



LONG FLAT SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

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Week 5 Term 4 Tuesday 13th November 2018 Success through Innovation

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Kinder Transition

We look forward to our year 5 students giving speeches this Wednesday. They had many weeks to prepare their speeches to tell the other students why they will make a good school leader next year. We are sure they will have many things to say about themselves.

A special thank you to our wonderful P & C members who continue to make a difference for our students. The most recent impact the P & C has made is for all students in our school who are attending swimming. Parents only need to pay for the cost of pool entry. The higher cost of transporting students is being paid by the P & C. The students, staff and parents thank you all for this as it makes swimming scheme much more affordable for our families, especially those with several children.

We should also thank Darren, Lisa and Michael who keep our bus costs at a minimum. Their generosity is also greatly appreciated by the students and community.

Our Year 6 students will be having a fundraiser for the next few Wednesdays. Details further on in this newsletter.

Also remember ;

- ⇒ Community Christmas Tree will be on **Friday 14th December.**
- ⇒ Our Year 6 farewell dinner will be on **Monday 17th December.**
- ⇒ Our Special Assembly where we give out many awards will be on **Tuesday 18th December.**
- ⇒ The last day of school for 2018 is on **Wednesday 19th December.** We have some special activities in the pipeline for this day.

Kinder transition is going well. We are learning new things every week. The students are getting a great opportunity to see what school will be like when they start full time next year.

We are contacting all parents where required so that any individualised plans that need to be put into place before next year, can be organised this year before the students attend on a daily basis. This includes learning plans, behaviour plans and medical plans. Be aware that in some cases we may require input from a medical practitioner, before the school can develop our plan for your child.

Speeches for 2019 Captain Positions

We would like all students in year 5 who will be at Long Flat PS in year 6 next year to present a speech that tells your peers, teachers and visiting parents why you would make a good school captain, vice captain or student leader.

Every year, our students are given this opportunity. It is their chance to encourage others to show faith in their ability to be one of our school leaders next year. We always provide this opportunity to every student who is going in to year 6 next year.

Now is the time for students to seek ideas from their friends, family and relatives so they can start developing a little speech for **Wednesday 14th November**. The speech can go from 1 to 5 minutes. It can talk about their past achievements and why they believe they would be a good school leader in 2019.

Year 6 Fundraiser

Our Year 6 students will be selling icecreams in a cone for just \$1 each. This will be on

Wednesday at lunchtime, until their supply of icecream runs out!

Long Flat Community Christmas Tree

The Christmas concert is planned for **Friday 14th December at the school**. All students from the school will be involved in singing and drama. Some students will be doing dance, percussion, and/or guitar items. If students have guitars at home, they should be trying to do some extra practice using them.

The night will begin at 5.30pm with a FREE community BBQ. This is being provided by the P & C.

The performance will kick off at approximately 6.30pm. Students from both the Primary school and the Pre-school will be performing.

At the end of the night there will be supper **(please bring a plate to share—preferably with food on it)** and Santa will visit to give the students gifts. A note will be coming home to parents so you know what needs to be done to organise a surprise for your child(ren).

LUCKY Christmas Tickets will become available in a few weeks. In the meantime, we would like you to send in items that would make good prizes for the many ticket draws we do at the Christmas concert.

Such items might include NEW (unused): tools, linen, bathroom supplies, kids toys, big kids toys, family games, kitchen items, handy items, gadgets, nick-knacks, ornaments, plants, CDs / DVDs, new electrical items or services with a value amount. Eg. Car Wash & Clean.

In general, these items should be new items that have been sitting around the house unopened for some time as they were never really needed. They might have originally been some type of gift or an e-bay bargain that you never actually used.

The more items we have donated, the more chances people will have of winning a LUCKY Christmas Prize. ***Please send them into the school anytime before Friday 30th November.***

COMING EVENTS

15 & 22 Nov	2019 Kinder Orientation
16,23 Nov	Swimming
14 Nov	2019 Captains Speeches
26-30 Nov	Swimming
14 Dec	Community Christmas Tree & Year 5 speeches
17 Dec	Year 6 Farewell dinner (invite only)
18 Dec	Special Assembly
19 Dec	Last day of school for students 2018

Regards, Mr P Mason

CANTEEN ROSTER

Mon 19 Nov	Kylie & Hela
Mon 3 Dec	Caitlyn & Hela
Fri 7 Dec	Faye & Amy
Mon 10 Dec	Kylie & Karen

IMPORTANT!! P & C News

Just a quick note from the P & C; The money raised by the P&C doesn't just go to the families of those who help out, whether it is canteen, jackpot or stalls etc. It goes to ALL children at Long Flat School. For such things as excursions or the swimming lessons, that would cost almost double without our help. We really would appreciate any help you can give, 1 or 2 days a term to help out at the canteen which, most of the time 2 people on a single day as it's getting quite busy now.

More people to attend meetings as without you we cannot have meetings, which in turn means no P&C, no Canteen and dearer everything!

We have just learned that schools bigger than ours have never had a canteen due to lack of helpers, so our school (kids) have been really lucky to have had this provided for our children for so long, it would be a shame to lose it.