Dear Parents

Firstly, as mentioned last week this term is massive in regard to events and happenings. We have updated both the website and APP calendars with what is known and will continue to do so throughout the term (times for some events will be confirmed closer to the event).

**Kindergarten 2016 Interviews**
Next Wednesday 21 October Mrs Price and Mrs Strong will be meeting our new parents and students who will be Kindergarten 2016. We believe it is vital to have this connection between the teachers and families and the process allows parents to provide personal knowledge about their child that may assist his/her transition to BIG school.

**Grandparents Day Celebrations** Tues 27 October Mrs Strong is coordinating what should be a very enjoyable series of activities to celebrate Grandparents Day. We hope by the end all the nans, pops, grandmas and grandpas have seen what school is like today, had a chance to tell a story or two and enjoyed the opportunity to spend time with granddaughters and grandsons. The contributions grandparents make to schools are immeasurable. We have many grandparents involved in everyday life at Laurieton Public School and we would like to say thankyou. From dropping off and picking up their grandchildren, attending sporting events and performances, volunteering their time to assist with classroom activities and helping out in the canteen. We will be celebrating Grandparents Day on **Tuesday 27 October**. Please come and join us from **10:15am** and experience the fun and frivolity we have planned. Morning tea will be available along with a free sausage sandwich for all children and grandparents at lunchtime. Last year’s celebration was fantastic and I’m sure this year’s will be even better. More details will go home next week.

**Adventure Land**
Our Stage 2 camp is fast approaching and the ‘excitement level’ of the children and staff attending is building as each day goes by. This year we have firsts aplenty with a two night camp and a new venue. Ms Casimir has been working hard organising the excursion and Miss Field, Miss Dampney and I can’t wait for Wed 28 October.

**2017 Year 7 Selective High School Placement**
Parents of current Year 5 students interested in applying for a selective high school may do so now by visiting www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement and completing the application.

**Minor BUT Major**
Final payments for St 2 Excursion.
Primary swimming this Friday – money, swimmers, towel.
**PROVIDE** a written reason for any absence your child has from school.

Grant Timmins
Relieving Principal
Primary Swimming

11:30am - 12:50pm
All Stage 3 students

1:30pm - 2:50pm
All Stage 2 students

Cost $4.00 or $1.50 with pool ticket

The program has been specifically designed to cater for all ability levels and will focus on the swimming and water safety skills of our students. Trained swimming instructors have been employed to minimise group sizes. Laurieton Public School's P&C have kindly helped to subsidise the cost of the swimming instructors.

Students who are not swimming need a signed note from their parents outlining the injury or illness.

If parents wish to pay for the term this can be done via POP, EFTPOS, cash or cheque made payable to Laurieton Public School. At this stage we are only taking payments for 8 weeks in case of cancellations due to inclement weather.

Friday Week 9 will be the final sports day for this year. Friday Week 10 (11 December) will be used as Gold Reward Day at the Pool.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Term 4  6 Oct - 16 Dec

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P&G Fundraiser

Order forms for Kids Artworks will be sent home on Monday.

SPLASH MAGAZINE ORDER

Student ____________________________  Class ______

Copies _____

Please enclose the full payment, and order form in the envelope provided by week 4, Term 3, Friday 6 November.

Amount enclosed $ ________
If you are unable to do your allocated day please try to arrange a swap before contacting Suzanne (Ph: 0428 931 029).

We would like to update our volunteer listing. Could all CURRENT and NEW Canteen Volunteers please complete the form included in this newsletter and return it to the school office. Your help is much needed and would be very much appreciated!

