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Public Schools

Lake Illawarra South Public School

Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2: Monday 02 MAY 2022

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It has been a busy start to the term with the Easter Bunny visiting the school last week, our ANZAC service and Ride 2 School Day. A number of photographs can be found at the end of this newsletter. The next couple of weeks are also very busy with the Mothers' Day stall and raffle, NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5, the District Cross Country Carnival and School Photos. Please check our child's bag regularly for notes and information regarding upcoming events.

It was also a very exciting day on Friday with the opening of Fresh Start Canteens at Lake Illawarra South. We welcome Karen and her team to the school. Please be aware that the canteen will only operate on Mondays and Fridays. Lunch orders and counter sales are available. The canteen menu was sent home with students last week and is also attached to the end of this newsletter.

May is also *National Family Reading Month* and Lake South staff has set families a challenge for the month. Information regarding this fun event has been sent home with students today.

I was a very proud principal at the Shellharbour City Council's ANZAC service last Monday. Our school leaders, Kiarrie, Zayah, Gemma and Indy represented our school with exceptional poise and sincerity.

Last Tuesday was a pupil-free day with teaching staff attending a combined professional learning session with schools from our Lake Learning Community about building student vocabulary. The day was very productive and was an excellent opportunity for staff to share their expertise and knowledge in this area of the curriculum.

A number of small works have been completed over the school vacation period including drainage in front of the demountable toilet blocks and guttering repairs on Block B. I have had consultation meetings with Shellharbour Council to rectify the stormwater drainage which is causing the sinkholes in the Western Playground. A start date has not been allocated to the repairs at this stage. Please be assured, the area has been made safe by limiting student access to the Western Playground.

I will be on leave for this week with Mrs Gibson Dean relieving as principal.

Karen Simula
Principal

ANZAC SERVICE

Lake Illawarra South PS held a short service last Wednesday to commemorate Anzac Day. This is an important event on Australia's calendar when we reflect on the thousands of servicemen and women who have their lives and who have suffered in any ways serving their country.

EASTER HAT PARADE & RAFFLE

It was lovely to see so many families join us for the Easter Hat Parade on Friday. The weather was certainly on our side with a beautiful sunny day. The students looked amazing in their Easter Hat creations.

The Easter Raffle was drawn on the last day of term and all winners were contacted by telephone for collection.

Thank you to all the families who donated to the raffle and supported the P&C and school by purchasing tickets. Also thank you to the families who supported the Hot Cross Bun Drive. Your support is very much appreciated. A huge thank you to Bakers Delight at Warilla Grove for your assistance with the drive.

The raffle raised over \$800 and the Hot Cross Bun Drive raised over \$100 which will be put towards solar panels for the school.

DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Best wishes to our Cross Country team who are competing this coming Friday at Blackbutt Reserve. Detailed information was sent home late last week. Please ensure payment is made by Thursday 5th May. Thank you to Mrs Castelli for organising this event.

YR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS 2023

Applications for placement in a Year 5 opportunity class in 2023 close on Friday 13th May. Parents and carers can apply online at <https://shsoc.education.nsw.gov.au/>. Information was sent home to all Year 4 students last Friday. Please be advised that the closing date is strictly observed and no late applications will be taken except under serious and well-documented extenuating circumstances.

The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Thursday 28th July 2022.

NAPLAN 2022

This year, students in Years 3 and 5 will be completing the NAPLAN assessments in Week 3 of this term. Students will be assessed on their abilities in writing, grammar, punctuation & spelling conventions, reading and numeracy. This can be a worrying time for some students. At LISPS, we aim to prepare students as thoroughly as possible to the assessment and to provide a supportive and productive environment so that students are able to perform at their best. For those interested in finding out more, please visit the following public site,

[Public demonstration site \(nap.edu.au\)](http://nap.edu.au)

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos are scheduled for Friday 13th May. If you have already placed your photo order, this will remain in MSP Photography's system and you are not required to submit a new order. MSP Photography have advised they will extend the ordering timeframe until 13th May for those families who have not yet placed their order.

BREAKFAST CLUB

A reminder that Breakfast Club is on each morning in the library for students who require breakfast. There is no cost to access this service.

CANTEEN NEWS

The school canteen is operating on Mondays and Fridays only, at recess and lunch. Students should place their lunch orders in the dropbox at the canteen prior to school.

