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“With heart, soul, mind & strength”

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NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ANZAC DAY and CENTENARY STONE DEDICATION

Last Friday Years 4-12 participated in our school ANZAC service in the hall. We were honoured to hear from a Vietnam veteran, Mr Norm Smith, who represented the Doyalson-Wyee RSL Sub-branch. Our students were very respectful and were able to see something of what our forces experienced at Gallipoli through a moving film that opened the service.

Thank you to all the families who attended the ANZAC Day march and service at Doyalson on Saturday. It was a large turnout of our students in uniform and their behaviour and dress were impeccable. We had many very complimentary comments from members of the public after the event. Our students made the staff attending feel very proud of them. Thanks to our School Captain, Bronte Talbot and Vice Captain, Mitchell Hunter who laid a wreath on behalf of the Senior School; and Junior School Leaders Eloise Cliff and Anupama Adikarimudyanselage, who laid one on behalf of the Junior School.

Today we held a small service at the Junior School with four representatives from the Toukley RSL Sub-branch to dedicate a Centenary Stone to the school. The plaque is situated in the garden bed at the front of the Junior School and commemorates the Centenary of the Anzac landings. Our School Captains and School Leaders took part in the service.



THE STORM

Our thoughts and prayers were with those of you who suffered loss or damage as a result of the storm last week. I know many are still in clean-up mode but I hope all have had power restored by the time you read this newsletter. School was fortunate to have suffered very little damage – some trees came down on open ground, the sails in the JS garden courtyard were ripped and the canteens lost food due to the blackout. Communication can be very difficult at such times and we did everything we could to get messages to our families. When there is a blackout we can send messages from off-site via the school app, Facebook and the website. If we have power but the school is closed for other reasons we can also send an email and SMS to all families. Best wishes as you deal with insurance companies and so on.

POLICE SAFETY TALKS

On Tuesday we had a Police officer presenting safety talks to Senior School students. Year 8 had a talk about cyber-safety while Year 11 and 12 heard about alcohol and drugs. The focus of the talks was how to stay safe: what to do and what not to do, what the law says, possible penalties for breaking the law. The officer also told some horrifying stories of what can happen to a young person who takes drugs or drinks too much alcohol. These talks are a part of our approach to supporting healthy student wellbeing. In June we will have a cyber-safety expert here also to present to the students and this will be followed by a presentation for parents at MacKillop Catholic College in the evening. See the Director of Student Wellbeing's article inside.

CONGRATULATIONS TO.....

Edan Shorten – State Champion

During the recent school holidays Edan Shorten of Year 6 competed at the NSW Women's Artistic Gymnastics (WAG) Championships. Edan competed in Level 7, Division 1, in the National stream of competition. Her combined overall score across the 2 days gained her 1st place overall and selection in the NSW WAG team to compete at Nationals in May. See the full story in the sporting news.

Holli and Zali Philips will also be attending the National Gymnastics championships but in trampolining. Well done and best wishes to Edan, Holli and Zali.

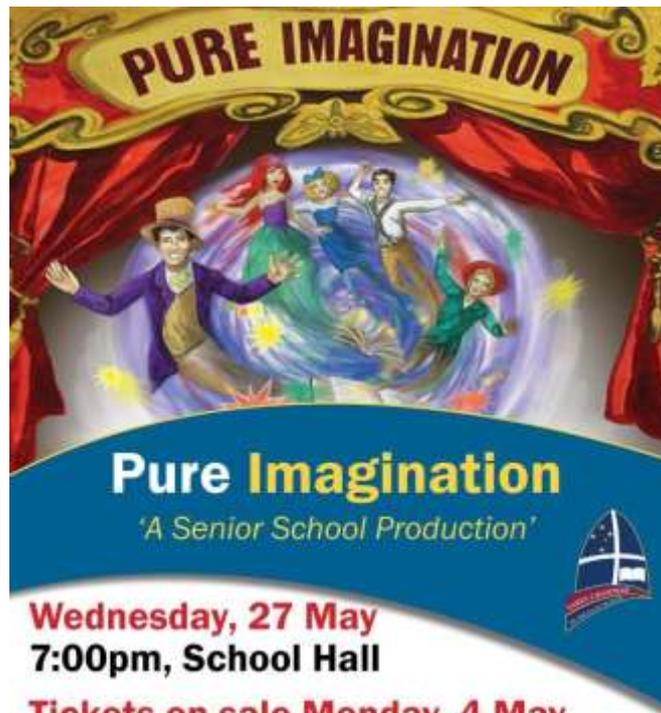
Maisie Young and Jessica Ellen both competed for the 'Sydney Zodiacs' at the National Dragon Boat Championships. The girls competed in the Junior (12-18yrs) and Youth (Under 24) categories in a range of disciplines. Both girls were members of teams (crews) that achieved highly in various races that included wins in the Junior Mixed 500m race, Youth Women's short course and the Youth Mixed 2km races. Both girls have now qualified for the World Championships. These are scheduled to be held in late March 2016. Fortunately for the girls Adelaide will be hosting the World Championships next year.

Fletcher Cunningham recently competed at the Australian Surf Lifesaving Championships on the Gold Coast. Fletcher came 4th in the under 17 men's Single Surf Ski. The surf ski event has the highest number of competitors of any event at these titles, Fletcher's age division had over 200 from around Australia. Fourth place is outstanding at this level. Fletcher has a definite talent with paddling given that he is also a member of what is essentially the Australian Olympic Development Squad for kayaking.

