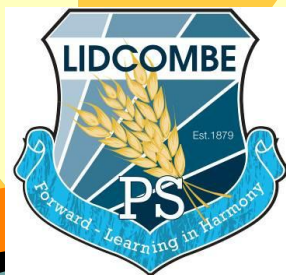


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DATES TO REMEMBER

| TERM 1 | |
|----------|--|
| 19.03.15 | Instructional Rounds at Auburn PS |
| 20.03.15 | Mufti Day – Let's Help Rebuild Vanuatu – wear RED/ORANGE – Gold Coin Donation Summer PSSA Round 5 Harmony Day Morning Tea – 11am School Hall |
| 23.03.15 | 9am-11am Playtime Sessions – Lidbury Hall |
| 24.03.15 | Sydney West PSSA 11 years Rugby League Championships – Richie Benaud Oval |
| 25.03.15 | Library Resource Group – Lidbury Hall – 11.45am to 1pm |
| 26.03.15 | Instructional Rounds at Auburn PS – Mrs Murray and Miss Callan attending |
| 27.03.15 | Summer PSSA Sport Round 6 (Last Round) 11.00am - Granville Area Primary principal's Association meeting at Dooleys |
| 30.03.15 | 9am-11am Playtime Sessions – Lidbury Hall Green Events: Discos !!! Free drink and popcorn. K-2 12.00-1.00pm 3-6 1.50-2.50pm |
| 31.03.15 | Sydney West PSSA Opens Rugby League Championships – Richie Benaud Oval |
| 1.04.15 | 9.30 – 12.30pm K-6 Cross Country Carnival at Phillips Park |
| 2.04.15 | 2.00pm – Easter Hat Parade under the COLA |
| 3.04.15 | GOOD FRIDAY – Public Holiday |

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Attendance and Leave approvals

There have been many changes to the attendance policy from the Department of Education and Communities. As part of the implementation of National Standards, holidays taken by students and their families outside of school vacation periods will now be included as absences. A certificate of exemption can no longer be used for this purpose.

Families are encouraged to holiday or travel during school vacations. If travel outside of school vacation periods is necessary, the following considerations apply:

*If I accept the reason for the absence, the absence will be marked as "L" and a certificate of extended leave – holiday will be issued.

*If I don't believe the absence is in the student's best interests and I don't accept the reason, the absence will

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be recorded as “A” and a certificate of extended leave – holiday **will not be issued.**

*If the period of absence is in excess of 50 days, the student may be eligible to enrol in distance education. In any case, the student will be removed from the enrolment of the school. If the student comes back to the school after that period of time, they will have to re-enrol.

In this initial period, I will endeavour to ring parents to explain my position as I certainly don't want to get parents off side or I don't want people thinking that I can tell them what to do either. Basically, it is now DEC policy that I must follow.

Lunches

Occasionally, parents may not have time to organise lunch in the morning as everyone might have got up late or there is no fresh bread etc. In these cases, we encourage you to use the canteen as they provide menu items that are quite nutritious and healthy for our students to eat. Sometimes, we don't even have the money around to access the canteen through lunch orders, so parents may bring in a sandwich to eat and some water to drink shortly before the start of Break 1, which is absolutely fine.

What isn't fine is when parents bring in food items from KFC or McDonalds. These types of foods are very high in calories and sugars and are not very nutritious for students. Apart from that, other students see that some students would be getting these types of foods and then requesting their mum or dad does the same for them. Before this gets out of hand, please do not provide your children with KFC or McDonalds or any other type of fast food like it here at our school. Young minds need healthy foods and if we are going to see improvement in results, we need to look after this area very carefully. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Platinum Awards

Being Green suggests that your child is behaving very well and is doing what our teachers expect of them in the classroom and the playground. These awards are always a great pleasure to hand out to our wonderfully behaved students. The recipients over the last two weeks have been:-

Brian Chan, Thomas Chen, Emre Candemir and Olivia Ivanac. Well done students !



