

# 2011 BOARDING FYI NEWSLETTER

september Edition



our focus - the cross

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Director's corner

Hi all,

As we head towards term end, boarders are reminded to stay focused on their studies. Exams are rapidly approaching for the senior students, with

exams being held from Thursday 29 September to Wednesday 5 October. All classes finish on Wednesday 5 October.

It would be appreciated if all boarders' travel plans could be arranged before Monday 3 October as the holidays are going to be a busy time for the boarding directors. The day after school finishes, a team of 60 people from the NZ Cycling Association are arriving to stay in the LAC dorms for 2 weeks. On the same day, Mr Henry and I are heading off on a road trip of the North Island with the Japanese students.

The other day, a boarder asked me if I enjoyed my job. In return I asked her what she thought my job was. Her reply, "Oh, that's easy. You must plan dorm duties because you're always telling us to clean up, pick up or tidy up!" As the Bible says, 'Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it' Proverbs 22.16

Thanks again to all parents/caregivers who continue to support Adventist Education through Longburn Adventist College 2011.

### A New Bus for LAC!

The old Hino has gone and a Leyland Tiger has taken its place!

Last term I was informed the old Hino Bus needed at least \$18,000 worth of work done to bring it up to a road worthy state. Before we spent that amount of money we went on the hunt for a new bus and found the Leyland which was part of the fleet owned by 'Madge', a local bus company. The old Hino went on the market and



sold surprisingly quickly, despite my lack of faith! The new buyer didn't blink when the rust issues were raised so the Hino is now a mobile home and a carrier for a stock car.

The new bus arrived immediately after the old one left. We sold the old one for a good price and bought the new one for a good price. God is good!

(Mr Sharp, Principal)

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week of worship - Term 3

The students of Longburn Adventist College recently enjoyed a week of worship with the main theme, 'Masterpiece'. The week of worship included personal testimonies from various students, as well as spiritual messages shared by the students themselves. There were also special musical items and other creative performances.

Nesa Telea said, "I loved Phano, Johnno, Blessing, and Eman's creative expression."

Phano commented, "The highlight for me during the week of prayer was the testimonies; the message the students gave, because it was from their own understanding, not from other people."

The students concluded the week of worship with the understanding that they are all God's special masterpieces.



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Modern Day Parables

The three school houses, Luther, Tyndale and Wesley prepared and performed modern day dramas, based on parables from the Bible, as part of a competition to see which house would come out on top.

Tyndale house performed a drama situated in an office setting that was based on the parable of 'the unmerciful servant'.

Luther house performed a drama comparing the lives of Lady Gaga and Dr Ben Carson, which was based on the parable about the 'wise man building his house on the rock and the foolish man building his house on the sand'.

Wesley had a different take on 'the unmerciful servant' and performed a drama with a gangster/godfather feel to it.

The winning house of the day was Luther, with Tyndale in second place, and Wesley placing third.

While discussing the modern day parable of building on the rock, Priscilla Tuareka from Luther house said, "The wise man built his house upon the rock. Fame does not last forever, but God does."

Ikani Maka, also from the winning house, commented, "If I build a strong foundation of hard work I will prosper in my goals."

All three houses performed well and it was a great way for the students and staff of L.A.C. to look at well-known parables in a new light.

Luther House WINNERS!!

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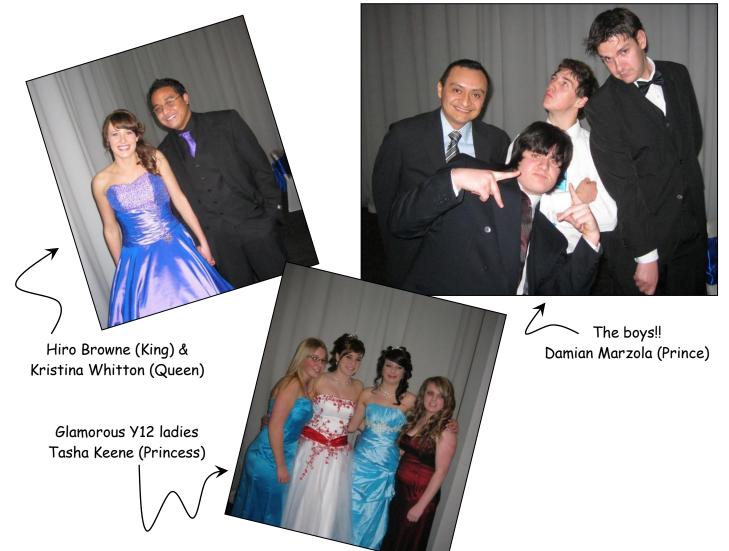




