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Calendar Term 4 Weeks 8-9

Mon 30 November 2020

Canteen. Order through My School Connect

Tue 1 December 2020

Year 7 Orientation Day
'Nude Food' lunchbox initiative
Uniform Shop. Order through school website

Wed 2 December 2020

Presentation Day

Thu 3 December 2020

09am - 10:45am Primary Sport
Canteen. Order through My School Connect
Uniform Shop. Order through school website

Fri 4 December 2020

09am - 10:45am Infants Sport
Band Day - Junior and Senior (Snr Band 8am)
Canteen. Order through My School Connect

Mon 7 December 2020

Year 6 Farewell 5pm-7.30pm School Hall
Canteen. Order through My School Connect

Tue 8 December 2020

Stage 2 & 3 Pool Day
Stage 1 Excursion - Movies
Kindy Excursion - Places We Know
Uniform Shop. Order through school website

Wed 9 December 2020

Thu 10 December 2020

09am - 10:45am Primary Sport
Canteen. Order through My School Connect

Fri 11 December 2020

Year 6 Fundraiser Disco and Games Day
09am - 10:45am Infants Sport
Canteen. Order through My School Connect

KINDERGARTEN 2021 ORIENTATION PROGRAM

It is wonderful to meet all of our 2021 kindergarten students and their families, even through restrictive Covid times. Everyone has been so understanding of the need to remain highly vigilant.

So far:

- Kindergarten families meet the principal enrolment interviews
- 2 Kinder drop in visits with one to go this Friday covering all new kinder students

Coming:

- Some parent enrolment forms and information including proof of address, birth certificate and immunisation statement still to be provided. Most are complete, thank you.

- Additional afternoon drop in visits to the new learning spaces for 2021. 1.45-2.45pm Monday 1 Feb – Thursday 4 Feb (Come to any or all – they are play based visits)

- Details of proposed new entrance off Wallum Drive will be provided when it is confirmed.

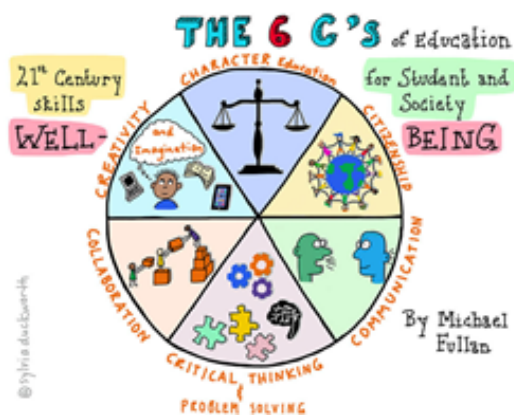


Education

A School for a Bright Future

As we rapidly head towards the end of 2020, our new classrooms are very close to being completed. There is an undercurrent of excitement, nervousness, anticipation and wonder building among our staff and students as we all move towards an enhanced way of learning at Lake Cathie Public School.

Our new learning spaces have been purposefully designed to enhance the teaching strategies and practices staff already employ on a regular basis. Each learning space is designed with consideration of global research and evidence of 'best practice'. These spaces are globally known as innovative learning environments (ILEs) and factor the 6Cs: creativity, collaboration, creative and critical thinking, communication, citizenship and character. This is referred to as 'deep learning' and is what we are striving to achieve at Lake Cathie PS over the coming years in our new School Plan.



Evidence from around the world shows that schools that have more flexible learning environments are associated with deep learning. Deep learning is when students go beyond learning facts. They instead apply knowledge to their context, using critical and creative thinking skills to engage in learning that really matters, is important, and that students are curious about. ILEs have a range of furniture options including soft furnishings (ottomans, stools, multi-height chairs and tables) and a mix of learning 'zones' that cater to the different styles of learners (individual, small group, large group).

A major part of staff professional learning this year has been focused on building a shared understanding of future learning at Lake Cathie Public School. This year's Kindergarten students will graduate from their formal years of schooling in 2033. Given the year that has been 2020 (and even considering the changes that have happened in the world over the past 10 years), the world of work in 2033 will be vastly different to world that we, as parents and carers of our children, faced when we left high school years ago.

