



Education
Public Schools

Lake Illawarra South Public School

Newsletter

Term 4 Week 04: Monday 04 NOVEMBER 2024

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 04** Book Fair commences
Swimming Program continues
S2 Water Safety Program commences
Assembly @ 1:45pm
Young Engineers @ 3pm
- 05** Kinder 2025 Orientation Session2
Springboard (Yr 6)
- 07** Canteen closed
Springboard (Yr 6)
- 08** TTFM survey closes
- 11** Remembrance Day Service
Assembly @ 1:45pm
Young Engineers @ 3pm
- 12** Kinder Excursion
- 13** Grandparents' Day
- 14** Springboard (Yr 6)

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

An enormous shout out to our school community for supporting our school through the Warilla Grove Shop for School Rewards campaign. Through your

support, our school placed first and won \$4000 towards a school project. We are looking forward to having a representative from Warilla Grove come to present "the big cheque" at an assembly in the near future. Once again, a huge thank you to all those who supported our school.

The P&C Hallowe'en Disco was a spook-tacular success on Friday evening. Thank you to all the parents who were able to help with the event. Also, a big thank you to the families who were able to support the event by encouraging their children to attend. I would also like to extend my thanks to the teaching staff who stayed at school to supervise students.

Last week, I attended the NSWPPA Conference in Sydney. The theme of the conference was *The Power of Legacy*. It was a phenomenal line up of inspiring speakers including Dean Boxall, Jelena Dokic, Dr Georgina Long and Dr Dinesh Palipana.

A huge thank you to the parents and carers who have been able to assist with transporting students to and from the swimming programs. Your support has been invaluable.

Tomorrow, Shellharbour Council is surveying the stormwater drains under the Western Playground to ascertain the next steps in repair work.

Please note that there are two School Development Days at the end of this term (19th and 20th December). The last day of student attendance is **Wednesday 18th December**.

Karen Simula
Principal

CANTEEN

Please note the canteen is closed this Thursday.

FACEBOOK

Lake Illawarra South has launched its official Facebook page. You can access the page using the following link.

<https://www.facebook.com/LakellawarraSouthPS?mibextid=LQQJ4d>

K-4 SES INCURSION

Students from Kindergarten to Year 4 had a highly interactive incursion with the NSW State Emergency Service (SES). The Shellharbour SES team equipped our students with crucial skills for emergency situations and provided a unique opportunity to explore emergency vehicles.

LIBRARY

The last week for library borrowing is next week. All books are to be returned to the library by the end of Week 6 for stocktaking.

BOOK FAIR

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair is open from today until 13th November 2024. Book fairs are designed to give students access to more books they want to read, from relevant new-releases to classic award winners. Parents are able to visit the Book Fair before or after school to make purchases. EFTPOS facilities are available.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

Grandparents are invited to visit their grandchild's classroom on Wednesday 13th November. Classrooms will be open for visits from 9:00am. Grandparents are also invited to stay for a morning tea of tea, coffee and scones.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL & OPPORTUNITY CLASS 2026

Applications for selective high school and opportunity class entry in 2026 will be open from 7th November 2024 to 21st February 2025. There will be no late applications.

Students can visit [Selective high schools and opportunity classes – information for students](#) to

access resources and to gain an understanding of the placement process, including practice tests. A list of key dates and resources follow.

YR 6 to 7 TRANSITION

Event name: Year 6 Parent & Carer Webinar - Maximising Success When Transitioning to High School & UOW Opportunities Ahead – See flyer at end of this newsletter.

Description: Join UOW for this exciting webinar opportunity which focuses on key transition to high school themes to equip parents & carers with confidence before their child embarks on their high school journey ahead

Date/Time: Monday, November 11th 7pm-8pm

Who: Guest presenters and specialists will focus on topics such as; adapting to change, managing peer pressure & maintaining friendships, coping with new learning demands, taking 'good risks' in learning + exploring UOW program opportunities on the horizon!

Location: Hosted flexibly via Zoom - Link available once registered

Register via:

<https://www.uow.edu.au/study/events/>

TELL THEM FROM ME: PARENT SURVEY

The Partners in Learning parent survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagements. Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school.

The survey is conducted online and will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

The parent survey is currently open and can be accessed at:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/sg7zw>

STUDENT MOVEMENT IN 2025

If you know that your child will not be at Lake Illawarra South PS (excluding current Yr 6) in 2025, please let the office know in writing as soon as possible as this helps our forward planning. We often get queries about how the process works at

the beginning of the school year and why we sometimes have to wait a few days to form classes. This is often due to us not knowing student movements, so your early response would be invaluable. If you are going to be away at the beginning of the 2025 school year, we will need to know in writing so a place can be held in a class.

PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS 2025

The staff of Lake Illawarra South Public School collaboratively work together to make decisions about the placement of students in their next year's group. During this time, many varied considerations are taken into account to ensure the best mix for each class. If you have a particular request for placement of your child or children based on a significant learning need, it is asked that you submit a letter to Mrs Simula (marked Confidential) at the office by 2.40pm Friday 8th November. Please note that requests for particular teachers, although flattering are not appropriate.

