

Calendar

1-3 Apr	Stage 3 camp	
4 Apr	Great big Vegie Crunch	
5 Apr	LSPS Cross country	
8 Apr	Half day SSSMF rehearsal Senior Choir	
10 Apr	Easter experience	
12 Apr	Last day of term 1 ANZAC Day Ceremony	
30 Apr	Students return for term 2	
13 May	Zone Cross Country	
15 May	2020 Kindergarten school tour	
27-31 May Book Fair		
4 Jun	Year 4 touch football gala day P & C Meeting	

11-12 Jun Stage 2 Camp

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24 Jun Athletics Carnival
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DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS

I had a lovely day at the Stage 3 camp at the Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation in Narrabeen yesterday. I am extremely proud of the behaviour and level of participation of students that I witnessed. By all accounts students and staff have thoroughly have enjoyed the activities and responded to the challenging tasks with team work. A huge thank you to Ms Wyburn, Mrs Fowler, Miss O'Rourke, Mrs Liddell, Mr Davies and Mr Soames who have given up two nights with their families to enable our students to have this wonderful experience. A happy birthday to Ms Wyburn for yesterday too! A big thank you also to our Wellbeing Officer, Mrs Romberg, who travelled to Narrabeen to spend a day with the students on Monday. We look forward to students and staff returning (exhausted!) this afternoon.

Some exciting happenings as part of our new STEM program! Mrs Bates has started with 3D printing! Thanks to the 2018 Year 6 students and their donation of the 3D printer. Watch this space as our STEM program expands in Term 2.





We had an enjoyable and productive P&C meeting last night. Apart from the usual reports, issues discussed were the current maintenance and building works at the school, the upcoming community grant works for the soccer pitch, the STEM studio and also some ideas for future grants and projects. Thank you to all parents and carers who attended.

I am very much looking forward to the Easter Experience at school next week. 3-6 students, don't forget to bring your eggshibition items to school on Monday 8 April! I would like to thank the families that gave up their time over the weekend to sell Easter Raffle tickets at Caringbah Woolworths. It was a huge success, with 811 tickets sold. Congratulations to students who won the Golden Ticket prize for the upcoming Easter Raffle. This wouldn't have been possible without the generous donation of a Google Home & Google Mini by Ivan Lampret of Gibson Partners Real Estate who has also sponsored our entire Easter fundraiser! Thank you!



Have a great week!

Rosie Di Mattia

APPLICATION PROCESS FOR YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS PLACEMENT IN 2020

Opportunity classes cater for academically gifted and talented students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the combined results of the Opportunity Class Placement Test and school assessments. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 31 July 2019. If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2020, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address). There are no paper application forms.

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from

Tuesday 30 April 2019 at <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-</u> schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-5

The application website opens on Tuesday 30 April 2019 and closes on Friday 17 May 2019. You must apply by the due date.







EASTER EXPERIENCE

The Easter Experience for K-2 will be held on Wednesday April 10 at 1:30 in the 3-6 COLA. Family and friends are welcome to attend this event. The students are looking forward to parading their hats and singing Easter songs

Maureen Sheppard

LIFE EDUCATION

In weeks 8 and 9 the Life Education van and Harold came to visit Laguna Street to teach us all about making safe and healthy choices.

Students were involved in a range of hands on activities to support their learning about building friendships, problem solving, cyber safety and respectful relationships. Students enjoyed learning the skills and strategies required to make safe decisions about their health and well-being.

Thank you for visiting us Harold!

Nicole Farrugia GREAT BIG VEGIE CRUNCH

Laguna Street will be taking part in the Great Big Vegie Crunch on Thursday 4 April at 10:00 with other students from around NSW. The students are asked to bring a small of amount of vegetables to crunch on the day as we will be trying to break the record for the highest number of students eating vegetables simultaneously – and to get children excited about vegetables.

PAUL KELLY CUP 2019

What a day ! All Laguna Street teams were undefeated throughout the whole day. We beat Newington College , St Patrick's PS , Loftus PS and Penshurst West PS and Hurstville PS . Both teams were nervous going into the grand final as only the winner would progress to the Greater Sydney Final in term 2 . We were amazing in the grand final, the boys beat Inaburra 25-7 and the girls blasted their opponents St Patrick PS 33-0 ! Congratulations to all our students all of whom showed fabulous tenacity and sportsmanship throughout the day. Several students were also selected by the AFL scouts to participate in future AFL programs. A big thankyou to all our wonderful supporters who made the day special for our students .

Mrs Carroll (Coach)



SYDNEY EAST SELECTION

Congratulations to Zane T for his recent selection in the Sydney East AFL team. Zane was selected after a grueling selection process concluding last Thursday. We wish him the best of luck at the State Carnival later in term 2.

Mrs Carroll

WRAP WITH LOVE

Now that the weather is slightly cooler it's time to break out the knitting needles. Each year parents, teachers, grandparents and community members knit squares for this project. The knitted squares are sewn together to make wraps and they are sent to people in need in Australia and all over the world. In 2017 our wraps were sent Chang Mai in Northern Thailand and were distributed as part as an immunisation program through World Vision. Knitted squares or balls of wool can be given to to the Canteen at any time.



Instructions For Making Squares

Squares for Wraps are to measure 25cm x 25cm (10 inches x 10 inches).

