

Luddenham Public School Newsletter

"Move safe, stay safe, leave safe and come back safe."

Dates to remember.....

Wed 13th December

Year 6 Farewell

Thurs 14th December

Colour Run

Fri 15th December

Last Day for students

Principal's Message

Thank you to all students, staff and our community for your hard work and commitment during this year. As I mentioned at Presentation day, we have achieved many great things in 2017 and I am proud of our school's journey this year. On behalf of our staff, I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday. All students will finish school on Friday 15th December and will return to school on Tuesday 30th January 2018. Our new kindergarten students for 2018 will start on Monday 5th February.

Karen Ellis



**Have a SAFE and
HAPPY Holiday!**

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Colour Run

We will be holding our Colour Run tomorrow to celebrate another fantastic year at Luddenham Public School. The Colour run will be held in the morning session and will conclude in time for an extended recess.

Please pack a change of clothes for your child to change into before they go back into the classroom. School uniform is not required.

It is going to be hot so the canteen will be open at recess to purchase drinks and ice blocks. A special thanks to all those people who have made a donation, helped to set and/or supported us to make this day a memorable end of year treat.



LaST News

Wow has 2017 flown by! I can't believe that the students are in the last week of school. As we approach the summer holidays, you might be considering activities to keep the little ones occupied. As we organise our schedules, it's important to keep a balance regarding screen time. Recently new national guidelines on physical activity, sedentary time and sleep for young children were released. They recommend no sedentary screen time for children under the age of two and no more than one hour for those older than the age of two per day. Recent studies have shown that currently Australian kids are spending 20% of their time using screens during the week and 30% on weekends. Specialists from a wide array of professions believe that these statistics need to change to ensure that our kids stay healthy. A leading childhood expert, Professor Okely, said "We're not saying that parents and schools should get rid of screens completely – we're encouraging them to set appropriate limits and boundaries...". Sounds like great advice which I myself will surely be quoting to my kids this break as I encourage them to remain active.

Wishing you and your family a safe and happy holidays,

Lindy Johnson

SkoolBag

Don't forget to download our school's SkoolBag & ensure that you are kept in the loop on:

- * School newsletters
- * Notices
- * Events
- * Cancellations
- * Reminders
- * ...and more!

**INSTALLATION
INSTRUCTIONS**

Just search for our school's name in the App Store on your phone and download our app!

CHILDREN'S NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 96, SUMMER 2017

IT'S GAME ON... WITH THE SUMMER READING CLUB

Monday 4 December 2017 - Sunday 28 January 2018



HOW MANY BOOKS CAN YOU READ THIS SUMMER?

From Monday 4 December, visit any library branch to collect your Summer Reading Club log and get started. Read and record ten books on the reading log and return your completed log to any library branch for your chance to win a prize. Winners will be drawn at our Special Summer Reading Club celebration at Penrith Library on

Tuesday 13 February 2018 at 4pm.

The Summer Reading Club is open to all Library Members aged 16 years and under.

THE MORE YOU READ, THE MORE CHANCES YOU HAVE TO WIN AWESOME PRIZES!

For more information contact the Children's Team on 4732 7890 or childrensteamlibrary@penrith.city

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FAMILY SHOWS

NELLA'S WINGS

With Sydney Puppet Theatre

Nella doesn't speak but her drawings guide us into her imagination where flying creatures live in the snow, the desert, the sea and garden. With the audience's help Nella finds a way to fly!

WHO: For the whole family

WHEN: Wednesday 10 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$5 per person (children under 2 free)

MAGIC SHOW

With Joel Howlett

You're invited into JD's World of Magic, with a live magic rabbit, buckets of audience participation and more fun than you could wave a wand at! Great for all the family!

WHO: For the whole family

WHEN: Wednesday 17 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$5 per person (children under 2 free)

TEEN WORKSHOPS

HENNA WORKSHOP

With Gul Mehndi

You'll learn how to use traditional body art decorating techniques and create your own unique henna designs starting with simple henna patterns and step-by-step instruction.

WHO: 12 - 16 year olds

WHEN: Monday 15 January 2018, 10.30am - 12.30pm

TICKETS: \$25 per person



TRASH PERCUSSION

With Ian Watson/Fun Day Out

A whole lot of loud fun! Work together and create an original piece of music with this exciting, vibrant, all-inclusive style of percussion where anything and everything is a musical instrument.