The fundamental importance of literacy and numeracy are recognised by educators the world over. Without these foundations, higher-order learning and more complex skills cannot be developed but, basic literacy and numeracy skills are not enough for today's complex world, and certainly will not be enough for the world of 2033 and beyond.

How can we prepare students for jobs that have not yet been created? How can we prepare our students to tackle societal challenges that we cannot yet imagine? How can we build skills to use technologies not yet invented? How can we equip students with the skills to thrive in an interconnected world where they need to understand and appreciate different perspectives and world views, be respectful, and take responsible action towards sustainability and collective well-being?

These are difficult questions that we, as a learning community, must strive to work together to support our children. Our goal is to create classrooms, where collaboratively, teachers can fulfil their highest aspirations, and students achieve more than they think possible. We aim to assist students become active contributors to building a better world, living successfully as part of the community and environment.

Over the coming editions of the school newsletter, please continue to read the information explaining why our new school has been designed the way it has and how these design principles are establishing the learning spaces, environments and teaching practices that will assist your child to flourish throughout their years at Lake Cathie Public School. In the meantime, please watch this short video that explains the Department of Education NSW 'Innovative Education, Successful Students' policy that has formed the basis for the funding to upgrade our school.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cO1e-xqy8iA&feature=emb_logo

PRESENTATION DAY

We will host 2 separate Presentation Assemblies next Wednesday 2 December. We are restricted with visitors and parents. We have made a collective decision across all of the Hastings Valley Community of Schools to have the same procedures to meet the Departments of Education and Health Covid guidelines. We appreciate that this is another unfortunate reality this year. We are only inviting a few special guests to present awards this year. Photographs will be taken and shared across our platforms with parents. Thank you again for your understanding.

Kindergarten - Year 2 9.30am
Year 3 - Year 6 11.30am

STUDENT LEADERSHIP SPEECHES


Outstanding! Staff and student feedback was overwhelming on Monday for our 2021 student leadership team speeches. The students showed confidence, positivity, projection into the role and a true commitment to our mindset values whether they are successful or not. Students sincerely acknowledged their fellow nominees and also showed great courage to deliver such amazing speeches in front of their peers. The student leadership team will be announced at the Year 3-6 presentation assembly next Wednesday

P&C MAJOR RAFFLE

Please support this initiative of our great P&C. Bec Bouldin and the P&C have been meeting via Zoom throughout the year supporting the school in so many ways. Prizes are of significant value and are from the great local businesses and parents who donated for the trivia night we were unable to hold. Donors were all consulted and more than happy to have their prizes and vouchers used in this raffle. Please return ticket stubs and money in a labelled envelope or clip lock bag as soon as you can. Thanks for your great support.

Together We Thrive

1. I can make a difference.
2. I can celebrate success.
3. I can build positive relationships.



SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – SCRIPTURE

A lovely acknowledgement goes out to our dedicated scripture volunteers who have carefully and sensitively delivered lessons to many of our students during their weekly sessions on Wednesday afternoons. I thank the combined churches of the Camden Haven for their respect, dedication and connection in 2020. Thanks to Mrs Harris for her coordination again this year. Smooth and supportive organisation as always.

VEHICLE SPEED AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Much better but still needs commitment by all parents, families and visitors. Thanks also to the support of our local Police for their visible presence at school and reminders to motorists. Remember 10 km/h keeps everybody safe. Everybody!

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS TERM 4

School staff have applied for and been granted the opportunity to conduct four additional three-hour sessions through the year in lieu professional learning to negate requirements for attendance on 17-18 Dec. Staff will however, still be onsite anyway unpacking and setting up for 2021 in the new learning spaces both on these days and throughout January.

BUILD UPDATE

We are only three weeks away from the planned hand over of Stage 1. Furniture is arriving this week and landscaping is moving ahead at a rapid pace. Turf is going in, trees and plants are in and the use of artificial turf and sandstone blocks are really finishing things off beautifully. Staff will be onsite after all the students finish for the year on Thursday 17 and Friday 18 December and in January, setting things up ready for the 2021 school year.

