Bug Club Begins for Students Next Wednesday!

Over the last week students have been learning about a new Home Reading opportunity at Liverpool West PS. The Bug Club will allow students to login to an online website, where they can access interactive levelled e-books allocated to them by their teacher, to read and respond to. Next Wednesday a personalised note will go home to every student with their username and password so they can begin to practise the reading strategies they are learning in the classroom and continue to foster a love of reading. Two parent information sessions have been organised on Monday 22 October: 9.20am and 6.00pm. These sessions are for interested parents who would like to know more about Bug Club to support their child at home.

Change of Dates for Mini Fair and Bullysaurus Incursion

Due to the poor weather this week, the Mini Fair has been rescheduled to next Tuesday 21 October and the Stage 1 Bullysaurus Incursion will now occur on Wednesday 29 October.

Visit by Mr Chris Hayes MP

Yesterday Mr Chris Hayes MP, Federal Member for Fowler visited our school assembly to deliver certificates to students who visited Parliament House last term. Mr Hayes spoke to the assembly about the importance of Education and passion for learning. Copies of an information kit regarding Government in Australia were also delivered by Mr Hayes, which will be given to each Stage 3 student. Above is a photo of Mr Hayes presenting Adam Elmir with his certificate and information pack.

Motivating “laid-back” children

Why do some children prefer to lead a lazybones life, while others love to tear around the sports field? Is it a hereditary trait? And what can parents do to encourage those children to get up off the sofa, or switch off the computer, and get a little physical?

Find out more: [http://bit.ly/1s5TN5Z](http://bit.ly/1s5TN5Z)
Return2Sport Excursion
On Thursday 9 October students from 4-6C, 3-6K and K-4W attended the Return2Sport Exhibition. Students learnt about inclusive sports and how people of all abilities can actively participate in sport. Our students were given the opportunity to use a wheelchair and participate in wheelchair basketball, wheelchair tennis, boccia, lawn bowls and AFL. Students had the opportunity to speak with gold and silver medallist, Paralympian Liesl Tesch and view her medals. Below is a photo of our students playing wheelchair basketball.

Stage 3 Careers Day
On Tuesday 28 October all Stage 3 students will be involved in a Careers Open Day. During the day students will be discussing aspects of employment with a number of community based organisations, including Fire and Rescue NSW, NSW Police, NSW Health, TAFE NSW and University of Western Sydney. The day is designed to inspire and highlight to all our students some of the possibilities available to them after they have completed high school.

School Banking News
A reminder to families that school banking operates every Friday and will continue until Friday 12 December. A representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be available on Thursday 6 November from 10.30 to 11.00am to help families register for student banking. The Commonwealth Bank are running two competitions; Is Your Child a Smart Saver? and Dollarmite Regular Saver. Information about both competitions can be accessed on our school website.

Stay in Touch with our Skoolbag App!
Make sure you have this App loaded onto your mobile phone device to receive important alerts about upcoming events, receive newsletters and send electronic absent notes. To install it, just search for our school name "Liverpool West Public School" in either iTunes or Google Play Store.

If you know of families in the local area with children who will be attending Kindergarten at Liverpool West PS next year, it is now time to start enrolling. Simply come to the school office between 8.40am and 3.00pm and speak to our Administration Officers.

First Aide Course
Last term Stage 2 students participated in First Aide training at school. The students were taught procedures to follow in the event of an emergency, in particular if someone has been injured or has lost consciousness. Cheryl and Harold from St John's Ambulance had students practise D.R.S.A.B, whereby students role played identifying Danger, eliciting a patient Response, Sending for help, clearing patient Airways and listening for Breathing.

The hard working P&C have been busy fundraising all year for an upgrade to our school hall. We have nearly reached our fund;ming target and have begun the process of organising for stage curtains, lights and additional microphones to be installed. The P&C are hoping to have this completed for the Presentation Day Assembly, which will be on Thursday 11 December.

SunSmart Research Study
At Liverpool West, we encourage all members of the school community to be SunSmart. As the weather warms up we remind families to ensure students have a school hat and access to sunscreen each day. Due to our commitment to the SunSmart program our school will be part of a research project conducted by Charles Sturt University, The University of Sydney and the Cancer Council NSW over 3 terms to collect data to support the future direction of sun safety education in Australia.

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