



# Lowanna Public School

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**Week 4 Term 2 – Monday 16/5/2016**

## Dates to remember

**Thursday 19th May** Orara High taster lessons for Year 4/5/6

**Friday 20th May** District Cross Country at Woopi Beach. Mr Woods will be supervising teacher for Lowanna, as Mrs Hawken will be at a meeting at Nambucca Heads.

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 23rd-25th May** Great Aussie Bush Camp, Years 5 and 6

**Friday 27th May** P&C meeting and AGM

**Tuesday 7th June** School photos

## Orara High taster lessons

This Thursday Year 4, 5 and 6 will travel to Orara High School for a 'taste' of High School life. This has been wholly organised and funded by Orara High School, and is a great way to develop an understanding of High School learning.

This would be a valuable experience for any years 4, 5 or 6 students, irrespective of what High School you may be planning to attend in the future. A permission note was sent out last week. Please return it by Wednesday this week.

## NAPLAN

We all made it successfully through the NAPLAN assessments last week. Congratulations to all children who worked hard and did their best.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how

their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern.

## Great Aussie Bush Camp

The Year 5 and 6 children are becoming excited about this camp!

Thank you to the parents who have paid their \$312 in full.

Final payments need to be made at the office as soon as possible.

Please contact the school if you need to make alternative arrangements for final payments.

Five pages of forms that needed to be completed by parents before the camp went home last week. *Please have them returned to school by Friday 20th May.*

## Reminders - GABC dates and times for 23rd to 25th May

**Be at your bus stop 15 minutes prior to departure for roll call and final instructions**

7am departure at Elizabeth St Bus Terminal on Monday 23rd May

4.30pm pickup at Elizabeth St Bus Terminal On Wednesday 25th May



## Do you have a growth mindset?



Kind Regards,

Alison Hawken

## 2016 School Photos

School photography envelopes are being sent home today. All order envelopes need to be completed, with payment enclosed to be given to our school photographer on the day.

These envelopes are basically self-explanatory with price breakdowns, methods of payment and options for parents to select.

As in past years we also offer sibling photos, so if you'd like to order a photo taken with others in the family, please ask for the special Siblings photo envelope available at our school office.

School photos will be taken on **Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of June** (Week 7). Please note that your payments for school photos must be placed in the photo envelopes provided, and are not available online through our school.

## Workbooks 2016

Your \$30 per student 2016 workbook payment is overdue now. If you have not yet paid this line is highlighted as a friendly reminder. Your annual payment means that our school can continue to offer this service to families.

Workbook costs for 2016 remain at \$30 per student. This is for all the books that your child writes or draws in during the school year and that parents need to purchase each year.



## Transport NSW travel to school subsidy payments

A reminder to all our families that Private Vehicle Conveyance applications are now online for parents or carers to apply.

If your child has started school here this year, has moved from Year 2 to Year 3, or Year 6 to Year 7, you will also need to re-apply for 2016.

To register, or re-register, go to:  
[transport.nsw.gov.au/pvc](http://transport.nsw.gov.au/pvc)

All online applications are confirmed as received immediately.



## Online School Payments

It is now possible for our parents to make online payments to Lowanna PS for amounts owing to our school for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac.

Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or a debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of our school's website by selecting [\\$ Make a payment](#)

Items that can be paid include the 2016 workbook costs, excursions and our in-school performances and events.

Please note that our P&C organise all **canteen and uniform payments** and these are **not payable to our school** and therefore not available online.

When you access the [\\$ Make a payment](#) you must enter:

- the students name, and
- class and reference number OR
  
- the students name, and
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they can be receipted against your child's account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact Karin Wood our School Administration Manager.

## Lowanna P&C News



### Canteen News



No Canteen on Friday.

### Canteen Volunteers needed

If you are able to help out in our school canteen, for maybe one morning per month, please see Tamara Agius or Sarah Strydom!

Helpers are desperately needed for our canteen to be able to keep supporting our children. Please think about this, as it will be discussed at our next meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> May.

### Lowanna P&C meeting and AGM

The next meeting is to be held on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May, from 9am, here at school.

Come along and find out what's being planned for this year. All welcome.





Nutrition Snippet

# The simplest way

...to find new recipe ideas

*Eat It To Beat It* has a jammed packed website, including hundreds of healthy eating recipes that are all Cancer Council NSW approved!

This means you can make them knowing that your family is getting the very best from every meal!

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