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Wakakirri finalists

Congratulations

BEST HEALTH STORY AWARD

BEST PROJECTION ARTWORK

BEST COMBINATION OF DANCE AND DRAMA

BEST PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARD

Principal's Message – Ms Holland

Hello to students, staff, parents and community! Term 3 is flying fast as we move towards the final celebrations for our outgoing Year 12 cohort.

This term staff and students welcomed Ms Ajla Bajic as a new, permanent member of the English/History faculty. In addition, the school also welcomed Mr Alex Chahade (replacing Ms Wirtz who continues her regional Road Safety Officer position till the end of the year) and Ms Tolhurst (replacing Ms Eid who went on maternity leave). We also welcomed Ms Tara Roberts as our new North North tutor, supporting Aboriginal students in literacy and numeracy.

Our congratulations go to Mr and Mrs Eid on the birth of their beautiful daughter, Maryam.

Several students and groups have achieved excellence this term also:

Mikaela Ford (year 12) – nominated and selected for the 2014 Aboriginal Vocal Identification Program Showcase at Casula Powerhouse!

Omar Chahoud (year 11) – for being selected all-round winner at the Annual VET Awards at Revesby Workers Club for Retail Services.

The **Under 15s Rugby League team**: for getting to the semi-finals at Campbelltown. This was an outstanding effort by the boys and was an excellent example of teamwork, diligence and self-belief. Apart from the outstanding efforts of the players themselves, special thanks also go to Ms Nilofar Mishra for her leadership and management of the team. This is the best effort by a Rugby League team for a number of years at LHS – so it is onwards and upwards next year!

The **Wakakirri Dance team** – our team, under the guidance of dance teachers Kylie Lowe, Lauren Bellman and Amy Stoakes, made it to the finals on the 16 September! The girls will perform their dance sequence at NIDA (at NSW University) in front of a large audience that will include friends, family and staff. They have already been acknowledged by Wakakirri organisers for their excellent routine and Alanna McKew was singled out for her pivotal role as the lead dancer. We wish the team well on this exciting night!

Other term 3 highlights include:

- **Year 10-11 Subject Selection Expo** (Wednesday 30 July): the annual selection of subjects by year 10 students going into year 11 was very smooth, thanks in particular to the efforts of Jim Samphier and staff to ensure students were fully informed about different subjects. Emphasis was placed on the importance of students making appropriate choices based on interest and future career plans.
- **Education Week Open Morning** (Friday 1 August): the school put on a wonderful display in A block of excellent student work covering all Key Learning Areas. SRC leaders guided a small but keen group of parents on a tour of the school including classrooms. Parents commented very positively on the diversity of student works and the efforts of the school in raising educational outcomes for every student.
- **Community Engagement Forum** (Tuesday 5 August): in an effort to investigate the strength of parent and community engagement in the school, I conducted a forum of representatives of the key stakeholder groups in the school - parents, students and staff. Guests included Director NSW Public Schools for the Glenfield Network, Ms Maria Serafim. The forum was a fantastic opportunity for the voices and ideas of the different groups to be heard. The feedback from the forum proved very positive about the value of such forums and ideas put forward about how we

can strengthen parent and community participation in the school are on our “To Do” list of future plans!

- **Multicultural Playwrights Showcase** (Wednesday 6 August): the school hosted this outstanding program on behalf of the DEC Arts Unit. The program provided refugee students from several Intensive English Centres an opportunity to learn about themselves and each other through role-plays and improvisations. The final ensemble performance was an outstanding mix of song, dance and powerful story-telling. Bravo to Ms Kate Clarkson for leading and managing this activity for our IEC students.
- **National Science Week** (week 6): congratulations to Sarah Crawford and her wonderful team of zany science teachers for their efforts in showcasing the amazing world of Science. Throughout the week, students participated in quizzes and experiments, culminating in year 7 swapping with their teachers to teach parent visitors some interesting and surprising things through science!
- **Trial HSC exams** (weeks 5 and 6): Year 12 completed the annual Trial examination process by conducting themselves well throughout this challenging time. The school extends best wishes for continued diligence in the lead up to the final exams in mid-October. Thanks also to Mr Tim Kearns for his excellent leadership and management of the students as their Year Adviser.
- **MADD (Music, Art, Dance/Drama) Night** (Tuesday 2 September): at the time of writing this, I am waiting eagerly for the school’s first MAD Night! It is aimed as a formal celebration of Year 12 HSC major works in Visual Arts and Industrial Technology – Timber and Multimedia as well performances by HSC Music students, the Wakakirri girls, and other talented groups from within the school. Our plan is to begin an annual showcase event that becomes a traditional hallmark of the amazing talents of the students at Lurnea High School.
- **Year 11 Preliminary Course exams** (weeks 9 and 10): I wish to extend my best wishes to year 11 students as they move towards their end of Preliminary Course exams. Satisfactory completion of 12 units or more, all assessments and exams, as well as completion of work placement hours (for VET students) and the mandatory *Crossroads* program along with evidence of good attendance at Sport and Recreation throughout the year, will see students officially begin their HSC coursework in term 4.



