**LEPS Bands Strike Gold!**

For many years LEPS, under the skilful guidance of Band Master, Colin Smith, and Band Conductors such as Jonathan Dollin, has delivered a strong and renowned program to our school community. Supported by the dedication of a healthy parent committee and school liaison (Diane Read), the band program continues to grow in both size and reputation. Our Training Band now boasts 75 musicians, our String Ensemble keeps growing and a Stage Band conducted by Mr MacDonald has returned for a second year. At the 53rd Annual Band Festival held at UNSW recently, our Performance and Training Bands were acknowledged with 'Gold' Awards. Our Concert Band bagged a 'Bronze' and the Stage Band a 'Silver'. Gaining a NSW School Band Development Grant topped off a great event for LEPS.

**Ice Bucket Challenge**

A nomination from Year 6 student Ella C this week resulted in Mrs McNamara and myself experiencing the 'Ice Bucket Challenge'. The fundraising challenge has taken the world by storm and has raised awareness and funds to fight Motor Neurone Disease. Thanks to all of Years 3-6 who collectively donated $178.50 to witness the frosty drenching. I’ve passed the dare onto my Principal colleagues in Menindee, Beijing and Roseville.

**Congratulations – NSW PSSA State Softball Champions!**

Well done to Alyssa M of 6LN who was selected to represent LEPS in the PSSA Sydney North Girls’ Softball team. We received word this morning that the team won the State Championship (9-3) “after three days of playing in relentless rain.” This is a fantastic result. Well done, Alyssa and team - the NSW PSSA Softball State Champions for 2014!

Reminder that the LEPS Trivia Night is on this Saturday 30 August at Killara High School commencing at 7:00pm
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Diane Read

Parent Information Session
Tuesday 2 September
6:30 – 7:30pm in the Staffroom

Kindergarten to Year 6: Guide to the new NSW Syllabuses
The Australian Curriculum is being implemented in New South Wales through new syllabuses developed by the Board of Studies for English, Mathematics, Science and Technology, and History.

At LEPS we are implementing the new English and Mathematics Syllabus for the Australian Curriculum. The purpose of this session is to provide parents with an overview of the outcomes, content and key ideas of both syllabus documents.

If you would like to attend, please email Diane Read Diane.Read@det.nsw.edu.au to confirm your attendance by Friday 29 August.

Mufti Maths Fun Day
To celebrate National Literacy and Numeracy Week (25-31 August) LEPS held their annual Mufti Maths Fun Day on Monday 25 August. Students in Kindergarten to Year 6 engaged in exciting mathematical activities, rotating in groups amongst classrooms. Fortunately the weather held up and the children enjoyed exploring maths in the environment. Many thanks again to our fantastic parents who assisted on the day! Please select the link below to view a slideshow of photos.

http://photopeach.com/album/5urqe3

App of the Week
Pattern Blocks $1.29
Virtual pattern blocks include: triangle, square, rhombus, trapezium, hexagon.
Features:
- Easy to add, drag, rotate and remove shapes
- Unlimited virtual shapes
- Triangular grid (for fractions) and square grid (for transformations)
- Snapping for easy placement and alignment
- Pen tools for annotations and labels
Access the school website to view a list of all the apps.
http://www.lindfieldep.schoo.../curriculum-activities/technology/mobile-devices
Tilsley’s Tasty Tips
On Thursday 11 September, LEPS is holding their annual K-2 Sports Day. During PE lessons we are practising our sprinting and how to race. Similar to the last TTT Lyrebird entry I spoke about the goal of achieving your personal best rather than having the goal of being the best. Parents, if you can reiterate that during dinner time that would be helpful.

In terms of nutrition, our students lead a healthy, active lifestyle. Keep it up, as it isn’t only good for yourself, it is good for the family, school and then the community as a whole. Remember to pack vegetables for recess. Fruit and dairy products are great as well. However, try to stay away from packaged foods. Significant amounts of waste occur in schools from these types of snacks, which isn’t good for the environment.


Walk-a-thon Final Update
Thanks to the generosity of our school community and the expertise of our dedicated parent organisers, we are pleased to announce our final tally for the Walk-a-thon 2014 was $15 356!!! Congratulations to 5CM which was the winning class, and to the following students who did very well with their fund-raising.

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Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Regional Finals

Congratulations to Lucy W of 4MM who represented LEPS at the Regional Finals of the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition in Lewisham this week. Lucy’s topic was *My Overseas Connections*, and she spoke of the many ways her family and school foster authentic relationships with people overseas, and how important this is in her life. In addition to her prepared speech, Lucy then presented an impromptu speech where she spoke admirably for one minute on the topic *Winners and Losers*. She pointed out that all sorts of people who are doing good things around the world can be thought of as winners as they inspire others. The adjudicators complemented the speakers on their flawless manner and “very brainy” engagement with the topics. From the 30 000 students who tried out initially, Lucy got through to the Local Finals along with approximately 2500 others. When she won that round and proceeded to the Regional Finals, Lucy was one of only 60 or so students left in this competition in the entire state of NSW! This is a fantastic achievement, and we are very proud of her.

