

Central News

Lockhart Central School



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Term 4 - Week 2

Tuesday 18th October, 2011

Coming Events

19-20 October – PSSA State Athletics

2nd November – Whole School Assembly Gym 2.40pm

2nd November – P&C Meeting Library 7pm

Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term 4

Welcome back to staff, students, parents, and volunteers to another busy term.

I look forward to a very productive term. Our newsletter will now be distributed on a fortnightly basis every second Tuesday beginning week 2.

Year 12 Farewell Assembly

On Friday September 23, we farewelled Year 12 students. I must say they were a well behaved, respectful and supportive cohort on their final day at Lockhart Central. I congratulate them on how pleasant they made the occasion for their parents, staff and students.

Safety

Safety was front and centre in the last week of Term 3 when our school undertook a very successful 'lockdown' practice. All students and staff have been briefed on the important procedures that must be undertaken if and when a real emergency occurs. Both evacuations and lockdowns must be planned. Our Occupational Health and Safety Committee reported very favourably on the improved response displayed by all participants. In Term 4 another evacuation drill will be held. Families are encouraged to gently discuss the importance of these drills.

Y12; hard at it!

As their formal schooling draws to a close, Y12 remain impressive; energetic and involved. A number of students have been using their STUVAC wisely and accessing extra assistance from our committed staff prior to the start of their exams on Monday October 17.

SES Cadets Graduation Ceremony/ Primary Chess and Soccer Team Presentation

The SES Cadets have completed their program and will participate in a graduation ceremony on Wednesday October 19 at 2:30 in the school gym. All parents are invited to attend as we will celebrate the outstanding achievements of the SES cadets and our Primary Chess and Soccer teams.

NAPLAN results distributed.

This week all Y7 and Y9 students received their personal NAPLAN data sheets. This document will provide students and their families and this school with a wealth of material to discuss. Progress in numeracy, reading, spelling, writing and grammar are all reported on. Parents and guardians wanting to discuss this information are encouraged to make contact with

Staying safe online

In School A to Z you will find a wealth of information related to technology (as well as homework, health and wellbeing, and school guides) to help support your child's online activities. Being connected is important, but so is staying safe. Check out the 10 cybersafety tips every parent should know at: www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology and have your say in the conversations section.

Take and have a great week!

Richard Schell
Principal



The Lockhart Show catering was a great success With the hard work and guidance of Mrs Driscoll and her trusty students and parents. The clever 'Mary Poppins' theme created much interest and conversation.



Secondary News

Welcome back to Term 4. What an exciting and busy term it is going to be. Students have jumped straight into learning with year 10 students revising work for their Trial School Certificate examinations that will be held this week. We wish the students the best for these exams and know that they will receive marks that reflect the effort that they have put into their work. The official School Certificate exams will be held in the week of the 7th November. This gives the student opportunity to ask questions of teachers and develop a revision timetable before the exams to improve on their Trial results.

School Captain elections will be held this Wednesday. The process has changed a little with students in year 11 and 12 in 2012 being eligible to run for school captain and vice captain. Any student who hasn't returned a nomination form needs to do so ASAP to be included on the ballot paper. The students who successful gain these positions will be participating in a young leaders' conference held in Albury on the 26th October. Information about this event will be sent home after the votes have been counted.

This year we are trying a new program for the end of the year. For the last week of school normal lesson will stop and students will be given the opportunity to participate in interest activities. For the last 5 days of school students can select which activities they wish to undertake. Some students may select one whole day activity while other could select three part day

activities. Each activity will run for the week. More information with the activities available and costs, if required, will be given to students in the upcoming weeks.

Teachers spend time this term writing reports for students which will be send home on 12th December. It's a good time to remind students that if they have any outstanding work then making sure that their teacher received it ASAP would be a great idea, and may in fact improve their reports.

Parents have asked to have year 7 to 9 included in the 'assessment tasks due' at the bottom of the secondary news section. We will be trying to ensure that this information appears in the newsletter this term and will definitely have it in the newsletter next year. We appreciate the suggestion and are only too happy to help.

Lastly the year 12 students start their HSC exams this week. We wish you all the best for these exams and know that you will be rewarded for your efforts. If the students have any questions teachers will always be available to help. Please feel free to call into school and speak to the teachers.

Assessment Tasks due

This week:

- Year 10 Trial examinations in English, Maths, Science, History/Geography/Civics and Citizenship and Computer skills
- Year 9 English

Next Week:

- Year 7 Music
- Year 7 English
- Year 8 English

Term 4 - Sport

Last Thursday secondary students started this Terms sport. There are three sections: walking, dance and softball. Some students had to come to grip with some new protective equipment. Students participated well in softball and I think they even enjoyed it.

Mrs Driscoll

Primary News

CONGRATULATIONS to the SUPERSTARS in our school soccer team, who competed in a nailbiting match last Friday at Moorebank in Sydney! An incredible

achievement to finish 4th in our division in all of NSW DET small schools! We are so proud of you and of the team effort and beautiful sportsmanship you displayed during the match! Thank you to Ms Andrews and Mr Watt for coaching the soccer team. Your enthusiasm, encouragement and skill development has made all the difference to our dedicated athletes! Thank you also to Mr Barron, Mrs McKenzie and our incredibly supportive parents and families who were able to support the kids in Sydney! Sounds like you all had a fantastic time and thank you for being a cheer squad for our superstars!