Abbey Wardrope has made it into two of the NSW Junior Chess League's latest best twenty-five lists for junior chess players. Abbey is number ten in the top girls under 12, and No. 21 in the best under 10 list of all players in NSW.

She achieved this through a series of great results in tournaments around the Central Coast. First Abbey won the primary school section of the 20th Annual Central Coast Primary and Secondary Chess Competition 2014 at Wyong High School in September 2014. She then won trophies for being the best girl player at The Central Coast Chess Challenge 4 at Gosford and the Central Coast Summer Chess Challenge 2015 at Erina Fair, Well done Abbey!

Tyler Jones, who competed this week in the CIS Swimming Championships. Tyler achieved third place in the 18 year old boys 50m freestyle and FIRST in the 200m fly. An excellent achievement at state level and in Tyler's final year at school.



PURE IMAGINATION

Pure Imagination
'A Senior School Production'

Wednesday, 27 May
7:00pm, School Hall

Tickets on sale Monday, 4 May
from Senior School reception.

Adults: \$12
Children/Concessions: \$10
Family (2 Adults, 2 Children): \$35

See website for more details.

FOOD ALLERGY AWARENESS

In relation to Edan Shorten's news, this year the National Gymnastics Championships will be held in the same week as Food Allergy Week (May 17-23), an awareness initiative of Anaphylaxis Australia. Edan lives with the threat of anaphylaxis from egg, dairy, tree nuts and peanuts. The sign for raising food allergy awareness is to paint one fingernail, but as a gymnast, Edan is not allowed to wear any fingernail polish. The painted fingernail represents the 1 in 10 children who will develop a food allergy in Australia. As a school we are going to encourage our Junior School students to paint one of their fingernails blue during the week of 17-23 May in support of Edan as she represents NSW and to remind us all to care for those with food allergies.

Michael Hannah (Principal)

HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

Welcome back to Term 2. I trust that all families enjoyed some quality time together and found the break to be both enjoyable and productive. It was a pleasure to see all of the students arrive back for an exciting term last Thursday, particularly after all of the wet weather and damage that we had around the Coast and to be a part of a really positive start to the term over the past fortnight.

The teachers spent time debriefing with the students and making sure that they were OK when we were back at school last Thursday. KB wrote about the storm in their journal books.

Emma: There was a big storm and my power went out.

Joshua: There was a big storm and there were lots of trees all over the road.

Brianna: There was a big storm and I was scared.

Nate: There was a big storm and wind and lightning.

Hannah: There was a big storm and winds. The lights went out.

We do continue to encourage any children or families who are continuing to experience difficulty as a result of the storm to be in contact with our Junior School Chaplain, Mr Peter Oates, who can link you up with the assistance that will be of most help for you.

NAPLAN – Years 3 and 5

Students in Year 3 and 5 will participate in the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) on Tuesday 12, Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 May, with the opportunity for students to make up tests that they may have missed on these days through illness and the like on Friday 15 May. Whilst it is difficult for this form of testing, which takes place on a national basis, to delineate the entirety of the depth and richness of a student's learning or the contribution that the School makes to the overall experience of its students, NAPLAN provides us with important and useful information to inform our planning for students and our approaches to teaching and learning. The tests offer an excellent opportunity for students to rehearse their revision skills generally and examination skills, positive thinking and perseverance in the context of a timed assessment setting.

Please encourage your child not to feel stressed or worried about these tests. The results will only be used to help us as a school identify strengths and weaknesses in our program and assist individual students where needed.

ANZAC DAY

The annual ANZAC Day March was conducted by Doyalson-Wyee RSL Sub-branch and Lakes Grammar was again very well represented as a number of Junior School students and their families supported the service men and women and their families at the ANZAC Day Service in the RSL, to commemorate the service of so many Australians.

I commend all of the students involved for their commitment to this very important occasion.

On Friday 24 April, students in Years 4 to 6, along with our Senior School students commemorated ANZAC Day through a reflective service of worship, in which the ANZAC spirit formed the focus of the morning. We were thrilled that some members of Doyalson-Wyee RSL were able to join us for this special service.

I thank the Student Leaders who played important roles during the service and the many students, parents and staff, who gave of their time on ANZAC Day to assist in the events of the day.



STUDENT FUNDRAISER

Tahlia Moore (Year 3) and Briella Moore (Year 1), have organised a fundraiser for the support of Bear Cottage, the only children's hospice in NSW and one of only two in Australia.

Located in Manly, Bear Cottage provides support, respite and end of life care for children with severe illnesses and their families. The children who visit Bear Cottage range from newborn infants to 18 years of age and accommodation is also available for parents, as well as siblings of the children staying. Having Bear Cottage available to families' enables them to focus on the important things, such as spending quality time together and making every moment count.

Tahlia and Briella are inspired by the work of Bear Cottage and want to help the families that use this remarkable service. They have set themselves an Everyday Hero challenge of completing a 20km run over a 12 week period from 9 April 2015 through to 1 July 2015 and will be raising funds during this time.

If you are interested in helping Tahlia and Briella with a donation, please go to their fundraising page at:

<https://give.everydayhero.com/au/tahlias-bear-cottage-fundraiser>

A donation tin has also been placed at reception for any loose change you wish to give and will be donated under the name of Lakes Grammar – An Anglican School. All donations will go directly to Bear Cottage.