In related news, for all of our “Green” students this term, we will be holding a special disco with two mysterious DJ's. This will occur on Monday 30 March with K-2 students experiencing their disco from 12.00-1.00pm and 3-6 students having their disco between 1.50-2.50pm. Students will be served cordial and popcorn.

Mobile Phones

While it is accepted that mobile phones play an important part in modern life and communications, it is important that all staff, students and parents accept that their use during class time and on various other occasions at school is inappropriate.

If mobile phones are to be brought to school by students, they need to be switched off and left in their bags until 3pm or better still, left at the office. Parents and carers must give written permission for students to bring mobile phones to school. The school will not accept any responsibility for a mobile phone being lost or damaged.

Website, School App & Facebook

We encourage you to keep an eye on our school website www.lidcombe-p.schools.nsw.edu.au and to become involved in our school and work with us in the interests of your child's education. We have a “School App” that works on an iPhone, iPod Touch or any smartphone android device (eg Samsung) or an iPad. Download the free “School App” to your device. Having this app will revolutionise our communications with our community. It is a notification type service, that allows you to get updates, reminders and even our school newsletter!

Get into the App store on your phone or device, put into the search engine “Lidcombe Public School”. Our school logo will come up straight away, so press the button to install.

Once installed, you will need the username and password to get into the information provided on our school app.

User Web Portal, iPhone App and Android App
username: **community**
password: **lidcombeps**

We have also launched a Facebook page called "Lidcombe Public School". Many of you have already liked our page which means of course, you will get all of our messages and updates. If you haven't liked our page yet, just put into the search engine "Lidcombe Public School" and it should be the first item that comes up, select it and you be on the Facebook page to like it.



Considering the many challenges and opportunities being experienced at the school and our relentless pursuit of school improvement it's going to be another interesting and rewarding year at Lidcombe PS. Details of our 2015 priorities and School Management Plan will be communicated to you through the school website, newsletters and special bulletins as the year progresses.

Closing the main school gate

If you are visiting the school during school hours and coming through the main school gate, please make sure the gate is closed behind you when you enter and when you leave to avoid a quick and easy exit for some of our younger students.

High School Forms meeting

Thank you to the many parents that joined us for this very important meeting last Tuesday. There were certainly a lot of hints we gave you in filling out the forms in the correct manner so as to give your child the very best chance of gaining entry into the high school of your choice.

These high school forms are due this Friday 20 March 2015. Please hand them in on time as it gives myself and Mrs. Willis enough time to have them processed and sent to the correct locations.

If you haven't done so already, the link below is the one containing the 2 youtube videos regarding high school. It would be a good idea to sit down with your year 6 child and show them these videos.
<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/gotoschool/highschool/index.php>

Like I said on the night, I am more than happy to help you with this process, so if there is any further advice you need, don't hesitate to email me on Matthew.Lewis@det.nsw.edu.au. Please be aware that the forms are due back this **Friday 20 March**.

Lifeskills program

At last week's P&C meeting, I was pleased to present Nikki from Lifeskills to talk about their program and the benefits long term for our students as far as mental wellbeing is concerned.

I am pleased to announce that not only did our P&C endorse such a venture for our students, but have also assisted each family by making it not so expensive. Taken into account is the fact that families pay for Dance2BFit and that program is continuing this year as we made a promise to the proprietors that we would continue. That already costs \$25 for a term. Lifeskills was a bit more expensive than this and was set to cost each family \$40 for the term. The marvellous P&C committee stepped in and have pledged \$15 towards the cost of each child, making the program much more affordable for families at \$25 for the term. Thank you so much P&C ! We want to run with this program for the next few years, so in 2016, we will probably have a rest from Dance2BFit to concentrate fully on this wonderful program for our students.

This program offers fundamental movement programs that focus on physical, social, emotional and attentional self regulating strategies and skills, developed to systematically **cultivate wellbeing, resilience and lifelong learning**, providing healthy skills for our students physical, social, emotional and mental wellbeing.

