### LIGHTNING RIDGE CENTRAL SCHOOL



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### **Relieving Principal's Report**

As you may have seen on our school Facebook page the Variety Bash was at our school on Wednesday morning. Thanks to the P&C for cooking and serving over 330 visitors a cooked breakfast. This small group of parents and staff arrived at school at 5am to get organised. They efficiently fed all the 'bashers' one of the best brekky they have had on their trip. The school was provided with a \$5,580 grant, these funds will be used to purchase musical

instruments to support the co-curricular music program. Mr Schembri conducts musical lessons and ensembles at school before and after school. Year 11 students sold coffee to the travelers, thankyou to Stevan Kotru from The Busy Bee cafe for providing his time and expertise for free, and to Rebel Black for the use of her facilities. A raffle of a handcrafted bread board was given by Mr Pickard and The John Murray Art Gallery donated art works which were capably auctioned off by Mr Bonsing. Overall from the raffle and auction we raised over \$3000 for the Stage 5 camp to Sydney. Our students were amazing, showing respect to our special visitors. The morning was topped off with a special show from Super Hubert who entertained Primary students.

You may have read news reports about knives at school. The Department has decided to issue a temporary ban on students, staff and visitors carrying any form of knife to government schools. This temporary ban is to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff at all of our school sites. The Department has a paramount duty to ensure the safety and well-being of students in attendance at its schools. This is a duty that the Department takes very seriously. Parents expect, when sending their children to school, that they will be safe. Included in this newsletter is a letter to all parents regarding the ban, if you have any concerns please contact the school.

Last weekend a small group of parents and staff worked to clean and shelve books in the library due to the cooler classrooms project our library has been a construction zone. We are now working towards the library being back in working order. Thankyou to all those who volunteered their time. This weekend Sunday 30th May at 9am there will be another gardening working bee to complete gardening projects commenced a few weeks ago.













2021 School Newsletter now available online via our Skoolbag App and website on www.lightningr-c.schools.nsw.edu.au



Steve 'Bear' Hall Gala day Fri 28th May

Primary Assembly
Mon 31st May

Stage 5 Shearing School Wed 2nd -Thur 3rd June

Primary North West Cross Country

Thurs 10th June

Narran Lakes Open Day Fri 11th June

Pupil Free Day
Mon 14th June

Year 3 - 6 Primary Athletics Carnival Wed 16th June

Secondary Athletics Carnival

Thur 17th June

Yr K - 3 Athletics Carnival
Fri 18th June

NAIDOC Week

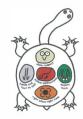
Mon 21st - Fri 25th June





### Lightning Ridge Central School

### **Respect** · **Responsibility** · **Pride**



25 May 2021

BAN ON STUDENTS, STAFF AND VISITORS BRINGING KNIVES TO SCHOOLS

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Department of Education has a paramount duty to ensure the safety and well-being of students and staff in attendance at its schools. This is a duty that the Department and I as Principal of Lightning Ridge Central School take very seriously. You have a right to expect, when sending your children to school, that they will be safe.

We also have legal obligations under the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 to eliminate or minimise risks to health and safety (so far as is reasonably practicable).

The Department already has a strict policy specifying no weapons being allowed at school. To date there has been a legal exemption for knives carried for religious purposes (including a kirpan carried by some Sikh students).

Following a recent incident, the Department has now implemented a temporary ban on students, staff and visitors carrying any form of knife into government schools (including those carried for religious purposes). This temporary ban is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students and staff at all of our schools.

The Department is currently working with a range of community stakeholders including religious organisations to develop a new policy to enable students, where appropriate, to continue to express their faith, while still maintaining safety within the school context. From Wednesday 19 May 2021, and until further notice, no students may carry a knife while at school, even those worn for genuine religious reasons. We request that parents and carers talk with their children to make sure they understand this change. Knives carried for religious purposes, including kirpans, will need to be kept at home for the foreseeable future.