CURRICULUM

Across the Junior School, we have continued to fully implement the national curriculum this year in English, Mathematics and Science. In NSW, the Board of Studies (BOSTES) has developed Kindergarten to Year 10 syllabi that incorporate the Australian curriculum content. The implementation of these documents in NSW schools is gradual, which has enabled our teaching team to thoroughly prepare through professional development and collaborative planning in grade teams.

Mrs Walters, our Co-ordinator of Teaching and Learning (K – 6) is working with our staff team to plan for the implementation of the new History curriculum in 2016 and is exploring ways in which this content can also be integrated with some of the information skills work that Mr Summers conducts with Year 3- 6 classes in the Library. BOSTES is also drafting a Geography curriculum, which, in time, will link in with the History curriculum and replace our current HSIE syllabus.

IPSHA TRAVELLING ART SHOW

Congratulations to a number of students on the selection of their artwork to be displayed in the 2015 IPSHA Travelling Art Show.

It is exciting to have this work on display at a range of Independent schools throughout New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory over the next two terms. The exhibition will arrive for display at Lakes Grammar in the Junior School Library from Monday, 1 June to Friday, 12 June

- * Alyssa Miller - 5M
- * Brooklyn Randall & Zachary Cartwright - 4S
- * Keyan Small & Yalkin Shevket - 3C
- * Rylee Baxter - 3C
- * Abigail Whelan & Emma Barrie - KH

- * Brendan Park - 3L
- * Thomas Anderson & Brady Simpson - 2C
- * William Tsoa – Lee & Abhishek - KD
- * Milla Harding & Emerson Smith - KB

JUNIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Athletics Carnival will be held on Tuesday 19 May at Warnervale Athletics Field. I wish all of the students the best as they compete for their Colleges and extend a warm invitation to all families to come along and cheer. The day should conclude by 3.00pm and children will be permitted to leave at the completion of the final presentations on the day provided they are accompanied by their parents or carers. Please ensure that permission notes for this event are returned as soon as possible.

CHURCH SERVICE

On Sunday, May 17 all students in Years 1 and 2 will join together for an exciting Family Chapel Service. I do look forward to seeing you all there for this enjoyable occasion.

Mothers' Day stall and breakfast

Thank you to our P&F for organizing and conducting a Mothers' Day Stall on Thursday 7 May and a Mothers' Day Breakfast on Friday, 8 May. Information about the Mothers' Day Breakfast has been uploaded to the Skoolbag App. We look forward to seeing many of our mothers up at the school for breakfast and being able to celebrate the wonderful contribution that you make to the children's lives.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photographs will take place on Friday 8 May. The following uniform requirements are an expectation for all students on the day. All students should attend school in full winter school uniform. Alternative arrangements will be made for students who have a gymnastics lesson on this day.

Full Winter School Uniform is to be worn on the day.

Boys:

- Blazer must be worn. Please check that blazers have buttons on them.
- Woollen school jumper and scarves must be removed for class photos taken on the day.
- School shoes should be polished.
- Jewellery is NOT permitted.
- Boys' hair must be neat and tidy – short enough to allow it to clear the collar and the face and not touch the ears.
- Ties are to be worn properly and the top button on shirts should be done up.

Girls:

- Blazer must be worn. Please check that blazers have buttons on them.
- Woollen school jumper and scarves must be removed for class photos taken on the day.
- School shoes should be polished.
- Hair must be neat and tidy – clear of the face and if long enough, be tied back either a school scrunchie or plain hair tie. If a headband is used it should be discreet and in line with the school colours.
- Makeup and nail polish is NOT permitted.
- Jewellery is NOT permitted. The only jewellery permitted for girls is a watch and a medical bracelet or pendant. No other jewellery, including rings and bracelets should be visible. Girls are allowed a single pair of earrings, one in each earlobe. They are to be plain sleepers or studs.
- Skirts are hemmed to be either just below the knee or to be on the knee depending upon your daughter's preference. They are not to be shorter than knee length.
- Ink navy tights are to be worn with the uniform and should be in good repair.
- Ties are to be worn properly and the top button on shirts should be done up.

ASSEMBLY AND CHAPEL

A reminder that K – 2 Assembly and Chapel will be held under the COLA each Monday afternoon this term, commencing at 2.05pm. Year 3 – 6 Assembly and Chapel will continued to be conducted in the School Hall each Thursday, commencing at 1.45pm. Both K-2 and 3 – 6 Assemblies and Chapel Services are relocated to the Junior School COLA or Music Room in the event of inclement weather and the classes who attend are staggered. Details are placed on the Events Line (4393 4134) by 1.00pm on the relevant day in the event of wet weather.

Please refer to the Term 2 planner for details of classes who are leading or presenting at assembly and chapel this term.

UNIFORM AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who have received the Head of Junior School's Uniform Award over the past fortnight after being spotted around the campus looking immaculate!

Jack Wallace, Noah Bain, Matilda Fallon.

BUILDING LEARNING POWER



Over the course of Term 2, we will be focusing on learning capacities associated with 'Sou' where students are able to look within and by reflective learners who examine the strategic aspects of learning.