Thank you
Dannielle and Jo
Canteen Co-Ordinators

**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**Week 3**

Mon 19 Oct  Michelle  
Tues 20 Oct  Lee  
Wed 21 Oct  Evie  
Thurs 22 Oct  Suzanne  
Fri 23 Oct  Suzanne

**Week 4**

Mon 26 Oct  Suzanne  
Tues 27 Oct  Amanda  
Wed 28 Oct  Suzanne  
Thurs 29 Oct  Jodi P  
Fri 30 Oct  Fiona

**Week 5**

Mon 2 Nov  Mel P  
Tues 3 Nov  Deb F  
Wed 4 Nov  Suzanne  
Thurs 5 Nov  Suzanne  
Fri 6 Nov  Lyn

**Week 6**

Mon 9 Nov  Michelle  
Tues 10 Nov  Lee  
Wed 11 Nov  Jodi P  
Thurs 12 Nov  Suzanne  
Fri 13 Nov  Renee

Special Achievements; Ella - Credit, Robbie - Merit, Abigail - Distinction

ICAS COMPETITORS
Laurieton Street Market Report

Well, what a contrast in weather from our last markets. It was hot! Such a change from our rain soaked Easter Saturday markets that had to be cancelled.

We had another successful day with a nearly full house. A few withdrawals late on the Sunday evening meant we had a few empty sites. I think the heat over the weekend was a little too much for some of our stall holders down at the Kombi Festival.

We were very lucky to have a recording artist come and provide us with acoustic music. Vena Klymo (who has recorded as Tegan Wiseman) agreed to come and busk for us which created a lovely atmosphere for us on the day.

A huge thank you to the following people who helped make this event a success:
Sue Wells – Our Booking Co-ordinator. A big job pleasing so many people and getting their sites ‘right’.
Lee Burdett and Jeanette McCoubrie – Promotions and Publicity; notifying shopkeepers, emergency and transport services, organising advertising and promotional posters etc.

Jeanette also designed our new banners and logo that you see on our advertising, picked up the road closure barriers and signs and showed the boys at Men at Work how to back a trailer! A big thank you also to the McCoubrie family for donating the Labour Day Market banners.
Amanda Gloster – for being our Year 6 Volunteers co-ordinator and being a general help on the day.
Scott Martin – our ‘Yellow Ticket Man’. Scott implemented the road closure plan on the day and officially closed the roads.
Andrew McCoubrie and Shaun Smith who aptly named themselves the GDB’s (General Dog’s Bodies). They assisted with road closures, set up our Customer Service Tent, helped the powered sites set up, and attended to any general issues.

Our Year 6 students – Dylan, Abi, Jacob, Ella and Nic who represented the school in their school uniform (on a holiday) and helped with the clean-up. These students earned $50 towards the Year 6 gift to the school. Great also for the stall holders to see the students who their fees support.
Ex-students – Maddie, Rebecca, Kate and Saige also jumped in gladly and helped with the clean-up.
Ross and Tawhai at Men at Work for providing us with the road closure signage. So easy to deal with and made our life so much easier!

Paul Berg, Local Commander CH SES – for sand bags and especially for helping us at the last minute with the extra barriers.
Chrissie and Leon Bean from Pomegranate Kids who helped us out with extra power on the day. A huge relief!

Fiona Smith
Street Markets Co-ordinator
P & C MARKET DAY
Canteen Volunteer Update

We are proud to say that our canteen operates every school day providing a wide range of nourishing food, fantastic service and raising money for the school.

The canteen operates between approx. 10:00 am and 2:00 pm and this is the preferred volunteering time, however we are flexible and can negotiate reduced hours.

We understand your time is valuable but your contribution will go a long way.

We would like to update our volunteer listing. Could all CURRENT and NEW Canteen Volunteers please complete this form and return it to the school office as soon as possible.

Many thanks
Danielle & Jo
Canteen Supervisors

I would like to help in the canteen:

Once a month   ( )
Once a week     ( )
Once a fortnight ( )

Please indicate which day/s:
Monday ( )   Tuesday ( )   Wednesday ( )   Thursday ( )   Friday ( )

Name: ........................................................... Phone Number: .................................................
Address: ........................................................... Child’s Class: .................................................

Signature: ...........................................................  Date: ........../........../.........

Please tick if you do not want your contact details shared with other canteen volunteers.
REMINDER - EXCURSION MONIES CAN BE PAID BY INSTALMENTS - AT THE OFFICE OR ONLINE