Entrance locations and procedures may be finished and ready for operation in 2021. This is depending on final approvals from Schools Infrastructure NSW and the Council. We will inform everyone as soon as details are finalised.

STUDENT REPORTS – SEMESTER 2

Staff have worked collaboratively across stage groups to assess, evaluate and report on student progress during semester 2 with learning, social and wellbeing comments and suggestions as to where to next for students. Reports will be sent home on Friday 11 December.

END OF YEAR FUN DAYS

Notes coming home for end of year activities and excursions. With all of the activities missed throughout this year, staff wanted to ensure that we had some fun outings for our students.



Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the 267 students who completed the PRC this year. Students will receive their certificates next week. To complete the challenge each student read 20 or 30 books (depending on their class) between March and August...that's a lot of books read and enjoyed!



Library Books

This week will be the last week that students can borrow from the library for this year. All books need to be returned by Friday 4 December so that we can complete our stocktake. Notices will be sent out next week, so students know which books they have borrowed. Your assistance in returning books would be appreciated.



Time to return the Library Books.



We are looking forward to welcoming our future students at our

Year 7 Orientation Day
Tuesday 1st December 2020
8.15am - 2.15 pm

Could all students please arrive and leave on the day, using the front entrances of each campus. This is to ensure we can implement our Covid safe procedures. There will be flags at the gate.

Port Macquarie campus - Owen Street MPC entrance

Westport campus - Findlay Ave entrance

Apologies for any letters that incorrectly advise the date as 3 December.

Parents are unfortunately, unable to attend.

An outline of the day will be as follows:

8:00am: Students may start arriving. Students will be met at their campus front gate by student volunteers.

8.30 - 9:00am: Assembly in Multi Purpose Centre (MPC). Welcome and introduction of key personnel, groups and organisation of the day.

9.00 - 2:00pm: Students will be allocated into groups for the day and then enjoy a variety of lessons. Lunch will be provided. In the afternoon, they will participate in sporting activities.

2.00 - 2.15pm: Students are to be picked up at the Campus front gate, car pick up zone or catch the school bus home from their Campus.

What to bring: The College will provide a sausage sandwich and drink for lunch. All students are required to wear their primary school uniform and bring their own recess, drink bottle, pencil case and a hat.

We are looking forward to meeting your child at the Year 7 Orientation Day which will ensure your child has a positive start to their secondary education.

Stage 2 'Lovin' My Lunchbox' project

In Term 4, Stage 2 have been learning about nutrition and food packages that are best for the environment. We are aiming to find a solution to the driving question: How can we be positive drivers of change? Students joined a Zoom meeting with Richard and Wendy from the Mid North Coast Local Heath District. Students learnt all about food groups, sugar in foods and general healthy habits. We asked lots of questions about why healthy eating is important.

Two weeks ago, students collected data across the school on how many single-use plastic items are used in a day and how many healthy things students eat.

Harrison and Ekana from 3/4A have shown initiative to use their mathematical skills and calculate how much plastic our school generates each day and over the year! We discovered that some classes had up to 60 pieces of single-use plastic in their lunchbox! We wondered how much Australia or even the world might use and did some calculations that we thought you might find interesting.

1 class - 1 day	56-60 pieces of single use plastic
1 class - 1 week	280-300
1 class - 1 year	11,200-12,000
1 class - the whole of primary school	78,400-84,000

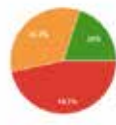
How many pieces of single-use plastic are in your class' lunch box today? This could include cling wrap, a drink bag or food packaged in plastic. This does not include reusable plastic containers. Count the total pieces of plastic in your class today.

15 responses



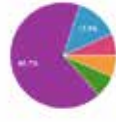
How many students have a vegetable to eat today? Count the total number of students that have a single piece of vegetable to eat today.

