Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had a good Easter break and managed to spend time with family and friends (not to mention eating a bit of chocolate, which is always good). This term is certainly going to be a busy one and I can see the school calendar beginning to fill up already. Students should be used to expectations and routines by now and will be expected to give their best effort and follow school rules every day. Please make sure you read the newsletter carefully each week, so you are aware of upcoming events. Remember, the door is always open at Lue PS if you want to discuss anything at all. Suggestions of ideas for school or how we can improve what we do are always welcome. Once again, I look forward to catching up with you all at some point this term.

Caron McDonald
Relieving Principal, Lue Public School

ANZAC commemoration service at school

This coming Thursday, 23rd April, we will be holding a commemoration service at school at 9:30am followed by morning tea. Students will be learning about ANZAC day at school this week and Mr Ray Stout will be at the assembly to deliver a formal address.

ANZAC Day March in Mudgee

As we did last year, Lue PS will be joining the commemorative march in Mudgee on ANZAC Day. The march assembles at 10:15 at Club Mudgee, beginning at 10:30 and followed by a commemorative service at 11:00. I would like to see as many Lue PS students attend with their families as possible (in full school uniform please). It is important that we remember those that served for Australia and pay our respects to them.

Staff Professional Learning

Yesterday, Lue PS staff joined other staff from the small schools network for a combined staff development day at Hill End Public School. Staff discussed the new Performance Development Framework (which ensures that all staff meet specific standards and are offered training in areas of professional development). Staff also participated in mandatory CPR training (a department requirement each year).

Next week, Mrs Liddle will be attending a professional development day in Mudgee on Wednesday which is aimed at beginning teachers to support them in their role at school.

Homework

We will resume homework this week. Well done to all those students who submitted their homework regularly last term. Once again, merit certificates will be awarded for homework completion. Please read the information in your children’s homework folders and let us know if you have any concerns or questions.

Paint Shirts

If you have any large, old shirts at home that you no longer need, we would love to have them at school to use as paint shirts. These help to protect students’ uniforms from the stains of paint while they produce their creative masterpieces.

NAPLAN Tests 2015

Students in years 3 and 5 will be participating in NAPLAN tests in Literacy and Numeracy this term in week 4. They will be preparing for these tests at school. If you have any questions about the tests, please contact me at school.

Labelling your child’s clothing

Please make sure your child’s clothing and personal items are clearly labelled or marked with their name. At the end of every day we have a pile of unidentified clothing to sort and find owners for. Clearly labelled items find their way home to their owners much more quickly. As the colder weather has made an appearance, please make sure your child has a warm jacket or jumper to wear at school, following our school uniform guidelines. If you wish to purchase any additional uniform items, let us know.

Music Lessons for students in years 3 to 6

From week 3, students in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will have the opportunity to participate in subsidised guitar lessons at school. Lessons will be taught by a qualified music teacher and will take place on Thursday afternoon and students will participate in small groups of 3 or 4 for a 30 minute lesson. These lessons usually cost $35 for a 30 minute private lesson but we are offering them to students at a cost of $40 per student for 8 lessons throughout the term (the balance being subsidised by school). If you wish your child to participate, please complete the attached permission slip and return it to school with payment.

We still have one space available for private keyboard tuition ($35 per half hour lesson, payable direct to the music specialist for an 8 lesson block across the term). If you are interested, please let me know.
Senior class Solar System Poetry Book
Thank you to Miss Leanne for the hard work compiling the wonderful poems that were created by students in the senior class last term. If your child has brought home a poetry book today, we would ask for a $5 donation towards the cost of publishing them. Thank you!

Emergency Contact Details
If any of your emergency contact details have changed at all, please make sure you let us know at school.

Live Life Well @ School
Did you know?
Children should be physically active for at least 60 minutes a day and spend no more than two hours a day surfing the net, watching TV or playing video games. There are loads of fun ways that they can be active, whether it's at school during lunch, recess or class time, or outside of school with family and friends. Want to see some of the many fun ways that young people can be active? Well, sit down with your child or children (remember not to sit for too long), follow the instructions attached and make your own special be active Activator. It has heaps of great ideas to get you started!

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