



Longburn Adventist College

2011 BOARDING FYI NEWSLETTER

March Edition



LAC Boarders...taking the world by storm

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Directors Corner

Welcome to the March Issue of FYI. Since the last FYI, we have been keeping extremely busy with a large range of events such as Athletics Carnivals, Relay for Life, Regional Day and numerous other day school related events. We hope you enjoy the stories and images in this edition.

A few points to note:

DAY SCHOOL

- ☞ Teachers are currently working on an interim report of each student in their class. This will be sent to you by the end of term 1.

BOARDING

- ☞ Wireless internet is available in both dormitories. To be able to access the internet, boarders need to see the boarding deans to get the required password.
- ☞ Small groups started on Tuesday 15 March with Yr 13 boarders leading out in each of the 8 groups.
- ☞ A student prayer group has met to discuss an outline for Term 1 worships
- ☞ School ends on Friday 15 April @ 3.15pm. Boarders with long distance travel must have their details to Mrs Henry by Thursday 7 April.

Big welcome to a new dean...

Carly Fletcher (Assistant Girls Dean)



Hi, my name is Carly Fletcher. I have come to Longburn Adventist College from Sydney, Australia.

For the last two years I have worked as an intern with ADRA – Mongolia. My job in Mongolia involved working with the education sector, teaching young people important life skills, and gaining experience in the field of development. I also got to meet many interesting people, experience temperatures below -30°C , and ride a camel in the Gobi desert!

I have a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Development and Visual arts and I enjoy anything that is creative. I am excited to be here at LAC working with the girls in the dormitory. It will be great to get to know both the staff and the students more.



'Changes'

School life at LAC is completely different to my old school, Bethlehem College, NZ. LAC is smaller with smaller class sizes. This makes it easier to learn because the teachers can get around the class to help everyone.

Boarding life is a new experience for me but it's helping me gain independence, motivation and self discipline. I must do my own washing, complete my homework in spare time, and not slack off.

LAC Boarding is a great way to build teenagers into young adults.

Andrew Murcott (Yr 12 Boarder)



Relay for Life!

On Saturday night, 12 March, LAC boarders headed into Palmerston North (PN) to support the annual PN Relay for Life.

'Relay for Life' is a world wide fundraiser for the Cancer Society. Originating in the United States, it has now spread to 21 countries worldwide, including New Zealand (Relay for Life, Wikipedia). In Palmerston North funds are raised by groups participating in a 24 hour vigil of walking - walking around a 400m track.

LAC Boarders participated in conjunction with the Mosaic Community Church. The boarding team did a mammoth effort, taking control of the baton from 11pm Saturday to 3am Sunday.

Their participation resulted in LAC dormitories contributing to a worthy cause, some hard-out exercise, a little sleep deprivation and a fun evening.





Regional Day!

Last weekend (Saturday 5 March) was one of the greatest weekends for me so far this year. We went to Regional Day - a day when all the SDA churches from the Manawatu region gather together for combined worship at Palmerston North Central Church. The church was packed with many different people. It put a smile on my face knowing that this was only a glimpse of what heaven will be like!!

I was able to join the choir up the front together with my two sisters. The songs were powerful, especially "Here I am to Worship". Pastor Eddie Tupai preached about making the Sabbath a D-E-L-I-G-H-T. This Sabbath was indeed a delight!! The boarders also had the privilege of attending workshops that were run by different people, at different times of the day, on a variety of subjects. I joined a workshop by Lance Bolton on "How to plan and share your testimony". It was awesome.

To end the Sabbath we got to go to a Christian concert led by a Team called "Endless Praise". Another great, great, great BIG blessing!!! I am so grateful to God for how He puts amazing plans together that draw us closer to Him!!!

Maryanne (Y13 Boarder)



I am really grateful that we were given the opportunity to join the choir that sang on the Regional Day. We enjoyed the singing practices that were held during the two weeks before we were due to sing. The most awesome experience though was on the Sabbath morning when we actually sang. It was like God was showing us a glimpse of what Heaven is like and will be like for all God's people! We were blessed!

Alvina (Y13 Boarder)



Athletics Day!

Athletics Day was held on Wednesday 9 March at the Palmerston North Massey University running track. In the morning, the different age groups rotated through a range of events that included high jump, long jump, triple jump, shotput, discus, javelin, and 1500m run. By the time lunch break arrived, students and staff were ready for a rest. The afternoon was then full of running events - 100m, 400m and relay.

As Jeremy Davidson said 'Athletics day this year at LAC was a really enjoyable experience. I liked how you got to participate in all of the events. All of the boarders got involved and fully enjoyed the day off school.'

Congratulations to all the boarders that broke records and received year level trophies (list two pages over).





