MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVES PUBLIC SPEAKING

The Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking is a statewide competition open to all primary school students. This year, over 120 students competed in the class competitions, and after some very close adjudication eleven students made it through to the next round.

It was Ms Bahnisch’s first adjudication at Leura and it was very difficult to separate Jett, Jack, Ike, Pat, Aaron and Alannah in the Junior section, and Seb, Tom, Grace, Nate and Ollie in the Senior section. In the end, four speakers made it through to the local regional final.

On Thursday 18th June, Jack, Pat, Ollie and Seb travelled to Blaxland East Public School to present their prepared speeches and take part in the impromptu speaking session.

Pat received a highly commended award and Ollie won the senior competition. Jack and Seb also performed exceptionally well. It was a very proud day for Leura Public School and all the speakers had a great time.

Ollie will go on to compete in the Western Sydney final in August.

written by Jack and Pat

Coming Events

Week 10
26/6 - Last day of term - PBL day of “Respect” (wear yellow)

Term 3
Week 1
13/7 - Staff Development Day
14/7 - Students return

Week 2
21/7 - UBMMF Choir (Stage 1) Rehearsal
22/7 - Primary Proms Cluster Rehearsal (Stage 2)
23/7 - Athletics Carnival - Pitt Park

Week 3
27/7 - Education Week (more Info to come)
28/7 - Education Week Open Day
28/7 - ICAS - English
Dear Parents,

Interview Week thanks
I sincerely thank our hard working teachers for their work in preparing for and conducting this year’s mid year interviews. I also thank all parents for their attendance at an interview and for taking this important opportunity to talk face-to-face with your child’s teacher. Interviews give all learners an excellent point of reference for the remainder of this year. It is of great significance for our students to have these short but targeted conversations about their learning and overall development as wonderful young people.

Mid Year Reports
All students have received their formal Mid Year Report this week on Monday. As I read over each report I felt proud of the hard work our children have been involved in and for their achievements so far this year. Congratulations to all our learners. You should feel very proud of the progress you have made, particularly in the areas that have been most challenging.

Mr James Anderson – Long Service Leave pending retirement
Our School Counsellor, Mr James Anderson, will be taking Long Service Leave from the end of this term, pending retirement. I have had the pleasure of working with James now at two schools and have appreciated his gentle approach to children. On behalf of the Leura Public School children, staff and community I would like to wish James a restful period of leave and a fulfilling retirement. Thank you James, for your contribution to the wellbeing of many students over your time working in our schools. We wish you and Ann all the very best in your retirement together.

Finally I would like to wish everyone, staff and families, a safe and happy break over these next few weeks. I also convey a special congratulations to our Canteen Coordinator, Kim Craddock, for a super successful first term in the job! Our busy school will be back and ready for another fast moving Semester of learning for students on Tuesday 14th July.

Ms Anne Bahnisch
Principal

YELLOW ALERT
Friday, 26th June is our PBL Values Day for the term. We will be acknowledging “Respect” as one of our core values. Children are invited to wear yellow and have a great last day of term.

M McMahon
BOOK WEEK PHOTOGRAPHERS
Thank you, Linden Hyatt and Robert Coleman for stepping in when our official camera failed at the Book Parade. The photos are wonderful. Also thank you Mrs Jinks for doing your best with the official camera.

I am currently in the process of printing and arranging a display for the library. The children will see them after the holidays.

E. Colton
Teacher-Librarian

DEBATING
On Tuesday, 23rd June Leura Public School hosted the 3rd round of the premier debating competition. The topic was "Parents should be banned from smacking kids". We were the affirmative. The students argued and refuted the opposition’s arguments until they could argue no more. The adjudicator declared Leura Public School Lasers the winners.

Congratulations to Kaleigh (1st speaker), Nate (2nd speaker), Tom (3rd speaker) and Hannah (team advisor).

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NOTES/PAYMENT REMINDER

To assist families, the following is a list of activities and associated costs, for which permission slips and/or monies are to be returned to the school. If there are any difficult circumstances in regard to any payments by the due date, for incursions/excursions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

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Community Announcements:

My Time - My Time groups are free for parents and carers of children with a disability, special needs or a chronic medical condition - join in for a cuppa and chat in a friendly, supportive environment. My Time meets on Fridays, 2 West End Street, Katoomba from 9.30am to 12 noon. Term 3 runs from 24th July to 11th September. For more info phone 4758 9966

Kids Camps - winter holiday camps for children aged 7 to 16 years and range from 1 to 7 days. For more info contact dsr.nsw.gov.au/camps or call 13 13 02

Norman Lindsay Gallery and Museum artist-led workshops: design a tree house for the Magic Pudding, Wednesday morning 8th July, 10-12.30pm, cost $20; make portraits of your favourite animal using relief printmaking, Thursday morning, 9th July, 10-12.30pm, cost $20. For bookings and enquiries phone 4751 1067 or email info@normanlindsay.com.au

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS): free information session at Fairmont Resort, Leura - What is the NDIS? What does it mean for you and your family? Register online at www.ndiscommunityforums.com.au Various dates and times in July and August.