We recognise this is a sensitive issue for many within the community and wish to assure you that the Department will be working urgently to find a solution which respects every student's faith alongside the safety of everyone in our school.

We ask all parents to support the school with these changes, parent information on knives in schools can be found on the No knives at school – parent factsheet. Parents may also find the information on the No knives at school – student factsheet useful in their discussions with their children.

If you have any questions in regards to this information please ring the school on 0268 290 511 to make a time to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Morriss

Relieving Principal

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### **Secondary Deputy Principal's Report**

It has been an eventful few weeks for our high school students here at LRCS. Year 7 and 9 students completed their NAPLAN examinations and Stages 4 and 5 completed their Half-Yearly Examinations, all in the past two weeks. I would like to congratulate our students for their behaviour and application during these times. It was really encouraging to see the positive approach our students took to these examinations and I look forward to hearing about the success they have.

Speaking of success, I would like to commend the students participating in the Run Beyond Project. Students commit to giving up their own time to complete our program, which is done after school. They work towards the completion of a Goal Race, for us this year it will be the Mount Panorama Punish in Bathurst. More importantly, the skills Run Beyond develops are skills that can be applied beyond the finish line, to enable students to succeed in any field which inspires them. This program was introduced to the school last year by Mr Shannon and is currently led by Miss Stewart who is doing an amazing job of planning each training session to work towards our goal. I am proud to be a part of the program and look forward to crossing the finish line with our team.

Recently, a wonderful opportunity came across my desk for some of our Stage 4 and 5 girls. The Girls on Fire Camp in Brewarrina equips young women for a career in emergency services, but also builds resilience and teaches them about their community. Each of the single day programs follow a similar template that has the young women wearing protective clothing, using basic tools, setting up hose lines, extinguishing a small fire, undertaking physical fitness aspects of the role, working in teams and possibly using breathing apparatus or abseiling. Through an Expression of Interest process we have identified six young ladies who will take part in this experience. We have no doubt they will represent the school with pride and look forward to hearing about their experience.

Finally, I would like to remind all of our students, parents/carers and the community that Every Day Counts. As you can see in this report, our school has a wide variety of opportunities for our students, including sport, music, excursions, camps and work experience. More importantly, our days are filled with learning. Every day that a student misses is another learning opportunity gone. Our school motto is "Always Prepared" and our goal is to prepare our students for the rest of their lives, however, it is difficult to do this when a student is not in attendance. Therefore, we encourage every student to attend school, every day, at 8:40am. We hope that our students will take advantage of the amazing education provided to them here at LRCS and look forward to seeing our attendance rates rise throughout the year.



### **Positive Behaviour for Learning**

Lightning Ridge Central School share a Positive Behaviour for Learning focus with our Students each fortnight. Students who show exceptional PBL values are rewarded throughout the year with excursions, special activities and treats.



## This fortnight's PBL Focus is SHOW RESPECT



Show respect by using manners and speaking respectfully

This symbol represents an owl's eyes and beak because it is a locally significant animal that even non-Aboriginal folklore recognises as wise and deserving respect.

Primary Students should arrive at school by 8:55am Secondary Students should arrive at school by 8:40am

LATE IS NOT GREAT



# Worth your Weight in Opal Noah Dean ES1P

Noah was nominated by Mrs Stiller for trying his best in sport and encouraging his peers.



# Worth your Weight in Opal Yahlarri Sands S1Y

Yahlarri was nominated by Mr Bonsing for being settled at lunch and recess breaks. Yahlarri has been in the right place at the right time. Well done, Yahlarri!



# Worth your Weight in Opal Cameron Sloan S2H

Cameron was nominated by Mr Crawley for working hard to improve his reading.



## Worth your Weight in Opal Sharlize Masters S3B

Sharlize was nominted by Mr Delhaas for outstanding effort in writing tasks.



