



TOKSAVE

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

Next week on Wednesday and Thursday, teachers will be available between 3.00pm and 6.00pm for parent / teacher interviews. These offer a valuable opportunity for parents to discuss their child's schooling with the classroom teacher. It is also a chance to discuss the contents of your child's assessment portfolio, which will be sent home to families next week on Tuesday. Please call into the office to register a suitable time.



LIPS will celebrate PNG's 44th Independence Day on next **Friday 13th September** in LIPS school grounds from 5pm.

The students will be taking part in traditional dance items along with visiting dance groups.

Please lock this date into your family calendars.

**If you are taking photos of the event - the school would like a copy.
Please bring photos on a USB to Rachael in the office.**

Congratulations to Week 7 Principal's Award Winners!



Ben Misren – Prep
David David – Year 7
Aidan Neale – Year 3
Haru Koshiji – Kindy
Jamilia Misren – Year 5
Gerard Yanzan – Year 1

Swimming Carnival – Wednesday 18th September from 4pm. Students will go home at the start of lunch for a rest, returning to the pool at 3.45 pm.

LIPS Idol

LIPS Idol will be held on the last day of school during the assembly – Thursday the 19th September.

Congratulations to the Year 7/8 class on your Assembly item!



Public Holiday

There will be a public holiday on Monday, the 16th September, to mark 44 years of PNG Independence.

2018 Yearbooks

If you would like a 2018 Yearbook, please see Rachael in the office.

End of Term

Please note that the last day of Term 3 is **THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19th**.

After School Activities:

Monday: Music Club with Mr Neale: Years 5 – 8, 3.00-4.00pm
Wednesday: Homework Club: Years 3/4 and 5/6, 3.00-4.00pm; Exam Prep: Year 8
Thursday: Anything but Sport Club with Nicole Wilson: Years 3-5, 3.00-4.00pm
Exam Prep: Year 8
Friday: STEM Club with Ms Langusch: Years 4 - 8
Saturday: Exam Prep: Year 8 – WRI: from 10.00am – 12.00pm

VIP Champions

Sullivan and Ruby



Regards,
Greg Neville



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LIPS staff enrich learning through visit program



Staff of Lihir International Primary School (LIPS) continue to enrich their professional development through the school's educational visit program. The staff recently returned from a three day visit to Port Moresby.

LIPS Principal Greg Neville said the annual visit is part of their learning and they strive to give staff different experiences that fully support their work as educators.

In Port Moresby, the teachers participated in a writing workshop facilitated by Ms. Jennifer Dovaston, an experienced teacher from Cairns, Australia. LIPS staff visited the National Museum and Art gallery as well as the Bomana War cemetery. The highlight of the visit is usually a closing dinner where a prominent PNG woman is invited to speak on promoting opportunities for women and girls and this year's special guest was lawyer and president of the PNG Women's Chamber of Commerce, Avia Kosen.

Deputy Principal Catherine Langusch said it is very important that teachers access quality professional development, have time to reflect on current teaching strategies and to continuously improve their practice.

"Ultimately this will result in improved learning opportunities for our students. We have identified strategies that will be implemented in the new semester. The visit not only enables staff to build better relationships but also helps us develop a deeper cultural understanding and knowledge about PNG. It is very important that as teachers, we have knowledge about other places in PNG besides Lihir Island," she said.

Special guest speaker Avia Kosen spoke on domestic violence and emphasised the protection of children and the vulnerable, fitting with Newcrest's Trupla Man Trupla Meri anti-violence and behaviour shift program.

"Guest speaker, Avia Kosen was very inspirational and the staff took her messages to heart about the important role teachers play in protecting students from domestic violence and giving them knowledge and strategies to help break the cycle of violence as they grow into adults," Langusch added. ■