



Longburn Adventist College

Boarding FYI Newsletter

February - April 2013



"Rejoice always"

1 Thessalonians 5:16

experience of a lifetime



Director's Corner...

Greetings from staff and boarders for 2013.

We praise God for His blessings and presence in the lives of our student boarders throughout term one, especially to our first year boarders.

Living away from home has its moments, but with the help of caring teachers, dormitory deans and returning boarders, first years were able to settle into dormitory life within the first 3 weeks of term.

Term One has traditionally been a very busy term with sports, camps, day trips, visiting speakers at subject levels as well as maintaining classroom learning particularly at senior levels.

This year we have a number of new sibling boarders: Jade/Jackson Strichow (Melbourne), Ralph/Tamatoa (Pitcairn Island), Jaydene/Shekyna/Jotham Tesese (Wellington), Jolianne/Judah Schokker (Gisborne), Sabrina/Stacey Collins (Blenheim), Joseph/Tiffany Boyd (Napier), Vincent/Kiagi Tomitom (PNG).

Staffing – we are pleased to welcome Miss Kirstie Felsch from Avondale College, Sydney, who is a full time Volunteer Assistant Girls' Dean. I am very grateful to the following people who assist with relief supervision in boarding – Kerrylee Grayson, Kiri Sharp, Shane Tooley, Brodie King, Mr Benson (PNG). Also to Roy Henry and Courtney Young. Your presence is very much appreciated.

As we continue serving our community through the young lives: you as parents/caregivers have entrusted into our care, it is our desire that each boarder will connect with Jesus as their personal Lord and Saviour, through whom all things are possible. 'There is no speech, nor language, where their voice is not heard' Psalm 19:3.

For His Glory....

Maria Henry, Director of Boarding



Thanks to the volunteers who joined the roadside cleanup

Welcome to the Dorms...



Jotham Tesese



Jayden Warren-Peu



Judah Schokker



Sala Cowley-Stowers



Stacey Marzola



Tiffany Boyd



Venaolyn Ipu



Vincent Tomitom



Sabrina Collins



Alisi Tuiavii



Ben Emeck



Hugo Violich



Fondao Chakhatrakan



Austin Day



Conrad Clayton



Barbara Mori



Lara O'Brien



Ivan Pehi-Tamatea



Kiagii Tomitom



Gore Dulume



Jade Strichow





Weekend Activities term 2 (subject to change)

Friday	Sabbath	Afternoon	Sat. Evening	Sunday
May 10th Gift Cards	11th Churches	Rest or Walks	Team games	12th Duties
17th Bible Quiz	18th South Pathfinder	Rally at LAC	Capture the Flag	19th Duties
24th DVD Groups	25th Churches	Amazing Facts	B'ball in gym	26th Duties
31st Youth Rally	June 1st SDA Youth	Rally in Palm. North	SDA Basketball Tournament	2nd SDA Basketball
7th Debate Teams	8th Churches	Bible study	Dorm Council	9th Duties
14rd Girls' Dorm	15th Churches	Rest Home visit	Form Travel	16th Duties
21st Rehearsal	22nd Churches	Rest or walks	Sport Challenge	23rd Duties
28th Boys' Dorm	29th Churches	DVD	Talent Night	30th Duties
July 5th Homes Evening	6th Churches	Service Groups	Swim at Lido	7th Duties



Message from the Principal...

Service

Our chaplain, Mr 'G' has just stapled up on my office wall a small poster telling me that our current Value of the Week is 'Service'. This is a value we often shrink from because service means putting others before ourselves and we all like life to be about 'me' rather than about other people.

One of my favourite quotes is by Albert Schweitzer, the great musician, theologian, doctor and philanthropist. He said,

"I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know: the only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve".

It's important that we learn early the lesson that true fulfilment and happiness comes from serving others, putting others first and forgetting about 'me'. It's a lesson Jesus taught and we'll all be much happier if we learn this early in life.

Bruce Sharp, Principal

Term 2 School Events...

