

LIGHTNING RIDGE CENTRAL SCHOOL



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Term 4 Week 6 2023



Principal's Report

Pride is defined as a feeling of deep pleasure or satisfaction derived from one's own achievements, the achievements of those with whom one is closely associated.

One of our key universals at LRCS is pride and that should apply to everything our students and staff do. We should all have pride in our work as a means of driving us to do better. Wearing uniforms is another way students show pride in their school.

When instilled in the young, pride is a building block of a healthy self-esteem. This is important and necessary to promote a positive self-worth. A child needs to hear that he or she has done something well and be acknowledged.

As Principal I have had good reason in recent times to feel great pride in many of our students.

I was privileged to be a guest at the Year 12 Formal in recent weeks and it was with pride that I surveyed our students "dressed to the nines". My pride stemmed from the fact that they had achieved the milestone of finishing Year 12, overcoming the trials and tribulations that go with it.



On the 7th November I farewelled 19 of our students who were travelling to Tamworth for the bi-annual Creative Arts Public Education Regional Spectacular (CAPERS). CAPERS involves 1700 staff and students from regional NSW who play instruments, dance and sing in front of large audiences during three performances at The Tamworth Regional Entertainment Complex. Our school is the one travelling the furthest.

We had our Aboriginal Dance Group performing as well as our primary dance performing. Four students performed with students from other schools in the Concert Band, while Mr Schembri performed in the Show Band.

I would like to pay tribute to the staff who have made this possible: Jess Brown, Samuel Jackson-Bolton, Rebecca Jarvis and Lucas Schembri. They have been ably supported by Jen Pickard and the office staff. These sorts of opportunities where students can display their pride happen because good staff work hard!

Congratulations to all involved and I am sure you will have many stories to tell of your Tamworth adventures.



Kindy Start

Fri 17th Nov

Primary Assembly

Mon 20th Nov

2pm

P & C Meeting

Tue 21st Nov

5pm

Parent Information

Evening

Year 6 - 7 Transition

Thurs 30th Nov

CAPA School

Performance

Wed 6th Dec

K - 6 PBL Reward Pool

Party

Tues 12th Dec

Presentation Day

Wed 13th Dec

Last Day of Term 4

Fri 15th Dec

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and website on www.lightningr-c.schools.nsw.edu.au



Secondary Deputy Principal's Report

During Week 5 students in Years 7 - 10 are sitting Yearly Exams in most subjects, these results will be included in their Yearly reports.



Students are now working towards completing course work, assessment tasks and practical projects. School continues until Friday 15th December, students need to bring all their equipment and be ready for learning until the end of the year.

Mrs Caley, our careers advisor, has organised a number of opportunities for our Stage 4 & 5 students, these include work experience programs, career emersion programs—something for everyone. It is essential that all students arrive on time to school or they may miss out on these courses.

Music Awards



Byron James



Kingston Kirkpatrick



Teo Malinovic

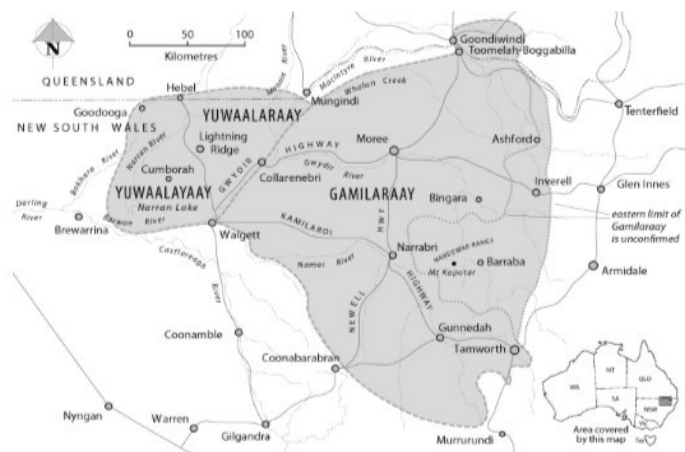
Each week all students who have been following our Turtle Goals and displaying positive behaviour are put into a draw. Two students from Primary and Secondary are drawn out. These students then get to choose a song which will be played for our new bell music. Congratulations to our Week 6 winners.

