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Principal: Jan Slape

Acting Deputy Principal: Sally Wright

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Simon Knowles

Dates to Remember

14th & 15th November 2016

Year 5 Lake
Cullulleraine Camp

15th & 16th November 2016

Kindy Transition

Thursday 17th November 2016

Music is Fun 9.30-11am

Friday 18th November 2016

Canberra BBQ Lunch
at the Lutheran School
Life Centre
12.30pm

Monday 21st November 2016

Finance Meeting 5pm
Governing Council 7pm

Tuesday 22nd November 2016

Internet safety Session
for Parents/Caregivers
with SAPOL 7-8pm

22nd & 23rd November 2016

Kindy Transition

Thursday 24th November 2016

LHS Choir Performs for
Years 6 & 7s
Year 7/8 Social /Parent
Meeting 7-9pm LHS

23rd & 25th November 2016

Year 3-7 Cyber Safety
sessions with SAPOL

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DATA

At this time of the year schools are collecting a large amount of data. Students have been completing a range of diagnostic tests including ongoing Running Records in the Early Years, Progressive Achievement Tests in Mathematics and Reading (PATM and PATR) from Year 3-7, along with a range of opinion, bullying and wellbeing surveys. With the prevalence of technologies, more and more tests are going online, which means that our data is collected and summarized more promptly. As NAPLAN tests will be going online next year, we believe our students will be well equipped with the online assessments they have recently completed.

How are the data sets used?

Running Records:

The reading levels of all students are measured regularly to inform teaching practice, and are entered into our own data system, Scorelink. This data is also entered on the department portal twice a year. The data is then aggregated into a report which shows whole school achievement and students who have reached year level standards. We also use this data to measure improvements, adjusting our learning programmes to promote growth and comprehension in reading.

PATR and PATM:

These assessments are conducted

online and staff can view their class results immediately, with the leadership team being able to view whole school data. This data is measured against scaled scores for each year level standard. Mrs Megan Hoile presented at staff meeting this week, to demonstrate the variety of ways the PAT data can be used to inform teachers.

Bullying Data:

Students complete a digital survey at the end of Term 1 and Term 3. The data is analysed by the leadership and wellbeing team, to identify areas which need attention.

Opinion Surveys:

Parents, staff and students complete these and the data sets each year are gathered to support and direct us in our site planning to ensure that we are on track with continuous improvement.

Jan

NEIL UZZELL

Passed away on Thursday the 1st of November.

He was well known within the Riverland, being involved as a teacher at various locations. He was heavily involved with the Loxton North Football Club, Riverland SAPSASA Sports and was a life member of the Loxton Swimming Club.

A number of our staff attended his funeral today. We wish to express our deepest sympathy to Liz and family on this sad occasion.

SCHOOL GROUND IMPROVEMENTS

Thank you to Mr Caire and his team of Loxton Primary School SRC students for taking the time to build the new wall. It looks great and well done to all involved, a great job. Also a big thank you to Kerri Blaser for providing the students with an afternoon snack of honey crackles with the added snap crackle and pop!

This is a new part to the oval and in our plan. A ramp up onto the mound will be lawn and we will plant a couple of deciduous trees to provide some more shade and play area in the years to come.



Also a massive thank you to everyone who helped shift the soft fall into the junior primary playground. We had it all done by 11

o'clock including the free sausage sizzle for volunteers. Proof that many hands make light work!

Thank you once again and it was really nice to meet a few more parents.

**Regards Bill Ling
LPS Groundsman**



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THE FRONT
OFFICE**

GENEROSITY

All of a sudden Christmas decorations are filling shelves in the shops. When I visited Adelaide last weekend one of the first Christmas pageants was taking place, close to where I was staying. Within our family circles, conversation is starting to happen about who will host the Christmas lunch and who will buy for who in the family Kris Kringle.

The lead up to Christmas is often when we think of our loved ones and how we can show them how much we care. I also like to start thinking about how I can bless those who I do not know. There are many ways that we can be generous at this time of the year. Some people choose to give virtual gifts by giving money to a charity such as World Vision, to buy something like a goat rather than giving an actual gift to their loved one. In the past our school has been involved in putting together Samaritans Purse shoe boxes of love to go overseas. This year our school is making a Christmas collection of non-perishable food and toys. This will allow us to bless families within our school community and contribute to the Loxcare Christmas toys and hampers. Before Monday 28th November we are asking that families bring in donations of non-perishable food and new toys to the office. I look forward to seeing our collection grow and the generosity of our school community being displayed in the coming weeks.

