# LIGHTNING RIDGE CENTRAL SCHOOL



Term 4, Week 4

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# From the Principal's Desk

Another huge fortnight, primary and secondary students have been on excursions to experience other places and learn by seeing and doing instead of from a book. We had a big day on Friday with the Angledool reunion where our dancers and some senior students represented the school, while on the oval we had information for parents and students with NRL visitors and lots of learning taking place to help set up the children of Lightning Ridge for a better future.

The work continues for secondary students preparing for their exams next week and primary teachers writing reports to inform parents of their children's progress across the whole of the year. The executive of the school are working hard on planning for next year to make the school year as smooth and positive as possible.

The AECG is having a meeting at the school next week and on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November** the P&C are holding a meeting which will include an information session for parents on how to keep their children safe while using the Internet and also a barbecue so please come along for that one.

Our KindyStart program is in full swing and the talented staff we have working in the program this year are making sure that not only are the students learning a lot and being prepared for coming into school next year the students are also having a fantastic time and really enjoying their learning. I've met some of the parents already but really look forward to meeting everyone at the graduation day.

Next week senior students will travel to Dubbo to do work for their TAFE courses. These students will be supervised by Miss O'Donohue who, despite being very busy, has volunteered to spend a few days away from home assisting these senior students.

One exciting thing that is happening the secondary teachers have decided that there are so many students in the school who wish to learn without interruption and who wish to do the very best they can at school that we will try and set up what we are calling opportunity classes to enable the students to be in class that is filled with students who are keen to learn and allowing teachers to teach. We will call these classes commitment classes because students and parents will need to commit to supporting the ideal of uninterrupted learning, to be prepared for every lesson, to attend school every day, and to complete all homework and assignments on time. These classes will be open to all students to apply and, after speaking to students and parents, a panel of staff and community will determine who will be offered a place in these classes. If students or parents do not honour the commitment that has been made students will be placed back into mainstream classes to enable the remaining students in the commitment class to work uninterrupted and achieve to their best.



What's Coming Up!

Week 5

Thursday 7th Nov– K-6 Merit Assembly

MIDTERM BREAK Friday 8th & Monday 12th Nov

(NO School supervision these days)

Week 6

Saturday 16th Nov-Yr 12

Formal

For more information regarding future dates please go to the LRCS Website and view the online calendar.

### Principals report continued...

We are hoping that not only will students in the commitment classes achieve better outcomes at school but also that other students will see the benefit of being a classroom which is committed to learning and in the future will modify their behaviour, improve their results and perhaps join a commitment class in the future. The ideal would be to have all of our classes commitment classes.

Teachers now have a very busy time between now and the end of the year organising many events writing reports speaking to parents and of course teaching. Teaching is our focus that's what we do as a school and teaching will occur until the very last day of school and we would like every student to be here on time, prepared to learn every single day until then.



Congratulations to Sally-Anne from S2/3R for being the Star Student in week 3. Sally- Anne has made great progress this year in all areas of school. She has developed her independent work habits and is a very good role model to her fellow students. Great job Sally-Anne, keep up the good work

# **From the Primary Deputy Principal**

### Family Gala Day and NAIDOC celebrations

Last Friday our students were invited to participate in this event at Spider Brown Oval. We thank the Lands Council for inviting us and the community organisations that participated in the day. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

### Leaving school grounds

I would like to remind students that they need to leave school grounds via the front gate or the side gate and use the pedestrian crossings. There are still students who are exiting school and going in front of buses and cars. I ask that parents talk to their child/children about exiting the school safely.

### **Selective Schools Test**

If you would like your child to sit the selective schools test for entry into Year 7 in 2015, please get an application form from the front office. Alternatively, forms can be completed online by searching for selective schools test.

### K-6 Merit Assembly

A reminder that the K-6 Merit Assembly is on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30 in the Gym. S2G, S1M, S1W and S3T will be performing items. Merit and DP awards and University of NSW certificates will be given out. All parents and community members are most welcome.