Through cross-sectional research and validated classroom pedagogies, Lifeskills Group combine:

- **Fundamental movement / games / yoga / mindfulness and FUN**
- Positive psychology
- Cognitive affective neuroscience with scientifically proven **mindfulness activities** and
- Solid research into child development and **social emotional learning**

Lifeskills Group's programs teach students how to:

- **Build resilience**
- Develop self regulation
- Increase self awareness
- Practice positive relationship skills
- Strengthen problem solving skills

Their programs also address issues such as **childhood obesity, bullying, peer pressure, negative body image, family breakdown, stress and performance anxiety issues** commonly faced at school.

All programs include:

- Provision of fully screened, qualified and professional staff
- Weekly awards and end of term certificates
- Class plans, assessments and outcomes
- **Free family Day**
- Individual reports at the end of term
- Set up and supply of quality equipment

- BOSTES accredited 8 hours to Proficient Teacher level for your staff
- Certificate of currently \$10 million Public Liability Insurance

For more information please visit their website at: www.lifeskillsgroup.com.au. Please click through to view what the students think of the program: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BBHkd83rPxA>

I am looking forward to seeing the growth in our students as a result of this wonderful intervention. Thank you again to our P&C for their unwavering support.

How sweet is this ?

Last week, Mrs. Gordon came to tell me about a boy in her class, Daniel Kovacs, who obviously has a good heart and thinks deeply about his school. After a chat with the whole class in which Mrs Gordon outlined what voluntary contributions meant and how such funds would be used in the school, Daniel decided to donate \$20 he got from the tooth fairy (I only ever remember getting 5 cents for my teeth!) and then asked his grandmother for \$10 more to pay the voluntary contributions on his own. What a lovely boy Daniel is to give away his own money for the school he loves!

Green Event - Disco

This event for Green students will occur on **Monday 30 March 2015** during school time. This green event is a free event and the students will be mesmerised by the musical stylings of two very mysterious DJ's who will be in attendance at these discos. The K-2 disco will be from 12.00pm to 1pm and the 3-6 disco will be from 1.50-2.50pm, and they will receive cordial and popcorn as well. We know your children will love this disco.

School Cross Country Carnival

This event is happening at the end of this term, **Wednesday 1 April 2015**, of course, weather permitting ! All money raised by this Fun Run will be put towards purchasing technology and reading resources. This year, we have decided to hold our Cross Country carnival down at **Phillips Park**, so all students will be walking to and from the park under the supervision of our teachers. Soon, all students will receive their sponsorship forms in the coming week. We have decided to go with the same company as last year that who will again provide certain prizes for the students depending on how much they raise. Very exciting indeed. Good luck to all students !

P&C News

The P&C meeting on Tuesday morning (10/3) was the Annual General Meeting, where all positions were declared vacant.

The new committee comprises of:-

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| Mrs. Julie Rush | President |
| Mrs. Raelene Harris | Vice President |
| Ms. Kelly Livingstone | Vice President |

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| Mrs. Mel Rennie | Secretary |
| Mrs. Melissa Pene | Treasurer |

We are ecstatic that we have a growing membership of our P&C and that also, we have new parents coming to the fore and accepting very responsible positions on the committee itself.

It would be remiss of me not to thank the entire P&C committee for all of their hard work, dedication, interest and support they have shown for our school over a long period of time, but particularly 2014. Thank you everyone that has been involved !

The next P&C meeting will be held on **Monday 11 May at 7pm** in the staffroom.

School Planning

I have almost finished our new school plan for 2015-2017. It has been a great process with opinions from parents (surveys and P&C), students (surveys) and staff have all been taken into account to formulate what will be an exciting plan for the future. My plan is to present it to our parent community before the end of term. Finding a free night may be the issue. I will try to finalise this as soon as I can.

Hat Parade

Our annual Hat Parade will be held on **Thursday 2 April, starting at 2.00pm under the COLA**. Students will be making their response to Easter or the COGs unit they are studying (hat, mask, bonnet, basket) in class time and will show it off during the parade. All parents are most welcome to attend this event.

Building at our school

I tried speaking to Jeff Siebels (Manager of Assets Management) but he is on leave. His replacement, didn't catch his name, knew nothing about our situation. I explained that we have grown from 520 to 660 and possibly to over 800 by 2017. He said he would have a chat to the people that matter within the department to get some action happening and would get back to me today.

