

LUE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter



Monday 27th February *** Week Six *** Term One *** 2017

Principal's Note

Welcome to the newsletter for week 6.

Well done to our zone swimmers last week—personal bests all round! Congratulations to Felikss who had made it through to Western for the medley and breaststroke. Our relay team (Felikss, Matthew, Harrison and Yagan) will be swimming at Western too. Our best wishes go with the boys next week (Friday 10th March).

I was at the Rylstone Show on Saturday and called in to see the student artworks from around the area. Well done to all of our students who entered artworks, whether as individual pieces or group pieces. The theme for this year was 'flying' and it was interpreted in so many different ways. A special congratulations goes to Matthew Robinson who won 1st prize in the category of juvenile craft for his dragon model, Felikss Sander who won second prize in the same category for his aeroplane and canon model, to the whole school for the group artwork of a kite made from recycled materials (highly commended), to the Kinder and Year 1 students for their mobile of aeroplanes made from paddle pop sticks (highly commended) and finally to Yagan Sloane for his sketch of a bird (highly commended). Great job boys and girls.



We are very excited to announce the Variety Bash will be at school on Friday 26th May. I know it seems a long way off but we have a special raffle to organise beforehand. They are offering a 20 minute joyflight in a helicopter for a student (and adult) on the day. Students will be taking home raffle tickets today. Tickets are \$2 each and an enrolled student must be named on each ticket sold. It will be drawn on the day and the student must be at school to participate. The child's parent, or if not available a member of staff, will accompany the student chosen. All funds raised go to our school. What an exciting opportunity!

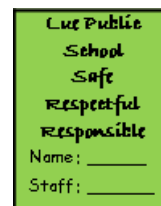
TEAM Together **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore
Caron McDonald (Principal)

The week 6 draw from the 'catch me being good' slips for this term was made this morning.

Congratulations to **Nyah Watmuff, Felikss Sander & Amelia Murdoch. Nyah**

receives a \$4 voucher for the canteen lunch tomorrow & each student will receive a merit certificate and a milo at lunch.

Keep up the great work boys and girls!



Attendance

Now that we are halfway through term 1 and students are well settled into routines, it is an appropriate time to remind everyone of our attendance policy.

If a child is absent from school and we have not been notified beforehand, (sick, appointment, family holiday etc), a telephone care call will be made to determine the reason for the absence. Absences are electronically recorded and all have specific codes according to the reason. This is mandatory reporting for all school.

If we are unable to obtain an answer to the telephone call, a written note with the reason for the absence should be sent in to school when the child returns. Absences without reasons are recorded as unjustified.

Our attendance records are scrutinised at several points throughout the term by external attendance officers and any student who has less than 90% attendance can be placed on an attendance monitoring plan. 90% is equal to 1 day in a two week period or 5 days across a whole term. This is normal policy and practice in all schools.

Our school day starts at 8:50am with Fitness. Students who arrive at school after 9:15am will be identified as being late. Reporting on lateness is also mandatory for all schools.

Absence slips are being sent home with students today. Please use them to advise us of any absences your child may have.

Thank you for your support in ensuring your child is given the best possible chance with their learning by being at school each day.



P&C News

Our canteen lunch tomorrow will be sausages and fried rice. For only \$4 students can have a yummy home cooked meal with a cup of Milo. Great value!



This week our focus will be on **TOILETS**.

Students will discuss the focus on Monday morning and revisit it several times throughout the week.

The toilets can often be an area which is forgotten when teaching behaviour skills. The expectation is that children go to the toilet when they need to, wash their hands after going and return to class straight away.

Ensuring student **privacy** is a priority and maintaining **good hygiene** is essential if we are to keep bugs at bay as much as possible. Children also need to be taught how to **wash their hands** properly.

Students are working hard to demonstrate the behaviours of being **safe, respectful and responsible** by practising the explicit skills below.

PBL information for the week is on our noticeboard outside the office alongside the Lue News information.



SAFE

- *One person in cubicle
- *Wash hands
- *Walk at all times
- *Keep food outside toilet area

RESPECTFUL

- *Follow adult instructions
- *Allow others privacy
- *Clean up after yourself
- *Speak politely

RESPONSIBLE

- *Report any problems to an adult
- *Use toilet paper, soap and taps correctly
- *Flush the toilet after use
- *Wait for friends outside
- *Use the toilet during lunch and recess
- *Return to class quickly after using the toilet during lesson time



Our 'student of the week' this week is **Matthew Elkins**. Matthew tries hard to be **responsible** by reporting any problems to a member of staff.

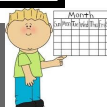


Junior Class Busy Bee

Our Busy Bee for week 5 is **Elarah Mogg**. Elarah tries hard to be **respectful** by speaking politely to students and teachers.



Important Dates



Feb/March 2017

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Wk 6	27 February	28 February	1 March	2 March Year 6 students to Young Leader's event in Sydney with Mrs McDonald Mrs Battye at LMBR training Dubbo	3 March Clean up Australia Day	4 March	5 March
Wk 7	6 March	7 March Mrs McDonald at LLW@S meeting in Bathurst	8 March	9 March	10 March Mrs McDonald at Federation Principal mtg Sydney Western swimming	11 March	12 March
Wk 8	13 March	14 March	15 March K-6 excursion to Red Hill Environmental Centre in Gulgong	16 March	17 March	18 March	19 March
Wk 9	20 March Life Education Van at school	21 March	22 March	23 March Mrs McDonald at PPA mtg Hill End after 12pm	24 March Mrs McDonald at PPA mtg Hill End until 12pm	25 March	26 March