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

Yuwaalaraay

Word of the Week

murrugu = white cockatoo



Primary Assistant Principal's Report



Term 4 is flying! Our students are beginning to show signs of weariness. Please ensure you maintain a sound bedtime routine and if possible, minimise the amount of junk food your child is consuming. This will help them to regulate their behaviour at school.

Most of our primary students are generally a compliant and respectful bunch of children. Unfortunately, there are a few who buck the system and create unnecessary work for our staff.

There has been a rise in primary students vaping. You may have seen reports about the dangers of vaping and the number of young people who have developed lung disease or died as a result. Please have a serious conversation with your child about the dangers.

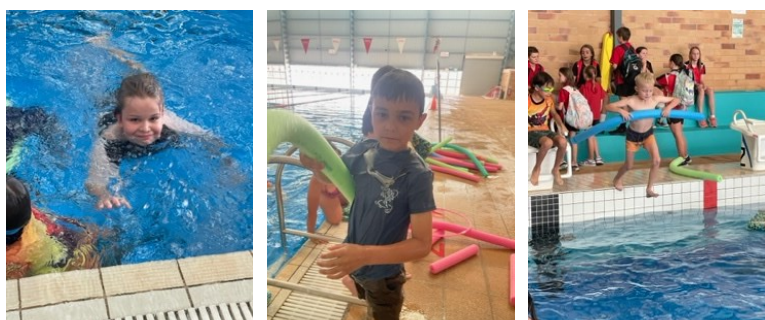
Two other ongoing battles include the wearing of caps to school. The red school bucket hat is the only hat we expect to see students wearing at school. Chewing gum is also causing problems. Students are bringing gum and sharing it at school. We are having to regularly help students remove chewing gum from the bottom of their shoes to prevent it being walked into the classroom. Please help us to keep LRCS a gum free school by explaining to your child that it is a banned item.

The students at Lightning Ridge Central School certainly have some wonderful opportunities. The swim scheme was a very successful program. Charlotte did an amazing job in helping all students to improve in confidence and style. I would like to extend a special thanks to Charlotte Van-Wilpe for designing great lessons, monitoring progress and especially for staying in the water for such a long time to ensure every student got the most out of the 10-day program. I would also like to thank Miss Stephen, Mr Flaus, Miss Kylie and Miss Justine for their assistance in the water.



A big thank you also goes to Mrs Wykes, on top of her very busy work schedule, she offered to drive the bus so that our students did not have to walk to the pool each day.

As you would all be aware, the performing arts is a big part of our LRCS lifestyle. Students are busy preparing for the extravaganza CAPA night which will be held on 6th December at the Lightning Ridge Bowling Club. Tickets are on sale soon.



A troupe of privileged students have taken part in CAPERS in Tamworth, the students had the experience of a lifetime. Once again, I'd like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the staff who prepared the students for this grand event and gave up their personal time to accompany the students. A big thank you to Mrs Jarvis, Mr Schembri, Mr Finter, Jess Brown, Samuel Jackson-Bolton and our Director, Education and Leadership, Mr Chris Jackson who plays a pivotal role in organising the event every two years.

Jacob McGovern and I are taking part in the "Swim for sick kids" fundraiser. We would love your support - if you'd like to sponsor us, any small donation would be appreciated.

Jacob's team is called - Ridge swimmers and I am swimming solo - Adrienne Fox.

We thank you for your support!!



Library



Stage two and S23N have been learning to code Dash robots via the 'Blockly' App. Students have been very creative in their programming and presentation of Dash to meet their weekly challenges. Each challenge has involved coding Dash to include movement, sounds and lights.

Tasks have included: turning Dash into an animal of choice (real or imaginary), a Dash-ion Parade where Dash strutted his best self on the runway, making a maze out of blocks and creating the algorithm for Dash to make his way through, and an individual assessment task to code Dash to travel in the shape of a square, incorporating a variety of coding blocks to the algorithm.

