Upcoming Events

Thursday, 11 February 2016
Senior Swimming Carnival (Years 5-6)

Monday, 15 February 2016
Stage 3 Meet the Teacher
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Tuesday, 16 February 2016
Stage 1 Meet the Teacher
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Wednesday, 17 February 2016
Swimming Finals Night

Thursday, 18 February 2016
Stage 2 Meet the Teacher
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Thursday, 3 March 2016
Zone Swimming Carnival

Sunday, 6 March 2016
Clean up Australia Day
LPS Aquathlon

Thursday, 24 March 2016
School Photos

Tuesday, 29 March 2016
Lindfield Blue Assembly

Principal’s Report

‘Meet the Teacher’ Evening
Thank you for attending our Kindergarten ‘Meet the Teacher’ evening last night. It was lovely to see so many parents/carers interested in your child’s education. I look forward to meeting more of you at the other grades’ ‘Meet the Teacher’ evenings next week.

Junior Swimming Carnival
What a beautiful day for the Junior Swimming Carnival! Blue skies and sunshine and wonderful house spirit set the scene for a great carnival. Congratulations to all participants and special congratulations to all placegetters and record breakers. The results will be published shortly. Many thanks to Mr Elsley, teachers, parent helpers and house captains who assisted on the day. Your help is invaluable! Tomorrow we will see the seniors in the pool for their carnival.

Beginning of the Year
All classes are now settled into routines and activities with our new students already finding their feet in their new school. We have constructed 30 classes this year with a total school enrolment as of today at 760 students. We have added one demountable to accommodate the increased numbers and this has been placed near the Palm Playground. Thank you parents/carers for your assistance in helping us make a smooth transition into 2016 classes

Megan Lockery
Principal
Staff News and ‘Meet the Teacher’ Evenings

Our Kindergarten teachers held their ‘Meet the Teacher’ evening on Monday night, and our year groups are looking forward to meeting you at the upcoming ‘Meet the Teacher’ evenings from 6.00 pm – 7.00 pm. Please save the dates outlined below. Sessions will start in your child’s classroom and then move to the school hall.

- **Years 5 and 6:** Monday, 15 February 2016
- **Years 1 and 2:** Tuesday, 16 February 2016
- **Years 3 and 4:** Thursday, 18 February 2016

One of our staff members, Kate Waters, is taking leave this semester. She is fostering a little girl and is taking leave to look after her during this transition period. We send Kate our best wishes during this time.

URGENT CALL for volunteer Ethics teachers in 2016

Lindfield Public School **urgently** needs new volunteer Ethics teachers. Without new volunteer teachers, LPS will not be able to provide classes to all children who have nominated to do Ethics instead of Scripture or Non-Scripture.

Ethics teachers need to:

- be comfortable working with, and be able to engage, with children;
- have an interest in helping children think about ethics using the Primary Ethics curriculum;
- have an open-minded, inquiring outlook;
- have excellent communication skills; and
- be available to teach a class on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 am – 11:00 am.

Training is provided.


If you would like to join the LPS Ethics team, please contact Rachel Smith, LPS Ethics Coordinator, on rachelandben@optusnet.com.au or mobile 0414 511 887.

3-6 Swimming Carnivals

A note went home last week with information and a permission slip for the LPS swimming carnivals. The Years 3-4 carnival was held today and was open to all Year 3 and 4 students and any capable swimmer from Year 2 who turns 8 this year and wished to participate. The Years 5-6 carnival will be held tomorrow. Our finals night will be held in Week 4 on Wednesday, 17 February 2016.

Assembly

Our K-2 and 3-6 assemblies will commence in Week 4 this term. The assembly for 3-6 students will be held on Tuesday afternoons at 2.00 pm, and our K-2 assembly on Thursday afternoons at 2.00 pm in even weeks of term. The classes presenting next week are:

- 3-6 Assembly – Presented by the Captains, Badging of SRC
- K-2 Assembly – Year 2 representatives
PSSA

Students were asked to sign up this week with their class teacher for our PSSA trials which were held last Friday. Our summer PSSA sports options include: modball, touch football and cricket, our PSSA trials will be held this Friday morning. Junior students will be 9.00 am – 10.00 am and senior students 10.00 am – 11.00 am.