The learning power capacities associated with this area include:

Soul – Look Within				
Set learning goals and evaluate my progress Weeks 1 and 2	Planning Weeks 3 and 4	Thinking about your learning or meta-learning Weeks 5 and 6	Distilling Weeks 7 and 8	Monitoring and Revising Week 9
Setting goals for your learning this term, thinking about what it will look like when you achieve them, steps that you will need to take along the way towards your goals, how you will know when you have achieved your learning goals.	Thinking about where you are going, the action you are going to take, the time and resources you will need and the obstacles that you will encounter	Knowing yourself as a learner – how you talk best and how to talk about the learning process.	Looking at what is being learned and pulling out the essential features and carrying them forward to aid in your learning, and being your own 'learning coach'.	Being flexible, changing your plans in light of different circumstances, monitoring and reviewing how things are going and seeing new opportunities.

BUILDING LEARNING POWER AWARD

Isla Yager – KH - resisting distractions and completing all her work.

Ashton Croft- 3C - persevering during Mathematics

Billie Johns – 3C - Managing distractions in class

A Final Thought...

"Each has won a glorious grave - not that sepulchre of earth wherein they lie, but the living tomb of everlasting remembrance wherein their glory is enshrined. For the whole earth is the sepulchre of heroes. Monuments may rise and tablets be set up to them in their own land, but on far-off shores there is an abiding memorial that no pen or chisel has traced; it is graven not on stone or brass, but on the living hearts of humanity". – Pericles.

Will Wallace (Head of Junior School)

SCHOOL BANKING

Get involved in the School Banking program.

The Commonwealth Bank will be holding 9.30am. **in the Junior school courtyard.** account for your child please bring along Alternatively, you can open an account at Commonwealth Bank customer.

For every deposit made at school, no token. Once students have individually Banking reward item in recognition of their Banking day is every Thursday; bank Remember our school earns 5% individual deposit). Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Lakes Grammar.



an account opening session on Monday 4th May 2015 from 8.30am – If you are interested in opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver your driver's licence or another form of photographic identification. any branch; by calling 13 22 21 or online if you are an existing

matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School continued savings behaviour. Rewards will be on display on the day. books are collected in class.

commission on every deposit made (to a maximum of \$10 per

Come along to morning assembly and meet Pat the dog.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mothers' Day stall

Thursday, 7 May

Gifts are \$5 each.

Children will hand pick a gift for mum on the day! Remaining items will be sold on Friday, 8 May.

Friday, 8 May

Mothers' Day breakfast
from 7:30am in the Junior School.

Visit www.flexischools.com.au to place orders for both the Mothers' Day stall and breakfast.
Orders closed 3pm Tuesday 5 May.

Breakfast orders can also be placed and paid for at the Canteen by 6 May.

JUNIOR SCHOOL LIBRARY NEWS

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to a busy Term 2 in the JS Library. Please check our JS Library website to see what classes are doing this term during lessons.

TERM 2 'Superhero' short story writing competition

This term, we are having a short story writing competition open to Years 2-6. This is a great opportunity for all creative writers to use 'Superheroes' as a theme. Entry / completed forms are available from JS Library display (see below). A Junior and Senior prize will be given to the best stories as judged by Mr Summers and Mr Wallace. Winners will be announced at the JS Assembly in Week 9.

IN LIVING HISTORY – WW1 – 27/4/15



Last Monday, Year 6 and OC were treated to a presentation by Shane Blackman on Gallipoli. With ANZAC day just behind us, this was a timely reminder of Australian History and our involvement in war conflicts. Once again, his talk on what it was like in Gallipoli was excellent and engaging. Students' behaviour was wonderful and respectful. They were very interested and came up with some great questions. Year 6 will take this information on board when they visit the War Memorial in their Canberra visit later this term. Year 5 will also be looking at Gallipoli during their library lessons. Please check out our ANZAC display in the library. A big thank you to Ben and Mrs Tennant for the replica WW1 model plane.



PRC 2015

Registration for the PRC will cease Friday 15 May. Please ensure they are in by then. If you require another note, they are available on Parent Lounge (including logs).

We currently have around 202 registrations so far (60 have been completed). Keep them coming in...A fantastic effort!

If a student finishes the 2015 PRC in Terms 1 and 2, they will receive an early finisher's certificate (from us) and also get to place a light globe with their picture on it (this is the CBCA Bookweek theme for 2015 – "Books Light Up our World") onto our PRC display (while walking down the red carpet of course!). All completed challenges will receive the end of year certificate from the Premier of NSW.

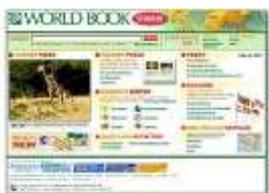
WHEELERS eBOOKS

Has your child accessed our Wheelers eBook facility yet? If they are in Years 4-6 and have an iPad, Android or similar device, they can read our growing collection of eBooks either online or downloaded. Many new titles have just been ordered. They can also borrow an iPad from the JS Library at lunch. Please see library staff for more details or grab a brochure from the JS Library.

LIBRARY BLOG

Check out our latest JS BLOG and see what students have been learning about in the JS Library recently. This BLOG will be updated when needed.

WORLD BOOK ONLINE



Currently in most primary classes, students have been learning about using Encyclopaedias. Our online encyclopaedia, World Book is a wonderful resource and I encourage both parents and students to have a browse through it. To access, please go through the JS Library Homepage located on the School Intranet site.

COMING UP IN JS LIBRARY....

Wednesday, 27 May – National Simultaneous Storytime (K-4 only)

OPENING HOURS

The JS Library opening hours are from 8:30am to 3.30pm Monday and Friday and 8.30am to 4pm Tuesday to Thursday. Students are also welcome to use the JS Library at lunchtime (2nd half) each Monday to Friday.