### **Class Visits**

I have been visiting some classes to participate in Reading to Learn lessons. I have been impressed by the dedication of the teachers and the work that the students are achieving in these classes. We are very fortunate to have the teachers that we do at our school.

### **Piano concert**

There will be a Piano concert in the hall on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 1pm for all students who have been learning the piano with Mrs Marilyn Collins. Parents are most welcome.

Until next fortnight, Genienne Ellis





Kindystart parents had meetings in the library. Great to see interested parents who wanted to know that books were still a bit part of school, even with all our technology.

Kindergarten students found the 3D books that showed inside the body a bit more than interesting! They reacted with, "Oh yuck." When we discussed waste from the body, that was quite humorous. Humour can overcome some of the more confronting issues we teach.

Stage 1 are always keen to know my life stories so I have used them for our work on growing and changing. I call this oral history and they can relate to a lot of it. Many a three and four year old has a memory of being lost or feeling that they were.

In Stage 2 we have been out and about in our library lessons. The procedure for growing rocket has been a hands on experience. We also transplanted tomato plants in the school garden. Students enjoy seeing how quickly plants grow and I am leaving the watering responsibility to classes.









Writing up our procedure is easy when we have had the experience.



LRCS Reading challenge continues with Khayden Morgan already handing in 2 sheets.

Some students with very overdue books are working in the library to "pay off' their book. Jobs such as shelving books, dusting, sharpening pencils and helping with the games are some of the jobs. These students have done this after my suggestion, but it does show they are accepting responsibility. Good work!

Turtle Draw winners recently were:

### WEEK 1

ES1 Lilly Fields ES1B Stage 1 Jorja Hackett S1W (Book: Dean's Footy Song) Stage 2 Trixie Condino S2F (Book: Willbee the Bumblebee) Stage 3: Natasha Kotru S2/3R (Canteen Voucher)

### WEEK 2

ES1 Jason Pistol ES1B (Book: Too Loud Lily) Stage 1 Linken McBrideS1W (Canteen Voucher) Stage 2 Roman Cobb S1/2V (Canteen Voucher) Stage 3: Hollie Cooling S3T Penny Fahey - Teacher Librarian



A positive start to the Term has been made with lots of work achieved and positive rewards being issued. Two of these activities, a Fishing Trip to Collarenabri and cooking lunch for themselves have been written up by the boys.

## Our Fishing Trip

On our fishing trip we had a great time on the bus. When we got there we each found a spot and set up our fishing rods. I found a great spot. Connor caught the first fish and then caught 5 more through the day. Jesse H. caught 4 fish and I caught 24 carp and the only cod. We shared sandwiches that we had all made the day before. We had another good ride on the bus home.

Matthew Grace Stage 5

### **Cooking Hamburgers**

We all cooked hamburgers and wedges and it was fun. We each cooked our own and they tasted great and we had them for lunch. It took a long time to clean up the Kitchen properly but it was worth it.

Stage 4



# **Nathematics S Mathematics just patterns**?

 $1 \times 9 + 2 = 11$   $12 \times 9 + 3 = 111$   $123 \times 9 + 4 = 1111$   $1234 \times 9 + 5 = 11111$   $12345 \times 9 + 6 = 111111$   $123456 \times 9 + 7 = 1111111$   $1234567 \times 9 + 8 = 11111111$   $12345678 \times 9 + 9 = 111111111$   $12345678 \times 9 + 9 = 111111111$ 

### Now, take a look at this...

From a strictly mathematical viewpoint:

What Equals 100%?

What does it mean to give 100%?

How about ACHIEVING 100%.

