Draft School Vision and Three Strategic Directions
Today all families will receive a note with our Draft School Vision and three Strategic Directions for 2015 – 2017. We are asking all families to read the draft and provide feedback to ensure it reflects the expectations of our learning community.

Stage 2 ‘Celebrations’ Learning
Congratulations to Riley, Ali, Avisai and Milan from S2A who shared their writing about Chinese New Year, as part of their unit of work, ‘Celebrations’. To complete this unit, the students along with the rest of Stage 2 will participate in an incursion on Tuesday 25 November that will provide further learning about how people from other cultures celebrate. This will include activities related to Chinese Lion Dancing and Indian and Balinese Celebrations.

Senior Choir Performance
Last week the Senior School Choir performed three songs for residents at Summit Care in Liverpool. Their hard work and outstanding performances where acknowledged with Certificates of Appreciation from Summit Care. What was extremely impressive, was the way our students positively interacted with residents after the performance.

CALENDAR

Week 6
Friday, November 14  Summer PSSA Round 12

Week 7
Monday, November 17  Intensive English Group Excursion: Tree Top Adventure Park
Tuesday, November 18  K-2 Responsible Pet Education Program Visit
Wednesday, November 19  2.20pm P-2 Assembly (Pre.)
Thursday, November 20  LC2 Aboriginal Celebration Ceremony at LWPS
Friday, November 21  Summer PSSA Semi-Finals

Week 8
Monday, November 24  Stage 2 Dance Group: Performance in Liverpool
Tuesday, November 25  Stage 2 Cultural Infusion Incursion
Wednesday, November 26  2.20pm 3-6 Assembly (S2P)
Friday, November 28  Summer PSSA Finals

Week 9
Monday, December 1  SRC Lunchtime Soccer Competition Begins: Stage 2 & 3 SRC K-2 Lunchtime Basketball Court Activities

A message from Mr Hawker.....

Future Leaders Program
An ideal development opportunity for school Student Representative Council (SRC) or any student who shows leadership potential. To make a booking or find out more, contact Sport and Recreation on 13 13 02 or visit http://dsr.nsw.gov.au/futureleadersprimary/ for primary school programs.
Intensive English Group Students
Last week our Intensive English group students went on a walking excursion around Liverpool. Students went to Aldi for an ice-cream, played at Bigg Park and visited the Library. This gave our new students another opportunity to observe, interact and talk about their local community. It was wonderful to hear that Rami, Rosa and Hadeel’s families went to the Liverpool Library a few days after the excursion to become members and start borrowing books. Next Monday our Intensive English Group students will be attending an excursion to Tree Top Adventure Park to further support their development.

Kindergarten Orientation Success
Thank you to all parents who attended our three Kindergarten Orientation Sessions. Parents were provided with information about Kindergarten in 2015, including:
- Best Start
- Ideas to support students at home
- Healthy lunch options
- School banking
- Literacy and numeracy school-based programs
- Parent communication

While parents discussed aspects of school-life, next year’s Kindergarten students, were involved in lessons in the Kindergarten rooms. All students settled in well and were actively engaged in hands-on activities that will support their learning in 2015. If you know of other families in the area who have children turning 5 or 6 next year, enrolment forms can be collected from the school office.

Ready for High School
While our Year 6 students are continuing to work hard this term, they are certainly aware of the exciting opportunities that await them in high school next year. Just to let all families of Year 6 students know that the Transition to high school, ‘Ready for High School Checklist’ is now available in 36 languages.


Student Reports
Teachers are currently busy writing student reports. Reports provide information about how students are progressing against statewide syllabus standards. Our reports contain information about what has been taught and students’ current levels of knowledge, skills and understanding, including areas for further development. Reports also reflect students’ progress in personal skills such as working collaboratively, demonstrating self-control, respecting others and being prepared for learning. Reports will be distributed on Friday 12 December.

Remembrance Day
Yesterday, all students participated in our Remembrance Day Ceremony. It was wonderful to see our Little Leapers attend their first whole school event. Above right, is a picture of some of our Little Leapers, with work they created about Remembrance Day.

Stage 3 English Unit Success
Stage 3 students have been busy learning about ‘Peace’ as part of an English unit, related to the new K-10 English Syllabus. As you can see below, Duha from S3A created a wonderful poem during a recent English lesson.

Come on people stop this shame,
Stop it please you’re all the same.
How do you feel when their families cry?
You shoot them down and then they die.
It’s not their fault they’re different to you,
So accept them please, otherwise you will lose.

Mr Jason Hawker – Relieving Principal & Staff