PLEASE NOTE: any student using the library between 3-4pm must sign in and be picked up from the library and signed out by their parents. This time is for RESEARCH / HOMEWORK / STUDY use only. It is not a place for children to wait for parents to collect them in the afternoon.

Mr D Summers (JS Teacher Librarian)

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT WELLBEING

CYBERBULLYING AND SAFE PARTYING PRESENTATIONS

On Tuesday our local Police Liaison Officer spoke with Year 8 about Cyberbullying issues and then spoke with each of Years 11 & 12 about Safe Partying. They were very engaging presentations that were well received by students. The Police Liaison Officer will return in Term 3 to speak with Years 7 & 9 about Cyberbullying and to Year 10 about Safe Partying.

Years 7 – 9 will also be seeing an award winning production called Cyberia that relates with a youth perspective of the 'online world' next Wednesday afternoon here in the school hall. Parents can check out more information on Cyberia by going to <http://www.performersinschools.com.au/brainstorm-productions-cyberia-3/>

DR SUSAN MCLEAN TO TALK TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS ON JUNE 1ST!

Through a collaborative arrangement with MacKillop College we will be very fortunate to be able to have internationally renowned Cyberbullying expert Dr Susan McLean visit the school on June 1st and reinforce the Cyberbullying message to our senior students. She will be conducting 90 minute sessions for Years 7 & 8, 9 & 10, 11 & 12.

In the evening our parents will also have the opportunity to attend a presentation by Dr McLean for parents from Lakes Grammar, MacKillop College, St Peter's and St Brigid's. The presentation will be held at the MacKillop College Hall.

Anyone who has heard Dr McLean speak, I am sure could only attest to her being a dynamic and knowledgeable presenter who can provide valuable insights as well as strategies. Further details will come home to all families shortly but parents please note this as a not-to-be-missed event on your calendar.

To learn more about Dr Susan McLean you may wish to go to www.cybersafetysolutions.com.au

YEAR 8 & 9 CAMPS

These camps are coming up soon and notes as well as medical information forms are now due. If parents could return these ASAP that would be appreciated. If copies of notes are required please contact the senior school office. Year 9 parents, please note the email sent to you on 30 April regarding your child's camp.

Also, thanks to parents who attended the information evening for the Year 9 camp that was held on Tuesday, by the Outdoor Education Group. It was clear that parents left the presentation excited for the opportunity that this camp will provide for their child as well as appreciative of the excellent structure and organisation of the camp. If parents need any other information about either the Year 8 or 9 camps please call your child's Year Adviser.

CENTRAL COAST YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FORUM

Next Wednesday two of our Year 11 students will be presenting at the Central Coast Mental Health Forum. They were asked to speak after organisers heard from them of the student led Mental Health Action Program (MHAP) team that we have at Lakes Grammar and the various activities they organise to promote positive mental health across the Senior School. These include the Anti-bullying day, RUOK day and student activity sessions.

They will be speaking about the range of student wellbeing initiatives that have been developed in the senior school in recent years such as MHAP, the Student Representative Council and college games.

Twelve students from Years 8 & 9 are also going to have the opportunity to attend the forum. I am sure they will get great benefit from this forum.

Brant Maslen (Director of Student Wellbeing)

Maths tutoring in the Senior School Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8.00am

CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

Matt's Mutterings

What an extraordinary start to Term 2 we have had. Some of the worst storms in living memory have smashed our Central Coast and the regions either side of us. Disaster statistics have been breaking records and emergency services personnel have been working around the clock. In all of the disastrous events of the first week of term I have heard and witnessed story after story of neighbours coming together to pitch in and help. The community has bonded together in the face of adversity. I hope and pray that this has been your experience too. If you are still in any form of need then please let us know here at school so that we can muster some form of assistance.

Last weekend we also remembered and acknowledged the 100 year anniversary of our ANZAC sacrifices. Our school held a very moving ceremony for those in Year 4 and older on Friday, 24 April. Many staff and students also gathered to join in the ANZAC Day march and service at Doyalson. We have remembered the sacrifice of the men and women who paid for our freedom. This was true too of our Sunday morning services at Lakes Anglican church. So much acknowledgement of sacrifice in our first week of Term 2 echoes the Easter story from last term.

We ended our term with an Easter service where we remembered Jesus' sacrifice upon the cross for all of creation. Jesus paid for our sin with his death which gives us the freedom to approach God with confidence. It is the best love story ever told. If you've never read it, jump onto www.biblegateway.com and look up Mark chapters 14 to 16 and use the English Standard Version of the Bible. It's a story of anguish, betrayal, abandonment, false accusations, buck passing, forgiveness, restoration and ultimately love. And if you want to come and talk about the story in person then please come and see me at school. Sacrifice, what a powerful theme for us all to be reflecting on as this term unfolds.

Bless ya!

Rev'd Matt Shorten (Chaplain)

CAPA NEWS

Tickets are now on sale for Pure Imagination, the Senior School Production. Join us for a night of foolish fun and fantasy as students take you on a journey through strange worlds, meeting even stranger characters. The evening will highlight talents of Creative and Performing Arts students. Miss Newton has developed an original script that is intertwined around a selection of songs performed by the elective Music ensembles. Our talented dance troupes will lead you to amazing places and witty drama students will entertain in a search for the creativity and imagination that is found in a very special place. Audience members are encouraged to dress up as their favourite fantasy characters, but beware, not all is as it may seem in the land of *Pure Imagination*.

