**Dates to Remember**

- **Wednesday 25th March**
  - Combined Swimming Carnival

- **Thursday 26th March**
  - Harmony Day 10:30-12:30

- **Monday 30th March**
  - Easter Raffle Drawn

- **Thursday 2nd April**
  - Last Day of Term 1 Whole School Assembly

**Term 2**

- **Tuesday 21st April**
  - Students Return

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**Principal’s Report**

**Teacher and Parent/Carer Meetings Completed**

Thank you for your valued commitment to meet your child’s teacher as part of the Educational Planning Meeting process. We were pleased with the overall attendance and look forward to any feedback and comments that you might have, on how we can improve this process. Teaching staff will continue to offer meeting opportunities for those parents that were not able to attend. **I urge you to attend** these important teacher/parent meetings, as the information gained from these meetings will be used, to develop and implement your child’s Individual Education or Transition Program for 2015. Students’ Educational Programs will be developed from the Australian National Curriculum utilising Board of Studies Key Learning Areas (KLAs). These educational programs will be reviewed at the beginning of Term 3 and you will have the opportunity to meet with the teachers as part of this review.

**“Wheels” Charity Organisation**

As you would be aware that the “Wheels Towards Independence” charity organisation provides financial support to our school, by sponsoring many important projects, “Wheels” also provides an important service to our students by providing transport at either low cost or no cost at all. From time to time, “Wheels” organises fundraising activities, such as the current Easter raffle. Fundraising activities are not included in the term fees that you pay. Your term fees cover such things as Subject fees, voluntary contribution and one major excursion. Your support of “Wheels” is a support for our students and is greatly appreciated.

**Assisted School Travel Important Information**

Please be informed that if your child uses Special Transport, it is now a requirement of Assisted School Travel Department to be given **7 DAYS NOTICE** in regard to any variation to transport, especially change of address. This change will also require you to complete a formal application which is available at school. Please adhere to this important change to ensure that your child remains on transport.

**Forthcoming Events**

Next week is shaping to be a busy week at school.

- **On Monday** the Easter Bunny from Mounties Club will visit the school.
- **On Wednesday** a number of students will represent our school at the Metropolitan Combined Swimming Carnival for students with Special Needs at Cabarita Pool. Best of luck to all our students.
- **On Thursday** it is Harmony Day at Les Powell School. The theme for this year is “A Taste of Harmony”. Invitations were sent home a few weeks ago and if you have not responded yet please do so. Looking forward to seeing you on the day.

**Thank You to LPS Parents & Friends Group**

I would like to thank our school’s parents group and friends who have been working with Denise to beautify our school. Among their work, you will see on Harmony Day, are colourful wall/fence panels, hanging plants in gumboots, pots and other work around the upper playground. Thank you for your great work and congratulations on your achievements.

**Mr Sargon Makko**

**Principal**
Dear Parents/Carers,

We can’t believe it’s already Week 8 and the Easter School Holidays will be here in two weeks.

High School 1 have been learning about “Under the Sea”, and to compliment our topic we went on an excursion to Cronulla Beach. Some of our students got to go on a “sand accessible wheel-chair”. We were very lucky with the weather as the rain held off for us, letting us enjoy lunch outside the Kiosk with views of the water.

Kind regards,

Hellen & Kerri.
HIGH SCHOOL 2LA  Louise and Audrey

On 6th March **John Mai celebrated his 18th Birthday** with his peers at school. John enjoyed blowing out the candle, smashing his cake, and made the most of eating a huge slice!!

EXCURSION TO CRONULLA BEACH

On Friday Krystina and John drove us to Cronulla Beach for our end of term excursion. We stopped at South Cronulla Clubhouse to arrange for the beach wheelchair to be brought up to North Cronulla so that our students could have access to the sandy beach. Steven had the most fun as he was able to go right down to the water, thanks to John and Audrey’s help. He was very excited and smiled and clapped his hands at the sight of waves coming up to him. When it was time for lunch we picnicked with the local high school students outside the café. We all had a great day out and even had some sunny breaks in the weather.
Class 10J

Congratulations to our new student Salwi, who has settled well in her new class routine. She is working well with her peers and sometimes helps staff to do little chores in the classroom. Students of Class 10J enjoy all the activities set for this Semester. They specifically enjoy Community Access, Creative Arts, Cooking and the Sensory Library.