Another Lidcombe PS star.....

Wonderful news the other day when a journalist from a Nepalese magazine here in Australia had chosen Mrs. Pant for an interview about her migration from Nepal to Australia and her subsequent studies in Australia to become a very successful teacher. The article itself is written in Nepalese, but nonetheless, it's about one of our brightest stars here at Lidcombe PS. Congratulations Mrs. Pant !

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modify what we do regards the Water Safety aspect to our day, the grandstand is nowhere near a s big (sun safety will be a massive issue) and of course, if we have our carnival there, we will need to arrange buses to take us there and back, impacting upon what it normally costs to go to a swimming carnival.

Newsletter

If parents wish to have the newsletter emailed to them directly please fill out the form below. Electronic distribution is a much better method of communication with families as it allows the school community to enjoy great images of students in full colour without the environmental impact of substantial paper usage. We hope many of our families take up this option in the future. Thank you for taking up this option and saving just that little bit more of our environment.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST NEWSLETTER

I would like to have the newsletter emailed to me each fortnight.

Name of Child: _____

Class: _____

Name of Parents: _____

Email address:- _____

Please hand in to Mrs Rush in the office as soon as possible.



Principal

Swimming Scheme starting soon

As Auburn Swimming Centre will be closing down in term 3, we had to move our swimming scheme time to a different term, so it will be now held in weeks 5 and 6 of term 2. As the swimming scheme schedule is done over a financial year, last year we couldn't have our term 3 timeslot as we would have two swimming scheme interventions in the one year. So for this year, we will be first offering places to year 2 and year 3 - year 2 usually gets the preference but as we didn't do it last year, year 3 will be offered the chance first as well. When the note comes out, please action it straight away and send it straight back to the office as I think places will go very quickly.

Change in pool for 2016

In tem 3 of this year, Ruth Everuss Pool at Auburn will be closing down for refurbishments and will be closed for all of 2016 as well. Realising this, I have booked Granville Pool for our carnival next year, however, Granville is not as big as Auburn (so we will have to

60 SECONDS WITH MR. LEWIS

This newsletter, Kyrill Zubkov from 1-2 Banksia is our focus of 60 seconds with Mr. Lewis.

Name: **Kyrill Zubkov**

Class: **1-2 Banksia**

What games do you play ? **Soccer and handball.**

What would you like to be when you grow up ? **A builder.**

Best piece of advice you have ever received ? **Keep your room tidy !**

Favourite thing to do ? **Watch TV in the morning, if I have time.**

Favourite school subject ? **Sport.**

Favourite colour and number ? **Blue and 16.**

An interesting fact about yourself. **I love ham and cucumber sandwiches.**

Is there any one thing you can't do without ? **Play dates with friends.**

Worst habit ? **Pulling my earlobes when I think.**

What's your favourite school moment ?

Thanks for spending 60 seconds with Mr. Lewis, Kyrill !



SCHOOL TIMES

Students MUST NOT arrive at school before 8:30 am and must leave promptly at 3:00 pm

Parents are reminded that school supervision exists between 8:30 am and 3:00 pm. A Before and After School Care facility is provided on the school site for parents needing child minding. Contact 9749 2817 after school hours for further details.

Leaving students unsupervised on school grounds has legal implications for both the school and parents.

Access to the school is only possible via the pedestrian gate near the sandpit (Mills Street) during school hours. All visitors must report to the school office. Unauthorised persons on school premises are considered to be trespassing and will be reported to the police.

SMOKING IS PROHIBITED ON SCHOOL PREMISES



Eco kids photos



Special Ed bowling photos



LOST PROPERTY – STUCKONYOU LABEL FUNDRAISER

New lost property boxes have been ordered and should arrive next week. Please remember to put your child's name in ALL jumpers/jackets/hats etc.

The lost property will be sorted shortly and anything that is not proper school uniform and does not have a name in it will be donated to a clothing charity. Other school uniform items without names will be sold as second hand uniforms. If you DON'T put your child's name in the item you may well be buying back your own property.