Our PSSA and school sports program commences on Friday of Week 4. Please note that there is a cost associated with participation in PSSA sports of $100 which covers the two terms of PSSA summer sport participation, including transport and ground fees. Students who have been placed into a summer sports team will receive the permission note and PSSA Code of Conduct which must be signed and returned with payment before the competition commences on Friday, 19 February 2016. All other students will be placed into a school sports group. The only other option for this term is a Year 5 and 6 swimming squad which is aimed at intermediate swimmers. Sign up notes for swimming went home this week and this activity will commence this Friday.

Family Day- Clean up Australia Day – Sunday, 6 March 2016

Come and take part in a lovely family day at the school as part of Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday, 6 March 2016.

There will be a free sausage sizzle to all that help on the day, where mums, dads, grandparents and kids come together as a community to brighten up our school. Please see the P & C message about this event which is featured later in the lines.

Katrin Cornell
Deputy Principal

Caroline Desmond
Deputy Principal
Community Notice Board

All community notice/flyers can now be found under the Parent and Community link on our website. http://www.lindfield-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/p-c-website/community-notice-board

New to the Community Notice Board:

Medical Alert Updates 2016

Please ensure all the children with anaphylaxis and other medical conditions, hand in their updated action plans. Kindly ask your doctors to sign, stamp and date them. The school needs to receive a coloured copy of the action plan for our health records. All students with a known medical condition must provide updated health plans for 2016. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Notes Sent Home

Notes available to download from the school website: www.lindfield-p.schools.nsw.edu.au
Please look under the “Notes” tab.

Work on Display

Anaphylaxis at Lindfield Public School

At Lindfield Public School in 2016, we have a small number of children with a potentially life threatening allergic reaction. They are found across our school from Kindergarten to Year 6. 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.
Interested in being a Class Parent/Carer for 2016?

Role of the Class Parent/Carer

Each class at Lindfield Public School has one or two parents who take on the role of Class Parent for that year. It is a voluntary position whose focus is to support the teacher, other parents, the P&C and the broader school community. They play a key role in maintaining effective communications between teachers, parents and the P&C.

Class parent tasks often include creation of class contact lists, constructing rosters for parent-assisted activities in class, and resourcing volunteers from their class for various fund-raising activities. Class Parents also play a key role in the social life of the school by helping build class cohesion (such as arranging a class play or parent social event each term) and by welcoming new parents into the school community. Most communication in this role is done via email.

If you are interested in being a class parent, please complete the tear off slip below and return to your child’s class teacher. Note: The class teacher will choose the class parents and introduce them to the class at the meet the teacher sessions.

2016 Class Parent Volunteer Expression of Interest

Yes, I would like to volunteer to be a class parent for ______________

(Child’s Class)

Name: ________________________________

Contact No: _________________________

Email: ______________________________
MultiLit—Making up lost time in Literacy

MultiLit is a leader in effective literacy instruction in Australasia. Its programs are uniquely placed to be effective because they:

- have all been supported by scientific research;
- have been demonstrated to be effective; and
- are comprehensive and balanced to suit the needs of each child.

Lindfield Public School has been running the successful MultiLit program since 2008. In that time trained volunteer tutors have been the mainstay of the program. MultiLit will be offered again this year to targeted Year 2 students who are experiencing difficulty in reading, discriminating sounds in words and do not have automatic recognition of sight words. **Training is provided.**

If you would like to become a volunteer MultiLit reading tutor, please contact: Ros Fuller at rosalind.fuller1@det.nsw.edu.au to find out about the requirements of the position.

