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The week ahead

WEEK A

MONDAY 26 March

- Preliminary Assessment Period
- Year 7 2019 Parent Q&A - NLPS 6pm
- Senior Foundation Assessment Period
- Year 11 Geography Field Trip
- K/O Hunter Squash Trials

TUESDAY 27 March

- Preliminary Assessment Period
- Senior Foundation Assessment Period
- Year 12 Advanced and Standard English Assessment Task p.3/4
- Sport Choices Year 9 – p.1 Year 8 – p.2 Year 10 – p.6.

WEDNESDAY 28 March

- Preliminary Assessment Period
- Senior Foundation Assessment Period
- NSW Junior Chess League Comp. – Ms. Hayward

THURSDAY 29 March

- Preliminary Assessment Period
- Hunter Medical Research Excursion Year 11 Students
- Senior Foundation Assessment Period
- Year 12 E&ES Mulbring and Summer Hill Excursion
- Year 8 Food Technology Assessment Task Due – Butler
- Stage 6 Debating-R. Fenwick
- 9 PASSY Tennis 1:05pm - 2:10pm

FRIDAY 30 March

- GOOD FRIDAY – Public Holiday

From the Principal's Desk

Tell Them From Me : Student feedback survey

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used *Tell Them From Me* to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices

of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 26 March and 13 April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by 26 March.

Parent FAQ document for the student survey can be found at.

http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/images/pdf/TFM_Student_Survey_FAQs_Parent_and_Carers_T12018.pdf

TERM 2 SPORT CHOICES

Sport choices for Term 2, 2018 will be occurring on Tuesday 27th March, Week 9 this term. All students currently in years 8, 9 and 10 need to make a choice. Students will be given all information on how to select a sport. Sports that require a note need to be returned to the student office before Friday 6th April (Note: If the student does not have a note for sports that require one, they cannot go to that sport). Payments for sport need to be by Friday 13th April. For students who do not choose a sport, a school based sport will be allocated to them. It would be greatly appreciated if parents/caregivers can assist by reminding students to complete their selection. If your student experiences any problems, please contact Mr White in the PDHPE Faculty.

PARENT LEARNING COMMUNITY GROUP

Twice each term the school runs parent workshops regarding particular school focus areas. Please note information below.



Please join us for a Parent Learning Community Group

Date: Wednesday 4 April 2018

Time: 7.30 - 8.30am and 1.45 - 2.45pm (repeat session)

Focus: Writing strategies – TEAL

This workshop is designed to help parents develop and refine strategies to assist supporting their child with writing. Topics to be covered include how to write TEAL paragraphs and how TEAL is used in essay writing. This workshop is appropriate for parents of all year levels.

RSVP: Please email Megan Davies by 2 April 2018 to indicate your attendance.

Megan.Davies8@det.nsw.edu.au



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WHITE RIBBON FUNDRAISER

The White Ribbon Campaign strives to create a world where women are free from domestic violence by promoting awareness of this issue to the broader community, especially to men.



On Friday 23rd March Lambton High School held a White Ribbon Day fundraiser in which all students and staff were encouraged to wear white in support of this worthy cause. This involved a gold coin donation and lunchtime BBQ.

To start the day, a breakfast was held before school for Year 12 and their mothers with a special guest speaker from Got Your Back Sista. This organisation provides homes, work experience, self-defence and financial guidance to women and children who have been affected by domestic violence in the Hunter Region. Got Your Back Sista were recently honoured by the White Ribbon Campaign for their work in supporting these affected families and deserve our support for their efforts. Proceeds of \$1122 were donated to this very worthy charity.

The day was initiated and run by the Senior Student Body with assistance from some of the SRC. Special thanks to the Canteen and Library staff for their support of this event.



Best Start Year 7 trial test

Best Start Year 7 is a literacy and numeracy assessment package for schools to use in the first five weeks of Year 7 2019. It is designed to assist teachers to identify students at risk of falling behind in literacy and numeracy and to more effectively target teaching for students. The assessment package will include online tests and links to syllabus, the literacy and numeracy learning progressions and support material.

Year 7 students will participate in a trial of the Best Start Year 7 online assessment questions between 3 April and 13 April. The primary purpose of this trial is to test the reliability of the questions, not to assess students. Accordingly, no individual student reports will be provided, however, the school will be

provided with some preliminary information and links to syllabus outcomes and learning progressions.

Students will be asked to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer to enable them to hear audio recordings of the numeracy questions. Earbuds for phone or a portable device are suitable.

The school has expressed interest in taking part in this trial in order to have input into the Best Start Year 7 assessment package which addresses one of the key elements of the department's Literacy and Numeracy Strategy 2017-2020

YEAR 6 TO 7 TRANSITION

Further follow-up parent Q&A meetings at local partner schools have been arranged for:

New Lambton PS : Monday 26th – 6 p.m.

