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Dear Parents/ Carers

With the end of the year fast approaching, I would firstly like to state how proud I am of our school community and the commitment that staff, students and families are showing towards the range of initiatives that are currently happening at Lakeside School. Two weeks ago we had students attend an IOTAS movie day at Callaghan College Jesmond Campus, where audiences were shown a marvellous mini movie of our school and all the great things that occur within. A big thank you to Miss Cate, Miss Colleen and Miss Donna for organising and creating our fantastic film! An Oscar's nomination is surely forthcoming!

The second half of Term 4 is due to be just as busy as its beginning, with some students set to attend a Festival of Magic performance at Newcastle Wests Club this Thursday. We also have an end of year celebration day for our students on Monday 17th December at Wallsend Pool. More information will be sent home shortly.

Another significant event approaching quickly is our Annual School Presentation Day, which will be held on Tuesday 11th December, starting at 10am. Our agenda is being prepared for this event which includes performances from the Hunter Sports High Band and Indigenous dancers. Included also will be a few special performances from our own students, spearheaded by our excellent music therapist Susan and her wonderful team. Stay tuned for more information about this great event in the coming weeks.

We would also like to extend an invitation to parents to our annual planning morning at Lakeside School, which will be held next Tuesday (20th November) from 9.30-11am. All parents are invited to join us to collaborate on our strategic directions and school plan over the next three years. Morning tea and refreshments will be provided. If you would like to join us for our planning meeting, please contact the school office. (PH: 49 43 8999)

For our 2019 senior students, you would have received a Senior Student Shirt order form last week. If you would like to order a black senior shirt please return your order form and money to the office by tomorrow. (Wednesday, 14/11)

I would also like to acknowledge the recipients for the class awards which were presented at our mid-term assembly today. They are as follows:

Class 1- Brydon D

Class 2- Aiden M

Class 3- Brenden D

Class 4- Jacob A

Class 5- Natalene M

Class 6- Daniel G

Class 7- Martyn M

Congratulations to the aforementioned students and thank you again for your continued support as the end of the school year approaches.

Sam Houston ~ Assistant Principal

Dates to Remember for Term 4 2018

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| • Tuesday 20th November | • Planning Day, parents welcome 9.30am -11am
(please phone the school if you are able to attend) |
| • Tuesday 11th December | • School Presentation Day, 10am start |
| • Monday 17th December | • End of Year Celebration Excursion |
| • Wednesday 19th December | • Last school day for students |
| • Thurs. 20th/Fri 21st Dec. | • Staff Development Days, staff only at school. |



VARIETY KIDS XMAS PARTY

Variety - the Children's Charity NSW/ACT invites you to the Variety Kids Xmas Party. Please pass this invite along to kids from the Hunter who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs and their parents or carers.

Wednesday 21st November 2018

4pm – 8pm

McDonald Jones Stadium.

It's the ultimate Xmas Party with farm animals, live music, inflatables, face painting, karaoke, festive fun and a visit from Santa - plus much more. Refreshments will be available for all kids who have registered. There will be food available for purchase for adults.

RSVP Friday by 19th October 2018 at kidsxmasparty.org

If you have any questions or need help registering please call 4965 4911. Tickets will be posted in early November.



