

Lake Illawarra South Public School

Newsletter

Term 4 Week 10: Monday 17 DEC 2018

CALENDAR

DEC 2018

19 Students' Last Day20 - 21 Staff Development Days

JAN 2019

- **29** Staff Development Day
- 30 Students Years 1 to 6 return
- 30 Canteen opens
- 31 Kinder commences

FEB 2019

07 Swimming Carnival 08 Welcome Back BBQ

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The year of 2018 has been full of wonderful events and learning experiences for the students of Lake Illawarra South PS including the Premier's Reading Challenge, Book Fair, public speaking, robotics, transition activities, excursions, Book Week, Doing Things Together Day, gymnastics & the list goes on.

I would like to thank the staff for their care and support they show to the students of our school and for their commitment in providing students with the rich and engaging learning experiences. Wishing all our Lake South families a safe and relaxing holiday break and wonderful Christmas with family and friends.

Karen Simula **Principal**

STAFFING UPDATE

At the end of the year we are always met with the need to say thank you and goodbye to much loved staff members. This year we have three wonderful staff members we are saying goodbye to. Congratulations to Miss Wall who has secured her first permanent teaching role at Shell Cove Public School. In the time she has been at Lake South, she has proven herself to be a dedicated and talented educator. All the very best for your new school.

Miss Powell is transferring to Ulladulla Public School and will commence there at the beginning of 2019. Miss Powell is a long term member of staff and has made many significant contributions to our school during that time. I am sure she will be missed by students and staff alike.

Mr Crawford has decided to return to Engadine Public School in his role as Assistant Principal in 2019. We wish him all the best as he returns 'home'.

I would like to thank these staff members for their professionalism, dedication and all their work during their tenure at Lake Illawarra South.

Mr John Penno has been successful in his application for the Assistant Principal position at Lake South. He will commence at the beginning of 2019.

PICNIC DAY

Students had a wonderful time on Picnic Day at the movies and Jamberoo Recreation Park. There were smiles all around as students enjoyed a day with friends away from the playground. Teachers reported that student behaviour was terrific throughout the day. Thank you to the staff who organised these fantastic activities for the students.

PRESENTATION DAY

Presentation Day was a lovely celebration of student achievement in academic, sporting and cultural pursuits. The students' behaviour during the assembly was outstanding. It was great to see so many parents, family members and friends joining the celebrations. It was a memorable day for Kindergarten students as it was their first Presentation Day and memorable for Year Six as it was their last at Lake Illawarra South PS.

LEADERS 2019

Congratulations to our 2019 school leaders: Nate, Julian, Mylee and Molly. We look forward to working with you in 2019.



We would also like to thank Owen, Sunni, Beau and Holly for their service to the school as School Leaders for 2018.

SWIM SCHEME

Congratulations to the students who completed the swim scheme. Many students made excellent progress with improving their skills and confidence around water. A heartfelt thank you to all the parents and carers who assisted with transporting students to and from Warilla Pool over the last two weeks. Students and staff were very grateful for your assistance.

PLAYGROUND UPDATE

The outdoor learning space at the front of the school is now finished. The decking was added last week as the final stage. We will have an official

opening of the area at the Welcome Back Barbeque in February.





BEGINNING OF 2019

Students in Years 1 to 6 return to school on Wednesday 30th January. Students should go to the Eastern Playground if arriving prior to the school bell. Students will then assemble under the COLA in their 2018 classes. Students will be in their 2018 classes until enrolment numbers can be confirmed and class structures finalised. We anticipate that classes should be able to be announced by Friday 1st February.

WELCOME BACK BBQ

All families are invited to attend a Welcome Back to School barbeque on Friday 8th February 2019 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

YEAR SIX FAREWELL

Our Year 6 students enjoyed a wonderful celebration at Warilla Bowling Club. They all looked beautiful and so very grown up in their outfits. A special thanks to Mrs Baker, Mrs Parker, Mrs Leake, Mrs Debono, Mrs Best and Mrs Coppola for making

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the evening such a memorable one for our students.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a Summer Reading Challenge. Participation is voluntary. Information will be given to students before the vacation period starts. Students who complete the challenge over the holidays will receive a special treat in the early weeks of Term 1 2019. Completed Summer Reading Challenge cards need to be returned to Mrs Simula by the end of Week 2, Term 1 2019.

LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to all staff who ran the Book fair in Mrs Bowden's absence. They did an excellent job and as a result the library will receive over \$700 worth of free books. Thank you to all students, parents and grandparents who purchased books and made this possible.

Thank you to Isla V. who raised money this year for Dymocks Children's Charities which resulted in our library receiving over \$400 worth of free books. Congratulations on your wonderful effort, Isla.

TALENT QUEST

Students had a fabulous time today at the Talent Quest. Thank you to Miss Hockey for organising the opportunity for our students to showcase their hidden talents.