I have today signed the school up to Stuck on You®. This company specialises in superior quality name labels, clothing labels and the coolest kids gifts and school accessories.

Labeling children's belongings is the key to ensuring that allergies are noted, kids return home with the same clothing and shoes they left home with and disputes over property ownership are quickly ended. Labeling children's belongings with Stuck on You® labels ensure that this is done in style!

There are many styles to choose from, below is just a sample of what they offer or you are even able to design your own labels.



Help minimise lost property

Orders can be placed online or over the phone, no order forms needed

Orders are shipped direct, no need to distribute items

HOW EASY IS IT TO PLACE ORDERS?

Visit www.stuckonyou.com.au

Create a customer account and place your order

Enter fundraising code LIDCOMBEPUBLICSCHOOLPCASSOCIATION at the checkout for the points to be sent to the fundraiser. Items will be sent directly to you.

Not only can you save money in the long run by not having to replace lost items you also help raise funds for the school.

P & C MEETING

Dates for P & C Meetings for the year are as follows:

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|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Monday 11 May | 7pm in the staffroom | Tuesday 9 June | 9.15am in Lidbury Hall |
| Monday 10 August | 7pm in the staffroom | Tuesday 8 September | 9.15am in Lidbury Hall |
| Monday 9 November | 7pm in the staffroom | Tuesday 8 December | 9.15am in Lidbury Hall |

HEADLICE IN THE SCHOOL

It has been brought to our attention that there may be nits/headlice present in the hair of some of our students. Please check your child's hair for nits tonight using the methods recommended below.

The facts (from www.schools.nsw.edu.au/student-support/student-health/conditions/headlice)

- . Head lice infestations are a common occurrence, particularly in primary schools.
- . About 23% of primary students have head lice at any one time
- . Anyone can catch head lice regardless of their age, sex, or how clean their hair is
- . Head lice move from one person's head to another via hair
- . Head lice do not survive long when they are off a human head
- . Head lice do not live on furniture, hats, bedding or carpet
- . Head lice have built up some resistance to head lice treatments

Tips for parents in reducing the spread of head lice

As infestations are particularly common in primary schools, it is best to choose a treatment that can be used over time. There is no single solution to eradication, only persistence.

- . Regularly check your children's hair
- . Teach older children to check their own hair
- . Tie back and braid long hair
- . Keep a fine tooth head lice comb in the bathroom and encourage all family members to use it when they wash their hair.

Treatment (from www.health.nsw.gov.au)

Before you choose a treatment for head lice, consider the following:

- . Mechanical removal is the preferred way to detect and treat head lice because it is effective, does not contribute to insecticide resistance in head lice and also presents a low risk of skin irritation.
- . If you prefer to use chemical treatment, make sure that the heads you treat are infested with head lice.
- . Registered chemical treatments that contain insecticides to kill lice are usually safe, but excessive use of other substances, such as home remedies and other insecticides, can cause irritation. Speak to your local pharmacist to identify the registered treatments that are safe for you and your child.
- . Always read the product label before applying and use as directed.
- . Natural products like tea tree oil are not recommended. If you don't want to use chemical treatment, use the mechanical removal described above.
- . Do not use methylated spirits or kerosene on your child's head.
- . Avoid treating babies with chemical treatment.
- . Avoid chemical treatment on any scalp that is irritated or inflamed.
- . Protect children's eyes when treating with any product.
- . There is no preventative treatment available for head lice. Treating the whole family with chemical treatment as a precaution contributes to head lice becoming resistant to the products used.
- . Remember that you can help to reduce transmission of head lice by tying hair back or braiding and by checking your children's hair regularly.
- . Daily combing with hair conditioner using a fine tooth comb is effective in getting rid of head lice and eggs (nits)

RUGBY 7'S COMPETITION



On Wednesday 18 March, 10 Stage 3 boys went with Mr Cleary to play in the Primary School 7's. Despite no students playing rugby union on the weekend, we put in a very strong performance against William Clarke College and just lost by 1 try right at the end. Our second match was against Hills Grammar 2 where we managed to win 55-0 with 7 different players scoring tries. Our semi-final was against Hills Grammar 1 and we were down 25-15 with 3 minutes to go. Mahdi Khalil scored his 4th try of the day and then Kapeliele Fusi scored with 2 seconds remaining to tie the scores. Due to first try scored we went through to the final against Northolme Grammar School. We started slow and were down 10-0 at half time but a huge second half by our forwards meant we finished winners of division 2, 25-10. It was a fantastic effort by everyone on the day with all 10 students scoring tries. Well done!

