CALENDAR FOR CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Each year, schools across the State are invited to submit artwork for this beautiful school calendar. In 2014 our Kindergarten entry was successful and is this year’s June featured artwork! We have entered an artwork by Stage 1 students this year.

Coming Events

Week 10
18/9 - Mufti Day K-6 - dress in blue for “Resilience”
18/9 - Last day of Term 3

Term 4
Week 1
5/10 - October Long Weekend
6/10 - First day Term 4
6/10 - Oz Opera “Cinderella”
7/10 - UBM Dance Festival -
       Evening Performance 7pm
8/10 - KHS Big Day In - Stg. 3
9/10 - Stage 2 HSIE Excursion

Week 2
12/10 - UBM Music Festival KPS
       Matinee Performance
13/10 - UBM Music Festival KPS
       Evening Performance
14/10 - School Photos
15/10 - UBM Music Festival KPS
       Evening Performance
Dear Parents,

Congratulations to our Operation Art entrants
Thank you to Ms McDougall for her energy and enthusiasm towards entering our school in the 2015 Operation Art Exhibition. We are sending our entries in at the end of this term and I look forward to seeing how our excellent artwork is received. Good luck to all our entrants.

Newcombe Ball Day
Leura Public hosted the Upper Blue Mountains public schools for a fun Newcombe Ball Competition - thank you to the fabulous organisation of Ms McMahon. The day was enjoyed by all participants. Thank you to our fantastic P&C for their support and a successful sausage sizzle and to Mr Van Gemert and Mr Stockbridge for making sure our school grounds and facilities looked outstanding!
We had many appreciative comments on our day, from teachers, parents and students from the other schools.

Instrument Kit for Leura Public School
Our school has been successful in its application for one of 12 Instrumental Kits across NSW Public Schools!
WE have received 26 beautiful, brand new instruments that we will begin hiring out and teaching with in 2016.
Watch this space for more details about this fantastic opportunity.

Value of the week
We are introducing a program where we learn more about our 3 school values: Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.
Starting next Term, each teacher will be spending specific time in lessons to teach aspects of each value. Please see our school Newsletter for more information on this work.

It has been a very busy Term and here we are having arrived at the last days. I hope everyone has a relaxing time with family and friends over this break.

School resumes for Term 4 on Tuesday 6th October after the Labour Day public holiday on Monday 5th October.

I look forward to seeing fresh and enthusiastic faces when we all return for our last Term of the 2015 school year.

Ms Anne Bahnisch
Principal
MILO T20BLAST SCHOOL CUP: Stage 2 & Stage 3

On Monday 31st August, Cricket NSW organised a large T2OBlast Cricket ‘round robin’ cup day involving nine Upper Blue Mountains Schools involving over 400 students. It was a wonderfully sunny day to play cricket!

Congratulations to each of the three LPS T2OBlast cricket teams who participated in the Intra School Cup. Each team represented the school wonderfully and respectfully by showing great sportsmanship, teamwork and thoroughly enjoying the day.

Thank you to all of the parents who came along to support the teams, in particular thank you to Nicole Brown, Natasha Hill, Ken Stockbridge and Simmone Thomas for their assistance during the day.

Mrs Fendall

OPERATION ART WORKSHOPS

Over 30 students were successful in securing a place in full day art workshops being conducted this term. If you missed out, DON'T WORRY, there's always next year!

CULTURESCAPE - BLUE MOUNTAINS

A group of students (representing all classes) has been working very hard on artwork that will be submitted for consideration in this exciting new art event, coming soon to our area.

There are posters around the school and information is available online.

Here is a sneak peak of just a few sections of our entries. Full photos will feature in a newsletter next term.

WALKATHON 2015

As parents will be aware the Walkathon note and sponsor sheet was sent home earlier in the week. This year the school is raising money to upgrade our school's Wi-Fi. Please note that completed sponsorship forms must be returned to the class teacher by Tuesday, 27th October. Money is to be returned by Friday, 27th November. Thank you in anticipation of your support.
OPERATION ART EXHIBITION
Well done to the creative students whose artworks were selected for Operation Art this year. Sukey (Stage 3), Annabella (Stage 2), Gabriel and Emily (Stage 1) deserve high praise as our school representatives in this worthwhile project.

