



**Term 3 Week 1**

**29 July 2009**

## *Principal's Report*

### **Welcome Back!**

I trust that you all enjoyed the holiday break and have returned to school refreshed for what promises to be another busy term. I would like to welcome our new students and their families to our great school!

### **Outstanding UNSW Computer Skills results**

Our school results for the recent UNSW Computer Skills competition have arrived and it is tremendous to see that so many students have achieved at such a high level. Ten of our students were awarded a High Distinction with 32 other students awarded a Distinction. The strength of these results is further evidence of the tremendous programs offered at our school in the area of technology. Congratulations to Mr Brock, all class teachers and our students on this fantastic achievement!

### **Staff News**

Welcome back to Mrs Maakaroun, who returned from maternity leave on Monday and will work each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday on 2M. Mrs Preston has opted to take leave for the remainder of the year with her last day being Friday 7 August. 2B will then be taken by Miss Coburn. Parents of children in 2B were sent a note yesterday informing them of this change. Mr Outtersides will take over Mrs Preston's role with the Jazz Band for the rest of the year. Mrs Knight is currently on leave until Week 8. Her music lessons will be taught by Mrs Burbage each Tuesday and Wednesday whilst her library lessons will be taken by Mrs Austin.

### **Highlander Cup**

A reminder that the annual Highlander Cup will be held at Tryon Oval next Monday afternoon commencing at 4.30pm. I look forward to seeing you there....fingers crossed it's not as cold as last year!

### **OC Testing**

A reminder to parents of students sitting for the OC Placement Test, that the testing day is next Wednesday, 5 August between 9.00am and 11.15am. The testing centre for Lindfield PS students is St Ives High School, Yarrabung Rd, St Ives.

### **Kindergarten Enrolments 2010**

We are currently accepting enrolments for next year and at this stage, we appear to have more enrolments than at the same stage last year. If you know of anyone who is considering enrolling their child here in Kindergarten next year, please ask them to contact us shortly.

### **School Website address**

If our current website address is proving difficult for you to remember, you might like to type in [www.lindfieldpublicschool.com.au](http://www.lindfieldpublicschool.com.au) in future. This link will now provide you with access to our school website.

### **Energy Australia works**

I have been advised by Energy Australia that they will be conducting major electrical works in Eton Road and Ortona Street over coming days. It is likely that there will be many large vehicles and a lot of ground dug up in both of these areas. Students should exercise caution if walking to and from school through these streets.

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## *Contact Us..*

### **Telephone**

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### **Absentee Line**

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### **Principal's Email**

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### **Lindfield School Website**

[www.lindfieldpublicschool.com.au](http://www.lindfieldpublicschool.com.au)  
[www.lindfield-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.lindfield-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

### **P&C Website**

[www.lpspandc.org.au](http://www.lpspandc.org.au)

### **Lindfield Activity Centre**

9416 1936

### **Parents & Citizen Assoc**

President: Leanne Ferreira

## **Notes Sent Home this Week**

09178	Year One News Day
09179	5A & 5W Walk to Lindfield Library
09181	1T Assembly Note
09182	3S& 3PT Cumberland State Forest
09184	Senior Highlander Cup

## **Coming Events**

**30 July**  
**31 July**  
**31 July**

3S & 3PT Cumberland State Forest  
Netball Knockout at  
PSSA & Recreational Sport Commence

**3 August**  
**4 August**  
**4 August**

Highlander Cup  
6H Assembly  
Jindabyne Parent Meeting

## *Principal's Report Continued*

### **Community Room**

Over the holidays, a door was installed in the community room, kindly paid for by the P&C, to allow access to the room from the corridor behind the canteen. Students will enter and leave the community room via the new door and as such, will not be permitted to walk through the front office area to access the room. This arrangement will also apply for before and after school activities.

### **Permission Notes**

A reminder that copies of permission notes have been placed on the school website to allow parents to download a copy in cases where notes have been lost or haven't been received for some other reason. These notes are located in the 'Useful Downloads' area of the website (contained within the 'Community Values' section). As of this week, all permission notes will be placed on the website. Students will be given permission notes as usual, but no 'spare' copies will be available. We ask that parents access the website and download a copy of the note, if for whatever reason, the original note is misplaced. If you are unable to download the note, a copy will be provided by Mrs Dukino upon request.

### **Staffroom**

We have recently had an increase in the number of parents attempting to speak with teachers in the staffroom during recess and lunch breaks. Parents are asked to check the availability of teachers at the front office and not to enter the staff room during these times.