11 responses



How many students have a piece of fruit to eat today? Count the total number of students that have a piece of fruit to eat today.

11 responses



Stage 2 have decided on action and encourage students K-6 to bring recess and lunch without single-use plastic. Please support this initiative on Tuesday 1 December, by assisting your child to pack a 'Nude Food' lunchbox. This could involve wrapping food in reusable containers or fabrics such as beeswax, or packing food that doesn't require packaging at all such as carrot and apple.

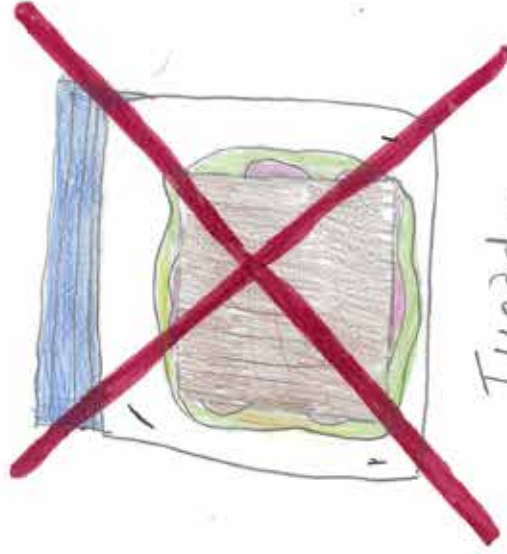
LCPs NUDE FOOD DAY

Dear lake catholic Public School We are having a nude food day to help use less plastic on the 1st of December in week nine on Tuesday. A nude food day is when you have food with no plastic in your lunch box or bag and the only plastic you can have is are reusable containers.

Did you know our school uses 728 a Day so that is 3640 pieces of plastic a week!



Save The World



Tuesday
1st OF
December

Pack ✓

- ✓ Snacks in reusable containers.
- ✓ Drinks in a reusable bottles.
- ✓ Reusable utensils if needed.
- ✓ Drink bottles that are not plastic.
- ✓ A Reusable lunch box or back pack.



- Avoid ✗
- ✗ Lunches Packed in plastic bags, cling wrap or foil.
 - ✗ Disposable drink bottles, boxes, cartons and cans
 - ✗ Disposable forks, spoons and knives.
 - ✗ Pre-packaged lunches or single use/served items.

LAKE CATHIE PUBLIC SCHOOL WINS PORT MACQUARIE REGIONAL ROBOTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Lake Cathie Public School we love learning and doing robotics. 'Lakers' are a team of Year 5 students coached by Mrs Hayley McCleary and 'Sister Squad' is an all-girl team coached by Mrs Bernadette Ainsworth.

Our teams are proudly sponsored by *Rainbow Beach Estate Lake Cathie*. "Thank you Stewart O'Brien we really appreciate your support!" Lake Cathie Public School.



The Lakers: Joel McKerrow, Sam Pagotto, Brenton Mance, Summer Waite, Ben Spencer, Freya Briggs, Lexi Puttick, Max Fellowes, Gabby Barnett and Harmoni Clark.



Sister Squad: Chloe Kapila, Tiarna Mitchell, Jazmin Ray, Laval Connors, Lexi Drury, Mikayla Haste, Haidyn Taylor and Amelia Bulmer

FIRST® LEGO® League Challenge is a competition catering for upper-primary and lower-secondary school students. Every year, teams of up to 10 students build, program and compete with a robot, while also learning about a modern problem in science and engineering and developing solutions for it. The entire competition for the year is based around a theme. This year's theme was trying to motivate people to get more active.

The competition is divided into three sections:

1. Robot

Teams design, build and program a LEGO® robot to complete a series of challenges to score as many points as possible, and a number of awards are given for robot performance, programming innovation and clever design.