Have you met the latest additions to our LEPS family?

Yesterday morning, we were all excited to witness the hatching of our ducklings. What a thrill it was for the children to watch this amazing event! If you haven’t yet met them, they are in their 5-star incubator accommodation outside 2FR’s room. Thank you to our duckling maternity ward staff, Mrs Robinson and Mrs van Loon, who are feeling very proud of their brood.

Maths and Art come together…beautifully!

Have a look at the lovely art work on display outside Mr Stevenson’s office. 5/6EH created these gorgeous images based on rotational symmetry. First the students created a circle, divided it into sections and then created a pattern that rotates onto itself. We think the effect is stunning!
5CM ‘Gold’ projects
Students in 5CM were given a task last week: in just one day, plan and create a diorama based on their current HSIE topic, ‘Gold’. Students were placed into teams and then given time to discuss and plan. The rest of the day was devoted to creating the dioramas. Students later reflected on their learning, acknowledging the importance of careful planning, listening, compromising, finding alternative solutions, discarding ideas and accepting other points of view in the successful completion of a collaborative project – all very important life lessons that will surely stand these students in good stead in their future working environments.
Enrolling Now for Kindergarten 2015

Excellence in Academic Achievement
Highly Qualified and Inspirational Teachers
Your Local Community School
Diversity of Opportunities
Sharing Family Values
Innovative Thinking—Global Connections

Is your child turning 5 before 31 July 2015?
Pick up an Enrolment Form from the front office
or
Visit our Website:  www.lindfieldep.schools.nsw.edu.au

Lindfield East Public School:
- Fosters a nurturing environment
- Provides strong foundations in literacy and numeracy
- Develops skills and appreciation in Visual Arts, Music, Dance and Drama
- Promotes physical education and supports healthy lifestyle choices from an early age
- Utilises experience and knowledge in the early identification of students with special abilities and needs, e.g. English as a Second Language (ESL), Gifted and Talented Education, Support Learning Assistance
- Ensures student interaction with varied technologies
- Involves students in sustainability programs e.g. kitchen and gardening duties, raising of chickens
- Fosters open communication between parents and teachers
- Encourages community and parent involvement

Reminder for families with children already attending LEPS:
Please submit an enrolment form ASAP

Lindfield East Public School's Kindergarten program encourages children to develop as independent and creative learners, highly motivated and actively involved in the learning process. We have dedicated teachers who employ specific teaching strategies directed at developing and broadening students’ academic achievement and social development. Targeted programs and specialist teachers in PE, Science and Computers utilise ‘hands-on’ activities to engage the energy and curiosity of students.
# Term Dates 2014

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# School Tour Dates 2014

- 9 October
- 30 October
- 20 November (Years 1-6 new families only)

All tours commence at 9:30am outside the Library

# Father’s Day Stall

Tuesday 2 September

Each student will be given the opportunity to visit the stall with their class to purchase a gift.

Items will be for sale between $2 and $8.

PSSA IS CANCELLED FOR FRIDAY 29 AUGUST

PSSA SPORT
UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 25 - Friday 29 August
National Literacy & Numeracy Week

Saturday 30 August
LEPS Trivia Night

Tuesday 2 September
P&C Meeting

Friday 5 September
SRC Excursion to Stewart House

Monday 8 September
Concert Band Performance at Thomas Carlyle

Thursday 11 September
Kindy Farm Excursion

Tuesday 16 September
Dance2BFit Extravaganza

Thursday 18 September
K - 2 Sports Day

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3 - 6 SRC Disco

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Last Day Term 3

CARE & RESPECT AWARDS

K - 2, Term 3 Week 5
Mia N d B  KMC
Holly S   KJP
Alton L   1DS
Peter L   1DS
Isabel I  2SE
Maeve R  2FR

Years 3 - 6, Term 3 Week 5
Lauren P  4MH
Jason Y   5CM
Jamie K   5LM
Meg S     5CM
Noah S   5/6EH
Saskia J  5/6EH

Bendigo Bank

Bendigo Bank will now be collecting students banking
every Wednesday

Following are the notes that have gone home this week. If you did not receive one click on the following link which will direct you to the school’s website http://www.lindfieldep.schools.nsw.edu.au/school-notes

• Calmsley Hill Farm - Kindergarten
6JR have been studying Onomatopoeia poetry which uses words that involve sound. These sounds create images in our heads. These images have been displayed in our Pop Art.
Soup is for Slurping
By Miles J
Sue was feeling hungry,
There was a rumble in her tummy,
“I know what to do,” she said. "I'll make some soup"
She cut her carrots with a ‘chop’,
Until the kettle started to hiss,
She chucked her carrots in the pot,
And the water to follow,
She waited until it bubbled,
Then, the soup, she did swallow.