# Worth your Weight in Opal Timanah Young Yr 10

Achieving outstanding results in his first assessment task in Year 11 Mathematics.

### Stage 2

Term 2 has been filled with lots of exciting activities and learning opportunities! In literacy, S2H have been planning and writing persuasive text types. Our class has enjoyed arguing their opinion and have created some very persuasive pieces of writing. We have been using a variety of written and mental strategies to solve addition and subtraction problems in numeracy lessons. In sport lessons, S2H have been practising their fundamental movement skills and are preparing for the upcoming athletics carnival. We have also been learning about warm and cool colours and how to use these effectively when creating artworks. S2H have had an excellent term so far and are looking forward to what's ahead.







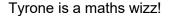


### **Primary MC**



The MC class have been very busy working on projects. This week we are learning about spiders.

We are beginning to jazz up our outdoor area. We have used the Return and Earn" money to fund this. Please send in any (uncrushed) unwanted cans and bottles (with the 10c on the packaging) for our fund raising project.















If you need to get a message to your child please contact the school office by 2:30pm.

### Stage 3

Stage three students held a connect four tournament as part of our learning for patterns and structure mathematics. Students are learning about recognising, creating and working with structured patterns so we held the competition where they could apply their knowledge through structured play. It was also a great opportunity for them to demonstrate how to play games fairly and show sportsmanship. It was a great success for all involved.





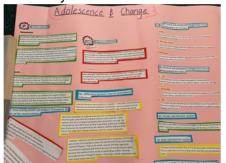


### Stage 5

Year 7 and Year 8 have been learning about Adolescence and Change. As a class we have explored the physical, emotional and social changes affecting personal identity throughout adolescence and investigating a sense of self and what this means to you. Students have completed their Assessment task, this was an information poster on the physical and emotional changes of Puberty.

During our practical lessons students have been given the opportunity to refine their Athletic field event skills. All classes have been over long jump, discus, shot put, javelin and high jump skills. All are looking forward to showing off their skills and talents at the Secondary Athletics Carnival on Thursday 17th June.









Yuwaalaraay is the dialect for the Lightning Ridge area. The name of the language and Aboriginal people of the Balonne River Region.

Yuwaalaraay Word of the Week

Gayaa ngaya! = Look at my work!



### **Secondary Studies**

#### **Child Studies**

ITS A BOY! - IT'S A GIRL!!

This term Stage 5 Child Studies are engaging in project based learning activities. Gender reveal cakes have been one activity the students have completed recently.













### **Exploring Early Childhood**

Karnie Walford from the Outback Division recently attended and spent time with Stage 6 students discussing the following topics:

So now you're a family, Growth and development and Effects of drugs on children.

Students also experienced wearing a 'Pregnancy vest', saw the physical effects of a drug affected baby through a simulated baby and also the effects of a shaken baby. Thank you to Karnie Walford for her time, knowledge and experience she has offered to our students.





#### **PASS Kindergarten Program**

Miss Messner's Year 9/10 PASS elective have been working with kindergarten to further develop their fundamental movement skills, with a focus on preparing them for the athletic carnival later in the term. This has been a positive experience for our stage 5 students who have shown great leadership and organisation in delivering fun and engaging activities for our kindergarten students.







### **NSW CHS North West Opens Netball**

On the 28th of April, Wee Waa travelled out to Lightning Ridge to play in the open girls CHS netball competition. The girls had been training hard of an afternoon, developing their skills and knowledge of the game with Miss Messner and Miss Stewart. It was a tough match, where we had a number of players unfortunately injure themselves so we were light on numbers. Our attack and defence worked well in the circle together but Wee Waa were just too strong on the day. Huge congratulations goes out to all the girls for their improvement and effort they put in.

Team: Jada Seaton, Lexi McBride, Tegan McGovern, Gloria Khabo, Sophie Small, Katarina Thompson, Evey Allen, Tilah Ciprian, Grace McBride, Ellie Gough

Well Done girls!!















