

## UPCOMING EVENTS!

- **Musica Viva**  
Thursday 13th  
August
- **Art Show**  
Opening Fri-  
day 21st Au-  
gust
- **Regional Ath-  
letics Friday**  
28th August
- **Lantern Pa-  
rade Saturday**  
August 29th
- **Kinder Orien-  
tation Days—**  
Fri 21st Aug &  
Fri 11th Sep-  
tember
- **Book Week**  
Mon 31st  
Aug—4th Sept
- **Dress up &  
Grandparents**  
Day Tues 1st  
Sept

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# Laguna Public School

TERM 3, WEEK 5



12 AUGUST 2015

## Well Done Zone Athletes!

**Congratulations** to all of our Zone athletes for their performance and deportment last Friday at Turner Park. Simone and I saw all the students competing in field and track events and we were thrilled with the effort put in. There looks to be quite a team that has qualified for the Regional Carnival, including the junior girls relay team (Brody, Skye, Lucy and Nirikai), Yinaa (800m), Lucy (100m), Nirikai (200m) and Alisha (junior girls discus). Thank you all participants—you did the school proud! Thanks also to our wonderful parents who made it a fun day!

**Public Speaking.** This week Sam, Max, Ryder T, Jaimie, Atticus, Kyah and Zac represented our school at the Regional Public Speaking Competition at Nulkaba. From all reports the students did a great job. Public speaking takes Courage—we'll do students for stepping up!

**Art Show!** The countdown is on! Opening night **21st August**. Please return all raffle ticket stubs and money ASAP, and please check whether you can fill a vacancy on the job sheet. Teachers are busy framing the children's art that will grace the tent/restaurant/reception area.

**Marimbas!** The marimbas have been a colourful part of the Art Show marquee over the years, and they will be there again on the Saturday. We would aim for a **10.00** performance—we would love as many students as possible to make it down and get Saturday off to a bright start!

**Whooping Cough** NSW Health report a significant increase in whooping cough cases this winter, and several students at our school have unfortunately felt the brunt of it. Parents, please read the attached information sheet regarding this distressing condition.

**Special Ethics Education.** Don't forget to pop your



***The victorious Junior Girls Relay team!***

expression of interest into the school office.

**Vegetable Gardens.** The gardens are flourishing, and are being well tended by a conscientious group of students. We look forward to being able to prepare some food this term from the garden - if any parents would like to contribute cooking ideas or skills, please see your child's teacher!

***Have a great week! - Mr Howe***



***Zone athletes at rest.***

## Library with Mrs Baker

*If there are still any late entries for the P.R.C. for this year, the books need to be entered by this Friday, 14th August. Congratulations to James, Harper, Lucy, Max and Jade Ablett for completing the P.R.C. this year. What a party we will have! So far 31 children have completed the challenge and will attend the 2015 P.R.C. party.*

**Laguna RFS driveway**

Parents are reminded not to park in the Laguna RFS driveway at drop off and pick up time. Two Fridays ago the RFS was called out to an incident at 3.00, which create a high-risk scenario with cars parked in the driveway. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Payment reminder!**

A reminder that payment is due for Musica Viva, and also the \$5 contribution towards the lanterns that Sally Sullivan is helping us create. The lanterns

are looking wonderful—the parade will be fantastic!.

**All hands on deck please!**

Starting **tomorrow** afternoon as much help as possible is needed to move the flats to the hall, paint them and install them in the hall on Saturday and Sunday ready for the Art Show next week. Help is also needed at the weekend for hanging the

blacks and general preparation of the hall ready for the artwork to be hung from Tuesday. Please let Jacqui know where and when you can help so everything can run smoothly. Even if you can only spare an hour or two, every little bit of help is *much* appreciated.

Thank you  
Art Show Committee

**K-1 NEWS, WITH Ms FITZ!**

This week we've been learning about the chicken life cycle which has tied in nicely with our chick visitors! We also made life cycle craft which have brightened up our walls.

We will be learning all about the plant life cycle next from reading *The Tiny Seed* by Eric Carle through to planting seeds to observe over the coming weeks.

Our chicks head off to their permanent homes this week and as you may have already heard, we have sadly lost a few over the last few days. While this has been really sad for the kids (and myself!), it has been an interesting learning experience for the children. It really is all about survival of the fittest.

If you are taking home any chicks, please do so on Thursday 13th August as we will have nowhere to keep them once the pen has been taken away on Friday.

Congratulations to the following students on their awards this week:

- Tess Coleman (Respect PBL award and Reader of the Week)
- Ruby Bloomer (Compassion PBL award)
- Jade Ablett (Spelling Award - a fantastic 10/10 on her spelling test!)
- Rio Kidd-Sobol (Spelling Award)

Bring on week six!



**Yr 2/3 News with Ms Sewell!** Thank you to all the students who consistently return their homework every week! It's important this term to return your homework of a Friday so that I may paste in the new spelling and contract. Please see me straight away if you find I haven't pasted in your new homework. I have been known to make the odd mistake occasionally. I really enjoyed the maths questions students prepared for their peers this week and will send out a copy of everyone's questions next week!

I have been very impressed with the effort students are going to for their news! Unfortunately we do find it tricky to fit in news for every single student every week but we do our best, especially if someone has come well prepared!

During reading this term we have talked a lot about the strategies that good readers use when they read. While reading at home, ask your child to explain some strategies they use!

### MUSICA VIVA

Tomorrow we will be enjoying a Musica Viva performance in the hall from 10.30 to 11.30am. The cost is \$7.70 per student. Please ensure that payment has been made to the office.

**Parents very welcome!**



### *Year 4-5-6 News!*

*The 'Turing' maths group have been working with angles in mathematics, identifying right, acute and obtuse angles. They have demonstrated their knowledge through production of short movies made on the ipads, identifying the presence of these angles in the school environment. A great learning experience! Students in the Pythagoras, Germain and Pascal maths groups are studying the representation of data through graphs, and exploring chance and probability. The Fibonacci group are investigating equivalent fractions!*

*Our class has also been looking at local buildings and thinking about their design with regard to the users of the building. We had a close look at Laguna Hall and were able to identify so many features regarding functionality, safety, aesthetics and sustainability. — Mr H*

### After School Terrific Tennis Tuesdays!

**Come and join a parents tennis group at the Wol-lombi Tennis Courts!**

**Kids welcome! Gold Coin Donation!**



**An excellent day at the Zone carnival!**



# Weekly Achievement Awards!



Georgie - K-1  
Library Award for  
Responsibility.



Taj, 2-3 Library Award  
for Responsibility.  
Thank you!



Max - 4/5/6 Library  
Award for Respect.  
You are kicking  
goals!



Tess—K-1 Respect  
Award! How appreci-  
ative Miss Fitz must  
be!



Ruby - K-1 Class-  
room Award for  
Compassion, a foun-  
dation of our school.



Taj - 2/3 Classroom  
Responsibility Award  
for awesome  
spelling! A great  
week!



Jesse - 2/3 Classroom  
Responsibility Award  
for spelling improve-  
ment! Hard work  
always pays off!



**Laguna Fire Brigade – August  
reminder for our community.**

***This is the month to clean your  
gutters. Also start writing your  
family's Fire Safety Plan.***



THE CHILDREN'S  
BOOK COUNCIL  
OF AUSTRALIA



## Valley Artists

### The Family Frying Pan

***Actors needed! Director Janine Oliver  
needs 2 roles filled - 2 female roles, 20-  
30 years old (ish). Interested? Please call  
Janine on 4998 8282. Rehearsals start  
soon for a November production.***