WHO: 11 - 16 year olds

WHEN: Tuesday 16 January 2018, 11 - 11.50am

TICKETS: \$15 per person



TICKETS ON SALE FROM MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2018

All events are at Penrith Library. Bookings are essential. Book early to avoid disappointment as tickets sell quickly. No refunds or exchanges for tickets purchased.

Family shows - every adult and child over 2 year old must purchase a ticket.

Workshops - accompanying adults attend for free. All workshops are supervised by professional facilitators and staff.

Your feedback helps us plan future events - email the Library's Children's team at childrensteamlibrary@penrith.city

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WORKSHOPS

ICED CHOCOLATE CLAY SCULPTURES

With Katherine Kennedy
from Blue Mountains Creative Arts Centre
Shape your own clay sculpture - a yummy iced chocolate drink in a fancy cafe cup. Looks so tasty you'll want to drink it!

WHO: 6 - 11 year olds

WHEN: Monday 8 January 2018, 10 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$20 per child



IMAGINE IT, CREATE IT, WEAR IT

With Christine Butterfield
from Chrysanthemum Creations
Create magic with leather and fabric! Let your imagination run wild and design a unique accessory to wear on your clothes, your wrist, in your hair or around your neck. The possibilities are endless!

WHO: 8 - 12 year olds

WHEN: Tuesday 9 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$20 per child



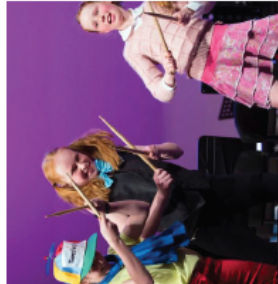
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WHO: 6 - 10 year olds

WHEN: Tuesday 16 January 2018, 10 - 10.50 am

TICKETS: \$15 per child



HULA HOOP DANCING

With Caitlyn from Spin Joy
Join Spin Joy for fun, dizzy hula hoop dancing and the coolest tricks around! Hula Hoop dance is great fun and captivates the attention of boys and girls of all ages. You'll be in fits of giggles as you master the basics and learn something new.

WHO: 6 - 13 year olds

WHEN: Thursday 18 January 2018, 10.30 - 11.30am

TICKETS: \$15 per child



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES TERM 1, 2018



COLOUR & LINE ADVENTURE ART CLUB

With Na'ama Atzmon-Simon
Create your own great artworks in this workshop series inspired by captivating colour and luscious lines. You'll try loads of fun art techniques: collage, rubbings, still life, paper mosaic and use stories, music, famous artists and superheroes to inspire your art.

WHO: Students in Years 1 - 6

WHEN: Thursday 8 February - Thursday 12 April 2018, 4.15 - 5.15pm

TICKETS: \$110 per person for 10 week term
Limited Tickets. Book in early to secure your spot.

YOGA @ THE LIBRARY

With Suzanne Ellis
BREATHE. STRETCH. CHILL.
Good for your body and mind, this ten-week yoga course will have you feeling stronger, calmer, more focused and energised.

WHO: Students in Years 5 - 12

WHEN: Tuesday 6 February - Tuesday 10 April 2018, 4 - 5pm

TICKETS: \$80 per person for 10 week term



INTRODUCING LORINDA...

We're pleased to introduce Lorinda as a new member of the Penrith Library's Children's Team. Lorinda comes with buckets of experience in education, and is excited to share her skills at the Library. Lorinda loves children's stories, art, illustrations and folk tales from around the world. She believes a good story is always worth sharing with a friend and telling stories is one of her favourite things to do.



A fond memory of little Lorinda was of her Nanna reading Heidi aloud by her bedside. This memory was etched in Lorinda's mind and now, as a storyteller herself she gets to read stories aloud as part of her job, a factor that is crucial in a child's early literacy training. Come share a story at the library with her soon.

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS COMMENCING TERM 1, 2018

Our first Baby Time, Story Time and Toy Library sessions in 2018 are:

Baby Time Toy Library

PENRITH ST MARYS

Monday Tuesday

5 February 6 February,

10.30 - 11.30am

ST MARYS

Tuesday

7 February,

10 - 12pm

ST CLAIR

Thursday

8 February,

10 - 12pm

ST CLAIR

Wednesday

7 February,

10.30 - 11.30am

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Thursday 8 February,

10.30 - 11.30am