

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

- Kinder orientation 28th Nov & 5th Dec
- Fri 28th Nov Walkathon
- Tues 9th Dec Presentation Night
- Thursday 11th Dec Year 6 trip
- Friday 12th Dec Drama Presentation
- Wednesday 17th Dec - Carols, Disco, Students Last Day

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# Laguna Public School



TERM 4, WEEK 8

26 NOVEMBER 2014

**What a great day** we had on Thursday as the junior and senior marimba ensembles played for the residents of the Masonic and Calvary Aged Care Homes. The students were excellent ambassadors for our school, and the music was very well received, and the students have been invited back to perform again

next year. Thank you to Andy, and to our parent drivers for the day.

**Invitations** have gone out for Presentation Night 2014, on Tuesday 9th December, 6.00pm—7.30pm. Students will have received two blank invitations last week and are encouraged to pass these on to relatives,

friends and neighbours!

**A reminder** that Santa will be visiting Laguna PS on our last day - the students will be singing carols to welcome him! Presents (books!) for Santa's sack can be delivered to the office - labelled of course! Everyone welcome on the morning. -

**Mr Howe**



## Walkathon Friday!

On Friday Laguna Public School is holding a fundraiser in the form of a Walk-a-thon for the Westpac Helicopter Rescue Service. The day will begin with a free hot breakfast from 8:00am in school grounds. The volunteers from the Westpac Helicopter will be here to sell some merchandise and raffle tickets, merchandise is around \$5.00. At 9:00 am we will head over to John Forsyth's oval to commence our walk-a-thon. Children participating will receive a stamp for every 250 metres they walk in the allocated 45

minutes. There are extra sponsorship forms on the school notice board in the office. We look forward to a fantastic morning and raising some funds for a very special service used regularly in this valley and beyond.



## School Matters

### The Presentation Night

**Dance** is going well—thank you to all parents who have paid the \$10 costume contribution. This covers shoes and animal parts. On the night students will need to wear a black t-shirt, with black shorts for boys and black 3/4 leggings for girls. Please see Jacqui Moffitt if you need help sourcing these items. These items will be needed for dress rehearsal next week please.

**Car park Safety** - the car park at pickup time is very busy, and student safety is our number one concern. Parents, please

help out by picking your child up from inside the school grounds and escorting them safely to your vehicle. Thank you for your cooperation!

**Head Lice.** There have been a few cases of head lice around recently, exacerbated by the hot and humid weather. Please take the time to check your child's hair regularly and nip these pests in the bud. Check out this link for more information: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/zh/wellbeing/health/removing-head-lice-and-nits>

### Choosing a book for your child

What makes a good book for young kids? Usually anything that they want to read. Resist the desire to choose only books that you read as a child. Good books teach kids things subtly while still telling a great story.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/what-makes-a-good-book-for-young-kids>

*“Sculpture is the art of the hole and the lump” -  
Auguste Rodin*

## Year 4-5-6 News

**Science!** This term students have been investigating the Material World, and finding out how to define a solid, a liquid or a gas. This week students, in small groups, will be making movies demonstrating how to change the state of matter (eg. solid to liquid) through application of heating or cooling, and then determining whether the change is reversible or irreversible. Given that most groups have chosen some kind of food item to demonstrate this phenomenon, it may well be a case of Masterchef meeting Mendel!

**Drama, Projects!** We have enjoyed some great talks this week on 'What I Want To Be When I Grow Up!'. The range of ambitions is broad - it would be great to fast-forward 20 years and see if our school alumni includes sports commentators, farmers, physiotherapists, electrical engineers, vets, school teachers, scientists, computer game designers, soccer professionals, comedians and artists—because that's where our students' ambitions lie! **Drama** is proving to be a hit in class this term. Apart from being good fun, the practice that students get in public speaking, spatial awareness and teamwork is priceless. Coming soon to Laguna Hall - 'A Royal Goose Chase'.

## K-1 News *from Mrs Shaunessy*

This week we are beginning our play/puppet show rehearsals.

K-1 have just finished reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl and are excited about following up the book with watching the movie. It always leads to positive discussions about how the book was adapted to screen, likes/dislikes and the differences between the movie and book.

We had another great Preschool Orientation based all around 'Water'. Where does the water go when the ice melts? Why do we have rain? It lead to some great discussions and revelations about the water cycle. We even made a cloud in a jar!



## Year 2-3 News

Is it really week 8 already? This term is flying! Thank you to all the students who came prepared with their Recycling Speech this week. We have seen some fabulous speeches already and I look forward to hearing them all over the next week. In maths this week we are learning about sharing or division using lots of hands on materials. Last week we finished reading Fantastic Mr Fox and can't wait to see the movie later in the term on our reward day! - **Ms Sewell**



# Weekly Achievement Awards!



**K-1 Playground  
Award Stanley,  
for being a  
great friend in  
the play-  
ground!**



**K-1 Classroom  
Award, Bela,  
for outstand-  
ing work in  
Maths.**



**2-3 Classroom  
Award - Skye,  
for consistent-  
ly working  
hard in class!**



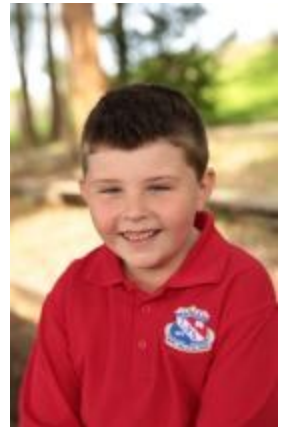
**2-3 Playground  
Award—Dhani,  
for friendship and  
care in the play-  
ground.**



**4-5-6 Class-  
room Award -  
Clio, for effort  
and achieve-  
ment in  
Maths!**



**4-5-6 Playground  
Award - Jesse, for  
enthusiasm and  
fair play.**



**K-1 Classroom  
Award - Kurt,  
for being  
settled and for  
great effort  
across all areas  
of school.**

## ***Marimbas!***