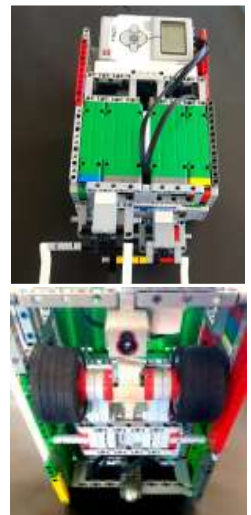
2. Project

Through the project, teams learn more about the competition theme and present their ideas to a panel of judges. Working on the project teaches students to research, think critically, work as a team and speak publicly. The project shows students they have the power to change the world, as teams can share successful ideas with their community, their school, their families, even all of Australia and the world.

3. Core Values

Throughout the competition, teams are judged on their adherence to the FIRST® Core Values, including teamwork, Coopertition®, and Gracious Professionalism®. This aspect of FIRST LEGO® League Challenge is designed to develop the students of today into the responsible citizens of tomorrow.

In August the challenge was released and Lake Cathie Public School teams began training hard. On 5 November the Lakers and Sister Squad competed in the Port Macquarie Regional Championships. The Lake Cathie Lakers won BEST Robot design, Coaches award and the overall Regional WINNERS. They have now qualified to compete in the Australian National Championships East, in early December, at which they may qualify further to compete at an international event, such as the World Festival in the USA or other Open Championships representing Australia.



LEARNING @ LCPS



Congratulations to the Debating team who were successful in becoming Zone Champions in the Year 5 and 6 2020 Premier's Debating Challenge.



Congratulations to Hayden, Ellie, Jasmyn and Lucy who were awarded a highly commended in the Port Macquarie Hastings Council Minecraft challenge. The task was to plan and design an innovative and sustainable town for the year 2050. All of our clever Stage 3 students completed this worthwhile project and should be very proud of their efforts. Thank you to Jasmyn and Lucy for representing our school to receive your award on behalf of your team.



SPORT

Mid Coast Futsal Tournament

LCPS had a great day at the Futsal tournament. 4 mixed teams took part in the competition and all 4 made the finals. Congratulations to every student who took part and gave it a red hot go.

Such a fabulous display of teamwork, attitude and spirit!



ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Assembly Award Term 4 Week 6		
Roll Class	Class Award	Work of the Week
1F	Kadu Boer Coradini	Scarlett Collett
	Hari Peach	
	Arnold Richters	
1W	Isla Bulmer	Marcus Cramp
	Lilly Withers	
	Jed Carmichael	
2HB	Paddy Harris-Gallen	Harley Grant-Waters
	Sienna Little	
	Isaac Latham	
2HC	Madi Lewis	Iris Lee
	Hayley Wheatley	
	Lucy Ireland	
	Tahlia Azerberzin	
2_3K	Leo Ellis	
	Archer Waite	
	Jaxon Gillespie	
	Tahney Cross	
	Isla Dunkley	
	Michael Tinker	
	Isla Sanders	
3P	Grace Broderick	Xavier Robinson
	Riley Knight	
	Lelani Dietrich	
3_4A	Marci Peterson	Talia Kapila
	Cody Collins	
	Madison Whiting	

CANTEEN

Canteen Operation

The canteen operates three days a week, Monday, Thursday and Friday. Lunch orders will continue to be online only through My School Connect but recess and frozen treats will be able to be purchased over the counter or online. Online orders need to be placed before 9.00am by the day of the order.

Canteen Roster		
Thursday 26 November	9.30-2.00pm	Jo Lupton
Friday 27 November	9.00-2.00pm	Anthony
	12.00-2.00pm	Amanda
Monday 30 November	9.00 - 2.00pm	Jenny
Thursday 3 December	9.00-2.00pm	Mary ann
Friday 4 December	9.30-2.00pm	Anthony
	12.00-2.00pm	Amanda
	10.00-12.00pm	HELP REQUIRED
Monday 7 December	9.00 - 2.00pm	Jenny
Thursday 10 December	9.30-2.00pm	Jo Lupton
Friday 11 December	9.30-2.00pm	Anthony
	12.00-2.00pm	Amanda
	10.00-2.00pm	HELP REQUIRED



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Birthday Bucket Ice Blocks



Share a cool Birthday treat with your classmates.