All requests must be submitted to the office only. Please include your child's name, current class, request and reason for request. Requests will be for the year 2025 only.

All requests will be considered but there is no guarantee that requests can be met, as there are many contributing factors in preparing class lists.

Please note that teachers do move class/placement at times, including staff currently on RFF and specialised programs.

The school is not able to ensure that your child will have the same teacher for the entire year because of staffing constraints and personal factors relating to individual teachers.

Please be reassured that all classes are structured to provide the best possible outcomes for students both academically and socially. Decisions about student placement are made using a wide range of information gathered throughout the year.

Requests will not be considered at the beginning of Term 1 in the following year unless the principal considers there are mitigating circumstances. Generally, class structures cannot be finalised until the total school enrolments are known in the following year. It is with professionalism that staff consider class structures, which are formed in the best interests of all students and the school.

KINDERGARTEN 2025

If you know of a family who is in area and has not yet enrolled their child, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.

ATTENDANCE

Last fortnight there were 101 students with 100% attendance.

This is the student attendance data for the ,last fortnight broken down into year groups:

Kinder: 90%

Year 1: 93%

Year 2: 93%

Year 3: 94%

Year 4: 92%

Year 5: 87%

Year 6: 80%

BREAKFAST CLUB

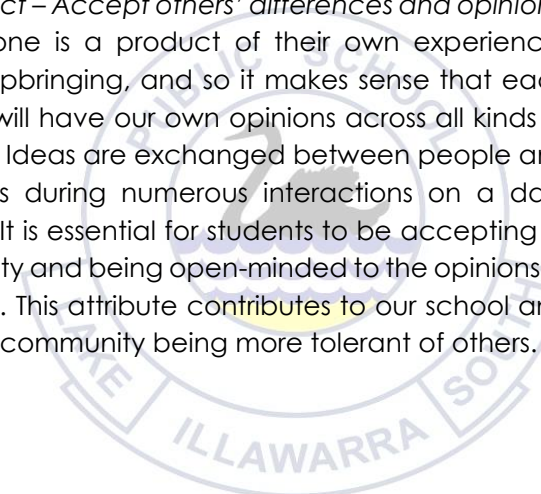
A reminder that Breakfast Club is held each morning in the library for students who require breakfast. There is no cost to access this service.

CANTEEN NEWS

Our canteen "Kelly's Place" is open each school day. Orders can be placed via the school24 app. Orders may also be placed at the front office each morning. A copy of the canteen menu is attached to the end of this newsletter. A reminder the canteen is closed this Thursday.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

This week's Positive Behaviour for Learning focus is *Respect – Accept others' differences and opinions*. Everyone is a product of their own experiences and upbringing, and so it makes sense that each of us will have our own opinions across all kinds of issues. Ideas are exchanged between people and groups during numerous interactions on a daily basis. It is essential for students to be accepting of diversity and being open-minded to the opinions of others. This attribute contributes to our school and wider community being more tolerant of others.



The focus for the following fortnight is *Responsibility – Be honest*. Honesty is the bedrock on which relationships stand. It also contributes to a positive mindset and facilitates morally acceptable behaviour. Sometimes telling the truth takes a lot of courage. Being honest means more than 'not telling a lie'. Honesty means your actions are truthful too. *Do the right thing even when no-one is watching*. Developing honesty with students creates a trustful environment within the school and builds positive relationships amongst students.

CHAPLAIN NEWS

Our chaplain, Mrs Kahlia Devall, is on site each Wednesday and Friday to support students and their families. If you would like your child to connect with Miss Kahlia, please contact your child's class teacher.

STUDENT UNIFORMS

School uniforms are available from the front office. Please contact Ms Gaby to place your order.

School uniforms are able to be purchased by cash payment, EFTPOS facilities in person. Uniforms are not able to be purchased online.

JEWELLERY AT SCHOOL

The NSW Department of Education requires that jewellery or other items that could cause injury to themselves or other students are not worn. Given that our students are involved in regular physical activity and play throughout the week, there are important restrictions on what students can wear to school as jewellery or accessory items. As a general rule, only stud earrings and sleeper earrings are acceptable jewellery. Nail polish and cosmetics should not be worn to school. Acceptable additional items include watches and sunglasses.



