DATES TO REMEMBER
Wednesday 3 April  Morning Tea with Principal – School Award Recipients
Thursday 4 April   Whole School Photographs
Friday 5 April     Lap-a-thon
Tuesday 9 April    Zone Cross Country – Stevenson Park
Wednesday 10 April Anzac Service 10am – Whole School
Thursday 11 April  Regional Anzac Service 10am Civic Theatre - Stage 3 Students
Friday 12 April    Last day of Term 1
Wednesday 1 May    First day of Term 2 K-6

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
This week is a very short Newsflash as we have only had 2 days of school between newsletters.

I do hope everyone enjoyed the Easter break. Our Easter Hat parade certainly got the children into a celebratory mood. Thank you to parents and friends who attended.

EASTER THANK YOU
Thank you to the P&C for organising a simple Easter raffle for each class and a particular thanks to Peta Boswell for wrapping an egg gift for every child in the school. Your time and patience was appreciated.

IN SYMPATHY
I do wish to extend the sincere sympathy of all the school to Hannah and Daniel Martin-Baillie, whose mother Erin passed away last week. Erin was a past student of the school and also a very supportive parent and friend of the school. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends.

CROSS COUNTRY
The school preparation for Cross Country is held in the form of a Lap-a-thon. This doubles as one of the schools major fund raisers of the year. I do hope you can support this event by sponsoring your child’s participation. We have removed the prizes associated with this event as a result of parent feedback. Children are expected to compete and they must attend the event. Notes must be returned by Thursday 4 April 2013.

SCHOOL DISCO
Notes will go home advertising the term Disco. Our discos this year will be held on the last day of terms 1,2 & 3. They will be held during school time but are not compulsory. They are a fun event where the children can dance and enjoy the games and music organised by the excellent presenters. The disco is held in two separate groups and children who do not attend will be supervised by teachers doing other activities (not normal school lessons). The discos are fundraisers for the school bands.

ANZAC DAY
As 25 April falls in the school holidays, the school will celebrate and acknowledge the Anzacs on Wednesday 10 April at 10am. Traditionally at our formal ceremony, children are asked to bring in flowers from home so we can build wreaths and posies to lay at the flags. Our formal ceremony with special guests will be held in the hall and all parents are welcome to attend. On Thursday 11 April, 50 of our Stage 3 students are invited to attend the Regional Anzac Service at the Civic Theatre.

PRINCIPAL’S MORNING TEA
I am looking forward to hosting the first cohort of School Award recipients at Principal’s Morning Tea tomorrow. This is a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge those children who consistently display Respect Responsibility and Excellence.
STATE REPRESENTATIVE
Bryn Leonard England is representing our school this week at the State swimming championships. Good luck Bryn!
Have a great week.

GAIL CORNFORD
PRINCIPAL

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
Our school photographs will take place on Thursday 4 April 2013. Envelopes for ordering photographs were sent home last week. Every student requires an envelope. If you are interested in a family portrait, please see the office for an envelope. Please remember that girls should be dressed in their summer dresses on that day and only blue and white hair ribbons.

LAP-A-THON
Our lap-a-thon is this Friday, 5th April at Alder Park. Parents are welcome to attend.

THERE ARE STILL A LOT OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE NOT RETURNED THEIR PINK PERMISSION NOTE. THIS IS A COMPELLSARY EVENT AND THERE WILL BE NO SUPERVISION AT SCHOOL.

Approximate race times are as follows:
10 am 5, 6 and 7 year olds
10.30am 8 and 9 year olds
11.00am 10 year olds
11.30am 11 year olds
12.00pm 12/13 year olds

This year, children who are 8 years or older can choose whether to run in the competitive or non-competitive race. Children who run in the competitive race are trying for selection into the school zone cross country team.

IF THE LAP-A-THON HAS TO BE CALLED OFF DUE TO WET WEATHER, WE WILL STILL BE RUNNING THE COMPETITIVE RACES AT SCHOOL. SO CHILDREN IN THESE RACES WILL NEED TO BRING A CHANGE OF CLOTHES INCLUDING SHOES. PLEASE NOTE THAT RACE TIMES WON'T BE AS ADVERTISED AS WE WILL BE WORKING AROUND THE RAIN.