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Broken Records

SWIMMING

Michael Laskey	50m 12 – 13 Boys Freestyle
	50m 12 – 13 Boys Breastroke
	50m 12 – 13 Boys Backstroke

ATHLETICS

Andrew Murcott	14 – 15 Boys Discus
Maria Kumu	16 – 17+ Girls Discus
Setephano Noovao	16 – 17+ Boys Long Jump
Setephano Noovao	16 – 17+ Boys Triple Jump

Age Group Trophies – Athletics Day

Rana Walker	14 – 15 Girls
Te Manava Esposito	14 – 15 Boys
Setephano Noovao	16 – 17+ Boys



GO BOARDERS!!





LAC happenings...

Red & Black Earthquake Fundraiser

LAC students beat the rest of New Zealand to a 'Red & Black' day when they ran a Red and Black mufti day to raise funds for the Christchurch earthquake. Two days after the quake they raised nearly \$1300. The principal at Christchurch Adventist School will decide which charity the money goes to.

The photo shows some of our students in red and black as it appeared on the front page of the 'Manawatu Standard'.



Assistance from Melanie



For the past few weeks, Melanie Malifa has been part of the LAC staff team. Melanie hails from Wellington and has experience in Pastoral Ministry and Administration. While here at LAC, her main roles have been to:

- ✎ Assist in the Chaplaincy department while Kevin, LAC Chaplain, was recuperating from an injury
- ✎ Assist with the development of ASPIRE - a program that encourages young people to reach their goals and be all God has created them to be. This program will be piloted in the LAC dormitories.

Her assistance is really appreciated. She will be greatly missed when she departs next Friday.

Scholarship Appeal – where else can you provide a \$100 benefit for only \$66!!!

For some of our boarders the only way they can afford to attend LAC is because they receive one of our boarding scholarships and support from their local church. We are in the process of appealing for funds to all our ex-students. If you can help either with a small or large donation we would be hugely appreciative, it will enable even more students to enjoy the Longburn Experience.

Remember all donations are eligible for a tax rebate in NZ - 33 cents for each dollar donated!



Girls vs Teacher's Volleyball Match

The teachers at LAC always like a challenge and they certainly got one when they competed against the LAC Girls A Volleyball team at lunchtime on Thursday 17 March. The competition was fierce with the scores commonly only being one or two points apart between the two teams. The final scores for each set were (teachers : students) - 23:25, 25 : 27 and 13 : 15.

The students' skill proved to be greater than what the teachers could handle, with the students winning all three sets. Congratulations and all the best as you head towards the Nationals in week 9 of Term 1.



Keep it up!!





Winter Uniform – Term 2 & 3

The time has almost come to change from summer to winter uniform. At LAC, the student winter uniform is to be worn during term 2 and 3. Winter uniform details are listed in the table below. If you have any queries please contact Maria Henry, Director of Boarding.

Boys Winter Uniform		Girls Winter Uniform	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> White shirt with tie collar College monogrammed tie Dark grey college pants Dark grey or black belt (optional) Grey or black socks Black leather lace-up school shoes Royal blue V-necked jersey with College emblem Navy blue College blazer with College emblem (compulsory year 11-13, optional year 10) Regulation navy anorak Plain navy blue or black scarf Plain navy blue or black beanie 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> White blouse with tie collar College monogrammed tie Royal blue/red checked skirt Navy knee length socks OR navy pantyhose Black leather lace-up school shoes with a heel Royal blue V-necked jersey with College emblem Navy blue College blazer with College emblem (compulsory year 11-13, optional year 10) Regulation navy anorak Plain navy blue or black scarf Plain navy blue or black beanie 	

IMPORTANT: End of Year Dates

	<i>Year 13</i>	<i>Year 11/12</i>	<i>Year 7/8/9/10</i>
<i>Last Day</i>	Tuesday 1 Nov	Tuesday 8 Nov	Friday 9 Dec
<i>Prize giving (Graduation for Y13)</i>	Friday 4 Nov Saturday 5 Nov	Tuesday 8 Nov	Friday 2 Dec

If you or a friend would like to be added to the FYI mailing list, please email janitab@lac.school.nz.



Upcoming Events

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
13	14	15	16 STRIKE - Percussion Band Visit	17 School Assembly	18 FYI #2 Rehearse for New Plymouth	19 New Plymouth visit
20	21	22	23 Y13 Weetbix Tryathlon PN	24	25 Agape Ceremony Family Photos	26 Mt Lees Reserve Multi-sport
27	28 Ugly Shakespeare Presentation	29	30 Y12 Weetbix Tryathlon New Plymouth	31		
			YEAR 13 CAMP			
NATIONALS - Girls Volleyball						

APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Y13 Camp review	2 Foxton Beach Walk
					Y13 CAMP	BBQ tea
					NATIONALS	
3	4 Y13 Massey Presentation	5	6	7	8 Dorm Council	9 Visit Rest Homes Ten Pin Bowling
					SEW	
10	11	12	13	14	15 FYI #3 End Term 1	16
SEW (Spiritual Emphasis Week)						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS						
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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