Having Dash robots at LRCS for the past six weeks has been an absolute blast and we will be very sad to see Dash go as we return our borrowed STEM 4L kit back to the DoE. Students computational thinking and coding skills have grown tremendously through this opportunity



Library Days

Tuesday – S1D (Clark), S2H (Russo)

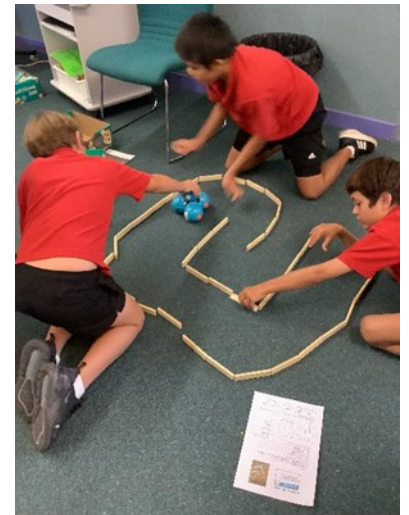
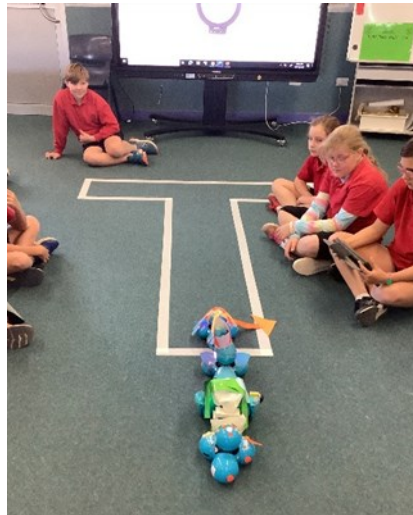
Wednesday – S3C (Moly), S3B (Signorotto), S1B (Britts), S1Y (Duncan)

Thursday – S23N (Richardson), S2O (Ellery), ES1P (Bird), MC1 (Loader)

Library Opening Times

Monday/Friday lunch time – Highschool students (Years 7-12)

Tuesday/Wednesday lunch time – Primary students (Years K-6)



Tuesday Mornings!



8:00am – 8:30am

Singing Lessons with Mrs Jarvis



No lessons in Week 10, Term 3 OR Week 1, Term 4.



*No more Beginner Keyboard lessons



Worth your Weight in Opal Jack Pryor S1Y

Jack was nominated by Charlotte and Miss Loder for fantastic effort and participation in swimming lessons.

Awesome work Jack!



Worth your Weight in Opal Eli Jacobson S2O

Eli was nominated by Charlotte and Miss Loder for fantastic effort and participation in swimming lessons.

Keep up the great work Eli!



Worth your Weight in Opal Kane Duncan S3C

Kane was nominated by Charlotte and Miss Loder for fantastic effort and participation in swimming lessons.

Well done Kane!



Worth your Weight in Opal Wah Sommanusthida Year 8

Wah was nominated by Miss Ravot for her study and exam preparation time effectively.

Top Effort Wah!

Leadership Camp

Last week, Leaders and Student Representatives from Lightning Ridge Central School attended a leadership camp at the Warrumbungle National Park Environmental Education Centre.

The activities included camping, hiking, impromptu speeches, group problem solving and leadership style skits, amongst others.

All students represented our school with respect, responsibility and pride.



Stage 4 Science



Year 8 students learning about Energy transfers, Kinetic and potential energy, using spheros and cotton reel toys, they are working scientifically collecting quantitative data and organising this using the iPads and learning heat transfers through conduction.



All Secondary students are required to own a Scientific calculator for math lessons.

Calculators are available to purchase at our school front office, for \$25 each.

CAPERS Mega Raffle

A massive thank you to all who purchased a ticket in our CAPERS Mega raffle, supporting our students to attend Tamworth this week!

Congratulations to our lucky winners!

1st - Tess McMillan

Yeti 47Ltre Tundra Cooler donated by Lightning Ridge Outback Resort.

2nd - Jodi Nagy

Signed John Murray book and 10 pack of assorted prints donated by John Murray Art Gallery.

