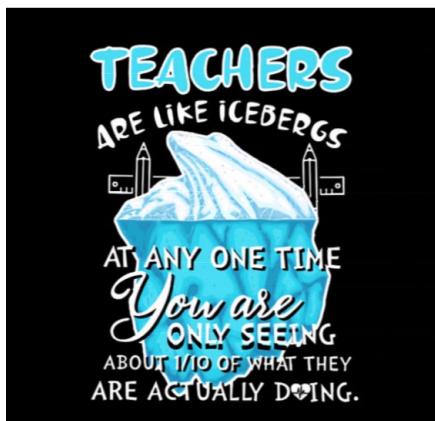
Wednesday 30th October 2019

Term 4 Week 3

A MESSAGE FROM MRS HUGHES

Australia celebrated World Teachers' Day last Friday. I have no doubt that you would all agree that the teachers at NLHIS deserve a special day to celebrate and thank them for the important role that they play in your children's lives. I feel very privileged to work with such a professional and dedicated group of teachers. The teachers at our school are all at different stages of their careers and lives, but each and every one shows a willingness to learn new things so they can improve and help your children to continuously improve and grow – socially, emotionally and academically. The teachers at NLHIS love kids and they love their job and as a Principal, I cannot ask for more.

Thank you to our kind P&C members who have been spoiling us this week with beautiful homemade treats. It brings us together to enjoy some time out and makes us feel very special. Thank you to the parents who helped their children write on their apples. The messages have been so heart-warming.



Lisa Hughes
Principal



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.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE HEIGHTS?

<i>Uniform Shop Open</i>	Every Monday
<i>School Banking</i>	Every Tuesday
<i>Library Borrowing</i>	Every Wednesday
<i>Assembly</i>	Every Friday 2:35pm
<i>Swimming</i>	Each Friday – Weeks 1-8
<i>Stage 1 Geography Excursion to beach</i>	Monday 4th November Cost: Under \$10 TBC
<i>Year 2 Transitions – NLPS and WSPS</i>	Wednesday 6th November
<i>Kindergarten Orientation</i>	Thursday 7th November
<i>Kindergarten Orientation</i>	Monday 18th November
<i>Year 2 Transition WSPS</i>	Wednesday 20th November
<i>Year 2 Transition NLPS</i>	Thursday 21st November
<i>Kindergarten Orientation Buddies</i>	Tuesday 26th November
<i>Scripture Christmas</i>	Thursday 5th December
<i>Presentation Day</i>	Tuesday 10th December 9:30am
<i>Year 2 Transitions – NLPS and WSPS</i>	Friday 13th December
<i>Community Christmas Celebration and disco</i>	Monday 16th December. Time and Venue TBC
<i>Party Day – picnic at Blackbutt and Movies</i>	Tuesday 17th December Cost: approx. \$25
<i>Final Day for 2019 – Teachers and students. Year 2 Clapout</i>	Wednesday 18th December. Clap out at 2:45pm



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ANTI-BULLYING THEME 2 – ACTION

This week's anti-bullying theme is **action** and our powerful conversations are about the ways we can take a stand against bullying behaviour.



We will be talking about being an upstander or a bystander. We are also discussing why it can be hard for some people to be an upstander and the difference between 'telling' and 'dobbing'.

Support your child to be an upstander and learn what to do if they see or experience bullying behaviour.

More information can be found here:

<https://bit.ly/2JrWvA3>

TRANSITIONS

Our next Year 2 transition session to Wallsend South and New Lambton PS will be next Wednesday, and on the Thursday we welcome back our 2020 Kinders. Parents are invited to stay on Thursday for an information session.

ASSEMBLY

Our next assembly will be on Friday at 2:35pm.

4 Merit Awards = 1 Gold Award

4 Gold Awards = 1 Blue Principal's Award (High Tea with Hughsey)

1 Blue Principal's Award and a Citizenship Award = 1 Gold Principal's Award (High Tea with Hughsey)

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





New Lambton Heights Infants School is great!

New Lambton Heights Infants School is a great school for lots of reasons, we have kind students and teachers, we have a great playground, we have no bullying and we have a good P&C.

Our school is great because the people here are really nice. If you fell over, your friends would go and tell the teacher after picking you up and checking if you are okay. We would always help you.

If you are feeling lonely or are by yourself, people at our school will always include you in their games and we even have a buddy bench. We share equipment and toys and encourage each other all the time.

Our school is great because we have a great playground.

Our playground is amazing because we can use sticks and make stick shelters and we have a bridge with a rocky creek. Also, unlike other schools, we have lots and lots of real grass. We've even got secret spaces that we love.

New Lambton Heights Infants School is great because there is no bullying. By simply walking around our playground you will see children playing nicely and helping each other, we've never seen any bullying in all our years of going to this school. If bullying did start up here all the other friends would stop it before it even started much, so it just wouldn't happen. The children are just too busy playing with each other and on the new equipment, there's simply no time for bullying we are having too much fun instead.

