



# TOKSAVE

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Students have made an excellent start to the 2018 school year. It has been heartening to see how committed the children have been from day one! Thanks to our continuing students for making an effort to ensure our many new students feel welcome and understand what it means to be a VIP student!

2018 sees our first year 8 class at LIPS and we are eager to work with our year 8s as they prepare for the National Exams later in the year. The year 7/8 class will be attending a Leadership Camp in Week 5 of this term.

Thanks to all the parents who attended our Acquaintance Night last night. It was great to see so many families attending with many new faces. Thank you to all teachers, assistant teachers and teacher aides for eagerly preparing for the new school year. It is our excellent teaching staff who make a real contribution to the successes that students at LIPS enjoy.

### School Leader Induction Assembly

Congratulations to our Year 8 students who were inducted as Student Leaders at Friday's assembly. Thank you to our School Council Chairperson, Steve Butt, for presenting this year's leaders with their badges and for talking about the importance of leadership. Student Council Representatives, elected by their class, were also presented with their Student Representative Council badges.

L-R Omega Waho, Blaise Pong, Beverly Philippo, Brendan Daniel



### Congratulations Week 1 Principal Award Winners



**Benjamin Likia – Prep**

**Aiden Neale – Year 2**

**Sullivan Huxtable – Year 3**

**Sharon Neville – Year 5**

**Omega Waho – Year 8**

### After School Activities Term One

Hockey will continue this year on Friday afternoons for years 1-3 with Alex Butt from 3pm-4pm. Homework Club will also continue, from 3pm to 4pm on Wednesday afternoons for years 3/4 and 5/6.

## **Parents and Wantoks**

The AGM of the Parents and Wantoks will be held Tuesday the 13/2/18 at 6.00pm in the school. All parents, wantoks, friends and community members who are interested in supporting the school are invited and encouraged to attend. We would love to see many new faces at the AGM, so please come along and support our school.

## **School Council**

**Notice of Meeting:** Lihir International Primary School Council Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held in the school at 7pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> of February. In 2018 Steve Butt will continue as our Newcrest appointed School Council Chairperson. Fiona Karaut and Leo Kola are also Newcrest appointed School Council Representatives. Two more NML reps will be appointed.

Ms. Catherine Langusch is the Staff Representative and the new P&W President will be the P&W School Council Representative. Dennis Gati, Christine Robertson and Tony Brunskill all have finished their terms as a Parent Representatives – thanks to them for their contribution. There will be three vacant Parent Representative positions to be voted on at the AGM.

School Council meets at 7pm on Thursday week four and week eight of each term. If you are interested in finding out more about School Council, please give me a call or make a time to come in for a chat. School Council Parent Representative nomination forms are available from the front office.

## **Student Photographs**

There are many photo opportunities at our school and student images are often used in publications, such as the Toksave, and displayed online through the school website. The Toksave is uploaded to our school website [www.lipschool.com.au](http://www.lipschool.com.au) every week. Student images will continue to be used in the Toksave, website and other media this year. If you ***do not*** wish photos of your child to be displayed through any form of print or digital media please let me know so that I can ensure no images of your child appear in any school material.

## **After School and Weekend Sport**

In 2017 students were involved in a variety of afternoon and weekend sports. After school sport is run by parent volunteers and, if you would like to volunteer to run a sport this year, please let me know. If you would like to run a sport it is your decision as to what sport you are running, what day and which classes you will include in this sport – our school community is always grateful to those who take the time to organise after school sport.

## **Uniforms**

If any parents have second hand uniforms no longer needed (especially smaller check shirts) they can be given to Rose in the office.

## **Student Council Members:**

Congratulations to the year level students who were elected as Term 1 Student Council Representatives by their peers:

- Year One – Sam Butt
- Year Two – Piper Huxtable
- Year Three – Sullivan Huxtable
- Year Four – Pat Kola
- Year Five – Joshia Pong
- Year Six – Iva Kola
- Year Seven – Bertilla Sigere



## **Reminders**

- The chewing of Beetle Nut is prohibited on school grounds
- Parents are asked to refrain from bringing dogs into the school grounds
- Parents are free to deliver lunch to their children, however sitting with your child and/or feeding them during lunch is not encouraged

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding Lihir International Primary School, please make an appointment to come in and see me.

Kind regards

*Greg Neville*