3rd - Chris Walford

Laser Bluetooth Sound bar and Subwoofer donate by Lightning Ridge District Bowling Club and a voucher for pizza donated by Crust and Co.

4th - Quenisha Walford

\$200 Opal Cave voucher donated by Herman and Sandy Kreller.

5th - Brian Kennedy

Compact Food Processor donated by LRE and \$20 voucher donated by Duncan's Fashion and Coffee.

6th - Tess McMillan

\$60 Voucher from Smokin M BBQ donated by the McCabe's and 10 Drink voucher donated by Opal Street Café.

7th - Gemma Roper

\$100 Lost Sea Opals donated by Jo Lindsay and \$20 voucher donated by Duncan's Fashion and Coffee.

8th - Ruby Bamford

\$50 voucher donated by Bruno's Italian Restaurant and \$50 voucher donated by Mr Cheap Mitre 10.

9th - Judy Melonas

\$50 voucher donated by Naomi Jaynes Hair Studio and a \$50 voucher donated by Nobbies Bar and Grill.

10th - Gavin Thompson

\$50 voucher donated by Mr Cheap Mitre 10 and a Great Man Cave pack donated by Outback Opal Tours.



CAPERS Tamworth

A word from Mrs Jarvis - I would just like to say a massive congratulations to all of our amazingly talented students who recently performed in CAPERS in Tamworth! The magnitude of putting something like this together is huge, it takes a ginormous effort from every single person involved, and there aren't enough words to express how unbelievable proud the students of LRCS have made us all. Thank you to everyone who helped out, whether that was donating to our fundraisers, donating time, helping with rehearsals, and the list goes on and on. Thank you to the families and care givers for trusting us to take these kids away.

Jess Brown, Sam Jackson-Bolton, Lucas Schembri and Richard Finter - thank you for everything! And a special shout out to Jen Pickard, who worked hard behind the scenes, and Kylie, who not only helped our Primary students with rehearsals, but also donated make-up and accessories to really help our kids shine.

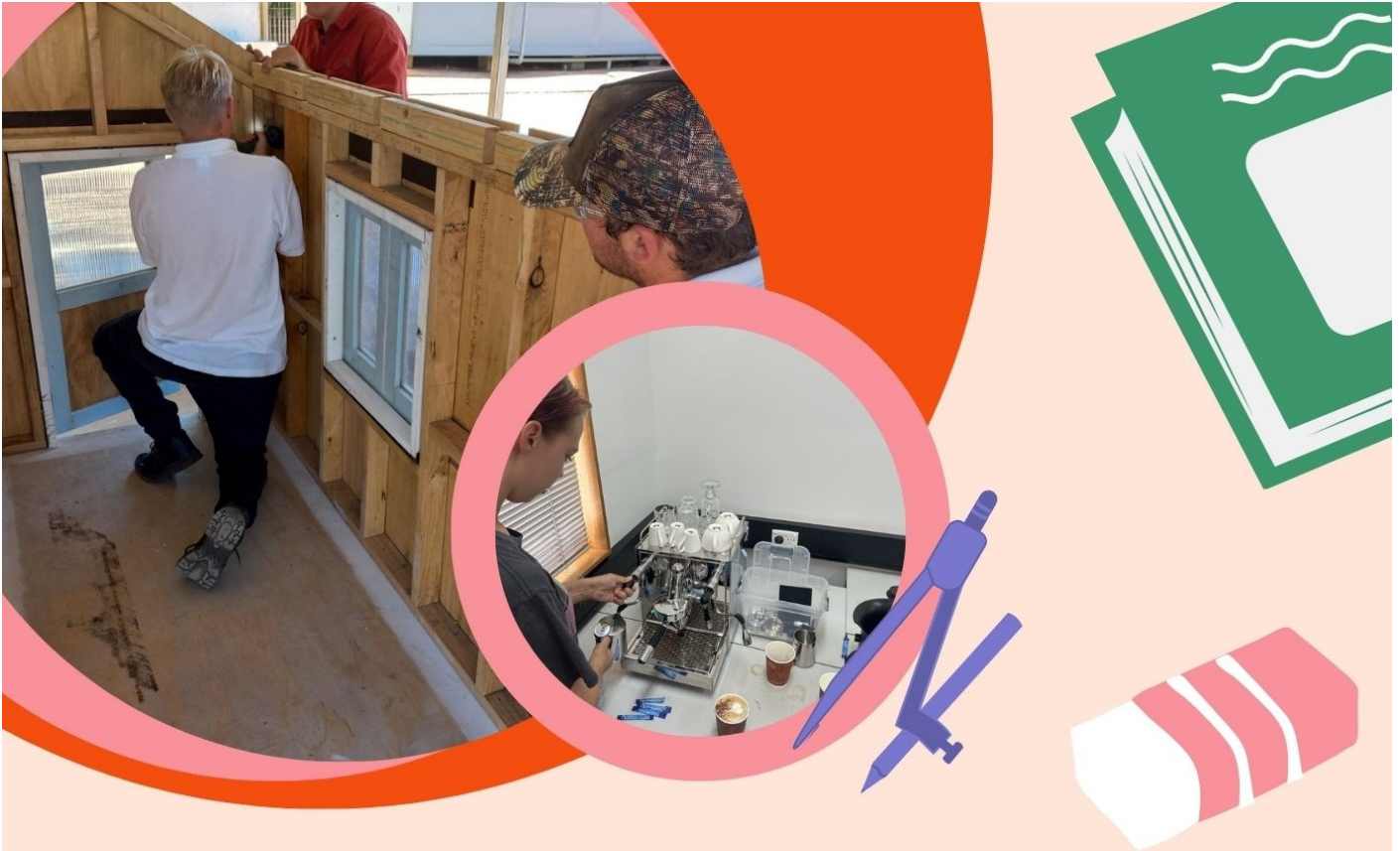
A lot goes on behind the scenes and I am truly grateful for everyone who helped make this dream a reality for our students.