# LRCS Disco

JUNE 10, 2021 K TO 4: 4.30PM - 5.30PM

YEAR 5 TO 8: 5.45PM TO 6.45PM YEAR 9 TO 12: 7.00PM TO 8:00PM

\$5 ENTRY
FOOD & DRINKS FOR SALE ON NIGHT

NO ADMISSION TO STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED OR ARE ON A MONITORING CARD.

STUDENTS FROM STAGE 1 & 2
MUST BE COLLECTED BY A
PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

### **Careers Day Dubbo**

Western Plains Careers Expo Dubbo Senior Campus 22nd April 2021

UNSW SYDNEY

Students Questionnaire completed by: Amelia Wilson Year 11

What were the main points of the UAC information session?

The UAC sessions helped me understand how different subjects are scaled and the importance of preparing yourself for every subject. The session also assisted me with understanding the application process for Early Entry into University as well as changing my course preferences.

Which three stalls were you most impressed with what they were delivering?

As I am really keen to attend a Sydney University I really enjoyed chatting with Macquarie University, UNSW and Sydney University. It made me feel more confident in attending these Universities when we'd discuss entry requirements/ATAR adjustment points as well as on campus accommodation.

What do you want to do when you complete the HSC?

Good question, it's always changing but something along the lines of a business degree of some sort.

Which career pathway will you go down? Eg: University, TAFE

At this stage University but I am well aware the future could change so I am open to all options.

What advice would you pass onto Year 10 students who want to attend in 2022?

I would pass onto younger students to take advantage of the Career Expo days as it opens your eyes to so many options that are available to us. And even though we live in a rural and remote location doesn't mean we don't have the same opportunities as students from more urban areas.









### Children's Health the Priority: Energy Drinks Banned

Just a reminder to parents/guardians and students that Energy Drinks such as Red Bull, Mother, V and Rockstar are banned in NSW schools by the Department of Education. These drinks have been proven to have a negative affect on student's health and learning. Students with these drinks at school will have them confiscated. Some of these drinks have more then 108 grams of sugar (22 teaspoons) and 240 mg of Caffeine (3 standard coffees)







### **Variety Bash Breakfast and Auction**







On 19th May 2021, Lightning Ridge Central School P&C hosted a cooked breakfast for over 330 Variety Bash participants (including a secret guest appearance from football legend Wendell Sailor), that have traveled thousands of kilometres on their journey from Newcastle to the bush to raise funds for rural schools along their route "The aim of the bash is to help provide opportunities for regional kids to get a fair go".

The Variety Bash have given more than \$50,000 in grants to nine schools along the way and Lightning Ridge Central School was lucky enough to receive over \$10,000 in grants and funding to contribute to valuable school resources.

Thank you to our parents, staff and students who braved the cold to volunteer their time to prepare and serve breakfast to our guests.

A special thank you to Rebel Black, Emily, Stevan and the team at The Busy Bee Cafe and Catering for generously donating their coffee van and resources to our Year 11 Students to raise funds for their Year 12 formal.









LIGHTNING RIDGE CENTRAL SCHOOL

# **Athletics Carnivals**



YEAR 3-6 PRIMARY- Wednesday 16th June YEAR 7-12 SECONDARY -Thursday 17th June YEAR K-2 INFANTS- Friday 18th June

Parents Welcome!

# P & C MEETING

**TUESDAY 1ST JUNE 2021** 

Parents invited to attend and become a member of the P & C Committee.