Their work has been professionally framed and forms part of a beautiful exhibition showcasing the artistic talent of students from across the state.

Many of the exhibited artworks are destined for Westmead Children’s Hospital where they will cheer sick children, bringing smiles to faces.

The recent opening at The Armory Gallery, Jamieson Street, Newington, was eye poppingly wonderful.

Why not enjoy a day out during the school holidays to catch the exhibition before it closes on 25th October.

There is plenty to do and see around the gallery and entry is free.

PSSA DISTRICT ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Congratulations to all of the LPS District Athletics Carnival Representatives for 2015: Kalyan, Kaylee, Rylan, Harry, Aaron, Alannah, Lucius, Yasmin, Jett, Caitlyn, Annabella (3/4M), Belle, Kiarna, Arlo, Isabella, Tyler, Shelby, Megan, Alex, Kaleigh, Bayley, Ayden, Annelise, Hannah, Jordan, Oliver, Mali, Nate, Kanayla, Aiden, Zoe, Annabella (5/6D) and Liam.

The 2015 LPS Athletics Team consisted of 33 students who travelled to Blacktown International Sports Park Athletics Centre for the event. This was a new venue for the District Athletics which provided our athletes with a great opportunity to compete on a synthetic running track in an official athletics venue. Both track and field events were viewed from the grandstand, enabling great cheering and supporting for the competing athletes.

All Leura students were wonderful ambassadors for our school throughout the competition: encouraging and supporting each other, competing with great enthusiasm and showing wonderful sportsmanship during and after their events. It was a delight to take the students to the event and to watch them compete.

Thank you to the parents who came to support our students and assisted on the day, with special thanks to Anna Feord, John & Angela Martin, Kate Buckley, Dionne Kandkindji and Vicki Rivas.

Report by Aaron, 3/4V and Jordan, 5/6D
Recently, a large group of about 30 students attended the District Athletics Carnival, on 4th September at Blacktown Olympic Athletics Stadium. This year the District Carnival was held at an Olympic stadium because the event had been postponed three times in 2014 due to bad weather at Tom Hunter Park in Springwood. Moving the event gave students an opportunity to see how it feels to run on a synthetic track.

We had a lot of success with five students making it to the Regional Athletics Carnival. Congratulations to Jordan, who got the 11 years Boys Age Champion!

It was a great day with fine weather and everyone had a fantastic time.
PSSA REGIONAL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Further congratulations to the LPS athletes who placed 1st or 2nd in their track finals or field events. These students were selected to be PSSA Blue Mountains Representatives at the PSSA Regional Athletics Carnival, held on 9th September, 2015.

- Caitlyn: Junior 800m (2nd), Junior 200m (1st)
- Jett: Junior 800m (1st), Junior Boys High Jump (3rd, reserve)
- Jordan: 11yrs 200m (2nd), 11yrs 100m (2nd)
- Arlo: 9yrs Boys 100m (2nd)
- Zoe: Junior Girls Long Jump (2nd)
- Kayleigh: Senior Girls Discus (3rd, reserve)

Congratulations again to all LPS Athletics Representatives, it was a pleasure to accompany you to this event.

Mrs Fendall

PRIMARY PROMS CONCERT
This is our fabulous Stage 2 Choir at Sydney’s Town Hall for the Daintree Concert on Tuesday, 15th September.

SCHOOL BANKING ALERT !!!
Commonwealth Bank School Banking Update - Please read

Following the decision last month to recall the Cosmic Light Beam Torch due to a potential safety issue, a decision has been made to also withdraw the upcoming Lunar Light Band reward from the School Banking Rewards Program.

To avoid disappointment there is a new reward item available for redemption in Term 4 while stocks last. Students can now test their skills with a game of Frisbee with the new Galaxy Glider!

Once students have collected 10 tokens, they can simply include a note, along with their 10 tokens in their deposit wallet on banking day to advise that they would like to redeem their tokens for the Galaxy Glider reward item.