**Craig Oliver**  
*Principal*

At Lindfield Public School in 2009 we have five children with a potentially life threatening allergic reaction. They are found across our school from Kindergarten to Year 5.

#### **How can parents help these children?**

- ◆ If possible, choose alternative sandwich spreads to peanut butter and Nutella. If you have no alternative, inform your child that these foods can trigger an anaphylactic reaction.
- ◆ Reinforce the school's No Food Sharing message.
- ◆ Please DO NOT send nuts including cashews, almonds, etc to school with your child if at all possible

# **Deputy Principal's Report**

It's good to be back! I am sure everyone had a relaxing holiday, as I did and are refreshed, ready for this semester. I am hoping the flu season is completely over and that classes remain at full capacity this term. Could I remind parents that when your child is absent, teachers do require an absent note to be sent to school upon your child's return, explaining the reason for their absence. There were so many children absent at the end of Term 2 and many of the teachers have not received absent notes from students explaining reason for leave. As absent notes are a departmental requirement we hope all parents can assist us by following up with absent notes from last term.

### **AFL**

The NAB AFL Auskick program started today for all children from Kindergarten to Year 2. The students will have the chance to participate in the program each Wednesday for this term. Auskick AFL consists of graded warm-up games, skill activities, skill games and a match program based upon appropriate "AFL Auskick Rules".

The children will be offered:

- A program that enables all individuals to experience personal achievement in terms of competence, enhanced self-esteem, social co-operation, maximum participation and skill development in a FUN environment.
- Appropriate warm-up activities.
- Appropriate skill teaching in a sequential program.
- Appropriate skill drills and games.
- Appropriate AFL Auskick Rules matches.
- Appropriately trained/accredited coaches, umpires and officials.

I am sure all the K-2 students had a great first session with Auskick today and look forward to their next session next Wednesday.

### **Term 3 Planner**

The Term 3 calendar is ready to distribute to all Lindfield families this week. I would like to thank McConnellbourn Real Estate agents for their professional printing of this term's calendar and also their ongoing support. It is greatly appreciated by everyone. Just let you know that there is an error on the term planner. There are no parent/teacher interview sessions scheduled for week 10 and also no zone cross country scheduled for week 5.

**Rita Pelekakis**  
*Deputy Principal*

### **1T's Assembly**

1T's assembly will be held on **Friday 7th August from 9:15am** in the School Hall. Parents, grandparents, family and friends are all welcome. We look forward to sharing this special day with you.

**Mrs Tompson**

# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING

## Human Swine Flu Information Sheet

This year it is likely many more people will come down with flu-like illnesses than in recent flu seasons because few people have immunity to the human swine flu virus.

As the number of cases of flu increases, we all need to take steps to minimise the transmission of the virus in school communities as some staff and students are at greater risk of severe illness from flu.

Staff or students who become unwell should stay away from school until they are well to minimise the transmission of the flu.

Any student who identifies that they are unwell, or is displaying flu-like symptoms at school will be sent to a sick-bay area and their parent or carer will be called to take them home.

Please watch carefully for any signs or symptoms of flu-like illness in your child. If they are unwell please do not send them to school until their symptoms have gone.

These symptoms include fever, cough, tiredness, muscle aches, sore throat, chills or shortness of breath.

Some people are more likely to develop severe illness from both seasonal influenza and swine flu. NSW Health advises that this group includes people who:

- Are pregnant (particularly in the second and third trimester)
- Have chronic lung disease (including asthma)
- Are very obese
- Have chronic heart conditions
- Have chronic kidney disease
- Have chronic liver disease
- Have blood disorders (including sickle cell disease)
- Have neurological disorders
- Have metabolic disorders (such as diabetes)
- Have weakened or suppressed immune systems (which may be caused by cancers, medications or HIV/AIDS)
- Are of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background (of any age).

If you or your child is in one of these categories, please seek urgent medical attention as soon as symptoms of flu appear because you may need anti-influenza medication and it works best if given early.

The department has policies in place to support schools this flu season. I can assure you that the department will continue to act on all advice received from NSW Health to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of our staff and students.

Additional health information is available from the H1N1 Influenza 09 section of the NSW Health website at: <http://www.emergency.health.nsw.gov.au/swineflu/index.asp>

# Year Two Robotics

During Term Three we are again offering robotic workshops to children after school on Thursday afternoons. These after school workshops will be open to **Year Two students only**.