Our LRCS Secondary First Nations dance students made us proud! Not only did they dance their hearts out for our a thousand people at CAPERS, they also displayed outstanding behaviour in Tamworth throughout the whole week!

Jess & Sam





Year 6 - 7 Transition

Parent Information Evening

Held in the school GYM

Thursday 30th November

5:00pm

Light refreshments will be provided



You will be provided with information on:

- Meet & Greet with Miss Hughes - Yr 7 Advisor as well as Secondary Executive
- How we can support you and your child
- Who to talk to in the event that you have queries, questions and challenges
- School attendance expectations
- Curriculum
- Timetables
- Extra Curricular activities
- The role of the Learning Support Team

For catering purposes please RSVP to the office by Friday 24th November PH: 0268 290 511

PRIMARY UNIFORM

Red, White and Black school shirts are being phased out.

From 2024 all Primary students will all be wearing RED school shirts



LIGHTNING RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH

** A STRICTLY DRUG AND ALCOHOL-FREE EVENT **

PROUDLY PRESENTS

2023 LIGHTNING RIDGE

Community Christmas Carols

THURSDAY 14 DECEMBER,
7:30PM, SPIDER BROWN OVAL

(PRE-CAROLS ENTERTAINMENT FROM 5PM,

ENDS W/ FIREWORKS AT 9:15PM)

FREE ENTRY!

(GLOWSTICKS AT GATE BY GOLD COIN DONATION)

LOCAL PERFORMERS

FIREWORKS

KIDS' ITEMS

FUN FOR ALL AGES!

SAUSAGE SIZZLE
(+ OTHER FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE)

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

COURTESY BUS
(CONTACT RATA - 0481 313 207)



Enquiries: Kurt (LRCC Minister) - 6829 0597 | communitychurch@lightningridge.com.au | lrccweb.site

WITH GENEROUS SUPPORT FROM:



- Inland Fireworks
 - Rural Fire Service
 - Waringahs Elders Group
 - LR Soroptimists
 - Warringina Community Church
- And many others...



Lightning Ridge Central School
P&C Uniform Shop



Uniform Shop Opening hours

Tuesday's • 3:00 - 3:30pm

Lightning Ridge Central School

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2024 are now open.
Sign up for **Kindy Start** to help with transition to
school.

