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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

During the mid-term break, members of LIPS staff participated in Professional Development days. These days saw staff in-serviced in the 'Sound Waves' spelling program as well as strategies for teaching students whose first language is other than English. A day was also spent on upskilling teachers in problem solving skills in mathematics. Along with this, teachers spent time re-visiting the recommendations from the 2016 Education Queensland School Improvement Unit visit, and met with officers from the Education Queensland International Offshore Projects Unit. These are extremely valuable days for the teachers, that directly impact on the quality teaching and learning that is happening in LIPS classrooms.

Welcome Mr. Morgan Neale

Mr Morgan Neale, a familiar face around LIPS, has joined our staff as a part time teacher. Morgan will be taking music lessons for all classes, working with students in Learning Support as well as overseeing the school library. Morgan comes to us with a wealth of experience and his particular skills in the music area will be a great addition to the excellent curriculum offerings at LIPS.

School Hats and Uniform

Please ensure your child has a school hat to wear during playtime and other outdoor activities. Please make sure hats are clearly named. If you require any item of school uniform please see Rose in the front office.

Congratulations Term 3 Week 1 Principal's Award Winners!



Blaise Pong – Year 7

Natalie Symonds – Year 2

Angus Marquet – Kindy

Claude Gurra – Year 5

Sam Butt – Prep

Jamilia Misren – Year 3

Parent Involvement

One of the strengths of LIPS is the openness to parental involvement in the school. Parents are encouraged to speak with class teachers or the principal in relation to any matters regarding your child's education. The best time to see teachers is briefly just before class or after class. If parents would like a longer or more formal time with a teacher or the principal, an appointment in advance needs to be made.

Parents and community members are also reminded that LIPS is a workplace. Areas like the staff room are for LIPS staff only. If other groups or individuals wish to use the staff room, please book a time or check with the principal or Rose in the office in advance.

Canteen

Canteen will be available from Friday this week. Volunteers are needed to work in the Canteen. Those interested can see Angie Smart.

Meetings

The first Parents and Wantoks meeting for this term is scheduled for Tuesday the 1st August at 6:00pm and the first School Council meeting will be held on Thursday 3rd of August at 7pm.



Congratulations to Our Term 3 Student Council Representatives

Claudeaus Gurra, Gabriel Kola, Desree Nialir, Mikayla Konilio, Eston Brunskill, Mrs Watkins, Tommy Marquet, Beverly Philippo

Independence Day / 20th Anniversary

There will be a meeting for the **2017 Independence Day Committee** Saturday 5th August at the LIPS undercover area.
Time: 1pm.

All PNG parents and any other interested parents or wantoks are encouraged to attend.

We would also like volunteers to help with teaching the children traditional PNG dances.
Please contact Rose at the front office as soon as possible if you are able to assist.

End of Term

Please note that the last day of Term 2 is **THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 14.**

School Photographs

School Photograph Day will be next **Wednesday 2nd August.** We would like to express our gratitude and thanks to Christine Robertson for kindly offering her time and expertise to take all whole school, class, group and individual photographs.

P&W Committee

Join us for a fun night out on the **19th of August** for
LIPS Annual Golden Orchid Ball – ‘A Night on the Oriental Express’

Tickets are now on sale at the school office for **150 Kina** per person – please see Rose.

Reminder

Each family has received a booklet of raffle tickets. Once the booklet is complete please return tickets and collected money to the office.

Note: All unused booklets also need to be returned to the office ASAP.

In addition, raffle tickets are being sold at the Lihir Sports & Social Club on Wednesday and Friday nights and through the school office.

P&W Committee Meeting

The next P&W Committee meeting will be held on **1st August.** Meeting will start at **6:00pm**

At 5:45pm, you are more than welcome to take the opportunity to come and say ‘hello’ to fellow committee members. All are welcome. This is the forum to voice your ideas to help improve the school and support our students’ learning.

See you all there ☺

Melody Watkins

President P&W

After School Activities Term Three

Hockey – Friday with Alex Butt from 3pm-4pm, Prep-4

Rugby League – Boys and Girls, with Miss Collins and Mr Neville 3pm-4pm Friday, Years 5-7

Homework Club – Wednesday Year 6/7 with Miss Collins, Year 4/5 with Ms Langusch and Year 2/3 with Mrs. Thomas from 3pm-4pm.

Regards,

Greg Neville