



LIHIR INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Day One Update Wednesday 27th January 2016

Dear Parents

Welcome back!

It was terrific to see students return to Lihir International Primary School this morning for the beginning of the 2016 school year.

I would like to extend a special welcome to the Anglesey, Butt, Moning, Mullumby, Tiikie and Watkins families, whose children join us for the 2016 school year, while also extending a warm welcome to our new teacher, Mrs Watkins, who will be teaching the Prep and Grade One class.

We are really looking forward to getting to know all new students, parents and staff as they become part of our school community and it was also great to see old friends greeting each other following the Christmas break.

I was pleased to see all students arrive on time today – please remember school begins at 8:15am and children are able to start arriving at school from 7:45am onwards. Please do not send your child to school before 7:45am as teachers will be busy preparing for the school day and supervision of children will not be available.

Throughout today I have visited all classes and students have really impressed me with the way they have settled quickly into effective school routines.

It was fantastic to see all students arrive in school uniform and please remember that clean uniform, in good condition, is expected to be worn every day.

PE lessons, with Mr King, begin this week – children will be informed of their PE day and are required to wear their sports uniform on PE days only.

Please ensure your child has a school hat to wear to ensure protection from the sun during playtime and other outdoor activities. The school's *No Hat No Play* policy will continue this year and please make sure hats are clearly named.

If you require any item of school uniform please see Rose in the front office.

Teachers will send home term overviews this Monday to give you an idea of the learning your child will be involved in this term. Acquaintance Night will be held on Wednesday 3rd of February, from 6pm, to give all parents the chance to attend brief information sessions with their child's teacher.

Acquaintance Night will give teachers the opportunity to discuss a general overview of class systems, learning and behaviour expectations.

Acquaintance Night will begin with an official welcome at 6pm and class information sessions will be held at 6:10pm and repeated at 6:35pm. Information sessions will be followed by "Curry Night at LIPS" – curries will be supplied, at no cost, and all families and staff are invited to join us for dinner following Acquaintance Night class meetings.

Term one will be a busy time of learning at our school and I have attached an updated Term One Planner to this note. This planner, along with canteen information and the weekly Toksave can also be accessed through the school website at www.lipschool.com.au

Other important dates will be brought to your attention as they arise and I am still waiting upon confirmation of available dates for visits from providers such as the Education Psychologist and Noosa Athletics.

Information regarding term one canteen is attached to this update. Thank you to Heni and Phylis for having this organised for the beginning of the school year and please see Heni or Phylis if you have questions regarding canteen.

The first canteen for 2016 will be next Friday 5th of February and canteen orders will need to be in by 8:15am on Wednesday 3rd of February.

The first Parents and Wantoks meeting for 2015 is scheduled for 6:30pm this Monday. The Parents and Wantoks Committee adds a great deal of value to our school and this is a fantastic opportunity for families to become involved in contributing to school events throughout the year. The meeting will be held in the staffroom and everyone is welcome.

The School Council AGM will be held on Thursday 18th of February.

Please take note of the Student Health Update tear off at the end of this note.

If you have any medical information, such as allergies or medication needs, that we are unaware of and you need to share with the school please fill in this form and return to Rose by Friday 6th of February.

If you have already updated school regarding your child's medical needs, or if you have nothing to add to information supplied during the enrolment process, you do not need to return the Student Health Update form.

This Friday's assembly will focus on the induction of our Year Seven School Leaders who will be presented with their School Leader badges. We look forward to seeing you at our first assembly for the year.

Due to today's update there will be no Toksave until Thursday of next week.

If you have any suggestions, or questions, regarding Lihir International Primary school please give me a call or make a time to come in for a chat.

Kind regards

Michael

Lihir International Primary School Student Health Information Update January 2015

You are only required to fill in this form if you have medical information about your child that you need to share with Lihir International Primary School.

Child's name:

Medical diagnosis:
(e.g. allergy, asthma etc.)

Health Plan:
(Medical Professional)

First aid response:
(As directed by doctor)

Additional important information:

Parent Signature: _____

Please return this form to Rose in the front office, no later than Friday 5th of February