Kindy Start will run on Fridays beginning on

November 17th 2023.

More information is available at the school office.
Please contact Miss Olivia Clark at the school with
any questions.



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



#schooleveryday

Love singing Christmas carols?



You are invited to join the community carols group as a singer!

The carols are presented by Lightning Ridge Community Church but are open to the whole community.

We perform mostly traditional, Christian faith-based carols.

It will hopefully be lots of fun!

You need to be available for the night of the carols – Thursday 14th December @ Spider Brown Oval, as well as practice:

- When are the practice sessions? Mondays 7:00-8:30pm (Starting 6th Nov until 11th Dec)
- Where? Community Church hall, 13 Morilla St L.R.

Call Kurt Langmead (LRCC Minister – 6829 0597) for more info, or let me (Kurt) or Rata Jackson know personally if you're coming.

communitychurch@lightningridge.com.au



★ Canteen Specials ★ Term 4

Chicken Seasoning Popcorn
~ **\$1.00 each**
(Until sold out)

Nippy's 375ml ~ **\$3.00 each**
(Vanilla, Strawberry, Banana &
Honeycomb)
(Until sold out)

***Chocolate not included**

Nippy's 500ml ~ **\$4.00 each**
(Strawberry, Chocolate & Honeycomb)
(Until sold out)

(Lunch Only)

ALL Snap-Stix & Ice Mony
2 for \$2
(Until sold out)

★ Canteen ★ ★ Meal Deal ★

(Available from the 14th of November)

\$6 Snack Pack **Includes:**

Any choice of Juice Popper
½ Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Muffin (Banana or Blueberry)
Apple OR Fruit Salad in juice Cup

*Photo of example



SWIMVAC 2024 Enrol your kids for summer!

SwimVac is targeted at children from 6 months to 14 years of the age with the aim of getting as many children as possible to the 6 to 12 year-old national benchmark for swimming and water safety.

Program Dates

8 January to 19 January

Bookings Open

1 October 2023

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and
SURVIVE

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**WE NEED
YOUR HELP!**

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN A CHILD'S LIFE.

We're looking for people who can provide emergency care, short-term care, care for siblings, or care for children with a disability.

You can be a couple, single or a family, rent or own your home. Carers receive specialist training, financial assistance and support.

Do you have room in your heart and home for a child?

Email WesternNSWcarerenquires@facns.gov.au directly or visit www.facsns.gov.au/families/carers and click on 'enquire about fostering' to learn more.



Lightning Ridge Central School

P&C Uniform Shop Order Form 2023

Uniform shop is open 3-3:30pm every Tuesday.

WHOLE SCHOOL ITEMS	PRICE	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Caps – Black	\$7.00			
Hats – Bucket	\$5.00			
Hats – Red wide brim	\$7.00			
Library Bags	\$7.00			
Sports Shirts – House colours	\$7.00			
PRIMARY K-6	PRICE	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Shirts K-5 – Red	\$20.00			
Shirts Years 6 – Red/ White/ Black	\$25.00			
Shorts – Black	\$15.00			
Skorts – Black	\$15.00			
Sloppy Joe – Red (limited stock and sizes)	\$20.00			
Hoodie – Red	\$30.00			
Trackpants – Black Microfibre	\$25.00			
Trackpants – Black Fleecy	\$20.00			
SECONDARY 7-12	PRICE	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Shirts Years 7 – 10 Red/ White/ Black	\$25.00			
Senior Shirts Years 11-12	\$25.00			
Shorts – Black	\$15.00			
Skorts – Black	\$15.00			
Jacket – Red (limited stock and sizes)	\$35.00			
Hoodie – Black	\$30.00			
Canterbury Jersey	\$65.00			
Trackpants – Black Microfibre	\$25.00			
Trackpants – Black Fleecy	\$20.00			
			TOTAL:	

CONTACT DETAILS:

Name:.....

Contact Number:

Sport house (if required):

Please note: If order is placed through the office money **MUST** be paid in advance. Orders will not be processed without payment.