Our P&C are wonderful. We don't have canteen, but our awesome P&C set one up every week just for us. Our P&C run fundraisers really well, for example the exciting and amazing Colour Run that we just had so they could buy us new fun and cool equipment. The P&C also help make our school the greatest because they listen to our ideas, for example our delicious fruit cups that we voted for in our class and then requested. Our P&C are cool.

1/2D Students



LITTLE LIFE LONG LEARNERS ...

What has been happening in Mrs Dowman's Class?

1/2D have been learning how to persuade an audience. As a whole class they worked together to compose a persuasive piece of text to persuade others that New Lambton Heights is a great school.

Are you convinced?



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They have also been working with one of 1/2D's parents on a very special project:

Late in Term 3 Kristy, Jordan's mum, visited S1D and introduced us to KIVA Loans.

We learnt about Kiva loans and how being one of a few people loaning a small amount of money can make a life changing difference to a single person or a community not so fortunate as ours.

We discussed helping others and why it's important to do so.

Jordan's family kindly donated our class enough money for two loans and we broke into groups with the help of Kristy and Barbara (Maisie's mum) to sort through the applicants.

We had some tricky decisions to think about as we discussed the pros, cons and reasoning why various people or groups should be loaned money over others.

All groups came together and shared their ideas and the reasoning behind their choices and as a class we voted on two people to support.

The children chose to support a mother Madina who needed funds to help pay for her child's medical treatment. The second loan the children gave, was to a man named Edison. He hopes to get his home bakery business going and to build a coop for his chickens, thus improving life for his family and community. The children thought through the ideas not only with compassion but also good reasoning, at one stage they wanted to support an elderly lady with 7 children at university, with the discussion and thoughts that they may return educated and help her and their community.

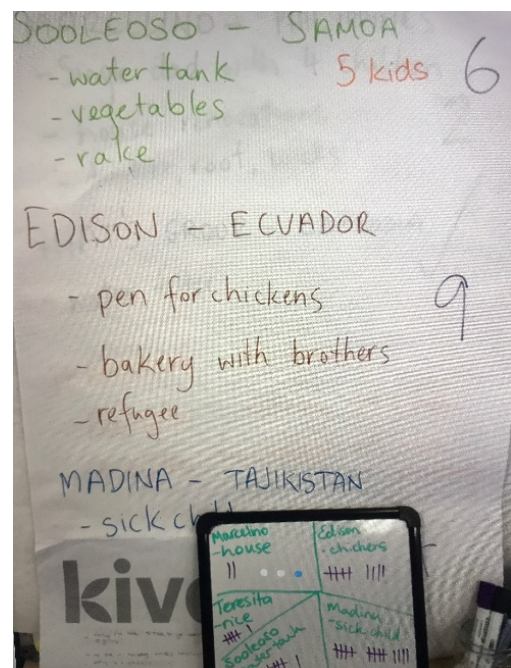
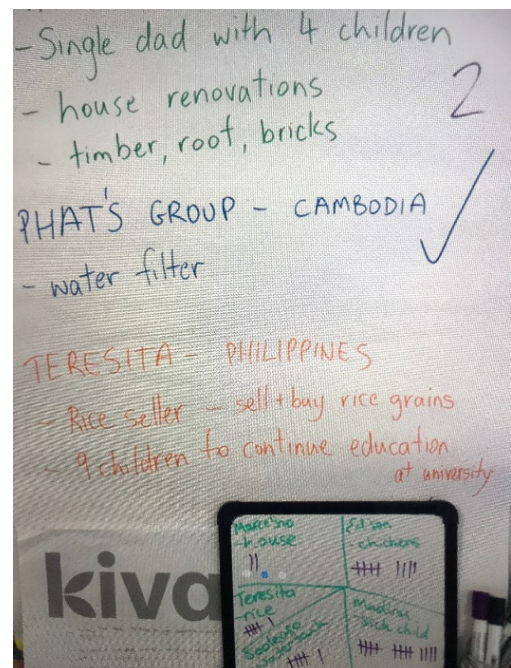
The children have been able to see both the applicants be fully funded and see the repayments already returning.

Once these applicants return the funds the money is again reloaned helping another in need. In reality the original \$25 dollars can help hundreds of people as it is continuously loaned out over and over!

I'd like to thank Kristy and Jordan and their generous family for enabling our class to be part of such an important, valuable and humbling learning experience.

More information about Kiva can be found here:

<https://www.kiva.org/>





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P&C NEWS

We are looking to close out the year with our Christmas Disco and our Tea Towel Fundraiser which is a great memento! We are also looking forward to spoiling our teachers this week as part of Teacher Appreciation Week!

To keep up to date with P&C activities and news, please follow our Facebook page; 'New Lambton Heights Infants P & C'.