PSSA

WEEK 6 – 6th March

| SPORT | AGAINST | Score + MVP |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Junior AFL | Guildford West | Won 72-0 Jethro Rinakama |
| Senior AFL | Guildford West | Won 51 – 2 Baris Eskin |
| Junior Cricket | Rosehill | Draw 35 all Tim Yoon |
| Senior Cricket | Rosehill | Lost 30 – 18 Evan Liang |
| Junior Girls T-Ball | Auburn West | Won 13 – 6 Eda Guloglu |
| Junior Boys T-Ball | Auburn West | Won 11 – 6 Edwin Cho |
| Senior Boys Soft Ball | Merrylands East | Lost 11 – 6 Sam Livingston |
| Senior Girls Soft Ball | Merrylands East | Won 14 – 5 Selena Hamdan |

WEEK 7 – 13th March

| SPORT | AGAINST | Score + MVP |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Junior AFL | Guildford | Won 60 – 0 Andre El Hassan |
| Senior AFL | Guildford | Won 39 – 3 Malak Zreika |
| Junior Cricket | Granville | Won 32 – 10 Jeyan Oner |
| Senior Cricket | Granville | Won 43 – 37 Cathy Chan |
| Junior Girls T-Ball | Bye | |
| Junior Boys T-Ball | Bye | |
| Senior Boys Soft Ball | Granville South | Lost 7 – 6 Hossam Al Abudi |
| Senior Girls Soft Ball | Granville South | Won 12 – 1 Isabelle Heng |

WEEK 8 – 20th March

| SPORT | AGAINST | Where |
|------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Junior AFL | Auburn North | Webbs Avenue |
| Senior AFL | Auburn North | Webbs Avenue |
| Junior Cricket | Guildford West | Guildford County |
| Senior Cricket | Guildford West | Guildford County |
| Junior Girls T-Ball | Rosehill | Granville Park |
| Junior Boys T-Ball | Rosehill | Granville Park |
| Senior Boys Soft Ball | Rosehill | Granville Park |
| Senior Girls Soft Ball | Rosehill | Granville Park |

SchoolAtoz – Children Thrive with Parental Involvement



Turning the snags at the school sausage sizzle or sewing sequins on costumes for the school play has far more value than parents realise. As a parent, you are the most influential factor in how your child views school and the community they're part of. Your involvement with their learning goes a long way towards your child becoming a capable, resilient and happy adult.

Regardless of whether your children are in primary or high school, never be afraid to ask teachers how you can get involved. In the eyes of the school, you a valuable resource. To find out why go to <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/wellbeing/development/children-thrive-on-parental-involvement>

DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES

A number of students have been trying out for Auburn Zone PSSA representative sides which is absolutely amazing. Great for our students to get the recognition for the sporting prowess.

Congratulations to the following students:

Zone Girls Soccer

Monalisa Soliola
Erika-MayKavana
Rana Mhajer
Litia Fusi
Mya Zreika
Malak Zreika
Naomi Lee
Aslisah Tokyurek



Zone Basketball

Monalisa Soliola



Rugby League (11 Years)

Mahdi Khalil
Mujahid Kanj
Zane Bardouh
Ibrahim ElCheikh
Terence Fusi



Rugby League (Opens)

PJ Pene
Kapeliele Fusi

Zone Swimming Squad

Peter Bae
Edwin Cho
Kapaliele Fusi
Jenna Jarvis
Ashton Phuong
Jessica Trang

Zane Bardouh
Michelle Cho
Litia Fusi
Mujahid Kanj
Sarah Steel
Chanel Wong

Caitlyn Bui
Tiana Davey
Junhyeong Inn
Keith Miller
Simran Tiwari

Tennis

Daniel Aaron



PARENT EXCURSION TO BANKSTOWN



Nine of us headed off to Bankstown on Wednesday 18 March for a "Foodi Tour" and what a fantastic day we had.