2011 Leavers Banquet

The 2011 Leavers 'Royal Banquet' was held at the Awapuni Race Course on Sunday 21 August. Students arrived in old-time cars, buses and even a stretch hummer! The evening included a photo booth, and a set for professional photographs. The boys looked dashing in their suits and the girls glamorous in their dresses. The night was filled with speeches, awards, a special guest speaker, a delicious buffet dinner, and many photos.

The night culminated with the announcement of King, Queen, Prince and Princess of the night. The awardees were: Hiro Browne (King), Kristina Whitton (Queen), Damian Marzola (Prince) and Tasha Keene (Princess). Congratulations!



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### Fun @ the snow!!

What a fantastic day the boarders had at Turoa Ski Field on Sunday 18 September. The day started behind schedule, leaving LAC at 4.35am rather than the planned 4.00am. Fortunately we still arrived early enough to beat the crowds. After the group of 70+ boarding students and 8 staff members was all processed for equipment, we wasted no time in getting onto the snow fields.

It was great to see the staff enjoying themselves - whizzing past the students on their skis and boards. Mr Henry had the privilege of taking care of some excess student bags, allowing him to sit near the chalet fire and sip hot chocolate for a couple of hours.

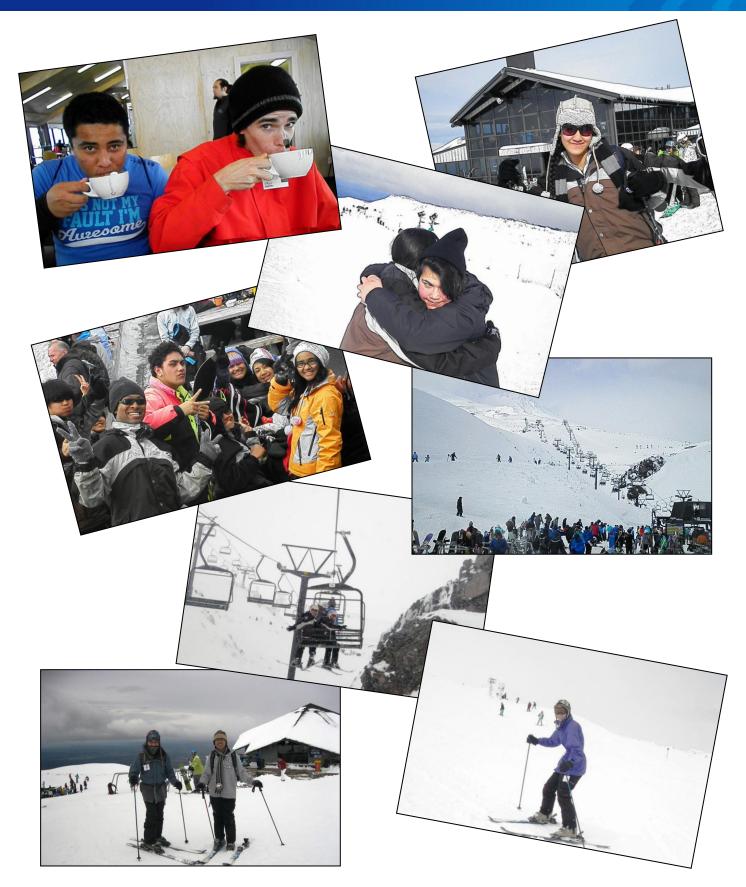
Overall it was a successful day with a busload of tired, happy boarders arriving back at LAC on the Sunday evening ready for a good night's rest.



