It has been a good start to the term for the students and for me, in my role as Principal. Some of my first impressions include:

- The staff are very supportive and collegiate.
- The grounds are a child’s delight. Plenty of spaces to play and equipment to use. The students have opportunity to play sports, be imaginative, get dirty and play together.
- Students are supportive of each other and have a social conscience.
- Students are polite and friendly.
- The school is well maintained and resourced.

With all this going for us, it is no wonder that LPS has a good attendance rate of around 93%. Attendance is a DECD and a site priority for a very good reason. Student attendance is imperative if we as a site and a state are going to reach our targets of achieving high standards of learning achievement.

Not only do students who are absent miss important work in class, they miss essential instruction from the teacher and the ensuing discussion from within the class that consolidates student understanding.

Students who miss a lot of school also find their relationships with others are interrupted. This can lead to a sense of isolation and sometimes behaviour issues, as they work to re-establish their place in friendship groups.

We understand that students get sick, but please write a note to explain each absence so that we can get our unexplained absences down to zero.

Have a great week

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Calendar Dates
- Fri. 7th August – Café
- Fri. 14th August – Assembly
- Fri. 21st August – Café
- Mon. 24th August – BOOKWEEK
- Fri. 28th August – Café
- Mon. 31st August – Numeracy & Literacy Week
- Thurs. 3rd Sept. – Yrs. 1-3 Camp
- Wed. 9th Sept. – Corridors of Green
- Thurs. 10th Sept. – Assembly
- Fri. 11th Sept. – STUDENT FREE DAY

ATTENTION!! Date change
North Eastern Athletics trial date is now Tuesday 18th August 2015.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Week 1 – Asia Brand received this award for striving to do her best in all tasks and for being tolerant and supportive to her classmates.
Well done Asia!

Week 2 – Riley Hoskin received this award for his excellent manners and a caring attitude and for a hardworking approach to all tasks.
Well done Riley!
COMMUNITY NOTICES

George Klemm – for his enthusiasm in finding out about Morse Code and for a good overall start to Term 3.
Jackson Fudge & Angus Kleinig – for expressive reading of the Pirate play.
Chloe Nettle – for a great start to Term 3.
Tess Cleggett and Madison Clogg – for accurate measuring in Maths.
Lucy Clogg – for fluent, expressive reading.
Jackson Staker – for valuable contributions to class discussions.
Connor Hoskin – for always displaying excellent listening.

Gary Smith – for good participation in Drama and cooperating with others.
Lucas Jackson – for an excellent Pirate story.
Rhys Schultz – for a fantastic effort on IXL maths.
Jobe Stevens – for his excellent pirate letter.
Makayla Fennell – for accurate reading (A.R. Quiz & Comprehension Card)
Tanika Simic – for a great job doing her lighthouse in art.
Kathryn Zanker – for a pleasing effort in both writing and artwork.
Talia Ziepes – for making confident contributions to class discussions.
Charlie Winter – for accurate maths.
Lara Zanker – for continually producing work of a high standard.
Sharni Windsor and Georgia Wegner – for solving yard problems in a mature manner.

Jamestown and Areas Basketball Association are pleased to announce that we have teamed up Aussie Hoops this year! We will be offering a 6 week programme for 5-10 year old children beginning on September 6th. The programme will be split into 2 groups, 5-7 year olds and 8-10 year olds. Week one the younger group will start at 9:00am and the older group will start at 9:45am. The remaining 5 weeks will be a 10:00am start for 5-7’s and 11:00am start for 8-10’s.

Registrations are required by August 27th to ensure your child will receive their participant pack which includes a backpack, reversible singlet and basketball. The cost of the programme is $35.00 per child.

To register please visit www.aussiehoops.com.au and follow through the search to Jamestown where you will find the registration link.

If you have any questions or issues registering please phone Steve Giddens on 0400 255 563.

WATER. THE ORIGINAL COOL DRINK

The consumption of sugary drinks is associated with increased sugar and energy intake and in turn, weight gain, obesity and chronic disease. The energy in sugary drinks is extra energy your body doesn’t need so it gets turned into fat, including toxic fat. Toxic fat is known to release dangerous levels of chemicals (including hormones) into the body. Because of this, excess toxic fat can lead to heart disease, type 2 diabetes and several cancers.

Facts about sugary drinks

One can a day for a year is...16 kg of sugar
One can a day for a year is...the potential for 6.6 kg weight gain
One can a day for a year is...127 litres of sugary drinks

OPAL Mid North will be concentrating on the coordination of activities and assessing local environments to help you, your family and your community to water the first and best choice.

If you would like to be involved or have any suggestions or questions about increasing water intake and reducing sweetened drink intake, please contact OPAL...

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All children age 0-17 are welcome.
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