Lurnea High School’s 50th Anniversary Celebrations in 2015

2015 is an exciting year for Lurnea High School as we will celebrate 50 years of public education service to young people and their families from the local community!

Check out details on our special 50th Facebook site. We will mark this historic milestone in the school’s history over three days from **Friday 31 July to Sunday 2 August, 2015**.

The three-day celebrations will begin on Friday July 31 with a formal assembly at school and burial of a time capsule. This will be followed by a Commemorative Dinner at Liverpool Catholic Club (for up to 500 guests) on Saturday 1 August. Festivities will conclude on Sunday 2 August with a family friendly Open Day.

Students, staff and families can order a commemorative brick paver with individual or family names for the specially designed Commemorative Pathway. In addition, a Commemorative Magazine will also be available to order. Other memorabilia including ties, mugs and key rings will be available to purchase on the Open Day.

Orders and bookings can be made online through the 50th Facebook site by the end of this term.

Farewell Class of 2014

The end of this term marks the culmination of the schooling journey for Year 12. It is an exciting and important time for these students as they prepare for the HSC exams, and for their futures beyond.

In Week 10 the students have their Picnic Day to celebrate their achievements throughout their schooling life. It is a chance to relax and have some fun, between the stresses of the HSC year and the exams next term.

The Graduation ceremony is an opportunity to commemorate the efforts that have gone into the past years of schooling, and to recognise the achievements of these students. It is also a chance to officially farewell the year group as they complete their time at Lurnea High School. It is an opportunity that we warmly welcome the families of our students to attend, to help us recognise their achievements.

The school term finishes with the Year 12 Formal, allowing the students to celebrate their completion of high school, and all that they have achieved over their time at Lurnea High School.

I would like to congratulate every Year 12 student for their achievements in completing this year, and wish them the best of luck for the HSC and the future.



WAKAKIRRI 2014

Breaking News

On August 7th 2014, Lurnea High School dance students travelled to NIDA (National Institute of Dramatic Arts) to compete in the Wakakirri Dance Challenge.

Our piece was centred around the concept of Violence Against Women and was titled 'Broken, Battered and Bruised'. The students explored the physical, mental and emotional aspects of violence and the effects it has on an individual. The girls found empowerment by standing up for themselves and saying 'NO'.

The girl's performance was flawless and they all performed to their personal best. The judges (which included Mark Wilson – from Dancing with the Stars) congratulated our girls for their expression and symbolism of love, fighting, and strength. The performance was selected as one of the Top 7 in the state and performed in the State Finals on Tuesday 16th September 2014. The girls did extremely well winning in 4 categories.

2014 Best Health Story Award

2014 Best Projection Artwork

2014 Best Combination of Dance and Drama

2014 Best Public Speaking Award

Congratulations to you all!!!!

Mrs Bellman, Mrs Lowe, Ms Stoakes and Ms Papalia

The performers are:

Adrine Piroumian
Alaa Al-Masri
Alanna McKew
Allyssa-Jayne Robinson
Amila Dilberovic
Amira Hannouf
Ashley Mobbs
Barbara Diakou
Britney Winerbottom
Dayna Rameka
Dounya El-Esh
Emma Osborne
Ezgi Bilgin
Hazel Cavdar
Hope El Merhebi
Jashna Kumar
Jessica Hall
Kaylea Paea
Lancai Wellington
Lauren Jennings
Libni Campos

Lisa Ho
Marwa Jabakanji
Mayfair Mensah
Maysa Akkouche
Megan Booth
Michelle Humphreys
Mya Chaker
Natasha Enrique
Nessrin Asmar
Nicole Frank
Nikolla Georgakopoulos
Olivia Aquilina
Olivia Leighton
Rachael McKew
Rachel Osborne
Rayann Jamaledine
Sarah Hachem
Sarah Jennings
Skye Fransden
Shayla Gibbs
Suzan Cavdar

ADIDAS FUN RUN

The 2014 Adidas Fun Run was held last Wednesday 10th September at Amalfi Park. All Year 7 students participated in the event and raised money from friends and family members for their participation.

The Adidas Fun Run is an event that promotes living a healthy lifestyle and participating in regular physical activity, and links in with this terms PDHPE program 'Be Active, Be Strong'. The event was also held on National HPE Day, which is an Australia wide initiative which aims to develop children's knowledge, understanding and skills around healthy behaviours and strengthen their sense of self.

