

Week 10 Term 2 2016



#### **Dear Parents**

It was fantastic to see all students having a go and running, throwing, jumping and being effectively involved in team games during yesterday's Athletics Day.

I was impressed by every student's efforts and it was great to see many parents in attendance.

A big thank you must go to Mr King for organising this day and to all other teachers for their input during the lead up to Athletics Day and on the day itself.

### **Assembly**

Last Friday's combined Science And Singing Group assembly was an outstanding display of the wide range of learning that occurs at our school.

Our years three, four and five students showed us what a terrific understanding they have of scientific concepts studied so far this year while the different singing groups show cased the strong arts program that occurs during and after school at Lihir International PS.

Well done to all involved – it was a fantastic assembly.





Congratulations Week Ten
Principal Award Winners
Tristan Yanis – Year One
Hayley Apfel – Year Seven
Chrionie Tiso – Year Four
Ezekiel Hemetsberger – Kindy
Ivana Zeriga-Gati – Year Five
Bethany Sigere – Year Two

# **Student Reports**

June student reports are now finalised and have been sent home with your child today.

If after reading your child's report you have any questions please make a time to see your child's teacher to discuss the next steps in your child's learning.

#### **Term Three Planner**

The term three planner was sent home last week and can now be accessed on the school's website <a href="https://www.lipschool.com.au">www.lipschool.com.au</a>

This planner is up to date at the moment and you will be notified of any changes or additions to this planner, via the LIPS Toksave, during term three.

#### **School Council**

One of many issues discussed at last week's School Council meeting was term dates for the 2017 school year.

Our school follows Queensland Education dates and the following dates have been approved for 2017:

#### Term One:

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March

- Teachers return Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January
- Students return Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January

### Term Three:

Monday July 17th to Friday September 15th

### **Term Four:**

Monday October 2<sup>nd</sup> to Friday December 8<sup>th</sup>

## Term Two:

Tuesday April 18th to Friday June 23rd

## **School Principal**

I am delighted to inform you that Greg Neville will begin as principal at Lihir International Primary School from the beginning of term three.

Greg's leadership skills will support LIPS to continue to be a fantastic place to learn and work and I am sure that our school community will ensure he feels very welcome upon his arrival.

## Mrs Watkins Absent for Start of Week one Term Three

Due to family business Mrs Watkins will be absent for the first three days of term three.

Mrs Moning and Ms Kinkinteng will teach the prep and year one class in Mrs Watkins' absence.

#### **Farewell and Thank You**

By the time this Toksave is distributed Michelle, Leo and I will be in a plane and on our way to Australia.

I would like to thank all in the Lihir International Primary School community for welcoming my family and I over the past two and a half years and we leave Lihir with many fond memories.

We are grateful for our time spent in Lihir, the many great people we have met and the friendships we have established – as we leave we hope that these friendships continue for many years to come.

As a principal it has been a privilege to work at Lihir International Primary School and as parent it has been fantastic to have had two of my sons attend this amazing school.

I have been very lucky to work with a committed, hardworking staff team and I know that this staff team and the new principal will ensure that LIPS continues to improve and provide outstanding learning opportunities to all children.

To the students – you are a delightful group of friendly, helpful, happy and hardworking children and I wish you all the very best for the future. One thing that will stick in my mind when I think of LIPS is that I have never worked at a school where there is so much laughter and so few disputes. Keep up this great work and I look forward to hearing about all of your many great achievements in the future.

Have a great holiday and good luck to all!

Kind regards

Michael

Singing Group