This time we will be using the Probot, a slightly more advanced version of the Bee Bot Robot which was used last term. As we only have a limited number of Probots, **allocation to a group will be strictly on a first come -first served basis.**

Depending on numbers there will probably be two groups:

- Group One commencing on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August and concluding on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August.
- Group two will commence on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September and conclude on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September.

A note will be sent home this week to indicate an expression of interest only. A further note will be sent home to indicate whether or not your child has been accepted and into which group he/she has been placed. The note needs to be returned directly to Mrs Allen by **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July**.

**Hedy Allen & Pam Hedison**

## PSSA Sport



Following are the locations for soccer games this Friday 31 July 2009

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|---------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>A Team</b> | Beaumont Road @ Queen Elizabeth |
| <b>B Team</b> | St Ives North @ Warrimoo        |
| <b>C Team</b> | Killara @ Edenborough           |

Netball games are held at Canoon Road, Turramurra.



# Parent Information

## Session - Mathematics

A meeting will be held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August in the library from 2pm – 3pm to inform parents about the content of the Mathematics syllabus. The focus will be on the teaching strategies taught in K-2 classrooms and will show how parents can best support their child's learning in Mathematics.

A note will be sent home next week for parents to return if they wish to attend.

Thank you

**Pam Hedison**  
**Assistant Principal K-2**  
**Mathematics Coordinator**

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## Bandicoot Day Poster Competition Winners and Runners-up

The bandicoot day was a huge success, congratulations everybody for bringing in a toy, wearing mufti, and bringing in \$2. A special 'Congratulations' to those who did a poster or colouring-in competition. All of the posters and colouring-in sheets were fantastic! It was a very hard choice to decide whose posters and colouring-in sheets were better than others, but these are the winners and runners-up:-

### **K – 2 Colouring in Competition**

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| <b>Winner</b>     | Marlena (2B)  |
| <b>Runners-up</b> | Sanya (2M), Smantha (1H),<br>Hugo (1T), George (KS), Heidi (KS) |

### **3 – 6 Poster Competition**

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| <b>Winner</b>     | Vertina (5A0)  |
| <b>Runners-up</b> | Vibha (5A), Zara (5A), Portia (6H),<br>Chris (6H), Andi (4B), Chloe 4E,<br>Jessica (3S), Maddie (3S) |

**By Dom T (5/6S)**

## ***Congratulations to.....***

Congratulations to Beth (4B) who came 1st in her balance routine, 3rd in dynamic routine and 2nd Overall in the NSW State Championships for acrobatics.



## Portrait Fundraiser

In Weeks 2 to 6, two art teachers will be at the school to lead two-hour portrait classes with all LPS children.

The children will learn about mixing and using colour, proportion, and portrait drawing on canvas. They can do a self-portrait or a portrait of their father, another family member or someone they admire.

The resulting artworks will go on sale at the Fathers' Day Breakfast (for a nominal fee) and the money raised will go towards the salaries of our support teachers for whom we receive NO government funding.

To help the children with their painting, please ensure they bring the following into school by the end of Week 1:

- an A4 B&W photocopy of a photo of the person they wish to paint (the person should be facing the camera) OR the photo itself (preferably in a plastic sleeve)
- a painting shirt (if not already at school)
- some rags

The cost of the classes and all materials will be around \$8 and will be included in the Semester Two Levy.

Thank you for your support.

**Craig Oliver**  
Principal

**Suzanne Adam**  
ALL Committee Convenor

## Canteen News

**ROSTERS - FOR THE REST OF THIS WEEK (WEEK 1)  
AND NEXT WEEK (WEEK 2)** (as at 9am 28 July 2009)

### WEEK 1 (9AM – 1.30PM)

Thursday 30 July	Friday 31 July
<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>	Kathryn Breden
Sharon Young	Allison Hendricks
Gillian Wilson	Shizuko Saito
	<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>
	<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>

### WEEK 2 (9AM – 1.30PM)

Monday 3 August	Tuesday 4 August
<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>	Meg Nicholas
	Sarah Amos
Wed 5 August	Thursday 6 August
Helene de Vries	<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>
<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>	Carole Barry
	<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>
Friday 7 August	
Evan Thwaites	
Jackie Batchelor	
Lucy Tynan	
<b>! HELP NEEDED !</b>	
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### CANTEEN CONTACT

Please call our Canteen Supervisor Debbie Bryant on 9416 1903 (ask for canteen) if you can help fill our **!Help Needed!** gaps.