Year 10 PASS (Physical Activity and Sports Studies) students attended the event and were in charge of coordinating the groups, conducting the fun run and engaging the students in a variety of sports throughout the day. The 10 PASS students have been studying a unit called 'Event Management' and were able to put their knowledge and skills into practice on the day.

We would like to congratulate all the students involved in the day and thank them for their participation in the event. We look forward to a bigger and better event in 2015!

Mrs Bellman and Ms Dennaoui



RUGBY LEAGUE NEWS

During terms 2 and 3 Lurnea's under 15's boy's rugby league team participated in the Wests Leagues Cup competition. The WLC is held every year and is an avenue for students who may have never played rugby league to experience the game alongside their schoolmates.

Throughout the last two terms, the boys trained in their own time to learn new skills, and practice plays that they designed themselves. This dedication led to an undefeated set of games against four other schools within the local area, namely Casula High School, James Busby HS, Miller HS, and Holsworthy HS.

We then went onto the quarter finals where the boys defeated Picton HS in a close game that was only decided in the last minutes. They then went onto to play John Edmondson HS during their semi-final game, where they were unfortunately beaten in the last 15 minutes.

While they were unsuccessful this year, the skills and knowledge that they have learnt throughout the season will be maintained with other games and training sessions held this year and next year, and we hope to do one better in the years to come.



IEC- Ms Clarkson Music Guitar Group

Term 3 has been very creative!!

After school Music/Guitar Group

With funding gratefully received from the Liverpool Migrant Resource Centre as well as from the High School and IEC, there has been an After School Guitar Group with Guest Tutor Thomas Stjepanovic (facilitated by Ms Kate Clarkson and Ms Pooja Sashi) on Wed afternoons for 9 weeks and a holiday workshop thrown in! This is the second time that Thomas Stjepanovic (a young professional and community musician who is currently also studying Indigenous Studies at Wollongong University) has led group guitar classes for keen students and each time it has been great fun. This time we have worked on two ensemble pieces, adding percussion and vocals. We hope to present the songs "Somebody I Used to Know" and "Baby, Can't You See" at MAD on Tuesday September 2nd. We want to really thank Thomas for his great generosity, skill and patience! Many students have participated; these are the students who have continued for the whole time and are performing:

Wendy Mensah (11)

Noor Semath (11)

Merona Savaiinaea (11)

Anwar Al Askari (12)

Shakir Sari (10 Transition)

Abbas Mohammadian (Year 10 Transition)

Mayfair Mensah (7)

Matin Mohebpoor (I2 IEC)

Minatullah Al -Jawhar (J2 IEC)

Junior Papalii (I3 IEC)

Esmatullah Nazari (I3 IEC)

Dina Abduljaleel (S2 IEC)

Excitingly, The Australian Children's Music Foundation has also given some funding to provide a tutor in songwriting that will continue the Wednesday classes till the end of Term 3. Hopefully we can write a song to enter a song competition and win some money for the school - wish us luck!

Multicultural Playwrights Program

At the beginning of this term, The Arts Unit of the DEC came to Lurnea and ran a very exciting program called the Multicultural Playwrights Program here! The Year 10 Transition class, as well as students from Birrong High School and Chester Hill High School worked in a fast, furious and fun way over 7 days to create a performance (showcasing the students' skills in drama, film, dance, singing and even rapping) , which was shown in the MPC in Week 4. It was very well received, and there is a chance that the wonderful tutor Curtis (Curly) Fernandez will return to Lurnea to prepare the students to perform an excerpt both at State Drama Festival and at a Multicultural Education Conference at the University of Western Sydney. Well done, Year 10 Transition class!

Helen Marzuk

Manar Sari

Zinah Al Haidari

Abdel Kareem Al Sudani

Masar Jabbar

Shakir Sari

Aiden Yousif

Maryam Al-Jumaili

Ayat Al-Zuhairi

Abbas Mohammadian

Randa Mohammed Ali

Kenny (Manqiang) Chen J

Johnny (Yinqiang) Chen

Where has this term gone!

This term has been really busy for the community.

I have been working with Lurnea Public School's CLO Ms Jamila Fares. We are providing the Lurnea community with free Adult English classes. In our classes we have 6 regular students coming from both the high school and primary school. If you know anyone who would like to learn English please call either schools.

Term 4

I would like to invite parent/carer to the school on Wednesday 29th October. I am running a HSC Information Workshop for parents whose children are in Year 10, 11 or 12. The session will include:

The HSC: a family affair.
What support is available?
Rationalising results.

What's happening in my child's life?
How can I help at home?
Parents as Career Transition Support.

Apart from the information outlined above, key members of staff will be available to answer questions concerning your son/daughters education:-

Ms. Jenny Holland, Principal

Mr. Jim Samphier, Deputy Principal for Years 11 and 12 and the school's Board of Studies Coordinator

Mr. Tim Jacobs, Career Adviser.

