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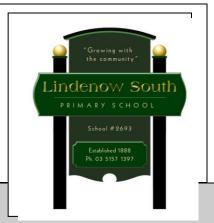
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Newsletter

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WEEK 10

Upcoming Dates:

14th March – Labour Day Public Holiday

Principals Report

We had the pleasure of enjoying some wonderful pancakes last Tuesday as we celebrated 'pancake day' at school. All the preparation and batter mixing was completed by students from my class, John cooked them on the BBQ and everyone got to eat them. Thank you Jenny for coming up with the idea. Lasagne is on the menu for the next cooking class which will be next week.

The current COVID report is that there are no active or suspected cases at our school amongst either staff, students or parents. We have not received any new supplies of RAT tests however we still have some from the last delivery. Please feel free to make contact if you are in need of them.

Students in the grade 4-6 class are undergoing their first round of VCAA online testing for English and Mathematics. The tests comprise eight individual tests which are completed online. These tests, combined with NAPLAN and various other diagnostic tools help to identify how these students are progressing along their individual educational pathways.

Michael Walker



- Please do not drop your child off at school before 8:00am and NEVER drop them if there is not at least one staff car in the carpark.
- It is very important that you ensure your child has enough food for the school day. Please monitor the number of pre-packaged sugary products you provide for them as this can have quite a dramatic effect on their performance at school.
- Try to monitor the state of your child's hair health. Be vigilant for the first signs of nit infestation and take decisive action if you detect anything. Please remember that students MUST be excluded from school if any live nits are discovered, until they have been appropriately treated.
- IF STUDENTS RIDE A BIKE OR SCOOTER TO AND FROM SCHOOL, THEY MUST HAVE A HELMET ON.

JOKE OF THE WEEK



This is your
Monday morning
reminder that
you can handle
whatever this week
throws at you.

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PUZZLE PAGE

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MOUSE MONKEY ALLIGATOR LION

TIGER

THE GOOD OLD DAYS OF EDUCATION

School has changed a lot over the years, the same goes with the way we were taught! And there's a place in Australia where kids can experience an old school! Here it is in Sydney's north-west. It's called the Rouse Hill School and was built way back in 1888. The school has been brought back to life, giving people a chance to find out how tough school was in the past! And these kids are re-living that history.

TEACHER: Good morning to you all.

KIDS: Good morning Miss Fox.

TEACHER: I'm pleased to see that you have all made it this morning and that you didn't have to stay and work on the farm. Everybody in their lines, boys follow behind the girls. Miss Fox was a really strict teacher back in the day. First thing in the morning, she would check students' nails, hair and teeth to make sure they were clean.

TEACHER: The insolence of that child! I was forced to give him two strokes of the cane. Yep, you heard right! Anyone who was bad got hit with the cane or something similar that gave a good whack. And you could've copped a hit for simply talking to your friends in class. It's called Corporal Punishment!

NATASHA THIELE, REPORTER: Corporal comes from the Latin word 'corpus' which means body. So Corporal Punishment is punishment to the body. And school teachers and principals were allowed to hit children on either their bottom or on their hands! And believe it or not it's still legal in some parts of Australia, although it's hard to find any school that actually does it.

Inside this 19th Century school is an authentic 19th Century classroom complete with stuffed animals and even ink wells. They're small containers full of ink. Pupils would dip their pen or feather in them to write. And because they didn't have computers like we do now, they used these slate boards.

Spelling lessons sounded a bit like this... [students reciting the letters in the word 'hilt'] And students had to sing God Save the Queen every day. That was the national anthem at the time. They also needed to watch their posture and had lessons on how to keep their back straight with these back straighteners! Girls studied subjects like home economics and art, while boys did subjects like wood work and metal work. Most kids left school around the age of 12, in fact some as young as 8 were already working on farms or in factories. They didn't have video games or TVs like you guys might have, so they made do with what they had. They played things like marbles, jump rope and hopscotch in the school yard.

But things have changed a lot since the 19th century! There's more variety when it comes to subjects and you've got lots of years after primary school to decide what you want to do in life. So perhaps giving young people a chance to check out old schools like Rouse Hill, makes you appreciate school a little more!

TEACHER: Are you all prepared to move on to the next lesson?

KIDS: Yes, Miss Fox.

Did you know many substances in the home or workplace are poisonous? - Would you know how to assist someone who's been exposed?

When a poison is introduced into the body, it interferes with one or more normal body functions which can cause drowsiness, burning pain, blurred vision and difficulty breathing.

Poisons may be solid, liquid or gaseous and can be found in food, medication, household substances and industrial products. Once entered into the bloodstream, it is transported swiftly to all parts of the body.



Poison may enter the body by:

- Ingestion (Swallowed)
- Inhalation (Breathing)
- Absorption (Skin)
- Injection (Bites, stings and narcotics)

General Management of Poisons & Toxic Substances

- **1.** Follow DRSABCD remove yourself and patient from any danger.
- 2. Call Triple Zero (000) for an ambulance.
- 3. Call fire services if atmosphere is contaminated with smoke or gas.
- 4. With a conscious casualty listen to their history and give reassurance. If possible, determine the nature of the substance and record.
- Call Poisons Information Centre 13 11 26.

TIP: DO NOT try to induce vomiting, but if the casualty does vomit, you should send as much of the vomit as possible to the hospital with them.

TIP: DO NOT give the casualty anything to eat or drink.

- Wash corrosive substance off mouth and face with water or wipe it off
- With inhaled poisons move casualty to fresh air if possible

TIP: If bitten by a snake, **DO NOT** wash the venom off the skin, it can be used to identify the type of snake that bit the casualty.