MOTHERS' DAY STALL

The P&C has kindly organised our annual Mothers' Day Stall again this year. The stall will be held on Thursday 5th May. There is a range of gifts available for purchase from \$2 to \$6. Students who are absent on Thursday will be able to make a purchase on Friday.

MOTHERS' DAY RAFFLE

P&C has planned a raffle for Mothers' Day this year. An amazing selection of prizes has been collected including:

- Gold chain and locket (rrp \$179 Gold City Jewellers)

- \$100 dining voucher (Warilla Bowls and Recreation Club)
- \$100 dining voucher (The Warilla Hotel)
- \$100 Wish Gift Card (Woolworths, Warilla Grove)
- \$30 gift certificate (Café Els)
- \$30 voucher (Off The Hook Seafoods)
- \$20 voucher (Off The Hook Seafoods)
- Fruit basket (Mitchell's Fruit)
- Basket of goodies (Bunnings)

A selection of smaller prizes including reed diffusers, candles, hair and beauty products.

A huge thank you to Cindy Rymer for sourcing the prizes for our raffle. We are extremely grateful to the local businesses that have supported our raffle this year. Raffle tickets were sent home with students on Friday. Tickets are 50c each. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 6th May and prize winners will be notified by telephone.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

This week's Positive Behaviour for Learning focus is *Safety – Play Safely and Fairly*. Playing fairly helps children enjoy the experience of playing together. It allows children to practise and rehearse social norms of cooperating, taking turns, being polite, solving problems and being flexible. Ensuring children use equipment and school grounds appropriately is vital in keeping everyone safe.

The focus for Week 3 is *Responsibility – Be responsible for your learning*. This is done through students setting learning goals and working towards achieving them. Students then understand the smaller steps that are needed to achieve larger goals. Students become more aware how their attitude and behaviour impact their learning and progress.

NUT AWARE SCHOOL

A reminder that Lake Illawarra South Public School is a Nut Aware School. We do have students who are highly allergic to a range of nut products and contact with products containing nuts can result in a life-threatening anaphylactic reaction for these children.

As one strategy to minimise exposure to nuts, we ask that students not bring nuts or nut products to school or school activities. Some products that contain nuts include Nutella, peanut butter, chocolate bars and muesli/health bars.

We also actively discourage students from sharing food.

Whilst it is never possible to guarantee a school site is nut-free, we do appreciate your support in providing a safer school environment for these children.

PARK AND PLAY

Park & Play is held in the school grounds near the hall each Thursday (9:00am to 10:30am) for parents and their pre-school-aged children aged 0 to 5 years. A variety of play activities are provided each week. The program is kindly provided by Shellharbour City Council. Come along and join in the fun.

SAFETY REMINDER

A reminder to our school community to please be aware of the high traffic in our area. When dropping off and collecting students, please be aware of the parking and speed restrictions around the school. Students who ride scooters or bikes to school must wear a bike helmet. Please check that your child's helmet is fitted correctly and discuss road safety and awareness with your child.

UNWELL STUDENTS

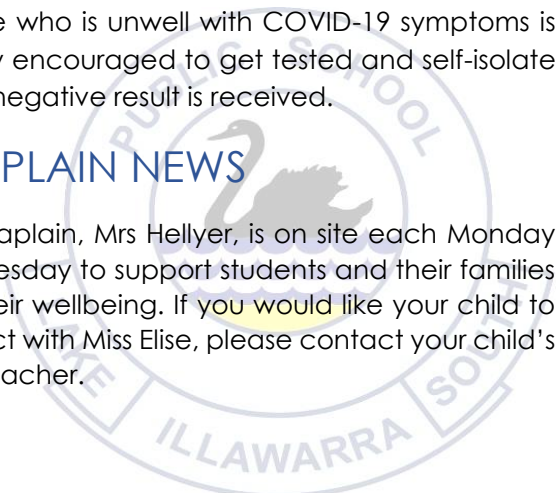
Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms of COVID-19. Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home and should not return to school until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free.

In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.

Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received.

CHAPLAIN NEWS

Our chaplain, Mrs Hellyer, is on site each Monday and Tuesday to support students and their families with their wellbeing. If you would like your child to connect with Miss Elise, please contact your child's class teacher.



UNIFORMS

School uniforms are available from the front office. please contact Ms Mayo at the front office to place your order. Please be aware that correct money is needed at the time of purchase.