We will have other lovely opportunities to celebrate success this week, when 5 of our athletes compete in the NSW State Athletics Carnival at Homebush. What an achievement to make it to State level! Good luck to Riley who will compete in the 100m, Shot Put and Long Jump events in the AWD section and to our relay team – Zac, Jamieson, Fraser, Matt and Ryan - who will compete in the 4 x 100m relay for the small schools section. We wish we could be there to cheer you on and show our support, but just know that we will be thinking of you and look forward to hearing how you enjoyed the experience!! A big thank you to Mrs Peel who has dedicated her time and energy to coaching our students! We appreciate your commitment, your positivity and your organization, Mrs Peel! Have fun on your road trip!

Good luck to our chess team – Gil, Connor, Titus and Micah – who will be competing in the State Chess competition in Yass on Friday! Another incredible achievement to make it so far boys! Have fun strategizing, meeting your competitors and we wish you all the best! We will have the phone close by awaiting your results!

During Term 3 Lockhart Central School students have been fortunate to have Miss Lisa Thompson's presence in our classrooms. Unfortunately for us however, this Friday will be Miss Thompson's last day of her internship. Miss Thompson is a dedicated, caring, enthusiastic, well-organized, positive, (not to mention FUN!!!) teacher, and we will miss her smile and her presence greatly. Thank you for being an absolute delight to work alongside Lisa, and for enveloping the children in your warmth, kindness and expertise! We wish you every happiness and fulfilment in your chosen career. We will miss you and look forward to seeing your smiling face back at Lockhart Central School in the future!

We are looking forward to another busy and rewarding term! Quality teaching and learning, assessment and reporting and catering for the individual needs of our students will continue to be our focus. We look forward to working towards our school production of 'Shrek', and we are fortunate to have the expertise of

Mr Ware, who will be one of our guiding lights throughout the term!

A little reminder to students that beanies need to be tucked away for next year, and in Term 4, they need to be wearing their school hat. Thanks for respecting our school rules boys and girls!

First Aid Course

LCS is giving students in year 10,11and 12 the opportunity to complete their First Aid Certificate starting at a cost of \$80. If you are interested a **deposit of \$30** is required to be paid to the office **by Friday 16th September**. The remaining \$50 can be paid before 14th October. Students will not receive their certificate until complete payment is made.

The course is also being opened up to community members. Cost to non LCS students is \$110 and for non students, ie workers is \$150. Please contact the office if you are interested in participating in this course. **A deposit will also be required by the 16th September.**

**Bookclub due back Thursday
27 October to front office**

P&C News

A huge thank you to those parents and students who helped with the catering at "Spirit of the Land" during our school holidays. It's so wonderful to see our school community working so well together. Our BBQ helpers, drink sellers and our coffee makers a big thankyou and congratulations on a job well done. A huge thankyou goes to Miss Dunkley for making coffee and to Simone Alexander for making all the arrangements. **JOB WELL DONE.**

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday 2nd November in the Library.

We are looking for more members to attend. We realise sometimes it is difficult to get someone to have kids while parents attend meetings but if a more appropriate time would help parents out we as a committee would appreciate any suggestions.

If you have purchased uniforms since 1st July, P&C will now have receipts available at the front office for taxation purposes.

PORTRAIT FUNDRAISER – LAURA JEAN PHOTOGRAPHY

Laura Jean Photography is coming to Lockhart.

Sunday 13th November in Library.

Please contact Simone Alexander 69 206 215
or email on annesley1@bigpond.com

\$15 will get your family a 10" X13" colour photo.

Pamphlets are attached to newsletter.

www.laurajeon.com.au to view package deals.

Payment is payable on booking your place.

Lockhart Pre School

Invite you to an orientation morning at the Preschool on Wednesday 2nd November 2011 from 10.30am – 11.30am for prospective 2012 enrolments. Enrolments packs will be available. For more information ring Preschool on 69205156

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RYDA

Lockhart Central School Year 10 and 11 students travelled to Wagga on Wednesday the 12th October to participate in the RYDA program. The program aims to educate students in aspects of road safety and assist in the reduction of traumatic injury, death and destructions on our roads. The first session they attended was about how alcohol, medicine and fatigue can affect their driving.

Session 2 was about Brain injury, given by a psychologist from Albury and an "I" story from a man named Basil who had been drunk riding a motorbike and ran into a car. He was a 3rd Year apprentice and his life will never be the same.

Christine Hillis from NRMA Road Safety did activities which showed the students how much it was going to cost to keep your car on the road for a year. There were some very surprised students.

The last session was with the Highway Patrol motorcycle policeman. He showed a very graphic road collision video and the point that if you break the law there will be consequences.

"Thank you" to the Wagga Wagga Rotary District and the support of Lockhart Rotary.

Mrs Driscoll



Our Years 9 and 10 students can be very proud of their needlework exhibits at the show, with Teagan Hannon winning 1st prize for her patchwork quilt and also being named Junior Champion in the Needlework section. Charlotte Fletcher won 1st prize with her Rag doll – pictured on the front page.

Spirit of The Land Prize winners

Primary sculpture-

1st Ruby Bouffler- “tooth fairy”

Primary photography- 1st Jamieson

Bouffler- “crows by sunset”

Yr 7-10 Painting- 1st Prize Dallas

McKenzie-

“A pair of pears”

Yr 11 – 12 Photography- 1st Prize Rory

McKenzie- “Sunset at Bourke”

Secondary Schools Totem Pole- 1st Prize-

Lockhart Central School



Winning secondary totem pole



Ruby Bouffler's 'Tooth Fairy' Totem Pole

Rory McKenzie's 'Sunset at Bourke' Photos