If it is called off, we will be holding all other races the following week.

Thank you to the parents who have offered to assist me at the lap-a-thon. If you could find me at the park at your allocated timeslot then I will inform you of your job. I'm still short on helpers for the later timeslot where I need recorders and timers.

Medication - if your child has asthma/allergy medication which is held at school, this will be taken over to the park with their teacher. If they have asthma medication at home and require it before or during the race, they are required to bring it with them (clearly labelled). We will have two St Johns Ambulance Officers in attendance on the day.

I look forward to seeing everyone there supporting our kids.

PARENT HELPERS FOR THE LAP-A-THON
I will need parents to help at our annual Fun Run on Friday 5th April. If you are able to assist with recording, time keeping or general supervision, between the hours of 9.45am and 1.00pm, please complete the form below and return to the school office as soon as possible.

SANDRA HOLLAND
COORDINATING TEACHER

LAP-A-THON

I am able to assist with the Lap a thon on Friday 5th April.

Parent’s Name:  

Child’s name & Class:  

I am able to assist during the following times:

☐ 10.00am – 11.30am

☐ 11.30am – 1.00pm

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM IS BACK!!!
The Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back! This program enables our school to earn educational resources simply through the school community shopping at Woolworths.
From Monday 8th April until Sunday 9th June 2013, when you shop at Woolworths you will be given a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. There'll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every $10 spent. Collect these Woolworths Earn & Learn Points and send them into school with your child and our school will be able to redeem these for educational resources.
Last year we used our points to purchase tambourines, maracas, triangles, sleigh bells, rhythm sticks, floor drums, bongos, hand drums, percussion kits and a HUGE range of maths resources. We got dice kits for every classroom, counters, playing cards, dominoes, stop watches, interconnecting cubes, foam dice and some maths board games for rooms. We couldn’t have purchased these resources without your help.

This year we will be using the points we earn to purchase even more maths equipment for each classroom. So please start collecting. Ask your neighbours, friends and family if they can also collect their points and send them into school with your child. Thank you for supporting our school with this fantastic fundraiser.

BAND NEWS
Last week our senior band played their first performance at the whole school assembly. Mrs Caban and the band have been working very hard this term and sound fantastic for such a newly formed band. I was lucky enough to work with Junior band on Thursday morning and would also like to acknowledge the hard work of Mrs Adams and the band. With many new students playing instruments for the first time they sound great! This year our junior band has bass guitars which brings a whole new level of sound. This year we are planning lots of performance opportunities for the band so keep up the hard work!

LEESA OSWALD
BAND COORDINATOR

BOOK CLUB
We have an order in the school office from the last Book Club that has no name on it.
If you were expecting an order from the Lucky catalogue, but haven’t received it yet, please contact the ladies in the office.
Thank you.

MRS MOYLAN AND MRS DOLEY
BOOK CLUB COORDINATORS

KINDER NEWS
Just a reminder that green permission notes to walk to Alder Park need to be returned by tomorrow, Wednesday as in the afternoon the children are walking over to the park. Any child who has not returned their note will have to remain at school.

1O NEWS
Last week 1O had a great time making their Easter hats. We enjoyed parading them for parents and friends to see. We made Easter bunnies and enjoyed the exciting lead up to Easter. I hope everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing long weekend.

1W NEWS
We all had a great time parading our creations at the Easter hat parade last week. All the hats looked amazing and were very different in design and colour. We also completed several worksheets on the Easter theme. We talked about the bilby and learned some facts about it.

1. It is an Australian animal with a backward opening pouch.
2. It is about the size of a cat.
3. It eats insects, fruit and fungi.
4. It is an endangered animal.
2O NEWS
2O have been working hard on sentence structures, identifying the subject, verb and object of the sentence. The Easter Hat making was vibrant and produced wonderful hats for the parade. Well done 2O.