WEB LINKS:

Year 6 Parent information evening presentation

<http://lambtonhighschool.com.au/frontend/uploads/2018/02/Year-6-Parent-Evening-March-2018-FINAL-v.1.pdf>

Transition details can be found at

<http://lambtonhighschool.com.au/frontend/uploads/2013/06/Transition-Calendar-20181.pdf>

YEAR 7 2019 CAPA class applications

Closing Date: 29th March, 2018

Auditions: 6th April, 2018 (Music) and 9th April, 2018 (Visual Arts and Drama)

Application forms found at:

<http://lambtonhighschool.com.au/frontend/uploads/2014/03/LH-S-CAPA-Application-Form-Year-7-2019.pdf>

YEAR 7 2019 e3 Class applications

Closing Date: 29th March, 2018

Placement Test: 10th April, 2018

A second test option: 11th April, 2018

Application forms can be found at:

<http://lambtonhighschool.com.au/frontend/uploads/2015/02/LH-S-E3-Application-Form-Year-7-2019.pdf>

School Fees

<http://lambtonhighschool.com.au/frontend/uploads/2013/04/LH-S-School-Fees-2018.pdf>

2019 EUROPE TRIP

On Monday 12th March our information evening for Europe 2019 was held. There has been much interest shown in this biannual tour. If you were unable to attend the meeting please have your student pick up their information sheets and booking forms from the HSIE staffroom this week as a first deposit of \$500 is due by the 28th March. Please email Mrs Ivory with any enquiries at : elissa.ivory@det.nsw.edu.au



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REPRESENTATIVE SPORT:

- **Baseball:** Joshua Banks selected in the NSW All Schools Open Boys Baseball Team.
- **Football:** Isaac Sefo selected as captain of the Hunter SSSA Open Boys Football Team.
- **Rugby League:** Liam Wilkinson and Patrick Achurch selected in the Hunter SSSA Open Boys Rugby League Team.

TEAM SPORT:

- **Open Girls Netball Team:** Participated at the Hunter Region Final 8 Series, however, lost in the Semi-Final to Hunter Sports HS.



- **Open Girls Water Polo Team:** Hunter Region Champions and progress through to the NSWCHS Final 8 Series.



- **Open Boys Water Polo Team:** Hunter Region Finalists (defeated 10-8 vs. Merewether HS). Wildcard entry into the NSWCHS Final 8 Series.



School staff voluntarily provide tuition support for students each week. Students can use this opportunity to gain assistance with classwork, assignments, homework and assessment. This is available in the Library from 3.05 pm to 4 pm every Thursday afternoon.

COLES SPORT FOR SCHOOLS PROGRAM

Lambton High School is participating in the Coles Sports for Schools program. We would love your help collecting Coles Sports for Schools vouchers for our school. Tell your friends and family to get involved as well, because the more vouchers we collect, the more sports gear our school will receive. The PDHPE faculty will be collecting the vouchers. Thank you for your support.



The week after

WEEK B

MONDAY 26 March

- Public Holiday

TUESDAY 27 March

- Preliminary Assessment Period
- HSC Assessment Period
- Year 7 Science Assessment Task- in class
- Year 9 Geography Assessment Task
- 9PASSX2 Tennis – A. White
- 9PASSX1 - Aquatics Lambton Pool

WEDNESDAY 28 March

- Preliminary Assessment Period
- HSC Assessment Period
- PLCG 7.30am and 1.45pm Year 7 Geography Assessment Task (L and N)

THURSDAY 29 March

- Preliminary Assessment Period
- HSC Assessment Period



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- Year 11 SLR Aquatics Excursion (P 3 and 4) N. Tolley
- Year 8 PASS Training Program Analysis (8PASSX p1, 8PASSY p5) - J. Keath / N.Tolley
- Year 7 Geography Assessment Task (A, M, B, T and O)
- Year 9 History Assessment Task
- Under 15 and Opens Girls AFL
- 9PASSX2 Tennis – A. White , 9PASSX1 - Aquatics
Lambton Pool

FRIDAY 30 March

- HSC Assessment Period
- Preliminary Assessment Period
- CAPA 2019 Auditions - Drama/Art
- Year 8 History/Geography Assessment Task
- 9PASSY Tennis – N. Tolley

Mr Peter Riley – Relieving Principal

To view previous Short-Takes e-newsletters go to the Lambton High School website at www.lambtonhighschool.com.au
Facebook: www.facebook.com/LambtonHS

The Lambton Short-Takes e-newsletter provides a snapshot of some of the programs and events occurring at the school and it is not intended to address student participation in every school activity or sporting event.

P&C ASSOCIATION MEETING – AGM this week

Meetings are held at 7.00pm on the second Tuesday of each month in the Library. The next meeting will be held on: Tuesday May 8.



We are also looking for Youth Girls aged 12-17yrs interested in playing a modified version of AFL to take part in our *Wallsend Swans Youth Girls Team(s)*

Children aged between 4-8yrs old are also able to register for our Nationally Accredited NAB Auskick Program.

http://websites.sportstg.com/club_info.cgi?spor tid=4&client=1-4013-49612-0-0

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- Exam prep workshops
- Essay writing & study skills
- Qualified, experienced teachers
- HSC specialists

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KEY DATES

Summer Holiday School	15 - 18 Jan
Term 1, 2018	30 Jan - 13 Apr
Term 2, 2018	1 May - 6 Jul
Winter Holiday School	16 - 19 Jul
Term 3, 2018	24 Jul - 28 Sep
Spring Holiday School	8 - 11 Oct
Term 4, 2018	15 Oct - 14 Dec

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