What equals 100% in life?



then

8+1+18+4+23+15+18+11 = 98%

and

K-N-O-W-L-E-D-G-E 11+14+15+23+12+5+4+7+5 = 96% 9 x 9 + 7 = 88 98 x 9 + 6 = 888 987 x 9 + 5 = 8888 9876 x 9 + 4 = 88888 98765 x 9 + 3 = 888888 987654 x 9 + 2 = 8888888 9876543 x 9 + 1 = 88888888 98765432 x 9 + 0 = 888888888

### Brilliant, isn't it?



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### Is represented as:

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But

**A-T-T-I-T-U-D-E** 1+20+20+9+20+21+4+5 = **100%** 

Therefore, one can conclude with mathematical certainty that:

While Hard Work and Knowledge will get you close, Attitude will get you there!

# **Uniform Reward Day**

During Term 3 a number of students were caught consistently wearing school uniform and being on time to school. At school we are encouraging all students to wear school uniform which includes a white or tri coloured shirt, black shorts, shoes. Tights and short shorts are not acceptable.

During the warmer months some students are wearing singlet tops and thongs these are not a part of our uniform, they do not meet WHS guidelines and so are not acceptable at our school .Please ensure your child is suitably dressed for school.

Those students who consistently wear uniform and are on time to school were rewarded by an ice block and a Big Thank you from the staff. The school will continue to run this reward program during Term 4. So all students need to consistently wear their uniform and be on time to school. The reward could be held at any time, so make sure students are in uniform and are on time to school every day.

Here are some photos of our students enjoying their reward.

# **SCIENCE**

Here are some samples of the quality work that science students across high school are producing in Term 4. Students from 7-10 are studying different topics but with the same ferocity and enthusiasm for learning. Just look at their great work!



Year 7 studies the weather

while Years 9 and 10 have just finished a study on the human body

If you know a year 8 student of LRCS ask them how many of these they can rattle off from memory! Year 8 is studying chemistry and are working to memorise the ENTIRE periodic table!

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### YEARLY EXAMS 7-10

### HELD IN THE GYM, Q17, Q18

	MONDAY 4 <sup>TH</sup>	TUESDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup>	WEDNESDAY 6 <sup>TH</sup>	THURSDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup>			
	November	November	November	November			
1 9:00- 9:50		AG 9/10 IN NORMAL CLASSROOM					
2 9:50- 11:00	ENGLISH 7-10	MATHS 7-10	SCIENCE 7-10	NORMAL CLASSES			
RECESS							
3 11:30- 12:20	NORMAL CLASSES						
4	PDHPE	GEOGRAPHY/HISTORY	9-10	NORMAL			
12:20- 1:30	7-10	8-10	Electives WOOD	CLASSES			
		Year 7 & 7/8 class Have normal classes	CHILD STUDY ART				
			PASS				
LUNCH			PASS				
LUNCH 5 2:00- 3:00		NORMAL					

Stage 2 students travelled to Dubbo for an overnight excursion.

We explored the Dubbo Gaol, the Cultural Centre and the Dubbo Zoo. It was an amazing trip that created many memories for all of our students.

Student comments:

The excursion was so much fun! I didn't want to come home.

My favourite part was the gaol where we heard lots of stories about the prisoners.

I loved going on the night walk at the zoo. It was scary but so much fun.

Watching the tigers being fed on the behind the scene tour was amazing. They are huge.

At night it was cold but it was fun sleeping in the tent with my friends at the zoo.

At the Cultural Centre we saw some art and then created our own masterpieces.

Thank you to the amazing Stage 2 students for their excellent behaviour! Mr Forbes, Miss Gamble and Amber.







