SOME IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 23 & Tuesday 24 September
Growing Up Program for Grade 5/6 students
Parent session 8:30 – 9am on Monday 23/9

Wednesday 25 September
1:20pm – Great Grooves & Melodies Concert (for parents in the hall)

Friday 27 September
Footy Colours Day
Last day of Term 3

Monday 14 October
First day of Term 4

Monday 21 October
LNPS Swimming Carnival – Clarence Pool

Thursday 24 October
Show Day Holiday

Friday 25 October
Professional Learning Day

FINAL ASSEMBLY FOR TERM 3
Tuesday 24 September – 2pm in the hall

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

NAPLAN
The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) reports for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 who sat the national tests in May this year that were due to be sent home during the week beginning Monday 16 September have been delayed.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has identified an error in the reporting format for Years 5 and 7. This has required the reprinting of Year 5 and 7 student reports with a consequent delay in distribution of all student reports (including Years 3 and 9 which contain no errors).

ACARA apologises for the delay and we will provide advice to you when we have confirmed the date for the distribution of reports.

Your child’s report will show national information including how your child performed in relation to other students in their particular year group, and in comparison to the national average score for each of the Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy tests. For students in Years 5, 7 and 9 the 2013 tests will provide parents and schools with important information on progress made since the 2011 NAPLAN testing.

Once this information is received, staff will work on comparing the data to our teaching strategies and resources to address learning needs into the future. Please take the time to look at your child’s NAPLAN information once it is released.

If your child’s NAPLAN results are significantly different from their mid-year school report, this may be due to several reasons. The NAPLAN tests are undertaken over a one week period in May, whereas your child’s report is based on a range of
evidences that are gained throughout the year. If you are concerned about your child’s results, please contact your child’s class teacher to discuss.

**Growing Up Program**
In the last week of term, Grade 5 and 6 students will be involved in the growing up program. Each class will have mixed sessions, and then students will be involved in separate boy/girl sessions. The week starts with a parent session which is on Monday at 8:30am, in the library. If you plan on attending the parent session, can you please let the office know by this Friday. The growing up program is run on a 2 year cycle, with all students participating in the first year, and only 5/6 students in the second year.

**School App**
Some people have mentioned recently that they have been unsure how to download the school app. The app is currently available for apple and android devices. If you want to download the app, you can go to the apple app store or the google play store and type in “Lindisfarne North Primary” and you will find the Skoolbag app with our school logo on it. The other option is to use one of the following URL’s to be directed to the app page:

Apple - [http://goo.gl/8f4SW4](http://goo.gl/8f4SW4)
Android - [http://goo.gl/BMjDcE](http://goo.gl/BMjDcE)

If you need any help to install or use the app, please ask. Please continue to provide feedback about the new app, and suggestions as to how to make it better. We are now up to 130 downloads.

**Professional Learning Day**
Parents and students are advised that there is a professional learning day on Friday 25 October, the day after the Show Day holiday. As teachers will be engaged in professional learning on that day, normal classes will not operate. Child care will be provided by a relief Teacher Assistant at LINDISFARNE PRIMARY SCHOOL (not Lindisfarne North) during normal school hours for parents who are unable to make alternative arrangements for their children. Please let the LNPS office by Wednesday 16 October if you will be needing child care on Friday 25 October.

*Shane Oldfield, Principal*

**GREAT GROOVES AND MELODIES CONCERT**
Parents of students who participate in choir, recorder, marimba and guitar groups are invited to a concert to hear their wonderful musical talents.

**Wednesday 25 September, 1:20pm in the school hall**

We would love to see you there.

*Lynne Mitchell, Music Teacher*

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL**
Our Grades 3 to 6 swimming carnival will be held in week two next term at the Clarence Pool on Monday, 21 October, from 9.30am to approximately 1.00pm. The purpose of our carnival is to encourage all students to participate and enjoy the water in safety, and select our team to compete in the Southern Primary Schools Carnival on Tuesday 29 October. Traditional races, relays and novelties will be open to all students. If you can assist as an official on the day please contact our office. Your support will be much appreciated.

*Rob Christie, HPE Teacher*

**FUNDRAISING NEWS**

**Expressions Tea Towels**
It is not too late to order a tea towel. You can order up until this Friday (20 September). The cost per tea towel is $12.50.

Grade 1/2M congratulates Liam on reaching Club Gold by reading for ten minutes 150 times. Well done!
CONTAINERS REQUIRED FOR 3/4C

Grade 3/4 Coogan are collecting 2 litre or 3 litre fruit juice bottles for making compost columns in Term 4. Berri, Ribena and Woolworths Home Brand styles are needed; ie straight sided with a short shoulder. We also need clean, clear glass or plastic jars (vegemite, peanut butter, jam, etc) for other science investigations. If you do have any, please send them along to the 3/4C classroom.

CANTEEN NEWS

This week’s winner of a free lunch (up to $5) for recycling is Samantha of 1/2M. Congratulations!

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We will be having Pasta Bolognese on Wednesday 25 September ($3.00). Please just order as usual.

SCHOOLS TRIATHLON CHALLENGE

Entries are open for the Community Assist Triathlon Challenge to be held on Thursday 21 November at Bellerive Beach. Entries close on Friday 25 October. Entry forms are available from the office or can be downloaded from the website www.schoolstriathlonchallenge.com The entry fee is $15 whether you enter as an individual, in a team or in both. Teams can be mixed gender. Hand in your completed form and entry fee to the office. A bus will leave LNPS at 9:10am and return from Bellerive at 2:10pm. Parents will need to arrange for bikes to be transported and racked on the day, prior to 9:50am. Bikes can be dropped off after 7am. Parents will need to collect bikes as well.

NETBALL NEWS

Our netball teams had a very successful roster in term 3. The Grade 5/6 team continued their great form to finish on the top of the ladder.

The Grade 3/4 team finished in the top 4, but most importantly learnt a lot of new skills.

Great fun was had by all. The girls and boys showed great commitment attending training every Friday lunch time. We will be registering our teams for the roster in term 4. 1-2-3 LNPS!!!!

Amanda Robertson, Co-ordinator
OTHER NOTICES

LINDISFARNE CRICKET CLUB
SEASON 2013/14
JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY
LINDISFARNE CLUBROOMS
ANZAC PARK, LINDISFARNE
Friday 20 September
5.00 – 6.30pm
ALL GIRLS AND BOYS WELCOME
Enquiries to: Bruce Cooling
Phone: 6243 8071 Mobile: 0428 220 399
Email: bmcooling@bigpond.com

Clarence Little Athletics Centre Inc
Family Fun & Fitness for ages
Under 6 to 15
Registration Day 2013
Rosny McDonalds
Sunday 29th September
3.00pm to 5.00pm
Register online, payment taken on
Registration Day
Season commences Saturday 5th October
For further information contact:
Amanda Robertson (Secretary)
0419 714 924
Website: www.clarence.org.au

OCTOBER 2013 HOLIDAY MUSIC CLASSES
Week long classes (3/4 hour each day) for
Guitar, Piano/Keyboard, Drums or Singing are
offered in the following programs:
* Beginners * Continuation * Extension
Cost is $75.00 each which includes all music
materials.
CONTACT: Geoff Long Music
Ph: 6234 1456
Email: gglong@netspace.net.au

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