Students in rehearsal mode





PURE IMAGINATION' DANCE REHEARSALS

Dance rehearsals have started again this week as school returns for Term 2. This week we have been trying on costumes – check out Paige and Ainsley in their toy soldier outfits! We are still working on painting the hats and adding straps. The girls enjoyed trying on various costumes today to portray different characters – have a look at Aimee as Bo Peep and Layla trying on part of an 'Effie' costume (from Hunger Games). A big thank you to Mrs Jones who made the soldier hats and worked with us today with trying on costumes! We have now finished learning the junior jazz routine and will be focusing on polishing the steps. Our junior contemporary dance is almost finished, and the girls are working hard to master the techniques and focus on their stage positions.



The Year 11 girls group began rehearsals for their contemporary routine, choreographed by Mr Shayne, owner of Central Dance Dept., Charmhaven. The girls thoroughly enjoyed the workshop and the new routine where they are dancing as dark and powerful characters. This routine involves lots of



floor work and multiple props – it will be a very exciting routine! Thank you to Mr Shayne for putting together this fabulous piece to help showcase the talent of our Year 11 dancers! We will be finishing this routine in two weeks when Mr Shayne returns for another workshop.

This group continues to improve each week and the 'Pure Imagination' performance night is rapidly approaching! Thank you for your hard work so far – keep practising!

Bundanon Art Camp 2015

Visual Arts students will be invited to attend Bundanon Art Camp once again in 2015. The camp will take place on the 10th – 12th of June. Our elective students in Years 9 to 11 are encouraged to join the camp, which is an enriching experience for talented young artists. Students may start applying now with applications available from Mrs Hobden in the C Block staffroom. You will be given further details in regard to costs and the program on application.



Anne Hobden (CAPA Coordinator)

ACTIVE FOR AFRICA CHARITY EVENT YEARS 7-10

This event has been co-ordinated by a very motivated group of Duke of Edinburgh students who are completing their community service award component. Regular sports will not proceed in Week 6 this term (Wednesday, 27 May), therefore **parents have not been charged for regular sport choices for this day**. Instead, sport will have an African theme. Students will have three popular African Sports to select from on this day. The options include

- 1) Soccer Round Robin (free entry). We are still looking for two more student volunteers to referee this competition. Students can still play in their own team and will be rewarded with a free sausage sandwich for their efforts.
- 2) Kilimanjaro Challenge Fun Run/walk: Distance 5.986km (free entry)
- 3) Rhythm Connect African Drumming and Dancing workshop (Cost is \$11.00). A note will be sent home with your child if they wish to participate. This is a limited event, only 100 students will be able to participate. First in, best dressed!

This is a charity event so students are asked to make a gold coin donation which will be collected during roll call. All proceeds for the day will be donated to the School of St Jude in Tanzania. You can read more about this amazing school in the attached brochure.

To celebrate the day a BBQ lunch has also been arranged. Students can purchase sausage sandwich tickets for (\$3.00) on the Fri, Mon and Tues during lunchtimes before the event to ensure we cater correctly. No extra sandwiches will be available for purchase on the actual day.

There will also be prize presentations and other African based activities happening on the day.

If families wish to help out the School of St Jude's even more there will be a donations box in the Senior School reception area (beautifully decorated with St Jude's brochures) for items of stationery/school needs. If you wish to donate an item of stationery it must be new and can't be bulky e.g.: no reams of paper. Mrs King is visiting the school of St. Jude's in June 2015 and will be taking any donations over on the plane to present to the school on behalf of Lakes Grammar students.

Mrs King and the 'Active for Africa' student volunteers

DUKE OF EDINBURGH NEWS

The great news is we have had a few more Year 9 students enrol in the bronze Duke of Edinburgh award program. It is still not too late to enrol. Interested students need to return permission notes and registration payment before the 22nd May. Students must be registered before this date so participants can use their Year 9 camp in week 7 as their award practice expedition. If you think this award might suit your child check out the webpage for further information <http://www.dukeofed.com.au/Resources-NSW.html>

Congratulations to all the brave Bronze, Silver and Gold students who completed their practice expedition at the end of last term. The Watagans to the Coast adventure is a difficult challenge requiring students to use their navigation skills, remain alert and to work as a team. To make it even more challenging the students had to cope with some rainy weather. The good news is that we had picture perfect conditions on Lake Macquarie for our final day. The students were amazingly optimistic during the poor weather and they kept persevering towards their goal. I was so proud to see them complete this adventure and definitely looking forward to accompanying them on their qualifying expedition scheduled for late term 4. A big thank you to all the parents who assisted their children to pack for this adventure. The rewards of completing an outdoor expedition such as this are definitely worth the effort.

Megan King (Coordinator)

SPORTS NEWS

JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORTS NEWS

PRIMARY SCHOOL FOOTBALL AND NETBALL TEAMS (for Gala Day)

All trials for Football and Netball for the upcoming Gala Days have now been named. Please check JS Sports noticeboard.

TERM 2 WEEKLY SPORT

You should have handed your sport choices for this term to Mrs Gaul by now. These selections have taken effect as sport has started this week. If no note has been handed in, a sport will be chosen for your child.

WEEKLY SPORT UNIFORM

Please ensure correct sports uniform (including correct 'white' joggers and hats) are worn each Tuesday.

