

Les Powell School NEWSLETTER

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Dates to Remember

Wednesday 17th December Last day of term for students

Wednesday 28th December First day of term 1 2015

Student Awards

Principal's Report

To Les Powell School Community

As we come to an end of another school year, I am very pleased to inform you, that 2014 has been an extremely productive and rewarding year at Les Powell School. Reflecting on the past year, there have been many special moments, sad times, enormous achievements, and many cheerful celebrations. By now students would have brought home their yearly School Reports (some will come next week), giving you important information on your child's progress and achievements. I would like to congratulate all students on their achievements and progress. We are all so proud of them.

At our celebration assembly last Friday, we not only acknowledged and celebrated students' yearly progress, but had the opportunity to watch them on stage, showcasing their talent in various performing activities, which the school community thoroughly enjoyed. It was quite fitting that the assembly was held in the week of the International Day for People with Disability, where as a community we acknowledged and celebrated this important event. Thank you to those of you who attended and joined us for refreshments and completed the School Planning Survey. I have sent the same survey home for those who were not at school to complete and return by next Monday 15 December. I thank you in advance and look forward to receiving your feedback.

This year we have nine (9) students graduating and moving on to the next stage of their lives. I would like to congratulate our 9 graduates and wish them all well for the future. It was also with a great deal of sadness that two of our most loved students passed away, the late Rhys Hubble and Athra Alasadi.

As for next year, nine (9) new students and their families have been offered the opportunity to join us at Les Powell School and I would like to warmly welcome them to our community.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Les Powell School staff for their dedication, professionalism and hard work. But more importantly I want to congratulate our students on their outstanding achievements this year. To you as parents, carers, bus drivers, escorts, volunteers and community members, a big thank you for your cooperation, care and support throughout the year.

Christmas and holidays are times to spend with those you love and care about, so please in the hectic pace of Christmas find some time to share with your family and friends and celebrate their achievements.

> Best wishes for a safe and happy Christmas and A prosperous new year

Please note that this is the last Newsletter for the year, however the last day of School is................................. WEDNESDAY 17 December 2014.

Students will return to School on...... Wednesday 28 /1 /2015

Mr Sargon Makko - Principal

News From The Classroom

Class 11C Dear Parents and Carers

It is really exciting that we have almost reached the conclusion of this term which has been a busy one with a variety of events taking place. Some of the highlights for our students this term has been the Grade Assemblies, Christmas Party and an Excursion to Lollypops. All our students had a lovely day at the Special Children's Christmas Party despite the heat. Students also enjoyed and had a fantastic time during their outing to Lollypops. They had fun using the variety of equipment available at the playland and enjoyed having their lunch. Thank you for all the support this year. Hope you all have a wonderful Christmas, a Happy New Year and a Restful Holiday!



From Chandra Singh and Mohini Dass

News From The Classroom

Dear Parents and Carers,

12J participated in The Annual Sydney Special Children's Christmas Party at Rosehill Gardens. We had an awesome time! We jumped on a jumping castle, explored police cars, army trucks and V8 Supercars!! We saw lots of animals including police dogs, police horses, an echidna, snake and baby possum!! We got lots of free food like doughnuts, meat pies, sausage rolls and ice creams!! We also received some amazing presents from the sponsors of the party! A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped us and supported us on this day—especially John, Jessy and all the sponsors, volunteers and parents! We really appreciated you volunteering your time to help us enjoy this special day!

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Best wishes Jennifer and Shabana





Merry Christmas and safe holidays from the office





Les Powell School Community Watch Newsletter

HO HO, Merry Christmas Everyone,

Well here we are at the end of yet another year, and a rather busy one at that. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those parents who have been most active in support of our great school, in particular Chahide Hejazi, Lee Luc, Stella Monteleone, Anna Guterres and our two bus drivers Krys and John Rowland. They have gone out of their way to assist me with Kitchen Kapers and the new Hanging Garden Project for the top playground area.

I'd also like to thank some of our local community sponsors, who have helped throughout the year with supply of items for various projects. Thank you to Bonnyrigg Garden Centre, Bunnings Warehouse Bonnyrigg, Natalie Valuente, Mosaic Artist, St. John's Park Bowling Club, Mounties and Club Liverpool

(John Edmondson Memorial VC Club).

I wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday.

I will see everyone back on deck next year to celebrate Les Powell School's 30th Anniversary.



HANGING GARDEN PROJECT

Due to the bad weather/storms lately, we have not been able to complete our hanging garden project. However, we will take up the task again when we return in 2015. We still require donations of old gumboots etc to use as planters, so hunt around over the holidays for any eclectic object that could possibly be used as a hanging plant pot. Here are some photos of the painted panels to add to our hanging garden project.







LES POWELL WALK OF FAME

MELISSA DURY
STUDENT
1997-2003
BARRY WADE
STUDENT
1943 - 1948

Thank you to the parents that have already submitted their paver orders. Please remember that orders for signature pavers close this week. This is a ONE TIME ONLY OFFER. If you want to be part of Les Powell's history and you haven't already done so, please complete your order form and send it in to school with your \$25.00 payment. The pavers will be placed in the new sensory garden area currently being designed. Please also remember that Les Powell School turns 30 next year, so it's a great anniversary idea.

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UNIFORM SHOP

Uniform Orders: A reminder that orders of winter stock have been placed on back-order as the suppliers are extremely busy making summer uniforms for orientation at various other schools. The factory closes down over Xmas/New Year and will re-open on 12th January, so all uniforms should be ready by first day back at school.



FORMATION FRIENDSHIP

I am very pleased to announce that I have just received notice from Liverpool City Council that they have approved my grant application to run Formation Friendship Parents' Day Out again in 2015. Woo Hoo!!!!!! In preparation, I have already planned some exciting day trips, Many thanks to the Governance Committee at Liverpool City Council for granting the money to give all our hard working parents a day off every now and then.



CEILING TRACKING HOIST

Today we held the official opening of the Ceiling Tracking Hoist in the Hydrotherapy Pool area. Chris Hayes MP Federal Member for Fowler and Mr. Vic Wells of Club Liverpool officially opened the new hoist system and were given a demonstration of the hoist in action. Thank you to Sharon Rutherford for giving such an excellent demonstration of just how valuable this hoist system will be. Both Mr. Hayes and Mr. Wells were very impressed with how this new system will help not only staff but give children the ability to access the pool when they otherwise may not have been able to. A very big thank you to Club Liverpool for donating the funds that made this possible.











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Wheels-Towards Independence Inc

Christmas Raffle Winners

- 1. Joe
- 2. Jyoutsna
- 3. Ceciia
- 4. Maria
- 5. Lisa
- 6. Annie
- 7. Oscar
- 8. Brendon Chandaeng
- 9. Sandy
- 10. Tracey Lam
- 11. Fiona/Julie
- 12. Josephine
- 13. Audrey

- 14. Amal
- 15. Erin
- 16. Adam
- 17. Laura
- 18. W Clother / Brooke
- 19. Andie
- 20. My An
- 21. Helen O'Hearn
- 22. Alec Hilton
- 23. Juliaza
- 24. Martin
- 25. Christian

Merry Christmas from Wheels