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## Mosaic community Fair Day

As part of an annual community outreach effort, boarding students from Longburn Adventist College helped out at the Mosaic Seventh-day Adventist Church Community Fair which was held at the Palmerston North Arena. The aim of the fair is to reach out to members of the local community, and give them a safe and fun environment in which they can socialise and bring their children to play, all free of charge.

During the day students helped out in different areas including: face-painting, security, supervising different rides, preparing and giving out food, and mingling with members of the community.

There was a good turn out with hundreds of parents and children showing up. The children and the boarding students had a lot of fun on the jumping castles, a mechanical bull, human ball foos, giant boxing, mission impossible and more. A free BBQ lunch was provided for all who attended.

By the end of the day everyone was tired, but satisfied with the turn out, and it was a positive experience for both the boarding students and the members of the community.



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## Bryce wastney Performs at LAC

Singer songwriter Bryce Wastney performed at LAC on September 6. His visit was part of his 'Light My Way NZ Tour'. Bryce and his band were touring NZ to promote the Christian TEAR Fund and raise financial support for kids living in poverty.

Before Bryce became a professional musician he was a secondary teacher and he did one of his teacher practices at LAC. Now he writes and performs music full time. For more on Bryce and his music visit his website at: *www.brycewastney.com* 

#### Attendance Dues

A big 'thank you' to all those parents who are faithful in paying their Attendance Dues. Attendance Dues are paid to the Proprietors and used for major maintenance and property projects. Over the last five years, the Proprietors have invested a large sum of money into upgrading our property and they are planning to spend considerable amounts over the next few years. With the college going to have fibre optic access to the internet next year, the Proprietors will be spending a large amount on recabling. Payment of Attendance Dues is a legal obligation for a student to be able to attend the college, and the Proprietors are in the process of pursuing overdue amounts. Where no action is taken to pay, or make arrangements to pay, Attendance Dues, the Proprietors will be insisting on the removal of students from the college, and they have a complete legal right to do so. Parents' help in assuring that Attendance Dues are paid is hugely appreciated by both the Proprietors and the college.

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### Trial Exam Timetable

Thursday September 29 – Wednesday 5 October 2011

#### GENERAL NOTES

All exams are in rooms 4, 5, 6 except the following:

- Art will be in the art room
- Photography will be in Computer Room 3
- Media Studies will be in Computer Rom 3

Exams will run from 9.10am – 12.10pm daily. Be outside exam room no later than 9am.

Time	Thurs 29 Sep	Fri 30 Sep	Mon 3 Oct	Tues 4 Oct	Wed 5 Oct
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
9.10am	Maths	Music Art	English	History Art	Science

#### YEAR 11 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

#### YEAR 12 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

Time	Thurs 29 Sep	Fri 30 Sep	Mon 3 Oct	Tues 4 Oct	Wed 5 Oct
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
9.10am	Physics Classics Photography	English	Biology Geography	Economics Chemistry Music Art	Calculus Statistics

#### YEAR 13 EXAMINATION TIMETABLE

Time	Thurs 29 Sep	Fri 30 Sep	Mon 3 Oct	Tues 4 Oct	Wed 5 Oct
	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
9.10am	Chemistry Classics	English Media Studies	Biology Economics Art	Physics Geography Music	Calculus Statistics Photography

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# upcoming events

#### SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28 World Cup in PN	29	30	
				Trial	Exams	

#### OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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2	3	4	5 Last day of Term 3	6	7	8	
	Trial Exams			Holidays			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
			Holidays				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
			Holidays				
23	24 Labour Day Holiday	25 First day of Term 4	26	27	28 Saniku Assembly	29	
30	31	Nb. Last day Y13 — Tuesday 1 November. Y13 Graduation — 4 & 5 November. Last day Y11/12 - Tuesday 8 November. NCEA exams begin - 10 November					

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