CIS FOOTBALL

Congratulations to Oliver Walsh and Sebastian Araneta who both competed for the HRIS Football team at the CIS Football Gala Day held in Sydney on April 24. Mr Cantor advised that both boys played extremely well and that all competitors were very 'talented', displaying great sportsmanship. Detailed results were:

5-0 loss

2-0 win

3-1 loss

3-1 win

The team only just missed the semi – finals on goal difference. A fantastic effort!



COMING UP:

1/5/15 - HRIS X COUNTRY – Selected students only (Morisset Showgrounds)

19/5/15 - School Athletics Carnival – Warnervale Athletics fields

4/8/15 - HRIS Athletics Carnival – Glendale Athletics Centre

Mr D Summers (K-6 Primary Sports Co-ordinator)

SENIOR SCHOOL AND OTHER SPORTS NEWS

NEW EMAIL CONTACT: To ensure we are stream lining our email correspondence a new email address system has been put in place for sport.

SENIOR SCHOOL SPORT: Mr Andrew Jones

jssport@lakes.nsw.edu.au

For all issues and questions concerning sport within the Senior School

JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORT: Mrs Anne Gaul jssport@lakes.nsw.edu.au

For all issues and questions concerning sport within the Junior School

SPORT CHOICES: Mr Andrew Jones and Mrs Anne Gaul sportchoices@lakes.nsw.edu.au

To be used with regards to sport choices

SENIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS: Due to the wet weather the Senior School Athletics Championships were postponed. A new date and venue have been determined and notes will be issued on Monday. The new date is Wednesday, 20 May at Warnervale Athletics Centre. We look forward to a great day, especially weather wise.

CROSS COUNTRY: After such a great Cross Country day at school this year our Rep Team was looking forward to the HRIS Championships. Unfortunately, the recent weather has cancelled the HRIS Championships this year and a selection trial held today was put in place. Results from the trials will be made available in the next newsletter.

NETBALL CLUB: The Netball Club is in full swing with many of our teams performing extremely well in the first few weeks. I encourage all parents to visit the Netball Club's website for up to date information on the school website – just click the Netball Club link or stay up to date with the Facebook feed. This year we have a Division 1 Ladies team that play in the afternoon. This is a great game for our junior players to go and watch. It is great to see players performing that will give our younger players something to aspire to.

SNOWSPORTS: After years of success in the sport of Snowsports and the added interest from last year's Winter Olympics the school is seeking interest from any snowboarders or skiers who would like to participate this year. Over the past few weeks I have received enquiries from several families who are interested in competing this year. A meeting has been held but any interested families are encouraged to contact Mr Jones as soon as possible.

TERM SPORT: Term 2 sport choices will be conducted on Tuesday 21 April at 7pm. There will be no sport in Week One of Term 2 due to the Athletics Championships.

ATHLETICS CLUB: Another season of Athletics has come to a close and the club celebrated with its Annual Presentation night at the end of last term.

Female Pointscore Champion: Chanté Strawbridge
Male Pointscore Champion: Benjamin McKay
Outstanding Athletes Senior: Tanisha Jones and Han Cox
Outstanding Athletes Junior: Ava-Marie Carlson and Jake Freeman
Contribution Awards: Kynan Henson, Jodie Freeman and Scott McClelland
Open Championships: Ashley Pernecker and Dylan Coyte
Throwers Award: Billie Johns

Congratulations to all of our award winners. Information for the next season will come out in August.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Jarrod Dodds who has been selected in the HRIS Open Boys Soccer team that plays next week.
Taylah Lloyd who has been selected in the HRIS Open Girls Hockey team that will play on 11 May.
Logan Moore and Tyler Jones who have competed at the NSW CIS Swimming Championships – results next newsletter.

Andrew Jones (Sports Co-ordinator)

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EQUESTRIAN TEAM

Welcome to Term 2. A big congratulations to Jasmine Nivison-Furner (photo below) and Ellie Rudder for their great success at Sydney Royal. Well done girls.

Also congratulations to Alyvia Slade on her success at the Show Horse Council Grand Nationals, placing 3rd in her age group against the best riders in the country.

The EA NSW Interschool championships entries open soon. If you are interested in entering please let Ms Mellare or myself know. Entries can be found on the EA site and are online.

For other upcoming events please contact me at Cynthia.jobe-parker@lakes.nsw.edu.au

I look forward to sharing more of our Equestrian Team member's successes.

Ms Jobe-Parker



CANTEEN NEWS

I would like to thank all families who continue to support the service of the canteen. I must say the students are amazing, kind hearted, polite and always keen to assist in any way they can.

We had a very rocky start, needing recovery from the storm due to power failure. Despite both canteens losing over \$2000.00 worth of stock, with the help of our suppliers we were able to open on the first day of school with the limitation of our milk supplier as they were still without power. Thursday and Friday were incredibly busy supporting many families still without power at home and trying to give the students a sense of normality.

I continue to seek out more wonderful volunteers to assist me to ensure the ongoing success of the canteen. If you are, or a member of your family is interested in being a part of your children's school life, if you want to meet other parents and have a bit of fun, and have some free time, (whether it be 1 hour, ½ day or full day) please see myself, Di in the Senior Canteen, or contact me at dianne.hattam@lakes.nsw.edu.au or by phone. Volunteering a full day you receive a yummy lunch of your choice and \$5.00 to spend on each child you have in the Senior School.