Birthday Buckets can be ordered online and delivered to your child's class. Each bucket is filled with enough Quelch ice blocks for the whole class. \$15.00 per bucket and the birthday child keeps the balloon to take home.

Order online at www.myschoolconnect.com.au

Birthday Buckets can be ordered Monday to Friday.

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1. REGISTER YOUR ACCOUNT

Register on any device, simply login to www.myschoolconnect.com.au and click on "Create Account", follow the prompts to add your email and password.

2. ADD YOUR STUDENT

And make sure that you select your school and classroom details.

3. SELECT "TOP UP"

To add money to your account via Credit Card or Paypal, you can choose Direct Deposit but allow 3-5 working days to process prior to ordering. You can also pay as you go, simply skip the pop up screen for adding funds and start ordering.

(Please note Merchant Fees applies to Credit Card or Paypal Transactions)

4. ORDER

To start ordering lunches simply select your Student and click "Buy Now", and you can order for the day, week. It's that simple!

5. CHECKOUT

Once you have completed your order, view your order summary in the "cart" and proceed to "checkout". Select your preferred form of payment and submit, all orders are confirmed via email.

NOTE ON PAID ORDERS

Note that only paid orders will be sent to your canteen, not those still sitting in your cart. To start ordering lunches simply select your Student and click "Buy Now", and you can order for the day, week. It's that simple!

www.myschoolconnect.com.au

My School Connect has a 7 day a week Support Line, contact 1300 030 915

For further information on Sentral for Parents visit the school website at
<https://lakecathie-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/sentral-parent-portal.html>

New families receive either an email or a letter (sent home with your child) with instructions for creating an account and access code within the first 2 weeks of commencing at Lake Cathie Public School.

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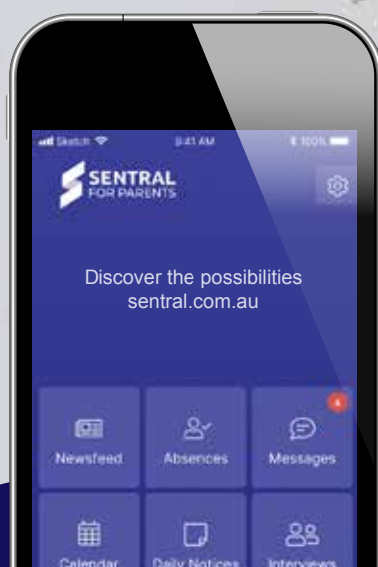
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Supper and kids' dinner provided

Everyone welcome!

COVID-19 symptoms can include:



fever sore throat cough shortness of breath.

If your child is sick, keep them at home and get them tested for COVID-19.

GATE CLOSURE REMINDER

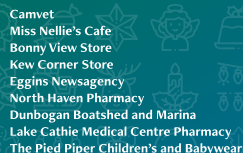
Please remember that gates will be closed to all motor vehicles during the following times

Recess (10.45am - 11.15am)
Lunch (1pm-1.45pm)

If you are coming to school during these times you can park to the right of the gates and walk in.



To receive an entry, simply load any value from \$20-\$1000 onto a Camden Haven Gift Card between 9th Nov - 22nd Dec at any of the following participating businesses



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Place your order online, pay for the cards, and we'll ship them straight to you. It's that easy!

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Everyone Very Welcome

School uniform orders for 2021 are due as soon as possible before the end of the term. This will allow uniform shop volunteers to process your order. We encourage you to send your order through this year to avoid last minute purchasing in January. If you purchase new uniforms this year and decide your child needs a larger size after a Christmas growth spurt, the uniform can be exchanged for a larger size as long as all tags are on and uniforms are still in original bags.

You can order uniforms online through the school website.

Link to uniform order:

<https://lakecathie-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment/uniform.html>

Uniform shop is filling orders on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Order online on the school website

Canteen open Monday, Thursday & Friday. Online lunch orders

School Office Hours 8.15am - 3.15pm

Student Banking has been cancelled until further notice