The Destroyed Town
By Esha S
A busy buzzing town
People talking and singing jingles,
I then hear a boom
The talking stops and screaming starts, the birds start echoing for help
The once buzzing people and quiet birds,
Now screaming in their language to warn other towns and plead for help

Ice Cream
By Luke K
Josh’s favourite part of the day
Time to eat what I may
A big bowl of ice cream
Now for the extra josh says
Squirt, drip, drizzle
Squirt, drip, drizzle
It’s now a big bowl of ice cream

When The Aliens Came
By Martin L
When the aliens came
Their machine made a vroom sound
One of them must’ve been sick
When he went achoo
But when we said bless you
He just popped

Popping Candy
By Sorita P
Throw a handful into your mouth,
Taste the fizz, the pop, the flavour,
As dozens of them dance around crazily on your tongue,
And BOOM! They all explode at once,
When they have vanished down your throat,
Your tongue is stained with bright colours.
We Need Your Donations
Thank you!

Do you have something you can donate as a prize on the night? Big or small!!

- Wine, Accommodation, Books, Games, Beauty, Specialty Food, Vouchers, anything you can offer.

Please contact Debbie Jenkins
alandeb@tpg.com.au

Lindfield East Public School
Trivia Night

Saturday 30th August
Theme: Formal with a touch of Informal

Tickets $40 each - on sale NOW www.trybooking.com/97893

Venue: Killara high school hall. Arrive at 7pm for 7.30pm start.
Support the LEPS community and join us for fundraising fun.
Silent Auctions, Live Auctions, Lucky Dips and Trivia.
BYO: food, drinks, cups, plates etc
Tables of 8-10 max

Lindfield East Public School
**CREATIVE WORKSHOPS**

**LEPS Creative Workshop Program Terms 3/4, 2014**

### Available Spots

For trial lesson and more information please email creativeworkshops@lepspandc.asn.au

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CONTINUATION OF BAND IN 2015
Thank you to the families who have completed the continuation forms for your children of Band enrolment 2015. If you still has not done it, please follow the link & submit your response ASAP.  Continuation Form of Band in 2015

AUDITION NEXT WEEK
For student who is going to continue next year, audition will be held next week on Monday, Tuesday & Thursday. Student will need to bring their instrument and music on the allocated date. Please check your email for details. Also, we will need parent to help at the day to collect students from the lines. Please email me if you are able to help.

BAND REHEARSALS
If your child is sick and is unable to band rehearsal, please let us know by texting Elise on 0416 088 806. Your message will be forward to the relevant Band Master. It is difficult for the Band Masters to conduct a worthwhile rehearsal without knowing whether your child will be attending or not. THANK YOU.

PARENT ROSTER
Please be on time for rehearsal duty. If you are unable to attend, it’s important that you find a substitution or arrange a swap. And as a last resort contact your Band Co-ordinators. PB: Karen Jennings (0426 961 477), CB: Regina Chow (0411 223 850), TB: Jenny Jackson (0422 957 502)

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 3
All Band Audition – Monday September 1 – Thursday September 4
Band Meeting – Thursday September 4 (7pm Staff Room)
Concert Band Performance at Thomas Carlyle Children’s Centre – Monday September 9
Cupcake Fundraising - Friday September 19
Thank you
Elise Lee (0416 088 806 / elise_lee@optusnet.com.au)
Band Convenor on behalf of the Band Committee
Do you have a budding pianist? A drummer wannabe? A future flutist?
Playing a musical instrument is very beneficial to children. So, why should yours learn to play?

They say that music is the universal language. Regardless of where you are from or what your background, a good melody is something that everyone can enjoy and understand. For children, music provides many, many benefits. Experts agree, there are lots of good things about letting your child learn to play an instrument. Here are 10 reasons why your child should put down the remote and pick up a musical instrument.

1. It will boost their brain power
Want to give your child a mental advantage? Music can do that. More and more studies show a correlation between higher academic achievement with children who are exposed to music. Music simply stimulates parts of the brain that are related to reading, math, and emotional development.

2. It will improve their memory
Help your kids remember more (and learn more!) with music. Further research has shown that participation in music at an early age can help improve a child’s learning ability and memory by stimulating different patterns of brain development.

3. It helps them socially
Picking up an instrument can also help your child break out of their social shell too, experts say. Socially, children who become involved in a musical group or ensemble learn important life skills, such as how to relate to others, how to work as a team and appreciate the rewards that come from working together, and the development of leadership skills and discipline.