Further information regarding MultiLit can be found at: [www.multilit.com](http://www.multilit.com)
Important Notice

We regret to inform the Lindfield Public School Community that Linda Ratzer has resigned from her position as Centre Manager of the Lindfield Activity Centre (LAC). Over the past 12 months, Linda has worked hard with the children, staff and community to further develop and improve the image of the centre. Her efforts have been instrumental in providing a more effective framework that will allow the centre to grow and prosper. Linda’s last day at the centre will be Friday, 12 February 2016 and we would all like to wish her the very best for her future endeavours.

Our capable team will ensure the continued smooth running of the centre with Hannah Cutting taking on the role of Acting Nominated Co-ordinator. We are very grateful to Hannah for accepting our offer to manage the centre during this transition period.

The Management Committee has engaged a specialist recruitment company to find a suitably qualified and experienced person to fulfil the Centre Manager’s role.

In the meantime, we know you will support Hannah and the LAC team until a suitable replacement can commence in the role.

LAC Management Committee
In Memory of Clare Collinge

Our gorgeous friend Clare Collinge lost her battle with cancer on 4 February. She was the wonderful, sparkling, forever happy mother of Elijah in Year 5 and Louella in Year 3 as well as the partner to Andrew.

The LPS and wider community will be raising money that will take some of the financial pressure away in order to allow them to focus on their family life.

We all want to support this lovely family and this is our opportunity to help them, while also giving them some space.

Please follow the link below. Donations can be made on this page, by clicking on the "Donate Now" button. Your donation can be made anonymously if you choose.

On behalf of Clare's family, thank you for your kind thoughts and generosity.


Welcome Picnic

The Lindfield P&C invite all families of Lindfield Public School to join us for a picnic on Friday, 26 February 2016.

It is a very casual evening and it is a lovely way for new and existing families to get to know each other and catch up on the beginning of the year.

When: Friday, 26 February 2016
Time: 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Where: Two Turners Park, Gladstone Parade (just down the road from school)

BYO picnic, beverages, rugs/chairs.

Any questions please contact Lucy Basten at lucybasten1@gmail.com or 0437401279.

We hope to see you all there.

Enjoy your week!

Tina Cabela
president@lpspandc.org.au
LEAF and SPORTS committee invite you all to a combined LPS family event on Sunday 6th March

Clean up Australia Day
We are looking forward to another great working bee to help clean and green our school. Our main priority is to clear the school of rubbish, weed, trim, hedge, mulch and generally tidy up the grounds.

LPS Aquathlon
Enjoyed the event last year or did you miss it? Well, it is back again! Registration for the first race is at 7.30am. Short course and long course options, medals for age groups, a prize for the class with the most participants.

Enjoy a breakfast BBQ, coffee van and cake stall.
Clothing Pool

Clothing Pool Opening Hours: **8:30 am - 9:30 am** Wednesdays and Thursdays

Don’t forget the **ONLINE ordering** option – easy and secure via the P&C website. Orders are then delivered to your child's class, usually on Wednesdays or Thursdays. **PLEASE** include your child's name and class.

**NEWS**

- We hope you love the website as much as we do - avoid the beginning of term crush and **ORDER ONLINE!!** Online orders will be delivered to your child’s classroom – so if you are expecting something, please check the black-hole of a schoolbag!
- School bag flaps should be with you now – let us know if any issues.
- We are overflowing with second hand uniforms. Come and have a look and you may find something at a bargain price!
- **PLEASE LABEL YOUR BELONGINGS.** It is incredible how much stuff out there is unlabeled. No label = NO WAY of finding its way back to you!
- **Dr Shoe** will be at the Clothing Pool on **Wednesday, 24 February 2016** 8:30 am - 9:30 am. Feel free to check out his website www.drshoe.com.au – he can even come to you.