P&C PROFILING OUR PEOPLE

This week we have **Katie Draper**, one of our Vice Presidents, who is a lady of many talents! She is mum to Violet and Adelaide, Bunnings BBQ co-ordinator, crafty lady who has been the co-organiser of the beautiful gifts you all receive for Mother's Day and Father's Day, bottle top muralist and painter of fairy garden pots. Meet Katie Draper...

What will be your legacy from your time on the P&C at New Lambton Heights Infants School?

Mmmm Legacy. I don't really think I have come up with an amazing thing for the school that I will be remembered for. I would like to think that I have just done the best that I can with my available time to help make some difference.

Who is someone you admire, and why?

Geraldine Cox. Geraldine's energy, commitment and joy for life has changed the lives of thousands of Cambodian children

Three words that you describe you.

Hard working, a little crazy and accident prone.

One thing on your bucket list?

When my girls are older, I would love to travel with them to somewhere and volunteer in a community/village helping to make a difference in other people's lives. I travelled and volunteered a lot before I had children and I believe it would be a wonderful learning experience on so many levels, to share with my girls.

What are you happiest doing, when you're not working?

Spending time with my family and friends. Going to music festivals, riding my bike and playing soccer.

What would be your personal motto.

Life does not require that we be the best, only that we try our best.

P&C ACTIVITIES

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK – 28 OCTOBER – 1 NOVEMBER

Thank you to everyone who bought in their apples, they will be displayed for the teachers this week!

We are also putting together a special morning tea each day to say 'thank you' to our teachers, this is being co-ordinated by Val Gent with help from Sue Pears, Zara Houliker and Leah Coghlan who are bringing in something special for our teachers, we really appreciate your efforts!

TEA TOWELS – HARD COPY ORDERS DUE TO P&C BOX 29 OCTOBER AND ONLINE ORDERS CLOSE 30 OCTOBER

Our limited edition tea towel design will be made up of self-portraits drawn by all our children and staff. The pictures and names will be arranged all together as a commemorative design for the whole school then screen printed onto premium 100% white cotton tea towels.

Don't forget to order a few extras for family members and your keepsake box. Tea towels can be ordered via our online store or if you would like to order with cash please fill in an order form and return to the cream P&C box by 29 October.
<https://new-lambton-heights-infants-school-pc-association.s...>



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KINDY ORIENTATION – THURSDAY 7 NOVEMBER

The P&C will be hosting Morning Tea for the parents and children during their Orientation Days and will be co-ordinated by Edwina Carle.

Thank you to Melinda Home and Meike Proctor who are helping out on 7th November with baking. Thank you so much ladies! It's so important that not only the students, but the parents also feel welcome at Orientation time!

We are also looking for volunteers for the uniform shop between 9.30-11.30am.

If are able to contribute, please check out our signup page <https://signup.com/go/zNrqPTth>

P&C SERVICES

THURSDAY SNACK CANTEEN ROSTER

Term 4 is a bit different with Snack Canteen being held on a Thursday. Canteen is held between 12.45pm and 1.10pm. Please make sure you can set up at 12.30pm ready for the rush!

Also, at the conclusion of canteen, please ensure that you restock ready for next week to make it easier for next week's volunteers.

We are still short a volunteer for the last week of canteen, if you can help out please email me at nlhipandc@gmail.com

If you can't make your rostered day please arrange a swap with someone and notify nlhipandc@gmail.com. If you are unable to find a replacement, please advise Kate via the P&C so that a substitute can be organised. If you have any queries, you can contact the P&C on nlhipand@gmail.com

Term 4 Roster

Thursday 24 Oct	Patrice Wallace-Smith & Marion Brennan
Thursday 31 Oct	Lou Erickson & Megan O'Neill
Thursday 7 Nov	Kate Murphy & Emily Crisp
Thursday 14 Nov	Megan Knott & Lou Erickson
Thursday 21 Nov	Megan Collins & Megan O'Neill
Thursday 28 Nov	Megan Knott & Megan O'Neill
Thursday 5 Dec	Lou Erickson & Kate Murphy
Thursday 12 Dec	Megan O'Neill & one more volunteer needed

UNIFORM SHOP

Thanks to Sue and Kay who have been busy working to get all of the uniform orders ready for our new Kindy Kids for next year.

We have set up our Square Account and the hardware has arrived and we are in the process of setting it up, which means families will be able to order uniforms online and also pay either in person or remotely with a credit card. While the Square system is up and running we will wait a few weeks for Sheree to return before implementing. Any orders made online will be fulfilled on a Monday when the uniform shop is open pending availability of stock. Any orders placed after a Sunday online will not be filled until the following Monday pending availability of stock.

There is a wide range of second hand uniforms for the sale in the uniform shop – please feel free to drop in on a Monday morning to see what's available.

If you have any uniforms which no longer fit your children and are still in good condition, please drop them off to the uniform shop where we can give them a new home.