This semester students are working on the theme “Transportation”. They love exploring different types of transportation through excursions, art work and whiteboard activities.

We would like to thank parents/carers for their valuable contribution during Individual Education Plan meetings and are looking forward to seeing you all during our “Harmony Day Celebrations”.

Students are looking forward to meet the “Easter Bunny” and going to excursion to our “Lizard Log Park” in week 10.

Happy Easter and have a healthy and safe break.

Regards

Jyoutsna and Raquel
Dear Parents and Carers

We are almost half way through first term and so far everything has been running smoothly with our students. Now students in class 11C are really into their daily routine after their long break. They particularly enjoy morning circle routine, art and craft lessons, hydrotherapy, walking, sensory room activities and Primary Grade Assemblies which takes place on Friday’s. The theme for this semester is ‘Transport’ so our students participate in activities focused on this topic. We look forward to this year and with your support and cooperation, it is definitely going to be a fruitful one.

From
Chandra Singh and Mohini Dass
Hello everyone,
I'd like to remind everyone of our Harmony Day Celebrations taking place next Thursday, 26th March from 10:30 to 12:30. A flyer was sent home last week. If you haven't received one because your child was away, please give me a call and I'll send one home. If you are able to bring a plate of food to share—a traditional dish, that would be great.

We are finally making a start on our hanging garden project. Hopefully all our hard work will be on display for Harmony Day. During last week's My Time Craft we made Macrame hangers for some of our pots. It should look great when it's done.

I will be looking into another parent outing during the beginning of Term 2, so keep a look out for a flyer.

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DIARY DATES
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Swimming Carnival

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Harmony Day—10:30 to 12:30
Share a world of Food & Culture

Thursday 2nd April
School Assembly and ANZAC Day Celebrations

SDN EARLY CHILDHOOD LINKS
WHAT DOES EARLY CHILDHOOD LINKS DO?
Early Childhood Links is a program where families are supported to participate in their community. They work together with children aged birth to 8 years and their families to achieve the goals that they want for their child. This may be supporting their child to transition to school or to participate and be included in activities such as playgroups, early childhood education services or after school care, or take part in sports or leisure activities. Your child can access the services they need, participate in the activities they want and be actively included in your community. They help you to create the outcome you want for your child, in the way that you want.

Early Childhood Links is a free service funded by NSW Govt. You can contact Early Childhood Links South West Sydney on ECLLiverpool@sdn.org.au or phone 02 9600 7744
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FREE & fun program for fitter, healthier, happier kids!

Know if your child is over a healthy weight? Go to www.go4fun.com.au to see if your child could do Go4Fun.

Go4Fun is a FREE 10 week program which runs over one school term after school hours. During the program children and their families get involved in fun games and activities and learn about delicious nutritious foods they can eat every day.

Children need to be 7-13 years old and a parent or carer also needs to attend. Younger and/or older siblings are encouraged to attend.

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The simplest way
...to make healthy afternoon tea.

Try these simple ideas for making snacks that will satisfy even the fussiest eater...

- Home made hot chips
  Slice potatoes into thin discs, and arrange on a baking tray sprayed lightly with olive oil. Grill until golden, and serve with a small amount of tomato sauce.

- Bite sized fruit with yoghurt
  It’s a fact– kids are more likely to eat fruit when it is cut up into small pieces. Try serving some diced fruit with some reduced-fat yoghurt. It’s a winner.

- Vegie sticks
  These are so easy to prepare and make a super healthy afternoon tea. Try cutting up some carrot or celery sticks and serving them with hummus.

For more information visit
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Remember: pack fruit & veg every day!

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Nutrition Snippet

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