From the Relieving Principal . . . . . .

Today we were able to recognise the achievements of our students. Although not all of our students received an award each and every one of them should be proud of everything they have achieved this year. We are very proud to see the growth in every student. Thank you to our staff. Without their amazing dedication our students would not be able to achieve and experience all that they do.

Year 6
Goodbye, farewell and GOODLUCK. We wish you every success in high school and into your futures. May all your dreams and goals come true. Work hard, play nice and be AWESOME.

Mr Paul Lucas
In 2015 Mr Paul Lucas will be leaving us for 12 months to take on a new role outside of the department. Very sad for NPS but very exciting for himself and his family. We wish him every success in his new adventure. Mr Lucas has given our school so much in the last 6 years and we will miss his dedication and commitment to our school.

2015
We are still finalising budgets and staffing for 2015, however we do have a tentative list of class and teachers. As a result of Mr Lucas leaving we have had to find an Assistant Principal and that process is still happening. The following classes may change depending on where the expertise of the new Assistant Principal is.

Kindergarten - Tahlee Hyde (may change)
Kindergarten/Year 1 - Kira Hoogers (may change)
Year 1 - Shelley Day
Year 2 - Maree Bonham
Year 3 - Karla Jamieson
Year 3 - Danielle McConnell
Year 4 - Bianca Dunn
Year 4 - New AP (may change)
Year 5 - Wendy van Werven
Year 6 - Kerryn Cassidy
Year 6 - Janet Hugo

Until next week,

Joanne Stamos

Joanne Stamos - Relieving Principal.

Calendar of Events

Date      Event/s
December 10 Year 6 Farewell
December 12 School Assembly – 10.30am
           5/6 Fun Day
           Canteen Closes today
December 15 Years 4/5/6 Pool Party
December 16 Years K/1/2 Noah’s Ark visit
December 17 2014 School Year finishes

2015
January 27 Staff Development Day
January 28 2015 commences for Year 1 to 6
February 2 School commences for Kindergarten

Class News - 1T
This week we are busy finishing up our learning topics for the term, as well as doing some fun Christmas crafts and activities. On Thursday, Mrs Heath will be visiting the class to help them make ‘Magic Reindeer Food’, so students are encouraged to bring in any kind of dry food they think reindeer may like to eat. Students are looking forward to the Year 5/6 Fun Day on Friday, so remember to come along with some money to spend!

During the past two weeks all students have had a great time and developed valuable skills whilst participating in our Swim School. A big thank you to Mrs Toni Kerr for co-ordinating this program. Here are some of the students’ reflections on this program.

I liked being in my friend’s swimming group and going in the fifties.
Logan Johnson
I liked duck-diving in the fifties! Oliver Hutchins.
I liked learning how to do breaststroke properly.
Milley Godden.
I learnt how to breathe underwater and I liked swimming in the Rampage pool!
Emily Tallon.
I liked doing freestyle.
Jaxon Curry.

Mrs Sally Thiem - Classroom Teacher.
COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Home Safe & Sound Family Fun Day – Sunday, December 14 at Lake Talbot Swimming Complex. Entry Fee $1. Water slide, entertainment by Lillipop and the Tirkandi Inaburra Dance Group, sausage sizzle and drink and face painting. For further information please contact Jacqueline Birch on 6959 2170.

1D Christmas Decorations

For Christmas we made Christmas decorations for the tree. We needed some wet clay, beads, Christmas cutters and string. First, we put some baking paper down so the decorations did not stick. Next, we rolled the clay into a ball and flattened it.

Then, we cut shapes and decorated them with beads. It was fun!

By 1D and Miss Day.

Our School has students who are highly allergic to NUTS and NUT PRODUCTS
We seek your co-operation in trying to keep our school NUT FREE

LEETON SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

The School Dental Clinic is available for all children aged from 0 – 18 years of age. We encourage all parents to make an appointment for your child to have a full dental check. Treatment at our clinic is FREE to all children who have a Medicare card. To make an appointment please telephone our call centre on 1800 450 046

We hope to see you soon!!!  Sue & Cleo

YOU ARE INVITED to
Singing at Carols by Candlelight
Sunday, December 14
at Narrandera Park
(Wear casual clothes or something Christmas)
SEE YOU THERE!!!!
Mrs Curry & Miss Hoogers

The best way to spread Christmas Cheer, is singing loud for all to hear ...

Last Canteen Day
Friday, December 12

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Sinterklaas comes to 2H

Last Tuesday Linda came in to our class and told us about how Dutch people celebrate Christmas. Linda comes from the Netherlands and she was full of information about “Sinterklaas and Zwarte Piet”. Sinterklaas starts in Spain and goes to the Netherlands on a steam boat to deliver the presents. In the Netherlands the gifts are put in a shoe which has been left near the fireplace. Zwarte Piet is the little boy who goes down the chimney and puts the presents in the shoe. If you are naughty in the Netherlands Zwarte Piet takes you back to Spain in a sack and whips you. Sinterklaas rides through the town on Americo his white horse.

They celebrate Sinterklaas on December the 5th and nothing when we have Christmas on the 25th of December. The tradition of leaving your shoes out for Zwarte Piet and Sinterklaas came after the poor people in the Netherlands would leave their shoes at the doors of churches and the rich people would put money in there for them. Sinterklaas is all about the giving of gifts, not so much the receiving. After we finished having a chat about Sinterklaas we did a colouring in and Linda had made all of us a clog to put our presents in. We were given Dutch cookies which were really, really yummy and some liquorice. The liquorice was disgusting, it was so salty and just absolutely revolting. Linda was really surprised at the amount of students in our class, because in the Netherlands they have big class numbers.

Everyone was glued to all the things that Linda was saying and Preston was able to get the pronunciation straight away, unlike Miss Hoogers who had to have a private lesson and still couldn’t really get it. Thank you Linda for coming in to our class, we loved your talk, your presents and the Dutch cookies.

Many Smiles - Miss Hoogers.

P & C News

Raffle Winners - 1st Prize - Brad Hutchison

2nd Prize - Mrs Galluzzo

Raffle raised $850 for our School. Congratulations !!!
5/6 FUNDAY

FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER
12PM – 2PM
LOTS OF FUN AND PRIZES

FACE PAINTING

SHOWBAGS $7

JAFFA SMASHA
BEAT THE GOALIE
HOOPLA
SLIME THE STUDENT
FOOTY THROW
LOLLIE GUESSING COMP.
CRAZY HAIR
NAIL ART
PLUS MUCH, MUCH MORE!!!

JUMPING CASTLE
Our Infants Assembly was held last Friday, December 5. Milley Godden and Maria Stamatakakos presented their class items.

Birthday Certificates

Merit Recipients

Special Merits

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to all

Credit Recipients
2014 Schools Spectacular