LRCS – CANTEEN MENU

SNACKS

Fresh Fruit (apple, banana or mandarin)	\$1.50
Fruit Salad Cup	\$1.50
Cheese Stick	\$1.50
Muffin (banana or blueberry)	\$2.00
Popcorn (sea salt, sweet & salty or butterscotch)	\$2.00
Grain Waves (sour crème)	\$2.00
Yoplait Yoghurt 160grams (vanilla, strawberry or mango)	\$2.50
Crunch Cup (carrot, celery, cucumber & cheese w/ garlic aioli)	\$3.50

DRINKS

Spring Water 600ml	\$2.00
Spring Water 1.5L	\$3.00
Just Juice Poppers 200ml (apple, orange, apple/blackcurrant or paradise punch)	\$2.00
M2Go Milk 250ml carton (strawberry or chocolate)	\$2.00
Juice Bombs 250ml (grape, apple/raspberry, watermelon, orange/passion or lemonade)	\$3.00
Classic Milk 300ml (strawberry or chocolate)	\$3.00
Nippy's 375ml (banana, strawberry, honeycomb, vanilla or chocolate)	\$3.50
Classic Milk 500ml (strawberry or chocolate)	\$4.50
Nippy's 500ml (honeycomb, strawberry or chocolate)	\$4.50

**CANTEEN CLOSSES AT 9:00AM
FOR ORDERS.**

NO EXCEPTIONS!

**ALL PROFIT MADE BY THE
CANTEEN GOES TO THE P&C FOR
THE STUDENTS.**

SANDWICHES (Gluten Free available add 50c)

Vegetemite	\$2.50
Ham & Cheese	\$4.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50
Egg, Mayo & Lettuce	\$4.50
Chicken, Mayo & Lettuce	\$5.00
Egg, Mayo & Salad	\$5.50
Chicken, Mayo & Salad	\$6.00
Ham & Salad	\$6.00
Cheese & Salad	\$6.00

TOASTED SANDWICHES (Gluten Free available add 50c)

Cheese	\$3.50
Ham & Cheese	\$4.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50
Chicken, Mayo & Cheese	\$5.00

WRAPS (VIA ORDER)

Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$6.00
Salad Only	\$7.00
Ham & Salad	\$7.00
Chicken & Salad	\$7.00
Flame Grilled Chicken, mayo, lettuce & sweet chilli sauce	\$7.00

SMALL SALADS (VIA ORDER)

Salad Only	\$6.50
Egg & Salad	\$6.50
Ham & Salad	\$6.50
Chicken & Salad	\$6.50
Chicken Caesar Salad	\$6.50

All salads include lettuce, tomato, carrot,
cheese, beetroot, cucumber, onion & your
choice of either mayo or aioli sauce)

HOT FOODS

Party Pies	\$2.00
Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender	\$2.00
Garlic Bread	\$2.50
Chicken or Beef Noodles	\$2.50
6 Chicken Strips	\$4.00
Ham & Cheese Pizza	\$4.00
Sausage Roll	\$4.50
Travellers Beef Pie	\$5.00
Chicken & Gravy Roll	\$6.00
Cheese Burger (beef pattie & cheese)	\$6.00
Beef Burger (lettuce, tomato, beef pattie & cheese)	\$7.00
Chicken Burger (lettuce, flame grilled chicken, cheese & mayo)	\$7.50

ICE-CREAMS (LUNCH ONLY)

Snap-Stix (pineapple, sour blackcurrant, sour grape, sour blueberry, sour raspberry, sour watermelon or sour strawberry)	\$1.50
Ice Mony (sour red Berry, lemon ice or sour watermelon)	\$1.50
Vanilla Dixie Cup 100ml	\$2.00
Paddle Pop (Chocolate or Rainbow)	\$2.50

MISCELLANEOUS

Tomato or BBQ Sauce	\$0.50
Bundle of Bags	\$3.00

**PLEASE WRITE RECESS AND
LUNCH ON SEPARATE BAGS
AND DON'T FORGET NAME AND
CLASS.**

THANK YOU!