LAKE ILLAWARRA SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL - CANTEEN MENU 2024

Canteen will be open 5 Days for Recess & Lunch

SANDWICHES, WRAPS & SALADS - lunch only	HOT FOOD	DRINKS (Breakfast, recess & lunch)	MILK COMBOS
	Homemade Pizza		Pizza Combo
Vegemite (V) \$2.20	Cheese (V) \$4.50	Water 600 ml \$2.50	Pizza – choose flavour (50c for BBQ meatlovers) + Milk (choose flavour) \$6.50
Cheese (V) \$2.60	Ham & cheese \$4.50	Popper 200 ml apple/blackcurrant \$2.20	
	Hawaiian \$4.50		Pasta Combo
Salad (V) \$4.70	BBQ Meat Lovers \$5.00	Milk 300 ml Chocolate/Strawberry \$2.50	Pasta Bolognese OR Mac & Cheese + Milk (choose flavour) \$7.00
Ham or chicken \$3.60	Chicken Fingers		
Chicken, lettuce, mayo \$4.20	3 pack \$3.00	BITES	Wrap Combo
Ham, cheese \$4.00	5 pack \$5.00	Carrot Sticks 50c	Chicken, lettuce, mayo wrap \$7.50
Ham or chicken salad \$5.50	Homemade Pasta Bolognese \$5.00	Milk Pots (3 max) 50c	Fruit
Salad consists of lettuce, tomato, cheese, beetroot, carrot & cucumber.		TNT Blue Raspberry \$2.00	Milk – choose flavour
Wraps are extra 80c	Homemade Mac & Cheese (V) \$5.00	Frozen pineapple pops \$1.00	
GF bread available extra \$1.00	Homemade Chicken Burrito \$5.00	Seasonal fruit \$1.00	
	Chicken Burger (lettuce & mayo) \$6.00	Quelch Ice Block – 5 flavours \$1.00	
SALAD TUBS (GF)	Deluxe Chicken Burger (salad) \$6.50	Cheese & Crackers \$1.20	PICNIC BOXES
Salad (V) \$5.50	Corn Cup (V) \$1.50	Custard Tub \$1.20	Cheese, crackers, veggie sticks, dip, fruit (V) \$3.50
Ham or chicken salad \$6.00	Homemade Garlic Bread \$2.20	Homemade Banana Muffins \$1.20	Add ham to above box \$4.50
		Juicies – lemonade \$2.00	
		Rice Crackers – sour cream & chives \$1.50	
RECESS PACKS	JAFFLES (Gluten free bread \$1 extra)	EXTRAS	BIRTHDAY TREATS
Muffin & carrot sticks (V) \$1.60	Baked Beans \$4.00	Tomato Sauce 30c	Ice Blocks \$1.00 each
Muffin & fruit (V) \$2.00	Cheese (V) \$2.60	Forks/spoons (for items not purchased at canteen) 10c	Muffins \$1.20 each
Rice cracker, fruit & popper (GF, V) \$4.60	Ham & Cheese \$4.50		Birthdays are an alternative for cakes. They can be ordered for the whole class through school24 with 2 days notice required. Treats to be picked up by students at lunch bell
Homemade slice & flavoured milk \$3.00	Apple Pie (V) \$3.00		A feedback letterbox will be placed near the canteen for the children & community to suggest any foods they would like sold, for any competitions they would like and for any feedback.
	Banana Pie (V) \$3.00		
The menu is updated daily. Check our whiteboard for daily treats. Keep up to date on our specials & news via Facebook – Kelley's Place Lake South		Online Ordering is preferred Please login to www.school24.net.au or install the School24 mobile app Ordering closes at 9am daily School ID #25465963	

Year 6 Parent & Carer Webinar:
Maximising Success
Transitioning to High School & UOW Opportunities Ahead

November 11th 7-8pm via Zoom
<https://future-students-events.uow.edu.au/>

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Term 4 Lunchtime Clubs @ LISPS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch 1	Garden with Mr Bruce 	Bike Track with Mrs Castelli Stage 3 Football with Mrs Gibson Dean 	3-6 Dance with Miss O'Keefe Library with Miss Koerner 	Garden with Mr Bruce Library with Miss Koerner 	Library with Miss Koerner
Lunch 2	Lego Club with Aunty Anna 	K-2 Dance with Miss O'Keefe 	K-2 Playground with Mr Bruce COLA Games with Mrs Trotter 	K-2 Playground with Aunty Anna 	K-2 Playground with Mrs Willmot



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Young Engineers Club Lake Illawarra South Public School

Term 4 2024

Booking QR Code

Eligibility	Time	Fee	Dates
Yr 1-2	3:00pm – 4:15pm	\$235	October 21, 28,
Yr 3-6			November 04, 11, 18, 25, December 02, 09 (Monday)

<https://www.trybooking.com/CUUEC>



Young Engineers Illawarra



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About The Lessons – students learn physics, mathematics, mechanical & software engineering by watching engaging demonstrations and by building Lego prototypes of real-world machines. Problem solving, critical thinking and collaboration are key elements of the program.

About How We Teach - some classes operate in a multi-age environment. In all cases, we optimize our delivery according to ability and interest. Lessons and activities are different for each term.

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**For more information
please call 0492923286**

Peace of Mind - all educators are working with children compliant according to state laws. All after-school clubs operate in agreement with the host school.

Young Engineers club is an Australia-wide initiative to help kids Learn & LOVE STEM