3M NEWS
I would like to proudly present the talented and creative students of 3M and their incredible Easter Hats!

5/6D NEWS
In 5/6D this week we have been doing a bit of this and that. The Easter hat parade last Thursday had lots of creative hats. Lots of people had fun. I hope everyone had a great Easter!
By Bailey (Class Captain)

VISUAL ARTS NEWS
STAGE 3 – ART CULTURES OF THE WORLD
This term students have been appreciating the art forms from different cultures. Students have created their own designs for ‘Henna’ hands. Henna (a plant based dye) was applied for luck as well as beauty and brides typically had the most complex patterns. Sculptural forms of Buddha were also appreciated through observation of many different forms via the smart board (internet). Drawing the face of Buddha through portrait drawing created many detailed interpretations. Architecture was also studied with the structure of a mosque and the decoration that adorns this place of worship. The following examples display the talent of Georgia, Paige and Lily's Buddha portraits.
MRS DRINKWATER
VISUAL ARTS TEACHER
LIBRARY NEWS
EBONY MEEK BOOK DONATION
As advised last year, families are able to make a donation to purchase books (or part of a book) to be dedicated to Ebony. I will be purchasing quality books from the Premiers Reading Challenge. Families may donate any amount that they wish and may indicate which level of book they would like to contribute towards (ie K-2, 3-4, 5-6). Please return the following note if you would like to make a donation.
Many thanks.
VICKI TWEEDALE
TEACHER/LIBRARIAN

EBONY MEEK BOOK DONATION
Family Name: ____________________________________________________________
Amount enclosed: ____________________________________
Please circle book level preference:   K-2    /    3-4    /    5-6    /   Any level
Please return to school in an envelope with donation. Receipts will be issued.

P&C NEWS
Didn’t all of the kids look fantastic at The Easter Hat Parade last week? So much time and effort clearly went into these fabulous hats – all of the children should be very proud!

Thank you to everyone who supported our P&C Easter raffle. The children who won the class bunny in the raffle seemed pretty excited by their win and hopefully the remaining members of the class enjoyed their egg treats as well. Thank you to Peta Bosworth for coordinating this event.

The details for the Kinder Parents Dinner have been finalised, so lock in next Tuesday 9th April at 7pm at The Blackbutt Hotel. Come along and meet other Kindy parents and celebrate our gorgeous Kindy kids (& us!) surviving Term 1. Special thanks to Lee Upton for coordinating this event.

Don’t forget, if you would like to keep up-to-date with P&C news and upcoming events or if you would like to suggest some great fundraising ideas, we have created a New Lambton South Public School P&C Facebook page. Look us up and “like” us today!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

KINDER PARENT’S DINNER
Tuesday 9th April
The Blackbutt Hotel
7.00pm

NEXT P&C MEETING
Wednesday 15th May
Connected Classroom, BLOCK A
7.00pm

NATASHA ANDREI
P&C PRESIDENT
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Please note: * denotes a vacancy – please drop by the canteen if you are able to assist. Canteen phone no. 0417 571168

**Canteen News**
Fruit available for Crunch and Sip this week include apple slinkys 60c, small fruit salad cups 60c, orange quarters 20c, grape cups 60c and strawberry cups 60c.

**InZane Football Holiday Camps**
15-19 April @ Howzat Newcastle Indoor (9am – 3pm)
21-26 April @ Howzat Newcastle Indoor (9am – 3pm)
InZane Football is conducting soccer clinics this school holidays. The clinics are for boys and girls between the ages of 5 to 14 years. All of our holiday programmes will run for five days between 9am – 3pm.
Programmes are designed to improve specific skills, coordination and confidence in young footballers. If you are interested in attending one of our clinics or after school programmes please contact – enquiries@inzanefootball.com or call 0402 352132

**New Lambton Football Club**
Has vacancies in U12 Saturday teams. 2 spots in U12/2 'D' division and 3 spots in U12/3 'G' division teams.
We would welcome players of any ability to be part of these teams.
Please contact Mandy Mills (NLFC Competition Registrar) 0402 781 388