Week 9 Term 1 2017



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Last week's School Council meeting saw the endorsement of two new parent representatives – Christine Robertson and Tony Brunskill. Thank you to Christine and Tony for volunteering to take up these positions. Attached to the Toksave is an updated list of School Council members.

Student Portfolios and Parent / Teacher Interviews

Student portfolios will be sent home tomorrow and will be followed by Parent / Teacher Interviews on Tuesday 28th and Wednesday 29th March next week.

Please take time to go through your child's portfolio folder with them and discuss the learning they have been involved in throughout first term. If you would like to book a time for a Parent / Teacher Interview please see Clementa in the front office to reserve your meeting time on Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon.

Please make sure that you arrive at your Parent / Teacher Interview on time to ensure the timetable runs to schedule and all parents are able to access their full fifteen minutes of interview time.

Humanities and the Social Science (H.A.S.S.)

When perusing your child's portfolio, you will notice that students are now studying a subject called *Humanities and Social Sciences* (H.A.S.S.). This Australian Curriculum subject has been implemented at LIPS, under advice from the QLD Curriculum and Assessment Authority – as in all QLD schools.

H.A.S.S. is the study of human behaviour and interaction in social, cultural, environmental, economic, and political contexts. The humanities and social sciences have a historical and contemporary focus, from personal to global contexts, and considers challenges for the future.

The humanities and social science subjects provide a broad understanding of the world in which we live, and how people can participate as active and informed citizens with high level skills needed for the twenty-first century.

In the Australian Curriculum, the Humanities and Social Sciences learning area comprises four subjects: History Geography, Economics and Business, Civics and Citizenship.

Absenteeism and Lateness

If your child is going to be absent from school or is sick, please give the school a call, or send an explanatory note with your child upon return to school. If your child is away for more than two days, parents are required to contact the school.

Children are considered late if they arrive at school in the morning after assembly begins. If a child is going to be late, please inform the school in advance, or send an explanatory note with your child. Parents will be contacted for unexplained absences.

Parent / Teacher Interviews

Interviews for all classes will be held between 3pm and 6pm on 28th and 29th March. Parents can book a time with Clementa in the office.

Congratulations Week 8 Principal's Award Winners



Jamilia Misren – Year 3
James Butt – Year 2
Killian Karaut – Year 5
Isobel Robertson – Prep
Jacinta Watkins – Year 6

<u>LIPS P&W Trivia Night</u> will be held this Saturday, March 25th. Funds raised on the night will go towards the Year 6/7 Brisbane trip. We hope to see you all there for a fun night!

<u>Canteen Lunch Bags</u> Parents are reminded to keep their children's canteen lunch bag clean. If a lunch bag is lost or worn out, a new one can be purchased from the office for K15.

Date Claimer This Year's Golden Orchid Ball will be held on Saturday the 19th August

<u>National Mining Safety Week</u> During the opening night for National Mining Safety Week (Monday 27th March) we will have competitions for egg catching and three legged race. This is to promote the theme "Positive Behaviours and Choices for Safe and Healthy Living". Lihir International School students are encouraged to bring their parents to participate in these fun games. There will be prizes for the winning student and parent.

Margaret Yanda Stakeholder Communication Department Anti Violence Campaign

Our Year 6/7 class will be performing a song at the opening ceremony of Mine Safety Week, led by Mr and Mrs Neale.



WOW! WOW! WOW!

Thank you to everyone who had made a donation towards \Trash and our Treasure' fundraising event, held last Saturday at the school. We raised a **1,200** Kina! massive will go towards supporting our local community with much schools needed resources. And to say massive thank you to all the children at LIPS and Staff for their support, student council will hold

a fun event next term to celebrate all our hard work. Sincerely,

LIPS Student Council



Congratulations to the Year 2/3 class on their Tok Pisin assembly item. Gutpela tru!

WORLD TB DAY AWARENESS AT LIPS

World TB Day, falling on **March 24th** each year, is designed to build public awareness that tuberculosis today remains an epidemic in much of the world, causing the deaths of nearly one-and-a-half million people each year, mostly in developing countries. It commemorates the day in 1882 when Dr Robert

astounded scientific Koch the community by announcing that he discovered the had cause tuberculosis, the TB bacillus. At the time of Koch's announcement in Berlin, TB was raging through Europe and the Americas, causing the death of one out of every seven people. Koch's discovery opened the way towards diagnosing and curing TB.



To coincide with Health Topic of The Month site-wide and World TB Day Health with the THEME: UNITE TO END "TB" the International SOS team is conducting health education and awareness.



After School Activities Term One

Netball – Thursday with Bronwyn Perkins from 3pm-4pm.

Volleyball – Friday with Mr. Neville from 3pm – 4 pm

Hockey - Friday with Alex Butt from 3pm to 4pm Year Prep-4

Homework – Club Wednesday Grade 6/7 with Miss Collins and Grade 4/5 with Ms Langusch from 3pm-4pm.

End of Term

Please note that the last day of Term 1 is next THURSDAY MARCH 30.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding Lihir International Primary School please make an appointment to come in and see me.

Kind regards

Greg Neville