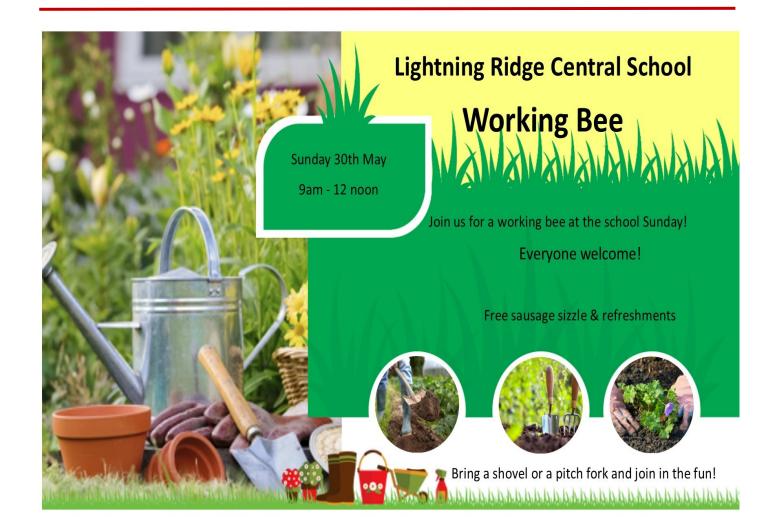


Parents and Citizens Association is a school based organisation consisting of parents, teachers and interested citizens. PSC Associations reflect the role of the community in the local school and provide opportunities to enjoy, learn and communicate with parents interested in the education of children.

P & C meetings are held at the school every 3rd and 7th week of each term at 5pm in B2 Building (next to uniform shop).

For enquiries contact

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## **Laptop Payments Now Due**

T321 Laptop Lease payments are due by **Friday 4th June, 2021.** 

Laptop payments are due week 7 of <u>every term</u>. Any laptops with outstanding payments after this date will be collected and stored at the School until payment is made.

Payments can be made online via Skoolbag or Lightning Ridge Central School's web site by clicking "make a payment" and following the prompts by using your credit/debit card.

Alternatively, you can pay cash, cheque or Eftpos at the School Office.



# **Uniform Shop**

Uniform Shop is open Mondays and Thursdays only.

8:30am - 9am

No EFTPOS available (Cash Only)

Order forms and pricelists are also available at the School's Office

Year groups	Summer Uniform	Winter Uniform			
K-4	Black shorts     Black skorts (girls only)     Red polo shirt with school emblem	Black track pants     Red polo shirt with school emblem     Red sloppy-joe			
5-9	Black shorts or black full length pants     Black skorts (girls only)     Red/Black/White polo shirt with school emblem	Black shorts or black full length pants Black skorts (girls only) Redfillack/White polo shirt with school emblem Black jumper – 5 – 8 Black jacket Canterbury jersey – yr9 only			
10 - 12	Black shorts or black full length pants     White polo shirt with school emblem	Black shorts or black full length pants     White polo shirt with school emblem     Black jacket     Cantachers			









# Swivel Chairs for **SALE**



We have 27 swivel chairs for SALE.

First in best dressed. \$5 each.

Contact front office on 6829 0511

You are cordially invited to

### **GOODOÓGA-LIGHTNING RIDGE CWA**

35th ANNUAL WOOL DAY



aturday 5th June 2021



To be held at

### BRIAN & KAY GIBBONS "MOONGULLA" COLLARENEBRI

Fashion Parade by Iris&Wool www.irisandwool.com Junior Colouring Competition | Sleepy Merino Pyjamas Variety of Stalls and much more!

