

# LUE PUBLIC SCHOOL

## Newsletter



Monday 21st March \*\*\* Week Eight \*\*\* Term One \*\*\* 2016

### Principal's Note

Welcome to the newsletter for week 8.

It looks like our swimming time has pretty much come to a close as it is getting too chilly to use the pool at school. Our next sporting focus is on cross country running as we will have the competitive events early in term 2. Further details will be sent home in the coming weeks.

**We hope you are planning to come along to our Easter Fun Day this coming Thursday, 24th March at 11am. Parents can help make an Easter hat with their child in the morning, join us for lunch (bring a picnic lunch) and enjoy our Easter hat parade.**

Michael Grose is Australia's number 1 parenting educator and has published many books and articles on the subject. Have a look at his tips for raising boys over the page—certainly makes you think!

School will be closed on Friday 25th and Monday 28th for the Easter long weekend. I hope you all have an enjoyable Easter break!

Caron McDonald (relieving Principal)

### Craft Items

Thank you to those families who have sent in craft items ready for Thursday's Easter Hat making. There's still time to send in any more odds and ends you may have that could be used, such as plastic flowers, pom poms, sequins, buttons, beads and feathers. If you have any of these items spare and no longer need them, we would appreciate them being donated to school.

### Busy Bee

The Busy Bee in the Junior Class this week is **Oskar Sander**. Oskar has been making fantastic progress in his Literacy work in class and has brought some impressive writing to the senior classroom to show us. Well done, Oskar!



### Catch me being good

Our draw from the 'catch me being good' slips for last week was made this morning. Congratulations to **Jackson Griffin, Matthew Elkins and Zac Stewart**. Each student will receive a merit certificate and an ice block at lunch. Keep up the great work boys and girls!



### Harmony Day

Today we celebrated Harmony Day at school with a range of activities including craft, tie dying (orange is the colour for the day) and cooking. Students discussed how we can celebrate what it is to be an individual and how we can all get along together. Look out for the photographs on our school Facebook page.



### P&C News

The first P&C meeting for this term, which will also be the AGM, will take place this **Wednesday, 23rd March**, at 3:10pm. Everyone is welcome to come along. Even if you don't want to take on a specific role, you can still make a difference. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Raising Mighty Boys

By **Michael Grose**, Australia's number 1 parenting educator

Understanding what makes boys tick is the key to teaching and raising them. Those adults who do best teaching and raising boys have a significant understanding of what makes boys tick. Here are 5 tips that will help you raise well-adjusted boys:

### **1: You must like them**

Approval is at the heart of raising boys. Most will walk over hot coals for you if they know you like them. This need for approval holds many boys back in school, as they can shut down for a teacher who doesn't like them. If you can feel comfortable with their boisterousness, live with their lack of organisational skills, and not be confronted by their 'in-your-face' ways then the chances are that they'll respond to you.

### **2: They are hierarchical by nature**

Boys need limits and boundaries as they make them feel safe and secure. They like to know someone is going to enforce those rules, so don't be afraid to take the lead with them.

### **3: Boys are just as sensitive as girls**

Research shows that boys are more easily stressed and more fragile than girls but parents will ask daughters how they feel more often than they ask sons. Also when daughters get hurt, parents tend to comfort them more than they comfort sons. Boys are sensitive, you just need to use different language to get them to open up. A boy will more than likely tell you how he feels if you ask him how he thinks about something. He also generally needs more time to process his feelings.

### **4: Loyalty is a high-driver**

A boy's loyalty to his friends and family is a key driver. They are incredibly influenced by their peers, which can hold them back, stopping many from getting too far ahead of the pack. Loyalty also gets many boys into strife with authority. Call a boy's friend an insulting name and you're asking for trouble!

### **5: Boys need a purpose to learn**

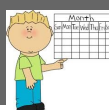
If you want to motivate a boy to learn then you need to offer him short-term goals. He'll learn to play a musical instrument if he wants to be in a band, but get him to practise a musical instrument without a purpose and you'll probably be locked in a continuous struggle.



## Matthew Robinson

Matthew has made a determined effort with his homework this term. Well done, Matthew!

## Important Dates



## March/April 2016

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Wk 8	21 March <b>Harmony Day</b>	22 March Guitar lessons Yr 3-6	23 March	24 March <b>Easter Fun Day</b>	25 March <b>Good Friday</b> No school	26 March Easter Saturday	27 March Easter Sunday
Wk 9	28 March <b>Easter Monday</b> No school	29 March Students return to school Guitar lessons Yr 3-6	30 March	31 March	1 April Mrs McDonald attending Principal's meeting in Bathurst	2 April <b>STAFF CPR TRAINING</b>	3 April
Wk 10	4 April Hill End Art Camp Year 5 & 6	5 April Guitar lessons Yr 3-6	6 April	7 April <b>K-6 EXCURSION TO DUBBO ZOO</b>	8 April <b>Last Day of Term 1</b>	9 April	10 April