LEPS EXECUTIVE REPORT

Ms Ferrier’s Farewell
The last day of Term 2 witnessed a fitting farewell for one of LEPS finest teachers. Ms Roslyn Ferrier retired in the dignified style that had become synonymous with the teacher who has been given so much to LEPS and Public Education over 40 years! We wish her the best for the next stage in life.

Quality Teacher Learning
Local Speech-Language pathologist, Devon Barnes kindly imparted some of the quality knowledge and experience she has accumulated over 30 years upon LEPS teachers this week. The Staff Development Day on Monday allowed forty staff members to participate in a range of professional learning activities. This included the 'Learning Differences' session with Lindfield Speech Pathology, an introduction to the new History Curriculum and also mandatory Child Protection training.

Munch Munch
A big thank you to our LEPS Health & Wellbeing coordinator, Sarah O’Kelly for overseeing the recent canteen facade upgrade. With the artistic support of Killara HS’s Head Art Teacher - Fiona Hrcka, an enthusiastic group of Year 10 students (formerly from LEPS) and LEPS parents and students, the vibrant facelift was completed in the holidays. See more photos on page 5.

LEPS Mandarin Program Showcased
LEPS Community Language Mandarin teacher, Ms Yi Qing Zeng was recently selected to showcase her quality Chinese language program to undergraduate students from the University of Sydney. This next wave of community language teachers will be deployed into school communities across NSW to ensure students are able to maintain their mother tongue.
Shuttlecock Race
Last term our highly energetic Mandarin teacher, Jessica Cheng, organised Shuttlecock races for all students. The races for K-2 were held on Monday 22 June and Years 3-6 on the following Thursday. A team of hard working parent volunteers assisted Jessica to make 758 shuttlecocks, one for every student in the school!

Shuttlecock kicking (踢毽子: tī jiàn zi) which originated in the 1st Century, is one of the traditional folk games in China. Players aim to keep a heavily weighted shuttlecock in the air using their feet and other parts of the body. The game may be rules-based on a court similar to badminton and Volleyball, or be played artistically, among a circle of players in a street or park, with the objective to keep the shuttle ‘up’ and show off skills. Due to its recreational and flexible nature, shuttlecock kicking is not only a hit with the Chinese people, but also gaining increasing popularity in other parts of the world.

All the children enjoyed this unique experience and the winners in each class participated on the day, with prizes awarded to students who hit the shuttlecock up in the air the most. Congratulations to the following students:

Anthony in KMC, Roxy in 1DS, Kevin in 2WS, William in 3RF, Oliver in 4SC, Nicholas in 4JC and Matthew in 4JC tied in year 4, Josh in 5CM, Luke in 6JR.

Festival of Instrumental Music Combined Strings
Last term the LEPS string ensemble went to Croydon Public School to practice some pieces of music for the Opera House. We practiced in the hall and it was very crowded. There were more that fifteen schools involved, so that means there were hundreds of children! It was a lot of fun and the teachers were really nice too. The pieces of music we played were Gypsy Airs, Voyager One, Swans of Lir and Shanghai Hornpipe. All of it was very interesting and I hope I have another experience like that again. I can’t wait to perform at the Opera House in a few weeks!

Isabella H 4ME

K-2 Assembly – Monday 22 June
This year to mark the centenary of ANZAC Day and honour those who have died for our country, 2TN learnt a special poem called Flanders Fields by John McCrae. We dressed up as poppies as a sign of remembrance. Mrs. Slee also worked with us to help us write our own song to the tune of ‘Happy Little Vegemites’ that celebrates what we love about being Australian and being proud LEPS Lyrebirds!
Kindergarten visit the Art Gallery
On Friday 19 June Kindergarten visited the Art gallery of NSW to explore portraits, landscapes, still life and statues. The journey to and from the city by bus was just as exciting as the art work that was explored. We were in awe of the size, diversity and age of many of the exhibits. Kindergarten also showed their skills of walking on and off escalators!

Thank you to all our wonderful teachers and parents that accompanied us on the day and a big thank you to Kindergarten as they behaved impeccably as usual.

Year 1 ‘Workers in the Community’ Dress Up Day
Year 1 enjoyed a ‘Workers in the Community’ dress up day on the last day of Term 2. Many community workers were represented in an array of uniforms and outfits. The children had fun talking about their choice of dress up and discussing why they would like to be a particular worker when they grow up.

Year 1 teachers would also like to take this opportunity to thank the many guest speakers (parents and relatives) who gave very informative talks to the students about the jobs they do in our community. The children learnt about jobs performed by volunteer workers, doctors, nurses, physiotherapists, driving instructors, police, navy, electrical engineers, architects, retail workers, chefs, dentists, dress makers and bankers.

Mr Stevenson engaged the children in a talk about his role as Principal of Lindfield East Public School as our final guest speaker.

The teachers were impressed with the excellent questions Year 1 students asked our community workers about their roles and responsibilities.

Premier’s Spelling Bee
Spelling Bee fever is starting to build at LEPS, aided by advertisements on TV for a Spelling Bee show! Practice sessions are now underway for all the students who have been nominated to try out for the 2015 Premier’s Spelling Bee. Elimination rounds will be held on August 4th to find out who will represent LEPS at the Regional Finals to be held later this term. Now close your eyes and spell *escutch-eon*...or how about *sphagnum*?
LEPS Public Speaking Competition
Last term, all students brought home a note regarding the LEPS Public Speaking Competition, which will be held on Thursday 3rd September. By now we hope all children are well on their way to writing and practising their speeches. These days, a very natural style of public speaking is favoured; we encourage children to speak with natural intonation and fluency, without rehearsed or exaggerated gestures. When helping your child practise impromptu speeches, the audience is always interested in the thoughts and opinions of the speaker, rather than just information. Humour and a good personal story also go a long way towards a great impromptu speech!