#### Time of events

10:30am Viewing of wool in the Moongulla Woolshed

11.00am

Presentation of trophies in the Moongulla Woolshed

#### Major Sponsor Elders Walgett

12.30pm
Lunch at
Moongulla Homestead

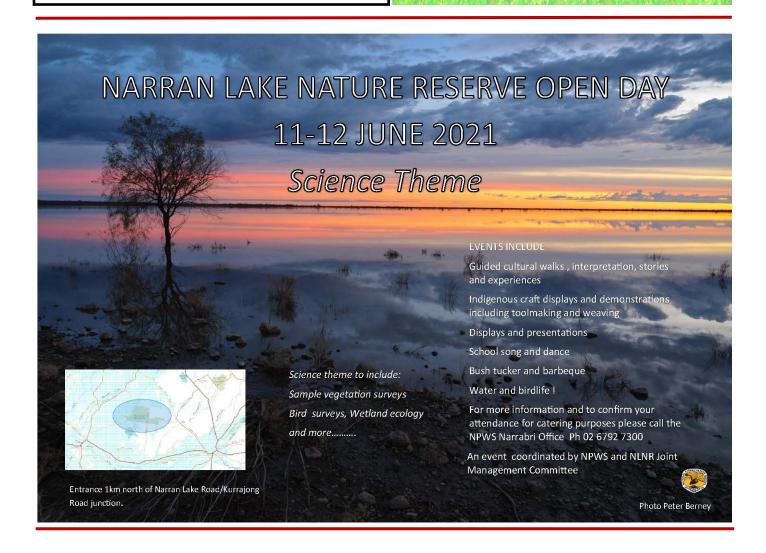
Relish
CATERING
LUNCHEON \$20
children under 10 free

#### BYO Esky of Drinks, Chair & Shade

RSVP by 21st May essential for catering

SUE SCOLES
P 0428 511 102 E scolesrugby@bigpond.com

Proceeds to CWA Charities: Cancer Council, Flying Doctors, Medical Research and Local Community Groups





Families are welcome to make all student payments including excursions, laptop lease fees and elective fees via EFTPOS now.

(P&C uniform shop remains cash only)



Our Children
Our Communities
Our Future

On the 8/9th June 2021, Kindergarten teachers and our AEO staff will be participating in the Australian Early Development Census about your child's first year of schooling. The AEDC data collection is relied upon by schools, early childhood organisations, researchers and government to inform planning and improve services and supports for children and families.

Teachers and AEO staff will answer questions relating to the five key domains of early childhood development including; Physical health and wellbeing, Emotional maturity, Social competence, Language and cognitive skills (school-based) and Communication skills and general knowledge.

You can see all the questions at https://www.aedc.gov.au/avedi

Information notes have been sent home with students and families only need to reply if you do not wish your child to participate. Contact Megan Loiterton at the school if you need any further information.



## K-6 Red, Black and Yellow Parade on Wednesday, 23rd June 2021

To celebrate NAIDOC Week, students in K-6 are encouraged to come to school dressed in Red, Black and Yellow clothes on Wednesday, 23rd June 2021. Students with their Stage, e.g. Early Stage 1, will have an opportunity to parade around in front of the rest of Primary and there will be a prize for the Best Dressed in the stage.

Parents/carers are welcomed to come along to our Red, Black and Yellow Parade. It will be held under the Primary COLA at 10am.

If you have any questions regarding this, please don't hesitate to contact Miss Deer.

We're looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our parade!!



## **Monday's**

7:30am

**Senior Cola** 

**Stages 3–6 Welcome** 





### LIGHTNING RIDGE NSW

Last Saturday of the Month (Mar-Sept)
6pm -8pm

**Wooloroo Road** 





STUDENTS!