I look forward to continuing to deliver a wide variety of great food that our children will enjoy and parents will be happy for them to be consuming.

Dianne Hattam (Senior Canteen Manager)
Phone – 43934167

JUNIOR SCHOOL CANTEEN

Welcome back to Term 2, after a rocky start the canteen is now fully restocked, thank you for your patience during this time.

I am in need of a couple of new volunteers, so if you're interested in volunteering Monday or Friday fortnightly or monthly, even if you can only do ½ a day, please call in and see me anytime.

Up coming

Mothers' Day breakfast will be held on Friday, 8 May, orders can be place on FlexiSchools or over the counter at the Junior School up until 3pm Tuesday, 5 May.

Red Day – 26th May The Junior canteen will be having their once a term "red" day on Tuesday, 26 May. All profits from the canteens do go back into the school. Thank you in advance for your support.

Leigh-An Kyle (Junior School Canteen Supervisor)

2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

For parents making purchases, you can pay by cash, cheque or credit card (through the schools Flexischools system – **PLEASE** sign up beforehand if you know you'll be paying by card!). Please **do not** use the Flexischools system for pre-ordering uniform items. Remember that the items available at the 2nd hand uniform shop vary, depending on the donations we receive. Items in high demand (such as Kinder sizes) can come and go on the same day, and we may not always have what you need.

For those dropping off pre-loved items, you can download the updated **2nd Hand Uniform Sales 2015** form from "Links" in Parent Lounge, accessible from the school's website. Make the most of the direct deposit option and have the funds for your pre-loved items deposited directly into your bank account within a few days rather than waiting for a cheque to be sent out (which can take up to 2 weeks).

Opening dates for Term 2 2015 are fortnightly on Thursdays from 8am-10am

7th May
21st May
4th June
18th June



The Uniform Shop
(02) 4392 9128

lakesgrammar@alinta.com.au

Uniform Shop opening hours during school terms are:

Monday 8.00am – 10.00am -
Wednesday 8.00am – 10.00am
Thursday 2.30pm – 4.30pm
Friday 8.00am – 9.30am

The uniform shop can be contacted during these hours by phone or email:

lakesgrammar@alinta.com.au

Payments can be made direct to Alinta Apparel on the day of purchase. Alinta will take payments in the form of cash, credit card, or debit credit card.

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Poppy Project

Aim: To make 100 Poppies for the ANZAC Centenary by Remembrance Day 2015. Get your knitting and silk patterns from Mrs King today. Return finished poppies to D Block staffroom. Our poppy art will be presented to Doyalson RSL for Remembrance Day. This project is a great school community initiative as parents, students and staff are encouraged to get involved. Knitting is wonderful for relaxation and fine motor skills. Many students are using the project for their Duke of Edinburgh community service component. I will be conducting knitting workshops at the beginning of Term 4. However, you can start knitting now if you already know how or have someone to teach you at home.

Mrs M King – Senior School PDHPE teacher

Denis' story. A life changed.

As a child, Denis didn't know what his future held. He lived with his family outside Arusha in very poor conditions.

At school, there were 80 students in his class and even though he was getting high grades, he was finding it hard to see his dream of becoming a doctor coming true. He felt really upset that no matter how hard he worked, he wouldn't reach his goal. "I thought that I can never make it in life."

Denis is now 17 and has just completed Form 2 at St Jude's. He's getting top grades and recently came second in a national writing competition. He now has lots of learning resources and qualified teachers to guide him. With boarding facilities, he also doesn't have long travel times. His class sizes are conducive to learning and his family doesn't have to worry about finding money for books or uniforms.

"After joining St Jude's I started having future plans and I saw that one day I will make it."

"I promise to work extra hard so that I can make it and bring success and changes in my community." —Denis, 2012

Denis in 2006 with his family



Denis in 2012



Where Are We?

The School of St Jude is situated in Arusha in northern Tanzania, the largest country on the eastern side of the African continent. Arusha is a bustling, colourful city and is the hub for tourists on safari to the Serengeti, Ngorongoro Crater or a trek up Mt Kilimanjaro or Mt Meru.



We Love Visitors!

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The School of St Jude

FIGHTING POVERTY THROUGH EDUCATION



What does St Jude's do?

The School of St Jude is a charity funded school that provides a free, high-quality primary and secondary education to over 1,600 of the poorest and brightest children in the region of Arusha, Tanzania, East Africa.

Founded in 2002 by Australian Gemma Sisia, the school is located across three campuses and provides boarding for over 1,000 students and employs over 400 Tanzanians.

By developing professional skills and knowledge, students are enabled to aim high and achieve dreams previously out of their reach. With a St Jude's education, students have a chance to escape the cycle of poverty and help not only their families and community, but the whole of Tanzania.



Who can attend St Jude's?

Once a year, St Jude's tests thousands of the poorest children to find students who have strong academic potential. We search for children who will benefit the most from a high-quality education to ensure benefits for the wider community.

Why is St Jude's different?

- Free, high-quality education
- Daily nutritious meals and clean water
- Annual medical checks
- Boarding for 1000+ students
- Libraries, stationery, science labs, art classes, computer labs, sports fields and much more
- Tanzanian teachers assisted by experienced international Teacher Mentors and ESL Specialists



How you can FIGHT POVERTY THROUGH EDUCATION

Sponsor a student and share their journey. You'll receive comprehensive information about them and regular updates on their progress.

Donate so that we can buy things like science equipment, lunches and text books.

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