**Lunch boxes $30.00 - now in red and navy**

- With removable panels that go in the freezer overnight and keep lunch cool for up to eight hours – just like a little refrigerator!
- Great for cricket or other summer sports.
- We can order in the bigger size to fit the Tupperware or Nudie lunchboxes! Come and have a look at our sample. [http://www.fridge-to-go.net.au](http://www.fridge-to-go.net.au)

Our Upcoming Volunteers’ roster:

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Greti Lindsay  
Clothing Shop Manager  
orders@lpspandc.org.au

Continued →
CLOTHING POOL VOLUNTEERS WANTED!!

Can you spare 1 or 2 hours each term to help us

at Clothing Pool in 2016?

Assisting parents and children of the school with buying uniforms for an hour once (or twice) per term is all there is to it! No prior experience is required. Volunteers will be assisted by our Shop Manager, Greti, who will operate the computer and knows where everything is! We are also flexible if there is a period you cannot attend due to other commitments.

Volunteers are welcome to bring pre-school “helpers” and clothing pool has a toy box to entertain them. Let us know if you will be bringing a regular little helper and we won’t schedule you on super busy weeks to ensure no one is trodden underfoot.

Clothing pool is a fun and easy way to become involved in the Lindfield Public School community without a major time commitment.

If you are able join us, please e-mail orders@lpspandc.org.au with your name, phone numbers (mobile and home), e-mail address and available days (Wednesday or Thursday or either).

Greti Lindsay
Clothing Shop Manager
orders@lpspandc.org.au
Canteen

Canteen Volunteers
To run the canteen every day and provide hundreds of lunches a week, we need about 12 volunteers each week (that's about 480 volunteers a year).

This is how you can help:

- pop into the canteen and add your name to the roster; and
- call Debbie Bryant on 9416 1903 and ask her to add your name to the roster.

All help is greatly appreciated and we cannot run the canteen without your wonderful help. It is a relaxed and fun day and your children will love having you there.

Canteen Large Lunch Bags

It is very difficult to fit more than a couple of things in the brown lunch bags when packing them. The canteen sells larger bags ($3.00 for 50c) which are much easier to pack. This means that your child’s lunch gets to them safely and is not squashed or lost. Bags can be picked up from the Canteen or write it on your next lunch order and they will be given to your child to bring home.

Thank you to everyone who is switching to the bigger lunch bags, it really makes a difference.

Canteen Specials Day Thursday, 18 February 2016 (Years 1 – 6)
Next Thursday, 18 February is our first specials day of the year. You should have received an order form home this week. If you would like to order, please have your orders into the canteen by next Monday, 15 February 2016.

Roster – Term 1 Weeks 3 and 4

Week 3 (9:00 am – 2:00 pm)

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Any Canteen queries or to Volunteer for the HELPER NEEDED slots please contact:

Debbie Bryant
9416 1903
(ask for Canteen)
Ensembles for Amadeus, Bach and Vivaldi were off to a flying start! Well done everyone.

It was lovely to hear Vivaldi play like a well oiled machine on their first rehearsal.

The new Amadeus is large and seating is still being established. The schedule on Mondays is:

Amadeus: 3:10 pm – 4:10 pm - Music room
Bach: 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm - Music room
Vivaldi: 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm - Hall
Ravel: 5:15 pm - 5:45 pm
Mozart: Term 2

Marianne and I are both working full time, so we are in desperate need for parents to help at rehearsals please. If you are available to help with crowd control, we would be most grateful.

If you attend LAC and are having lessons at the school, please complete the forms at LAC giving permission for their staff to take your child to the lesson.

DATES FOR TERM 1:

Friday, 12 February 2016: last day for early bird discount on fees.
Wednesday, 2 March 2016: Coloured Strings Day. No performances are required but we are hoping to raise lots of money!

Still to be confirmed is the Election Day cake stall.

We are looking for volunteers to assist with our music library. This is a job that is only required twice a year: collection of folders, then redistributing of folders. Please email us if you are interested.