### **CANTEEN MENU TERM 4 2013**







**ICECREAMS (LUNCH ONLY)** 

**Cheese tom lettuce** Vegemite or cheese

Chicken lettuce mayo



### TOASTED SANDWICHES/lavash 80c extra

ICECREANIS (LONCH ONEI)		TOASTED SAID MICHES/INVUSILOUCE	AITM			
(all toasties cooking spray used )	1.20		9.00			
Icy Poles Lemonade/Raspberry	1.20	Cheese & Ham	3.00			
Billabongs choc/triple swirl	1.30	Cheese	2.20			
Paddle Pops choc/ban/rainbow/		Ham cheese & tomato	3.20			
vanilla	1.30	Chicken Avo & Cheese	3.40			
Quelch frozen fruit pops	60c	Chicken & cheese	3.20			
KAE Blueys Blue		HOT FOODS				
Red/lemon fizz	50c	Sausage roll (lite pastry)	2.60			
Chocolate thickshakes	2.20	Travellers pie (lite pastry)	3.20			
Frozen yogurts strawb/mango	1.80	party pies lite	90c			
Dixie cups chocolate	1.00	Chilli tenders	1.40			
SANDWICHES (ROLLS 20C EXTRA)		Garlic bread sub	1.50			
(assortment of sand. or rolls sold ove	er	Steak potato trav. Pies 3.80				
counter)		UFO melted cheese & sauce ½ roll	1.50			
		Chicken wedges/strips per bag	2.80			
Cheese tom lettuce	2.80	Lasagne	3.70			
jemite or cheese 2.20	Macaron	i Cheese	3.70			
Chicken lettuce mayo	3.20	Chicken strips (replace nuggets)	50c			
Egg lettuce mayo	3.00	Pizza Ham & Pineapple	2.50			
Egg/curried egg	2.80	Pizza pockets	2.60			
Ham	2.30	Beefburger (lett/tom/cheese)	4.00			
Ham salad	3.40	Hamburger (the works)	4.50			
Chicken	2.80	Chicken Burger (lett/tom/mayo)	3.80			
Chicken salad	3.40	Quiche Lorraine	3.00			
Ham & Cheese	3.00	Honey soy chicken rice tubs	4.00			
Salad/Ham/cheese/tom	3.20	Beef or Chicken noodles	1.60			
Chicken /Avo/lett/mayo	3.40					
Tuna lettuce mayo	3.40					
<u>WHOLE WRAPS (please order wraps)</u>	<u>MISCELLAN</u>	EOUS				
Salad wraps	\$4.50	Tomato or BBQ sauce	20c			
Chicken or ham salad	\$5.00	50 lunch bags	2.00			
Tuna salad	\$5.00	Salad dressing	30c			
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Chilli Sauce

\$4.50

#### SNACKS (RECESS & LUNCH)

Fruit <i>salad</i> cup/diced peach cups 120g	1.30
Fresh fruit apples oranges bananas 1.00-	1.20
J'J'S (Chicken/S&V/Burger/Pizza pkt) 20g	1.00
Hotcakes choc chip/b. Berry	1.00
Go Cookies (lite)	70c
½ frozen banana or orange	50c
Snack packs choc/vanilla/strawb 140g	1.50
Yoplait lite yogurt 175gm vanilla/strawb	1.80
Popcorn	90c
Cheese sticks	1.00
Lite sara lee muffins choc	1.80
Grain waves sour creme	1.20
Moosies(choc/blue/strawb)frozen milk	1.20
Sultanas (box)	1.00
DRINKS	
Spring Water 600ml	2.00
Aroona 10% juice	2.20
(Blue/orange/Pine lime/cola/apple rasp.	
350ml Orange juice bottle	2.30
Poppers Apple/orange/tropical	1.80
300ml choc/strawberry /banana	2.40
Big M choc/straw lite ctn milk 250ml	2.00
Nippy's 375ml reduced fat choc/strawb/	
lced coffee/honeycomb	2.30
Iced coffee classic 375ml carton	2.60
LOL's Razzbri/Tropkl/Blackcurrent	2.30
Plain carton milk	1.60
SALAD BOXES (please order salad box	<u>kes)</u>
Salad	5.50
Chicken / Ham /Tuna or Egg salad	6.00
SMALL SALAD BOWLS	

Salad

Chicken / Ham /Tuna or Egg salad

\*\*Salad boxes include lettuce, tomato, cucumber, beetroot, carrot, cheese. (please pre-order salad boxes) \*\*\*Salad dressing available

\*\* please note: Canteen closes for orders by 9.30am each morning!

4.00

4.50

All profits made by Canteen go to the P&C for the Students!

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# special photos available to order from front office.



