FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

School Values and Direction
As part of our professional learning day last Friday, all staff engaged in conversations around values and school direction for Lindisfarne North Primary School. As part of developing our school documents for 2013, we would appreciate input from students and parents. Mr Jones will be working with the SRC over the coming weeks to gain their input. We will also be running two parent sessions. The parent sessions will be held at school on the following dates:

Wednesday 7 November at 2pm in A01
Monday 19 November at 6pm in the staff room (before the School Association meeting). Can parents please notify the office if they are attending either session.

If you are unable to attend either of these sessions and would still like to have input, please contact me via phone or email shane.oldfield@education.tas.gov.au

Class Arrangements for 2013
Staff are beginning to look at class structures for 2013, and looking at the programs that we have on offer. As staffing is based on enrolment numbers, can you please notify the school office if your children will not be returning to our school in 2013.

Shane Oldfield, Principal

PAYMENT OF LEVIES

Lindisfarne North Primary school can now accept levy payments via Centrepay.

Centrepay is a free direct bill-paying service offered to Centrelink customers receiving payments from Centrelink. The service allows their clients to nominate an amount to be deducted and forwarded to specific organisations including schools. If you would like to take advantage of this service, please come into the office and complete the necessary forms.

Brenda McLarin, SEO
BOOK FAIR

We are having a Scholastic Book Fair in the Library in three weeks’ time. It will run from Monday 19 November until Thursday 22 November. Parents and children will be able to purchase books before school each of those days and during the lunch hour each day, except Tuesday. This is a great opportunity to buy Christmas books and support our Library. All purchases will earn us a commission which we will spend on new Library books.

Vicki Lovell, Teacher/Librarian

RED CROSS STATIONERY DRIVE

The Red Cross group are running a stationery drive as part of a Care for Africa project. We are looking for donations of pencils, paper, coloured pencils, textas, scissors, exercise books and much more. Care for Africa is a volunteer foundation which focuses on providing help and assistance to Tarime, one of the poorest districts in Tanzania. The children in this area have to share a classroom with 80-100 children, at times sharing one piece of paper and one pencil between six children. We would appreciate any donations from families – all items can be left in the boxes in A01. All items will be sent with the Care for Africa shipping container in 2013. Thank you.

Natalie Panton, Lily Connor, Zachary Gromek

GUITAR GROUP

On Thursday 8 November our talented advanced guitar group, accompanied by some vocalists, will be busking outside Bakers’ Delight in Lindisfarne (opposite Woolworths) between 11:30am and 1:10pm. The students will be accompanied by Mr Damon Nichols and Ms Louise Goich.

ROYAL HOBART SHOW

On Wednesday 24 October Prep Gillian, Prep/1 Schade and Grade 1 Ellerton/Wise went to the Hobart Show. Students were able to participate in a range of free activities, such as patting different farm animals, participating in Milo cricket sessions, creating their own wooden boats and planes, designing their own t shirts and enjoying the atmosphere of the Show. Teachers would like to say a huge thank you to the parents and friends who came along to assist on the day. We couldn’t have done it without you and we appreciate your patience when the weather turned nasty! All children had a fantastic day.

Amy Jones, AST
**BOOK CLUB**

Orders for Issue 8 of Book Club will close on Friday 23 November. This is the final issue for the year.

**CANTEEN NEWS**

We are having a Sushi Day on Thursday 8 November. Order forms have gone home today with your child. Please return the forms and money to the office by Monday 5 November.

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Di Everson, Canteen Supervisor

**FUNDRAISING NEWS**

There will be a Fundraising Committee meeting in the staffroom at 1:30pm on Friday 9 November. Items to be discussed are the Christmas stall and Christmas raffle. Come along and share your ideas.

Don’t forget you can still purchase from the Parent Direct or Chalk Catalogues until 16 November. We are also still collecting any old mobile phones – the school will receive $3 for each phone.

**LOST PROPERTY**

Once again there are a number of polar fleeces in lost property, along with lots of other items, including drink bottles. Please have a look and re-claim your child’s lost item! Thank you.

**READERS’ CUP**

Yesterday was the final of the Readers’ Cup, which was held at Campbell Street Primary School. Lindisfarne North Primary was represented by William, Aiden, Casey Anning, Emily, Sophie, Bridie, Zane and Stephanie. The winning school was Princes Street Primary.

**INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

Yesterday a large group of students participated in the Interschool Swimming Carnival. All swimmers swam the best they could and we took fourth position out of all the schools in Division B. Thank you to Mr Jones and Mr Nichols for taking us.

Joe & Paige (on behalf of the team)
**BAND**

Next week Mrs Wilmot will not be coming on Monday for band practice but on Wednesday afternoon instead. Could Mrs Wilmot’s band students please remember to bring their instruments on Wednesday (not Monday). Thank you.

**OTHER NOTICES**

Would an extra $500 help you pay for the 2013 Canberra trip?

Saver Plus also helps pays for school levies, uniforms & sports, laptops & iPads, after school activities and more.

Saver Plus is a 10 month saving and financial education program funded by the Federal Government that matches your savings $1 for $1 up to $500 for education costs.

To be eligible you need to:
- have a health care or pension card
- some income from work, for example, you or a partner may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal work.

Contact Karli, Saver Plus worker at The Smith Family on 6223 7264 or karli.fone@thesmithfamily.com.au

**Geilston Bay High School Information and Taster evening**

Tuesday 20 November from 6:30 – 8:30pm in the Library at GBHS.
A separate letter has gone home today to all Grade 4, 5 and 6 students. Please return the slip to the LNPS office.

**HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT!**

Each year there are hundreds of students from around the world who choose to visit Australia. You can be a part of the experience by welcoming an exchange student into your home. By opening your door, and hearts, to an international exchange student, your family can:
- Make a lifelong link to a family in another country
- Learn about another culture
- Share the beauty of Australia and our culture
- Gain a new family member
- Contribute to International goodwill
- Develop a friendship which will last for many years

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