Blue Mountains Youth Choir
for boys and girls 9-16 years, sponsored by

Academy Singers

Project Two 2015 ‘Wind in the Willows’

Musical Director – Sarah Mann

A special event, involving the combined voices of Academy Singers, Warrimoo Chorale and Blue Mountains Youth Choir, with soloists, narrator and instrumental ensemble.

Dates of BMYC Workshops:
Sunday 26 July 2.00pm - 4.30pm at Lawson Public School Hall, entry - Wilson Street.
Sunday 2 August 2.00pm - 4.30pm at Lawson Public School Hall
Bring a drink, a snack (no nuts) and a hat.

Combined Choirs Rehearsal:
Monday 3 August 7.30pm at St. Finbar’s Catholic Church, Levy Street, Glenbrook
Rehearsal and Performance: Sunday 9 August at St. Finbar’s (Performance at 3pm, rehearsal time 10C)

For further information, including fees payable, go to www.academySingers.com.au - Youth Choir or phone 0416 602 690.

Registration essential - applications close on Wednesday 22 July or earlier if all places filled. Register online, or contact us by email bmyc@academySingers.com.au to have a registration form posted to you.

Please note this Youth Choir is being directed by Leura Public School’s wonderful music teacher, Mrs Mann
Dear Parents,

Well the end of term has arrived but it is the beginning of more fun at Sherpa Kids!

Next week our action packed vacation care program will start and kick off with colour day. We will be making tie dyed t-shirts, bubble printing, a coloured treasure hunt and many more coloured inspired activities including eating rainbow spaghetti for afternoon tea! Also during the first week we will be putting our chef hats on for a ‘My Kitchen Rules’ cook off! Everyone will get to design, create and cook a snack, meal or dessert of their choice for us all to try. And of course don’t forget the exciting magic show during the second week and many other fun themed days on offer.

We will also be open on Monday 13th July during staff development day.

If you would like any information on enrolling your child with us, or would just like to have a chat, please do not hesitate to call me any time on 0468 731 966. Jones is also contactable via leurasherpakids@gmail.com

Alternatively you can pop into the school hall any afternoon for a visit!

Warm regards

Tara
Leura Public School P&C’s Evening meeting
7.00pm to 8.30pm
Wednesday, 22 July 2015

We will be providing some light nibbles, so please let us know if you will attend – email lpspc.secretary@gmail.com

Don’t forget if you can’t make it to a meeting but have something to discuss with us please email P&C President, Di Kipp at lpspc.president@gmail.com

News & Info

*Father’s Day Stall (a Stage 1 fundraiser) If you have a child in Stage 1 and would like to help coordinate the Father’s Day stall (Thurs. 3 September) please email lpspc.fundraising@gmail.com

We’d love to be able to offer the children quality handmade gifts at this year’s stall. So if you are a ‘maker’ (from any Stage), and would like to submit items for sale at the Father’s Day stall, please email (above) for more information.

*Halloween Disco – planning will start early in Term 3, if you would like to help out please email us at lpspc.fundraising.gmail.com

‘We welcome ALL contributions no matter how big or small. Many hands make light work.’

Canteen

☆ New Menu coming in Term 3!


Each child will receive the new menu with a free paper bag on the first day back (Tuesday 14th July). More hot food options! *Make sure to check your child’s bag so they don’t miss out!

N.B. ALL hot food needs to be ordered by 3pm each Wed.

Any questions please contact: Kim lpspc.leuracanteen@gmail.com

Ethics News

I am pleased to announce that Ethics classes for Stage 1 will be recommencing in Term 3.

A note will be sent home to parents of Stage 1 children who currently attend non-scripture on Tuesday mornings.

For the first time, Leura Public School will have Ethics classes available from K to 6.

I would like to thank our dedicated volunteers who generously donate their time each week.

Cara McDonald
Ethics Coordinator

Leura First Sunday Markets

next markets: Sunday July 5

Come along for a great day out during the school holidays.

Approx. 80 stalls * Live Music
* Kids Zone w/ crafts & jumping castle *

Don’t forget that Leura school families can set up a stall too & join in the fun: student stalls free, parents only $15.

Bookings essential.

Contact Markets Manager:
Di 0432 021 863
leurra-markets@hotmail.com

Support the markets which support your school!