# Band News



Welcome everyone to Term 3. I hope everyone had a most relaxing holiday and a much needed rest.

## ***A few things to remember for this term:***

First we have Music Camp on Monday and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> August. All students must attend and all fees should by now have been finalised. I'm sure this year will be as exciting and rewarding as all the previous years.

All reports should have been completed by tutors and handed to the conductors. Conductors will be completing reports in the next 2 weeks and returning them to the children. Please look in their folders.

**JB** will have their solo afternoon during their Tuesday afternoon rehearsal in week 2. All students are encouraged to play a solo piece during this rehearsal time. **IB** and **CB** will have their solo afternoon in week 9.

## **FUTURE DATES**

All 3 bands have been entered into the Nth Shore PS Band Festival held at Chatswood High school. The dates are as follows:

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September – **IB** 5.30 – 7.30  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September – **JB** 2.00-4.00pm  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September – **CB** 5.30 – 7.30

**Please put these dates in your diary.**

Many thanks  
Sian Joyce, Band Co-ordinator  
sian@bigpond.net.au

# String News



## **Ensembles**

Welcome back to the second half of the year. Congratulations to all who performed in our end of semester soiree, fantastic performances. Remember, all ensembles return Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

## **Music Camp 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August at Collaroy**

All permission notes and money should have been returned by now. If parents have any queries about any matters regarding the Music Camp, please contact us.

Contact us, [strings@lpspandc.org.au](mailto:strings@lpspandc.org.au).

# Lindem Netball News

## **Attention NEW 7, 8 & 9yr olds wanting to play netball in 2010**

Sue Basten will again be running her very successful **Pre-Netta** skills program in **Term 3**.

This program is for girls turning **7, 8 or 9yrs in 2010**, who want to **start** playing netball next year with **Lindem**. This is a great introduction to netball for interested new girls.

**Day:** Every Monday and Tuesday afternoon throughout Term 3. (1<sup>st</sup> sessions will commence Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August)

**Time:** 3.15pm to 4.15pm

**Where:** Meet near Pool area at LPS (if raining-session cancelled)

**Format:** Ball skills, ball games, teamwork, practice games & FUN!!

**Bring:** Sports shoes, afternoon tea and enthusiasm!



Parents welcome. Any older girls wishing to help, please come on Mondays or Tuesdays.

See you there! Any questions, contact Sue or Lisa.

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Lisa Robertson 9416 6200

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## Lindfield District Cricket Club

The Home of cricket on Sydney's North Shore



### **Do you want to play CRICKET at the Home of Cricket on the North Shore ?**

If you are aged 8 years to 12 years, Lindfield District Cricket Club juniors has a team for you!

Or are you under 8 years of age and want to learn how to bat like Michael Clarke and bowl like Mitchell Johnson? The Lindfield District Cricket Club Clinic is just for you!

**Our last registration day is on SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST at the Lindfield Oval Clubhouse, Tryon Rd, LINDFIELD from 9.00am-12.00noon. Alternatively you can register on line at [www.ldcc.com.au](http://www.ldcc.com.au) , click on juniors and then registration. If you would like further information, please email Jeff Bolt, LDCC Junior Convener at [juniors@ldcc.com.au](mailto:juniors@ldcc.com.au) . Details for both U9-U12 (team games) and the LDCC U8 Clinic are below.**

#### **IF AGED 8-12 yrs as at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009**

LDCC juniors has 32 teams playing in the North Shore Junior Cricket Association ranging from U9's to U16/17's, and approx. 20 teams from U9-U12.

Coaching is a focus to allow you to develop and enjoy your game. Teams are not graded, ensuring that everyone gets a go.

For further information , please visit the LDCC website at [www.ldcc.com.au](http://www.ldcc.com.au) , and click on juniors and 2009/10 parents handbook.

#### **If Under 8 as at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009**

Our Clinic is for 6 and 7 year old girls and boys and our aim is to teach the players the basics of Cricket in a fun environment with their friends and family.

It runs from 8:30am to 10:00am every Saturday at Lindfield Oval, Tryon Rd.

For further information , please visit the LDCC website at [www.ldcc.com.au](http://www.ldcc.com.au) , click on juniors and then U8 clinic and/or 2009/10 parents handbook.

LDCC is committed to providing players with an enjoyable and rewarding experience , with a continued focus on developing their skills as cricketers , as well as encouraging active participation from all players.