COVID-19

Keep yourself and your family safe and help to manage the spread of COVID-19 by

1. **Washing your hands** regularly and thoroughly.
2. **Sneezing and coughing** into your elbow or a tissue, disposing of the tissue straight away and then washing your hands.
3. **Staying home** if you are unwell.



Where to get help

Contact the school if you are concerned about your child's wellbeing to discuss the most appropriate support. Support is also available through a number of agencies and community organisations. Parents and carers can

- call the National Coronavirus Health Information Line (1800 020 080)
- review the NSW Health COVID-19 website for the latest information and advice
- obtain help and information from your local General Practitioner or Community Health Centre





Community Yarning Session - Come and have your say

Come yarn

If you are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person with a lived experience of mental illness/ a family member /loved one /carer or community member who would like to see more culturally safe mental health services.

About

From your point of view what is mental health? What is well-being? How do the mental health services know we are being culturally safe? What does culturally responsive quality care and treatment look like? How can we be part of the healing journey with people?

Facilitator from Kianarra Coastal Connections Margaret Simoes who is a descendent of the Wandj- Wandj people with very strong cultural and community ties from Sydney to the South Coast.



Health
Illawarra Shoalhaven
Local Health District

Community Yarning Session - Come and have your say

Where?

Wednesday 4th May - Nowra Youth Centre "the Youthie" - 132 Kinghorne St.

Thursday 5th May - Bellambi Neighbourhood Centre - 49A Cawley St.

Tuesday 10th May - Shellharbour Aboriginal Community Youth Association Inc. 179 Shellharbour Road, Warilla.

Monday 16th May - Ulladulla & Districts Community Resources Centre, 78 St Vincent St.

9:30 till 3pm
Morning tea &
lunch provided -
covid safe.

Come and have your say about the future mental health and well-being services for local Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people, families and communities.

iDO Expo 2022

The Illawarra Disability Options Expo is an annual event showcasing the Illawarra region's many support options available to people with a disability.

The free expo is an invaluable resource for the people of the Illawarra and will be held at

The Fraternity Club
11 Bourke Street
Fairy Meadow

on Thursday 26 May 2022

COME AND VISIT THE FLAGSTAFF STAND.

The focus is to assist families, students and the community to acquire information and establish relationships that will enable people with a disability to receive information about supports available under the NDIS.

More than 40 services and organisations will be at the expo representing various sectors including: education and training (including tertiary education opportunities available locally at TAFE), employment services, individual and workers rights, respite care, transport, advocacy, living skills, equipment, access and equity accommodation, community participation, transition to work and government services.

Snacks & Drinks

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| Popcorn | \$1.00 |
| Noodles | \$1.50 |
| Red Rock | \$2.50 |
| Muffin | \$1.50 |
| Water 350ml | \$1.50 |
| Water 600ml | \$2.00 |
| Popper 100% | \$2.00 |
| Oak Milk | \$3.00 |
| Chill J Drink | \$3.00 |
| Up n Go | \$3.00 |
| Frozen Juice Cup | \$1.50 |
| Frozen Jelly | \$1.50 |
| Ice Mony | \$1.50 |

Fresh Sandwiches & Wraps

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| Cheese, Vegemite OR Jam | \$2 |
| Ham | \$2.50 |
| Ham & Cheese | \$3 |
| Tuna | \$3 |
| Tuna, Lettuce & Mayo | \$3.50 |
| Salad | 4 |
| Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo | \$4 |
| Ham, Cheese & Tomato | \$4 |
| Ham & Salad | \$4.50 |
| Roast Beef & Salad | \$4.50 |
| Tuna & Salad | \$4.50 |
| Chicken & Salad | \$5 |

Prices are for a sandwich.

Upgrade to a wrap for an extra \$1.50

Tasty Tempters

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| Home Made Sausage Roll | \$3.50 | Lasagne, Spaghetti Or Meatball Pasta | \$5.00 |
| Hot Dog | \$3.50 | Creamy Curry Chicken Pasta | \$5.00 |
| Meat Pie | \$4.50 | Nuggets | 6 for \$4.00 |
| Butter Chicken & Rice | \$5.00 | Gluten Free Nuggets | 6 for \$4.50 |
| Hot Noodles (chicken) | \$3.50 | | |