4. It’s a confidence builder
Are there any areas of life that aren’t enhanced by having good confidence? Probably not. And if you want your child to develop their confidence, learning to play a musical instrument can help. They find that they can develop a skill by themselves, that they can get better and better.

5. It teaches patience
We live in a world of instant gratification, but real life demands having patience. When you are playing in a band or orchestra (and most musicians do), you have to be willing to wait your turn to play otherwise the sound is a mess. That inadvertently teaches patience. You need to work together in a group to make music.

6. It can help them connect
Who doesn’t sometimes feel a little disconnected from their lives? Music can be a much-needed connection for kids (and adults too!). “It can satisfy the need to unwind from the worries of life, but unlike the other things people often use for this purpose, such as excessive eating, drinking, or TV or aimless web browsing, it makes people more alive and connected with one another.”

7. It’s constant learning
In some pursuits, you can never truly learn everything there is to know. Music is like that. “It is inexhaustible — there is always more to learn.”

8. It’s a great form of expression
People pay a lot of lip-service to expressing yourself. But how can kids really do that? One great way is through the arts -- like music. It gives pleasure and expresses nuances of emotional life for which there are no words.

9. It teaches discipline
“Practice, practice, practice. To improve in music, you have to not only do well in classes, but devote time to practicing outside of the lessons too. That requires discipline. Exposing kids to musical instruments is the key. They are naturally curious and excited about them -- and the discipline that parents AND kids learn by sticking with it is a lesson in itself.”

10. It fosters creativity
Above all, playing music -- particularly as kids get to more advanced levels in it -- is a creative pursuit. Creativity is good for the mind, body and soul.
**P&C NEWS**

"The Term 3 P&C General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 02 September at 7:30 pm in the Staff Room. All are welcome to attend, whether members or not, and learn about what the P&C does and what's happening at the school. Items for inclusion on the agenda so far include:

- a recommendation from the P&C Executive on payments for audit services;
  - That the P&C accept the quote of $2,970 for completion of the 2012 audit;
  - That the P&C accept the quote of $3,050 for completion of the 2013 audit.

- a recommendation from the P&C Executive on a revised and modernised set of by-laws for the P&C. More information will be available on the P&C website in the "About" section shortly.

Nominations for the new Board positions on the P&C Federation close at noon on Friday 29 August. If any member is interested in running for the P&C Federation under its new governance regime, please have a look at our website at [http://lepspandc.asn.au/about](http://lepspandc.asn.au/about) and scroll down to "P&C Federation (2014)".

Requests for information or proposed motions should be sent to my or the Secretary's attention at lepspandc@gmail.com by 27 August at the latest to be included on the agenda.

*Rob Mills, President 2014*

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**BASC NEWS**

We participated in an art project for Sydney University. A group of artists want to raise awareness of the number of children as asylum seekers currently in detention. They supplied us with a blank postcard sized cardboard for us to draw on and write messages of support. They are going to be sent to Manus Island to be distributed to each child in detention. There were some amazing and very creative pictures done with fantastic encouragement from our children, well done everyone who participated!

Reminder there is a $10 search fee which applies if you fail to inform us your child won't be attending After School care.
ROSTER REMINDER FOR TERM 3, WEEK 8

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PLEASE REMEMBER TO WRITE CLEARLY ON LUNCH ORDER BAGS IN BLUE OR BLACK PEN ONLY!! DON’T FORGET TO INCLUDE THE CHILD’S NAME & CLASS!

DID YOU KNOW?

THE CANTEEN HAS A GREAT ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM!!

YOU CAN ORDER YOUR CHILD’S LUNCH WITH THE CLICK OF A BUTTON!!
NO MORE FIDDLING FOR CHANGE IN THE MORNING RUSH!!

TAKE A LOOK AT: www.school24.com.au

Getting started is quick, easy and secure. All you need to do is:

1. Set up an online account.
2. Set up your children and the class they belong to.

Top up your account with any amount using cash, your credit card or PayPal account (small charges apply for credit card and PayPal)
Starting at a new school can be overwhelming for children & parents alike. There are so many new faces & new routines to learn, and even if you have had children enrolled for a while, in our big school you may still feel a little lost.

We have a lovely tradition at our school of casual coffee shop catch-ups in our neighbourhood café. We aim to make you feel part of this wonderful community. Come along and join us one day.

**Where:** The Deli in the Park (café in the row of shops off Wellington Rd, East Lindfield)  
**When:** from 9:15am on Mondays:

- 1 September & 15 September

To help us connect you with the other parents in your child’s class or start answering your queries, please email your names and contact details to: welcome2leps@gmail.com

We would love to meet you, and we welcome all your feedback.

Kind regards  
Debbie Jenkins (0419 258 650) & Eleanor Macintyre (0422 799 429)  
On behalf of LEPS Parent’s Auxiliary