We started with coffee, but not just plain old boring coffees, there were Piccolo Lattes, Vienna coffees, Macchiatos and more. We visited a fabulous middle eastern/European style delicatessen where we learnt from one another about some of the different spices on sale and some even purchased new spices to cook with at home. Next we headed off to try some of the more unusual






fruits such as mangosteens and persimmons. We all tried a sugar cane drink with most finding it too sweet for their tastes but a couple really enjoyed it. We tried some traditional Vietnamese food including Banh Xeo (crispy pancakes), Prawn and Sweet Potato Fritters and steamed rice noodle rolls which most enjoyed. Next we visited an Asian supermarket where we were told about ‘balut’ which is a fertilized duck egg that is boiled and eaten in the shell. We were told how delicious they are but no one was game enough to buy one and try. The lady did joke that they only eat them at night when its dark so they cannot see what’s inside!

We then visited an Egyptian restaurant where we tried things like Baba Ghanoush and Garlic Dips, Kefta, Keshwari – a rice, noodle and lentil dish and stuffed vine and cabbage leaves.

Keep an eye out for next term’s excursion in an upcoming Newsletter.



HAT PARADE

Come and see your child parade with their class. The children have been working hard in class to create some amazing

When: Thursday, 2 April
Time: 2:00 pm
Where: Under the COLA

There may even be a visit from a bunny!!!



LIDCOMBE PUBLIC SCHOOL ANZAC DAY SERVICE

Please join us on Thursday 23 April For our Anzac Day Service in the School Hall.

Donations of flowers would be appreciated.

CROSS COUNTRY FUN RUN

Don’t forget to be collecting your sponsors for the Cross Country Fun Run being held at Phillips Park Lidcombe on Wednesday 1 April.

The more money you raise, the better the prizes you can select – as little as \$10 will make your eligible for a prize.

MUFTI DAY FOR VANUATU

Thank you to everyone who supported our Mufti Day to help rebuild Vanuatu.

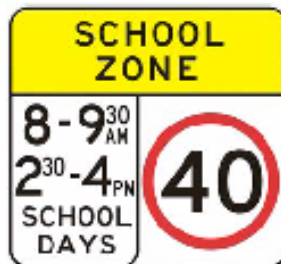
So far we have raised \$575.30!

SPEEDING

IN SCHOOL ZONES
Penalties

Note: fines subject to change without notice. Current to 30 June 2015.

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Australian Road Rule-20



| Speed | Fine and Demerits |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 41-50 kph | <i>P1+P2 Licence</i> – min fine \$182 + 5 demerit points <i>Silver & Gold Licence</i> – min fine \$182 + 2 demerit points. >4.5 t GVM truck & coach – min fine \$436 + 2 demerit points |
| 51-60 kph | <i>P1+P2 Licence</i> – min fine \$327 + 5 demerit points <i>Silver & Gold Licence</i> – min fine \$327 + 4 demerit points. >4.5 t GVM truck & coach – min fine \$545 + 4 demerit points |
| 61-70 kph | <i>P1+P2 Licence, Silver & Gold Licence</i> – min fine \$545 + 5 demerit points >4.5 t GVM truck & coach – min fine \$654 + 5 demerit points |
| 71-85 kph | <i>P1+P2 Licence, Silver & Gold Licence, >4.5 t GVM truck & coach</i> – min fine \$1,053 + 6 demerit points >12 t GVM truck & coach – min fine \$1,380 + 6 demerit points +Licence suspension = 3 months minimum |
| More than 85 kph | <i>P1+P2 Licence, Silver & Gold Licence, >4.5 t GVM truck & coach</i> – min fine \$2,400 + 7 demerit points >12 t GVM truck & coach – min fine \$3,702 + 7 demerit points +Licence suspension = 6 months minimum |