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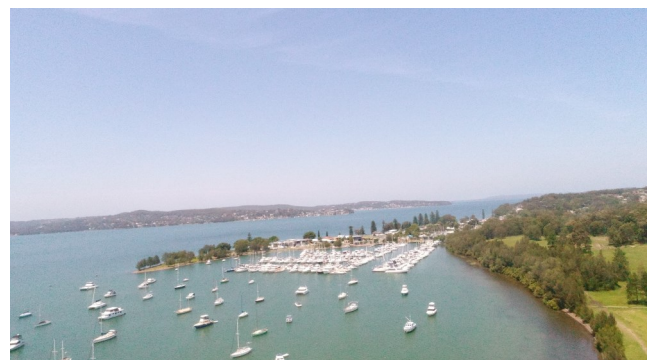
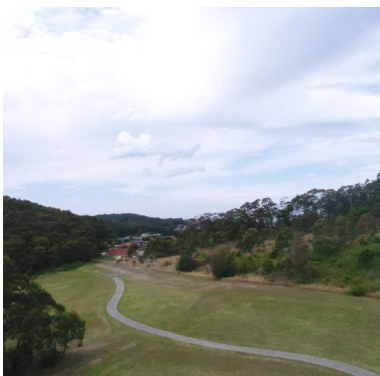
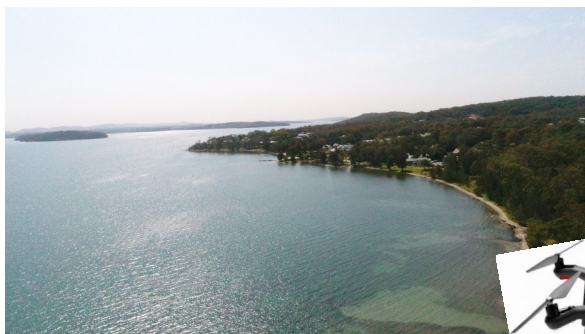
Registrations are a must and can be made by visiting :
kidsxmasparty.org

DRONE FLYING AT LAKESIDE SCHOOL

As part of our surge into the world of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) based learning at Lakeside School, our students have been using the school drone to explore and photograph the pristine beaches and lakes of the Newcastle and Lake Macquarie area.

We have been using our Phantom drone in our timetabled Ability Groups session on Wednesday afternoons throughout Term 3 and some of the photos and videos taken were absolutely superb. The beauty of the drone is that all our students can access the device with the smallest movement of a thumb or finger.

We are planning on using the drone in 2019 to make our own mini movie and to continue to develop our skills in photography. Hopefully we can have another photo shown on the Channel 10 Weather Wall on the afternoon news. See below for that photo and some others from Drone flying in 2018!



As our students move through their school lives, there is a point where parents/carers/families must consider what is the next step after the young person finishes school. The following document offers some explanation to the types of funding available where parents have the goal of their son/daughter/ward gaining some form of open employment.

What is the difference between DES and SLES?

The key difference between DES and SLES is the participant's current readiness for open employment and the time it might take to prepare participants to build independent living and vocational skills. A SLES participant may need up to 2 years to develop the aspiration, confidence and demonstration of skills sufficient to meet DES criteria.

SLES

School Leaver Employment Support (SLES) is an early intervention approach for Year 12 school leavers with significant disability to support their transition from school to employment.

These supports are designed to build the participants capacity to meet the access criteria and transition to a DES.

SLES supports are only available to participants who have been assessed as ineligible, or are unlikely to meet, access requirements to DES.

DES

The **Disability Employment Services (DES)** supports persons with disability to get ready to look for a job, find a job and keep a job.

The DES also have a program that is available to students in their last year of school called the **DES ESL (Eligible School Leaver)** program.

This program is to assist students with disability to transition from school to post-school open employment. For a job seeker to access a DES, they must have a future work capacity, with intervention, of at least 8 hours per week.

SLES

NDIS Plan identifies support needs to build independence.

SLES builds a pathway to economic participation through, for example:

- Unpaid work experience to overcome barriers and build confidence
- Developing a working lifestyle – life skills to support transition to work.

SLES Outcome: Overcome low expectations (participant, carer, family and facilitate transition to a DES.

DES

DES Job Plan identifies support needed to find and keep a job.

DES continues the pathway to economic participation through, for example:

- The Participants Job Plan
- Activities and assistance to address barriers to employment
- Job search; job-site training; placement
- Post placement support in a paid job
- Ongoing support to maintain a paid job (if required)

DES Employment Outcome: Paid employment in a sustainable job .
Ongoing employment supports funded by DSS.

If you would like more information about the NDIS in your area, please see the NDIS website www.ndis.gov.au