Mrs. Cath Myers, Learning Centre Coordinator.

Have a safe and happy holiday.

Annette Ollerton
Community Liaison Officer.



Community Engagement Forum

Term 4 Calender

Week	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	Public Holiday No School	7th Oct	8th Oct	9th Oct	10th Oct	
			Year 11 Crossroads			
2	13th Oct	14th Oct	15th Oct	16th Oct	17th Oct	
	Adult English Classes 10am					
			Year 11 Crossroads			
3	20th Oct	21st Oct	22nd Oct	23rd Oct	24th Oct	
	Adult English Classes 10am		Year 7 Immunisations			
			Year 9 Boys Immunisations			
			Year 11 Crossroads			
4	27th Oct	28th Oct	29th Oct	30th Oct	31st Oct	
	Adult English Classes 10am		HSC Information Parent Workshop			
				Year 9 High Resolves Incursion		
			Year 11 Crossroads			
5	3rd Nov	4th Nov	6th Nov	7th Nov	8th Nov	
	Adult English Classes 10am					
6	10th Nov	11th Nov	12th Nov	13th Nov	14th Nov	
	Adult English Classes 10am					

Term 4 Calendar

Week	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7	17th Nov	18th Nov	19th Nov	20th Nov	21st Nov	
	Adult English Classes 10am		Year 7 Peer Support Camp	Year 7 Peer Support Camp	Year 7 Peer Support Camp	
8	24th Nov	25th Nov	26th Nov	27th Nov	28th Nov	
	Adult English Classes 10am	Year 6 Information Night				
9	1st Dec	2nd Dec	3rd Dec	4th Dec	5th Dec	
	Adult English Classes 10am		Year 6 Orientation Day			
10	8th Dec	9th Dec	10th Dec	11th Dec	12th Dec	
	Adult English Classes 10am		School Presentation Night at Mounties			
				Year 9 High Resolves Incursion		
11	15th Dec	16th Dec	17th Dec	18th Dec	19th	
			Last Day For Students	Professional Development Day	Professional Development Day	



Adult English Classes

Lurnea High School and Lurnea Public School in community partnerships are offering **free** English Classes for parents and carers.



Date: Every Monday starting 13 October 2014, Term 4

Time: 10 am – 12pm

Where: Lurnea High School, Hillview Parade, Lurnea

Please meet in the front office.

Places are limited: please call Annette Ollerton 9602 5704, Lurnea High School or Jamila Fares 0467 960 428, Lurnea Public School.

We look forward to seeing you!



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Senior Summer



Senior Winter



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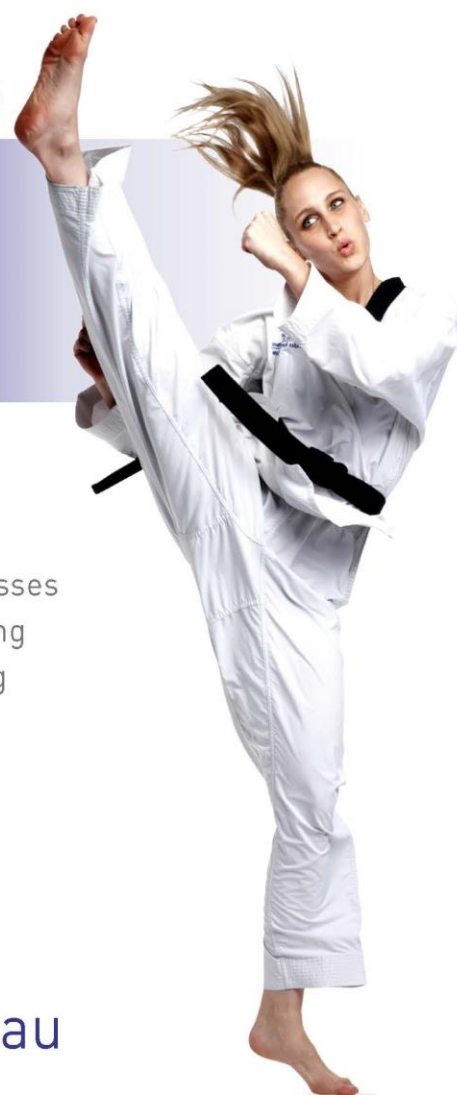
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31st July 2015 Formal Assembly

1st August 2015 Celebration at Liverpool

Catholic Club

2nd August 2015, Family Fun Day

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The Hills Sports High School Talented Sports Program **GOLF**

Tuesday 14 October 2014

1.00pm

Fox Hills Golf Club

Trials will be held by AAA Professional,
NSW & Australian PGA member

Jamie Atkinson

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50th Anniversary



Lurnea High School showcased some amazing talent on our first MAD Night

