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# Fassifern Express

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TERM 2 WEEK 5

30th May, 2013

## IMPORTANT DATES

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| <b>Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup></b> LMHS Orientation 11.30-3.00 | <b>Friday May 31<sup>st</sup></b> Public Speaking Tournament    |
| <b>Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup></b> Pyjama Day                  | <b>Tuesday June 11<sup>th</sup></b> Representative NRL Gala Day |
| <b>Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup></b> LMHS Parent Info Night 6pm  | <b>Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup></b> School Photos             |

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Well it seems like yesterday we started Term 2 and here we are already half way through! The rain has set in and winter seems to have arrived early. We have noticed many of our students are not rugging up; a lot are still just in polo shirts. Even in the rain the other day where were the raincoats and the umbrellas?

### Attendance

Every Monday notes are sent home to parents who have not sent a note in to the teacher explaining the reasons for their child's absence in the past fortnight. It is a requirement by law that a note be sent in within 3 days. All notes must be justified. Sick is not an excuse. Please say why your child was away e.g. Flu, or stomach aches etc.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Public Speaking Tournament

This will be held during tomorrow's assembly. There are over 10 students that put their hand up to be involved. The Zone team will be chosen from the winners in each stage division.

### Pyjama Day

On Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> Year 6 will be holding a Pyjama Day fundraiser. Students can come to school in their pjs as long as they bring a gold coin donation. There will be a pyjama party held for those students who participate.

### Pizza Day

Thanks again to all the students that supported the Year 6 Pizza Fundraiser, we raised \$148.30. We're well on the way to buying our new shelters, so thank you.

### Assemblies

Assemblies are held every Friday in the new Library, at approximately 2.20pm. At our assemblies students present their work that they have done within the week. Weekly Classroom Awards and Level Awards are handed out at these assemblies. All Parents and friends of the school are most welcome to attend.

### **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**

Last Friday, four of our staff attended the first Universal training day for PBL. We will be introducing this program over the next several weeks of term. We will be looking at our expectations and core statements and a PBL school mascot. At the moment we are thinking of something to do with a train...

### **Scripture**

There will be no scripture classes next week.

### **OFFICE NEWS**

#### **Woolworths Earn & Learn**

Keep bringing in those stickers, we now have 2120 points.

### **SPORT NEWS**

#### **NRL Gala Day**

Two of our senior boys, Tanner and Jamie, have been selected to combine with Eraring PS to play in the Paul Harragon Cup on Tuesday June 11<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to the boys and good luck.

#### **Active After School Sport**

We have been successful in our application for the Active After School sport program which will commence next term. We will need a minimum of 15 students to proceed. All programmes will finish at 4pm, and parents will need to collect their child, as students will not be allowed to go home on their own. Notes will be sent home in the coming weeks, the sports for Term 3 will be Basketball and Athletics.

#### **Premiers Sporting Challenge Leadership Day**

Yes this event was cancelled again due to wet weather; hopefully another date will be set for this term.

### **P&C NEWS**

Please note that due to a clash of events, the P&C meeting scheduled for the 13<sup>th</sup> June will now be held on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. All parents are welcome. Come along and help support the school.

The canteen will be open on Thursdays and Fridays. The roster is as follows;

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| Thursday May 30 <sup>th</sup> Jacqueline L, Sian F | Friday May 31 <sup>st</sup> Jess N, Monika L |
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### Cyberbullying – what the experts say

While research into cyberbullying is still in its infancy, the one thing we do know is the online environment is really just a new setting for age-old issues. Cyberbullying is an extension of face-to-face bullying. It's all about relationships.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cyberbullying/what-the-experts-say>

### Weekend family snow sports camp

"Affordable holiday" and "skiing" in the same sentence? Yes, if you're quick. Sport and Recreation offers weekend getaways in the snow from July – September.

Find out more: <http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/jindabyne/>

### Making music together

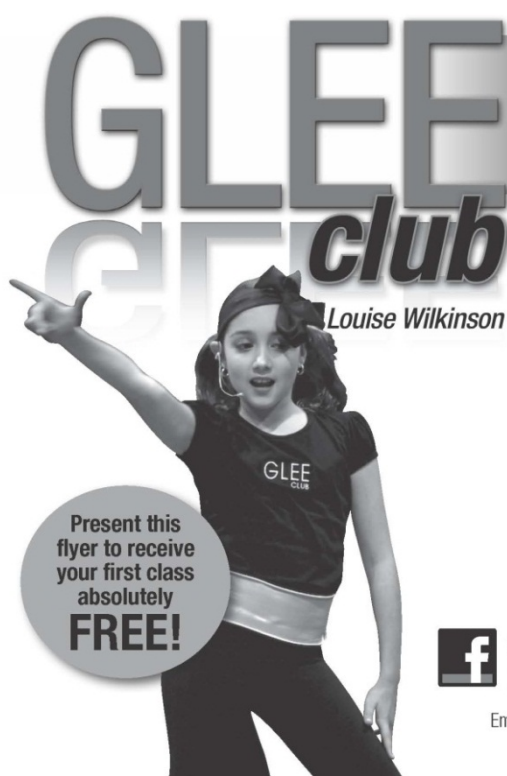
Music education produces many benefits, including strengthening children's' abilities in reading, maths, and verbal intelligence. New research suggests it may also teach something less tangible, but arguably just as important - the ability to empathise.

Find out more: <http://www.psmag.com/culture/making-music-together-increases-kids-empathy-41627/#.T5j1f7R1SQM.facebook>

### Helping your child with homework

Video: Teachers talk about how parents can help kids take responsibility for their homework and avoid Thursday night meltdowns.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/helping-your-primary-school-child-with-homework>



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Seniors 13-18 years

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