## LRCS- CANTEEN MENU- TERM 2, 2021



<u>Snacks</u> - (Recess & Lun	<b>Sandwiches</b>		<u>Hot Foods</u>		
Crunch cups	(Gluten free bread available)		Mrs Mac lite sausage roll	\$3.50	
(cheese, carrot, celery, tomato & cucumber)	\$3.00	(Multigrain rolls extra \$1.00)	)	Travellers beef pie	\$3.80
Yoplait yoghurt 175gm (vanilla)	\$2.50	Cheese	\$3.20	Party pies village 60gm	\$1.20
		Cheese salad	\$4.20	Chicken & gravy roll	\$5.50
Grain waves (sour crème)	\$1.20	Cheese & tomato	\$3.60	Garlic bread	\$1.30
Cheese sticks	\$1.00	Ham, cheese & tomato	\$4.00	(Good Tucker 75gm)	φ1.30
Lite muffins 75gm (chocolate)	\$2.00	Ham or chicken salad	\$4.50	UFO ½ roll Cheese & tomato sauce	\$2.00
Koala popcorn (plain)	\$1.50	Ham or chicken	\$3.50	Chicken strips per bag (6)	\$3.00
Fresh fruit (banana,apple,orange)	\$1.00- \$1.50	Chicken chilli tender, lettuce & mayo	\$4.50	McCains pizza (Ham/pineapple or ham/	\$3.00
Fruit salad cups	\$1.50	Ham & cheese	\$3.80	cheese)	27
B : 1		Chicken, lettuce & mayo	\$4.00	Beefburger (lettuce, tomato, cheese &	\$5.00
<u>Drinks</u>		Chicken, avocado & mayo	\$4.50 \$4.00	beetroot)	ψ5.00
Spring water 600ml	\$2.00	Egg, lettuce & mayo Tuna, lettuce & mayo	\$4.00	Chicken burger (lettuce,	\$5.00
Spring Water 1.5ltr	\$3.00	Vegemite	\$2.80	tomato & mayo)	ψ5.00
Juice bombs		Section - Section Control of Cont		Chicken strips (each)	\$0.60
(grape, blackcurrent, apple/ raspberry, watermelon, orange/	\$2.20	Wraps (Whole Gra	<u>in)</u>	Beef or chicken noodles	\$2.00
passio, lemonade)		Salad wraps	\$6.00	111/	
Just Juice poppers 200ml		Chicken or ham salad	\$6.50	yummy y	
(apple, orange, apple/ blackcurrent)	\$2.00	Chicken, lettuce & mayo	\$5.50	And I	
Classic 300ml milk	\$2.90	Chilli tender, lettuce, tomato,	\$6.50	Tageted Candwiel	
(chocolate, strawberry)		Tuna, lettuce & mayo	\$5.50	Toasted Sandwicl (Via order)	<u>ies</u>
Big M milk 250ml ctn (chocolate, strawberry)	\$2.00	Tuna salad	\$6.50	(please order during summer	months)
Nippys reduced fat 375ml				Cheese & ham	\$3.80
(chocolate, strawberry, iced coffee, honeycomb)	\$2.80			Ham, cheese & tomato	\$4.00
(High School Only)			1	Cheese	\$3.20
Plain ctn milk 300ml	\$2.20	Oall Oalad David	N <u>a 1</u>	Cheese & tomato	\$3.60
		Small Salad Bowls		Chicken, avocado &	
<u>lce-creams</u> - (Lunch or	nly)	Salad	\$5.00	cheese	\$4.50
Olah 000/ iiaa tuhaa		Chicken or ham/egg or tuna	\$5.50	Chicken & cheese	\$4.00
Quelch 99% juice tubes (apple, tropical)	\$0.60			Chilli tender & cheese roll	\$5.50
Frozen poppers just juice \$2.0		Optional Extras		Missellanseus	
Bulla dixie cup (vanilla)	\$1.20	(for Salad Boxes)		<u>Miscellaneous</u>	
Ka blueys (blue/red/lemon)	\$0.60	Onion, avocado, pineapple - indicate on order. Also avai		Tomato or BBQ sauce	\$0.30
Frozen twisted yogurts	ψ0.00	mayonnaise or french dressing.		Bundle of lunch bags	\$2.50
(mango, blueberry, vanilla, watermelon, strawberry)  ALL PROFITS GO TO	\$2.20	CANTEEN CLOSES AT 9.00AM FOR ORDERS! NO EXEMPTIONS!		PLEASE PUT RECESS AND LUNCH ORDERS ON SEPARATE BAGS, NAME & CLASS. THANK YOU	
THE P&C FOR THE					