Student wellbeing initiatives at LEPS
At LEPS, we want every student to feel confident and happy. Research tells us that primary school aged children learn in an emotional sphere; if they are anxious or worried, they will not learn effectively. Our yoga program is very popular with students and teachers alike. This term, our wonderful yoga teacher, Stacy, will help students in Year 3 discover the benefits of a healthy body and a calm, positive outlook. We are also fortunate to have Mr Peter Traynor, our specialist Learning and Support Teacher, who spends time in each class 3 – 6 throughout the year. Mr Traynor will be in each Year 4 class each week this term, using the Bounce Back program to help children develop skills and strategies to build resilience and maintain positive social relationships.

Year 6 Camp – Canberra and the Snowy Mountains
It’s cold outside, so it must be time once again for students in Year 6 to head to the nation’s capital to consolidate their learning about Australian government and the concept of democracy. Their educational program includes tours of Parliament House, the Museum of Australian Democracy, the Australian War Memorial and the National Capital Exhibition. And there’s time for some fun as well on the ski slopes! The children will be well looked after by the Year 6 teachers and Ms Watkins. We thank these teachers for volunteering to give up personal and family time to enable students to have this memorable experience. Without the dedication and generosity of staff, camps like these could not go ahead.
Lindfield East Public School is looking for a small group of enthusiastic Year 5 students that would like to be a part of the new robotics club. LEGO WeDo and NXT ignite student engagement and energise learning through real-life problem solving. Students will design and build programmable robots using motors, sensors, gears and more.

The robotics club will take place every Friday morning in the computer room. If you are interested in gaining practical, hands-on experience using mathematical concepts please fill your name out on the sheet in front of 6CL or see Miss Vernon. HURRY, places are limited.
EDUCATION WEEK 2015
OPEN DAY

Lindfield East Public School invites you to join your children to celebrate Education Week on:

**Wednesday 29 July**

**9:15 – 9:45am**
Meet the Green Team in the Eco garden for a guided tour

**9:45 – 10:15am**
Join us in the hall for performances from the Dance Troupes, Performance band, Senior Choir, String Ensemble and the Stage band.

**10:15 – 11:00am**
Participation in Open Classrooms

**11:00 – 12:00noon**
Join your children in the playground for morning tea
SRC Cafe in the BBQ area adjacent to COLA serving tea, coffee & morning tea

Visit our specialty programs and initiatives including:
Science room
Technology Display - Computer room
Eco garden
PE display – Tennis Court
BYOD – iPad demonstration - 5/6CL classroom
Video Conference demonstration – Connected classroom

*Please visit the Library which will be open from 10:15am to 12:00noon.*
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 with 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 that engage the energy and curiosity of students.

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Diversity of Opportunities
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Innovative Thinking—Global Connections

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or
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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 e.g. Smartboard, word processing, movie making
- 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 to the front office

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School Tour Dates 2015

- Thursday 30 July
- Thursday 27 August
- Thursday 22 October
- Thursday 19 November (Years 1-6 new students only)

All tours commence at 9:30am outside the Library & take approximately 45 minutes

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Bendigo Bank will be collecting students banking every Wednesday morning.

Any new students wishing to commence school banking please go to the Bendigo Bank in Lindfield with identification (eg Birth Certificate/Passport) and open an account.
Following are the venues for PSSA Sport in Term 3

**Division 1 Soccer**
- **Friday 17 July**
  - LEPS vs Beaumont Rd @ Queen Elizabeth
- **Friday 24 July**
  - LEPS vs St Ives @ Tryon Oval
- **Friday 31 July**
  - LEPS vs Chatswood @ Tryon Oval
- **Friday 7 August**
  - LEPS vs Gordon West @ Tryon Oval
- **Friday 14 August**
  - LEPS vs Roseville @ Roseville Chase
- **Friday 21 August**
  - LEPS vs Pymble @ Bannockburn Road
- **Friday 28 August**
  - LEPS vs Gordon East @ Comenarra Reserve

**Division 2 Soccer**
- **Friday 17 July**
  - LEPS vs Lindfield @ Wellington Oval
- **Friday 24 July**
  - LEPS vs St Ives @ Wellington Oval
- **Friday 31 July**
  - LEPS vs Gordon West @ Norman Griffiths
- **Friday 7 August**
  - LEPS has a bye
- **Friday 14 August**
  - LEPS vs St Ives North @ Wellington Oval
- **Friday 21 August**
  - LEPS vs Masada @ Masada College
- **Friday 28 August**
  - LEPS vs St Ives Park @ Wellington oval

**Friday 4 September - Semi Finals**
**Friday 11 September - Finals**

All netball games will be played at Canoon Road, Turramurra.

All AFL games will be played at St Ives Showground.

All Girls soccer games will be played at St Ives Village Green.

**Games will commence at approximately 9:45am**

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**PSSA SPORT REPORT**

**Following are the results from games played on Friday 26 June 2015**

**Netball**
- Senior red played St Ives North and won 25 - 3. Player of the match was David H.
- Senior gold played Gordon West and won 33-16. Player of the match was the whole team.
- Senior blue played Chatswood and won 6-5. Player of the match was Charlotte W.
- Junior gold played Killara and won 5-2. Player of the match was Eva V.
- Junior Maroon played Pymble and won 4-2. Player of the match as Megan A.
- Junior red played Lindfield and lost 5-6. Player of the match was Antonia M.
Kindergarten went to the Art Gallery for an excursion. On the bus I sat next to Robert. I looked at lots of paintings and sculptures. My favourite painting was of Sydney Harbour. It was blue and green and we had to find things on it, like a whale and a jelly fish.

Alexander T KMC