All members are welcome to become part of our committee. There is very little to do, other than provide a bit of help at the busier times of year, such as camp and Presentation Day.

Sarah Turner and Marianne Kopieining
Strings Co-convenors
strings@lpspandc.org.au
Tutorials
Tutorials for all children start this week, and you will have heard from your tutor to organise a suitable time and room.

Band rehearsals
Rehearsals for Stage Band (SB), Concert Band (CB), and Intermediate Band (IB) start this week. Rehearsals for Junior Band (JB) start in Week 5. All rehearsals take place in the school hall.

Band Calendar

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<td>Thursday, 31 March 2016 - IB to perform at school assembly.</td>
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<td>Friday, 8 April 2016 - CB to perform at school assembly (plus trumpeter).</td>
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For questions or feedback regarding any aspect of the Band program at Lindfield, please e-mail the co-convenors Megan Bryant and Michelle Taylor band@lpspandc.org.au

Band Co-convenors
band@lpspandc.org.au
Swimming

Want To Join The Swimming Program?
The first step is to have your child graded whether you are looking for Learn to Swim lessons or squad swimming. Come to grading this Friday, 12 February 2016 at 3:15 pm at the pool. It only takes a few minutes for each child to be graded. They will need a swim cap and goggles.

Email Lynne to register for the grading. Name, class and DOB of child, please.

Aquathlon and Clean Up Australia Day
The Sports Committee is joining forces with the LEAF Committee on Sunday, 6 March 2016 which is Clean Up Australia Day. The Sports Committee is organising the Aquathlon which will be run on Ginkgo and swum in our pool while the LEAF Committee will organise groups to tidy and trim areas of the school. It will be a great family fun day. Watch for more details in the upcoming weeks.

Years 5/6 Swimming Carnival
There is still time to volunteer to timekeep at the Years 5/6 swimming carnival. Timekeeping gives you the best view of the children swimming. Please sign up via this link.

Special Physio Offer
Seahorses Swimming Club sponsor, “Sydney Advanced Physiotherapy”, are celebrating their second year based in the McGrath Building on the Pacific Highway in Lindfield.

To celebrate, they are offering 20% off massages or 20% off initial physio appointments* this week only. You need to mention the Lindfield Lines when booking your appointment and you need to have your appointment booked by Saturday, 13 February 2016 at the latest for the discount to apply.

*needs to be your first physio visit or your first visit for a new injury

Important Dates
Term 1 2016
Thursday, 11 February: Years 5-6 Swimming Carnival
Wednesday, 17 February: Finals Night
    Thursday, 3 March: Zone Carnival
    Sunday, 6 March: Aquathlon

For questions regarding any aspect of swimming at Lindfield check the P&C website: Classes and Committees > Programs > Swimming or email Lynne Sharp - Swimming Administrator swimming@lpspandc.org.au

Lynne Sharp
Swimming Administrator
It’s a New School Year - do something inspiring with your child!

Vitally Need – Parent Coordinator for Kids Social Justice Group – help ensure LPS kids are as involved as possible in all our activities! Only two to three lunch-times a term - and your child gets to be the group leader if they would like to – great opportunity to develop their leadership skills (ideally a Yr 5 or 6 student). Contact us for more information if you may be interested!

Also coming up – join in Harmony Day / Charity Garage Sale / Visit of 100% Hope Kids Choir / Election Day Stall and More!

Let 2016 be the year your family takes another step towards helping make the world a better place – get involved with the LPS social justice program! Just email us with your details and which activities you are interested in!

The LPS Social Justice Program is run by Lindfield Public School families who want to care for children suffering beyond our gates and encourage our children to grow into confident global citizens.

We hope our work will help inspire and empower our children to realise that while no one can do everything, we can all do something to make the world a better place.

It is not too late – join us at our Wine and Cheese Night on Wednesday, 10 February 2016 at 8:00 pm – email us for address details or text Nadja on 0414670913.

We would love to have you and your family take up an opportunity to get involved!