Knitted Squares

To knit a 25cm x 25cm square use No.8 (4mm) needles with 8 ply yarn, cast on 50-55 stitches, and knit each row plain (ie garter stitch).

Note

Test your tension to measure 10 inches.

Do Not Knit Stocking stitch

Do not knit one row plain, one row purl (ie stocking stitch) as your square will curl up.

No Knots

Start each ball of yarn at the beginning of a row and sew in ends. Do not cut ends off short as your square will unravel. When starting or finishing a square, sew in all ends.

Crochet squares

Crochet squares to measure 25cm x 25 cm as for knitted squares - any pattern will do. Some people crochet the whole Wrap in one piece.

Mrs Sheppard

LSPS CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

The school Cross Country carnival is a fun annual event that involves all students in year 2 to year 6. Students turning 8,9,10,11 and 12 will be required to complete a course set out around the school locality. The first 6 students home will qualify for zone representation. Students in year 2 turning 7 and students in year 2 not wishing to qualify for zone, will run a shortened course around the school. Parent helpers are needed to make the school cross country possible. Please return your availability to help at the cross country to Mrs Liddle.

House captains play a major role in making the day fun and enjoyable by house cheering, performing house dance routines and encouraging students to do their best for the house. In order to prepare the students for the event, the students will be running within the school grounds for 15 minutes on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings. Wearing runners or joggers and bringing asthma puffers on these days will be helpful. We will begin Thursday 21 March.

Please make sure your child understands which race they will be participating in on Friday 5 April.

Age turning this year	Distance to be run
Students turning 7 years and	Around the school 500m
8 years not wanting to qualify	
for zone (year 2 only)	
8 and 9 (combined)	2km
10	2km
11	3km
12	3km

The first race is due to begin after 10am.

Mrs Carroll, Mrs Harlow and Mrs Liddle. Cross Country organisers

COMMUNICATIONS CORNER

Stewart House clothing donations have been collected, please do not bring any more donations to the school.

A friendly reminder that Term 1 fees are due by Friday 12 April, a statement will be emailed this Friday 5th April, please contact the office if this is not received.

Jo Flitcroft

THANK YOU

A big thank you to Valmae Strong for covering the K-2 decodable readers! We can't wait to use them in the classroom.

K-2 Teachers

KM IN FOCUS

This term Kindergarten have been doing a Science and Technology unit called 'Let's go digital'. They are having lots of fun identifying digital systems and exploring how instructions are used to control digital devices. KM were really good at controlling a teacher robot and they learnt how important it was to give specific instructions. They also enjoyed a partner activity where they had to give instructions in a particular order to construct a Lego robot. These activities are helping students develop an understanding of computational thinking and the importance of having clear sequenced steps. It is also the idea that a big problem is just a series of little problems stuck together. Little problems can be solved one at a time to reach a solution for a big problem. This is how digital systems work. A digital device is given instructions in a particular order and it follows them to achieve a goal.











lest we forget

ANZAC DAY SERVICE 2019

Laguna Street Public School will be holding their ANZAC DAY commemorative service on

Friday 12 April 2019 at 10:00am

Under the 3 – 6 COLA

The staff and students of Laguna Street Public School would like to extend an invitation to all members of the school community.

We also welcome any veterans or members of the defence force to attend our service.

KINDERGARTEN 2020

SCHOOL TOUR hosted by the principal Tuesday 15 May 2019 10am

OPEN NIGHT Wednesday 31 July 2019 7pm - 8pm

KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION Wed 16 Oct 10am - 11am Tues 22 Oct 1pm - 3pm Thurs 7 Nov 11am - 1pm Laguna Street Public School is welcoming Kindergarten 2020 enrolments now.

Please contact 9524 3752 for Jetails. Interviews will commence late



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FREE FOOTBALL TICKETS

Hyundai A-League 2018/19 Western Sydney Wanderers v Sydney FC Saturday 13 April 2019 7.50pm ANZ Stadium

Thanks to the Western Sydney Wanderers, the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge and ANZ Stadium, students and staff at your school have the opportunity to witness these two Sydney giants go head to head!

As your school is participating in this year's NSW Premier's School Sport Challenge, up to **four (4) FREE tickets** are available for *each* student and staff member to redeem for the match.

Tickets are limited so be sure to secure them quickly for what will be a great evening of rugby league. To take up this fantastic offer, students and their parents should follow the below easy steps:

- 1. Simply go to the website: <u>http://www.anzstadium.com.au/premiers-sporting-challenge/</u>
- 2. Register details.
- **3.** Print out the voucher and bring it with them on the day to enter ANZ Stadium via the gate listed on their vouchers to sit in general admission seating.

For additional information, please visit the ANZ Stadium website by clicking here.

Please note:

- Students must have parental permission to participate in this offer.
- Each student is entitled to up to four (4) free tickets (limited to one registration per student).
- Match ticket voucher must be printed and presented at Stadium entry gates for entry to this match.
- There is a limit of 8,000 vouchers/tickets (redemption available to 2,000 individuals).
- Entry may be refused if match ticket vouchers are damaged or defaced in any way or redeemed in an unauthorised manner.
- If a match ticket voucher is resold or redeemed in an unauthorised manner it may be cancelled and the bearer of the ticket refused entry.
- Accessible seating is available within the allocated general admission seating area.