This project is a great opportunity to talk to your children about being generous. Chip Ingram says that "Generosity isn't an act it's a way of life". Maybe as a family you might decide to go without something that is non essential, in the coming weeks, to use that money to buy for someone else. Mother Theresa says "If you can't feed a hundred people then just feed one". Whatever you are able to contribute will make a huge difference in the life of another family.

I thank you for your participation. May you be Blessed as you seek to be generous.

Rebecca Whillas

Pastoral Care Worker

MISSED A NEWSLETTER!

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www.loxtonps.sa.edu.au



CYBER SAFETY PRESENTATION BY SAPOL

SAPOL will be running a free information session for all parents/caregivers at 7pm on the 22nd of November in the Loxton Primary School Library. All families are encouraged to attend and be informed about the 'Do's and Don'ts' of using the Internet. As young people are more frequently using Cyberspace than ever before, this is a session you can't afford to miss. For more information contact Leigh Kruger at the school on 8584 7408.

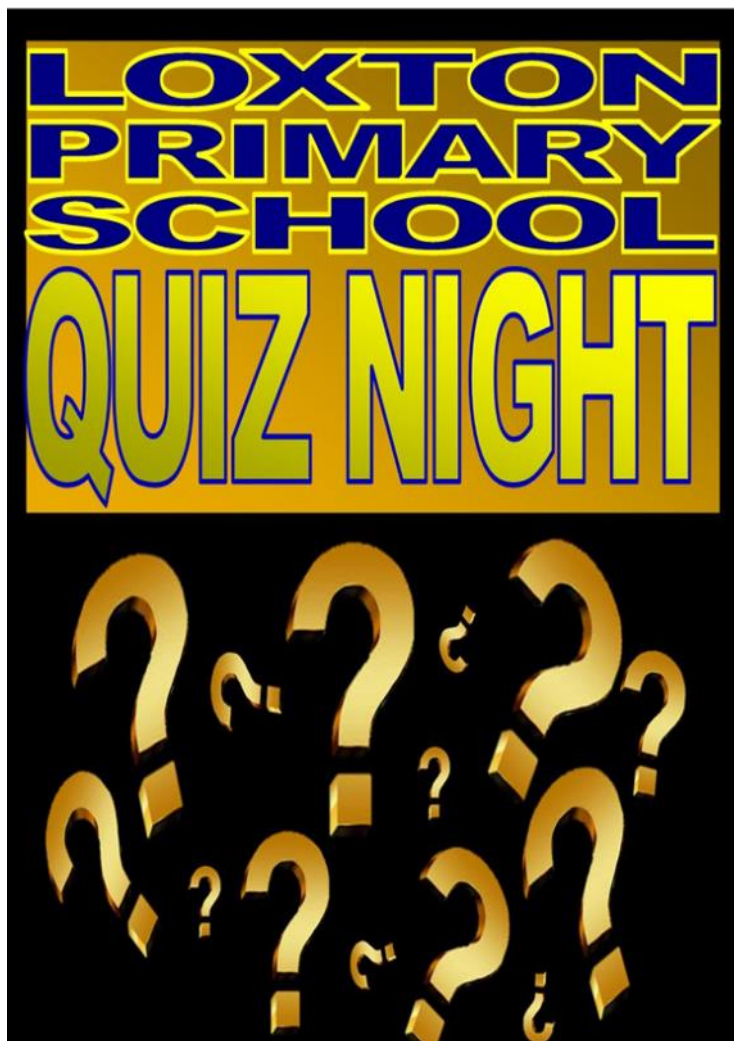
BIG BUDDIES

On Tuesday we went to the Loxton Kindy to visit our buddies who will be transitioning to our school. We got to know them while they ate their fruit, then we went and played. They were colouring, making and playing outside. After that, they rang the bell for us all to come inside. We then danced and sang songs together. It was great because we finally got to meet our little buddies. We can't wait to see them at their 2nd transition visit to our school.

Charlotte Pluckhahn, Jordanna Furniss and Scarlett Young



QUIZ NIGHT



Thank-you to everyone who attended and supported our Annual Quiz Night.

Over \$500 was raised to put towards school improvements.