Don’t forget the Outer Space Savers Money Box is also available in Term 4.
Community Announcements:
Milo T20 Blast, Blue Mountains Cricket Association – 8 week program. Blue Mountains WEST T20 Blast - try out Wednesday, 14th October; program starts Wednesday, 21st October; Location Katoomba Falls Reserve, Katoomba; time: 5.30 -7pm; Ages 8-11, Cost $99. Visit www.playcricket.com.au/t20blast or contact Jonathan Lees on 0418 749 185

Free family fun activities and sausage sizzle brunch – get a free child safety restraint check and then pop next door into Blue Mountains Family Support for brunch and fun children’s activities. 8am to Midday at 2 Station Street, Katoomba, Saturday, 26th September. Book your spot at bmfss@pnc.com.au or phone 4782 1555

Blue Mountains Artfest 2015 – as part of the Artfest weekend the committee is running a “Wearable Art” competition and parade. The competition is open to adults and kids and the entry form is available to download from the website www.bluemountainsartfest.com.au The parade will be held at 12 noon on Saturday, 7th November during the Artfest weekend.

Waratah Cottage school holiday activities. For bookings or enquiries about activities at Waratah Cottage Katoomba phone ENRICH on 4782 5326. Visit the website www.gatewayfamilyservices.org.au for more information.

Leura villa NSW Toy and Railway Museum school holiday activity - visit the Museum and join in celebrating Lewis Carroll’s Alice in Wonderland’s 150 year anniversary. Search the many displays for all the wonderful characters. It’s fun and there is a prize for everyone who takes part. Open from 10am to 5pm. Phone 4784 1169 for more information.


"Blue Shorts" - Blue Mountains Short Film Festival - get your entries in now. For all blue mountains residents, short films 7 minutes and under in any genre. Submission deadline 5pm 26th October, 2015. Brought to you by Blackheath Area Neighbourhood Centre, Mount Vic Flicks and local film makers. Full details: www.filmfreeway.com/festival/blueshorts

BLUE ALERT
Friday, 18th September is our PBL Values Day for the term. We will be acknowledging “Resilience” as one of our core values.

Children are invited to wear blue and have a great last day of term.

M McMahon

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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Canteen Thanks

It was another successful term in the canteen and we couldn’t have done it without all our wonderful helpers.

A very big thank you to all who helped out this term, either in the canteen, or with lovely yummy baked goods, or donated items for our pantry.

All help has been greatly appreciated and we look forward to term 4.

Check out our Term 4 menu at...
www.leurapandc.weebly.com/our-canteen.html

SwampCare

We’d love some extra help next month to tackle privet, honeysuckle and other weeds encroaching our swamp.

Come and enjoy the beauty and tranquillity beyond the fence and see the great work that has been done!

We next meet: 1pm on 15 October 2015
Tools and bushcare training provided.

Enquiries to Lisa Scott-Smith
phone: 0414 642 512

FUNDRAISING thanks

Once again, the Fathers’ Day stall was a big success – we raised just over $300. Thanks must go to Vikki (for the fab Rocky Road) as well as all our helpers – Rebecca, Belinda, Kellie, Kirstie, Petra, Dindy, Amy and Zoe. We also had some wonderful Year 6 helpers - Olivia, Sukey, Grace, Lucy, and Oliver & Aiden.

Thanks also to Di, Belinda, Amy, Ken and Peter for their help with the Newcombe Ball Gala Day sausage sizzle. This also raised over $300.

What are we fundraising for?

This year funds raised by the P&C contribute to:

- upgrading our canteen facilities
- expanding our vegetable gardens
- enhancing our children’s access to technology

Walkathon

Wednesday 28th October

- Next term is the school Walkathon! which means it’s BBQ lunch time! Hopefully lots of families will be able to share some or all of this fun day with the children.
- As always with a P&C BBQ we need helpers to get everything done!
- Please email Di lpspc.president@gmail.com if you can spare some time to make this an enjoyable event for all and help raise much needed funds for our school.

Leura First Sunday Markets
Sunday 4th October

☆ Enjoy a great day out during the school holidays ☆

Enquiries: Di leura-markets@hotmail.com
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