Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Year Seven Graduation

Our graduating Year 7s will share their official graduation function with their families this Monday 4th of December.

Our Year 7 students have been great ambassadors for our school, and we wish Tahetsi and Mikayla every success as they leave LIPS and prepare to attend their new schools in 2018. The remaining Year 7s and some new students will make up our first Year 8 Class in 2018.

Monday's graduation event will commence at 6:00pm sharp and I am looking forward to seeing the families of graduating students on this night.

2018 Class Organisation

Mr Simon McKeiver's onboarding process along with the employment of Mrs Liz Daimol is currently proceeding as planned, and we will be able to begin the 2018 year with a full complement of six classes.

The 2018 class structure takes into account the needs of all students and is designed to use our staffing allocation to provide the best teacher to student ratios and the greatest teaching and learning benefits for all students at Lihir International Primary School.

2018 classes will be as follows:

Kindy – Mrs. Daimol and Mrs Exzil

Prep – Mrs. Neale and Ms Kinkinteng

Year 3/4 – Mr McKeiver and Mrs Kelele

Year 5/6 – Ms Langusch and Ms Tukata

Year 1/2 – Miss Thomas and Mrs Moning

Year 7/8 – Miss Collins Mrs Pesas

Class numbers are still to be confirmed with more than 20 new students expected in 2018. Children of new families, who I am expecting to arrive before the beginning the 2018 school year, have been factored into the class arrangements.

Miss Collins will be teaching physical education to all classes from Prep to Year Seven, while Mr. Neale will again teach Music and coordinate Learning Support to all classes.

Farewell

Tomorrow at assembly the school will farewell Mrs Melody Watkins and her 3 children, Jacinta, Olivia and Aaron. Mrs Watkins has been at LIPS for two years and has contributed much to the life of the school, particularly in the areas of Student Council and P&W. We wish Mel and her family every success in the future

School Year Book and 2018 Calendar

The 2017 School Year Book and 2018 Independence Day Calendar will be distributed to every LIPS family at the end of next week.

The year book includes all Lihir International Primary School students and will be a great memento of the 2017 school year.

The 2018 calendar provides a pictorial record of our school's celebrations of PNG's Independence as well as including important school dates and PNG public holidays for 2018.

Thanks to Mrs. Thomas and Miss Thomas who spent many hours compiling the 2017 School Year Book.

LIPS IDOL

Senior LIPS Idol will be performed in the Music room following Thursday morning assembly next week. All are welcome to attend.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TERM 4 WEEK 8 PRINCIPAL'S AWARD RECIPIENTS!



Sharon Neville - Year 4

Denzel Yanis – Prep

Zephaniah Gurra – Year 3

Eston Brunskill - Year 2

Year 4/5 Dance Performance

This term, the Year 4/5 class has been learning a dance to the well-known song "Waka Waka" by Shakira. At assembly tomorrow morning, the students will perform the dance for all to enjoy. I hope to see you there!!

Mrs Neale

2018 Sport Uniforms – Updated

As of next year 2018, the LIPS sport uniform will be changing. The new sport uniform will align with your child's house team.

If your child is on the <u>Muruks</u> house team they will require:

- Boys/Girls Royal Blue Polo shirt
- Boys/Girls Navy sport short

If your child is on the **Kumul** house team they will require:

- Boys/Girls Red polo shirt
- Boys/ Girls Navy sport short

The sport uniform is to be worn on their class's sport day and when attending school sporting events eg. Athletics Day and Swimming Carnival. Sport uniforms can be purchased at the beginning of 2018 school year.

The current yellow sport shirt can still be worn until a new one is needed.

Please see Alex Butt if you have any questions.

Library Books Return



There will be **no more library book borrowing**. Students are requested to **return all borrowed books** to the library.

Mr Neale needs to audit all resources and have them on the shelves ready for borrowing next year.

School Resources Return

During the course of the year some students have borrowed resources, such as dictionaries and calculators, to use at home for their homework activities.

These **must now be returned** to the school for student use next year.

We also request that all **home readers be returned** to classrooms by the end of Week 9.

Thank you [⊚]







THANKS TO OUR YEAR 6/7 CLASS FOR THEIR VERY INFORMATIVE TOK PISIN ASSEMBLY ITEM ON PNG AND ITS NATURAL RESOURCES!



End of Term

Term 4 finishes next Thursday the 7th December.