We would like to thank the following Businesses for your generous donations.

LM Finance
 Loxton Club
 The Country Bakehouse
 Devilees
 Italo Vardaro
 Berri Caravan Park
 Bella Lavender
 Chaffey Theatre
 Office Everything
 Directional Finance
 Liz Peberdy

ASSEMBLY CALENDAR

9am Thursdays in the Hall. Morning Tea in the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen afterwards ALL WELCOME!

Term 4

| Week | Host Class | Presenting Class |
|------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 5 | No Assembly Music is Fun | |
| 6 | 7 Hoile | 6/7 Hansen |
| 7 | S.R.C | |
| 8 | No Assembly | |
| 9 | 9.00am Friday | Year 7s & Staff |

SPORTS CALENDAR

TERM 4 2016

| WEEK | DATE | EVENT | WHERE |
|------|--------------|--|----------------------|
| 5 | ALL WEEK | SWIMMING LESSONS RH, RR, 2W, 2/3H, 3LW & 4GW (3LW & 4GW NOT THURSDAY) | LOXTON SWIMMING POOL |
| 6 | ALL WEEK | SAPSASA CRICKET & TENNIS | |
| 7 | 1ST DECEMBER | 4-7 SWIMMING CARNIVAL | LOXTON SWIMMING POOL |
| 7 | 2ND DECEMBER | DISTRICT SOFTBALL | |

RIVERLAND CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Riverland Christmas Appeal provides food hampers and toys to families doing it tough at Christmas time. If you feel like your family could benefit from this kind of assistance during this Christmas period please contact Rebecca Whillas (Pastoral Care Worker) through the school office – 85847408 for more information. Alternatively, you could contact Loxcare directly on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays between 10am and 1pm. The Loxcare telephone number is 8584 6954 or you could drop into their office. To receive this help all applications must be completed by the end of November.

Rebecca Whillas
 (Pastoral Care Worker)

COMMUNITY NEWS



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Riverland Parenting Workshops

Let us help you navigate your way through caring for and bringing up children.

If you are a parent or carer of children, register now for one or more of these fantastic workshops! Learn invaluable parenting skills and have a better understanding of how to tune into children's needs.

All parenting workshops are free of charge.

Thoughtful Parenting

Developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation. This is a discussion based, reflective and thought provoking workshop designed to give parents a chance to think about what is important to them about their parenting.

Tuesday, 8 November 2016 | 10.00am - 12.00pm

1-2-3 Magic!

A 2 session program for parents where we will discuss ideas around understanding behaviour, how to handle challenging behaviours, the three choices when choosing your strategy, ideas for encouraging good behaviour and more. All parents will receive a 1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parent Workbook.

Thursdays, 17 and 24 November 2016 | 10.00am - 1.00pm

Bringing Up Great Kids

An interactive Workshop for parents and care givers to help develop strategies to manage your parenting approach in your busy world. Learn more about the origins of your own parenting style, identify important messages and how to convey these, understand the messages of your child's behaviour and discover ways to take care of yourself and find support.

Fridays, 18 and 25 November 2016 | 9.30am - 12.30pm

Developing Resilient Children

The Developing Resilient Children course helps parents build and strengthen their children's resilience to cope with challenges in their lives. Parents will benefit from the course by becoming more reflective, pro-active and in tune with their children's needs.

Thursday, 8 December 2016 | 10.00am - 12.30pm

Circle of Security

We are all "hard wired" to feel secure. This need for secure relationships is built-in to our most important interactions throughout every hour of every day. This course is ideal for mothers, fathers, significant others, parents to be, grandparents, foster and adoptive parents or anyone that is providing care for children.

New dates coming soon, we can also conduct one on one sessions if desired.

All workshops will be held at Relationships Australia SA, 9 Kay Ave Berri. Register now by calling 08 8582 4122

Register Your Children at vacswimsa.com.au

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All participants will gain a TAFE SA accredited unit from the Foundation Skills Training Package (FSK) - FSKOCM03 'Participate In Simple Spoken Interactions At Work'; and will be linked into the Regional Development Australia Career Development Centre at the end of the course for further career planning and support - No prior art experience is necessary -

Runs weekly on a Friday beginning 11th November 2016

10am - 2pm
RDGP, 3 Riverview Drive Berri
Transport available
Lunch provided

For more information contact
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