Thursday	May 16	School assembly (Period 1 Chapel)
Friday	May 17	School mufti day
Tuesday	May 28	Year 12/13 work choice day
Thursday	June 13	School assembly (Period Chapel)
Tuesday	June 18	Student class update, comments available
Sunday	June 23	Careers Expo – PN Convention Centre
Thursday	June 27	School assembly (Period 1 Chapel)
Friday	June 28	Travel departure details to Deans for end of term
Tuesday	July 9	Class comments – 5 weekly review available
Wed/Thu	July 10/11	Manawatu Inter High School Pasifika Fusion Festival
Friday	July 12	Teacher Only Day – pupil free day





Meet Our Assistant Deans...



Mr King

Brodie (an ex LAC student) has been a valuable addition to the boarding staff. His help in the dorms has been hugely appreciated.

For the past two years, Mr King has been studying a Bachelor of Education at Avondale College and has taken the semester off to spend time with family. While reconnecting with loved ones, he accepted the call to help out in the boys' dormitory.

Throughout his time, it has been filled with exciting learning curves and experiences in the various leadership roles and responsibilities that come with caring for young people. His fun-loving attitude and presence on campus have been one valued by all.

"Mr King adds a new perspective and a new approach to 'deaning'" - Luther Bucknell

"Mr King makes everyone feel welcomed and is really friendly" - Jolianne Schokker

Thank you Mr King for all your help!

Juliana Henry



Mr Kapao

Kia orana, Kia ora & Talofa Lava

It was fun coming back to look after the boarders for the first month of school this year, just like hopping back on a horse. I missed a few things that I had to catch up on. New names, faces, rooms, procedures, phone numbers and getting tested by a few boys that didn't realise I had worked there before. But on a whole it was great until I started my own course at UCOL Palmerston North.

I loved working with Maria, Roy, Courtney, Kiri, Erni and the kitchen staff as well as Kelvin the bus driver. It brought back happy memories and I was glad I could help out for the little time that I could. There are some great students and thank you parents for letting the staff at LAC help nurture your children.

That's it from me and I wish the boarding staff, students and parents the very best for the rest of the year.

Kia Manuia, Kia Kaha & Alofas

Rouru Kapao
Old School Dean
2003-2009



Miss Felsch

I was born and raised on the central coast in NSW, Australia with my two brothers and parents. For the past two years I have been studying a bachelor of secondary teaching at Avondale College. My major is food science and my minor is family studies. I have never been to NZ before but I'm loving my time here so far, and cannot wait to see more of this beautiful country as the dorms go on different PR trips throughout the year. Over the past few weeks I have enjoyed getting to know the students and staff here at LAC.

Kirstie Felsch



Mr Tooley

Hi folks, hope you all had a ripper holiday full of adventure. My name is Shane Tooley and I've been Deaning in Boys' Dorm since early last term. My wife Priscilla and I moved to Longburn just over a year ago from Hokitika to start a family; Our son Lincoln was born last May and the stork is bringing a wee sister for him in September. I have been involved in youth work in the SDA church for a number of years in the South Island and looking forward to getting involved more in the Manawatu.

Shane Tooley



Miss Young

No memory rivals that of seeing the boarders cover Mr Henry with paint during our Paint War in term one of this year. With activities like paint war, the baking competition, scavenger hunts, big sister and little sister, Bible quizzes, and nightly worships I have been able to see the talents and growth of our boarders flourish.

Each of the students have faithfully contributed to the academic, social, and spiritual community that we have here at LAC in a new and exciting way! Thank you, parents, for sending your teens to board with us. They truly make every day an adventure :)

Courtney Young





Week of Worship...



Marian Moroney [and her husband Craig] spent the week at LAC where Marian was our guest speaker for WOW during March 11-14.

Marian's inspiring testimony challenged and reminded many students that the past does not have to dictate both the now and the future. Her illustrations from life reinforced the idea that God's love for us is truly amazing even in the battles of life. She reassured everybody that we are already winners in Christ. It was a memorable week.

Kevin Gredig, Chaplain





ASPIRE...

The ASPIRE programme which runs across the entire school is a deliberate attempt to provide students with core values and for them to be able to use them to equip them in preparing to meet the real world. The acronym represents six pillars and stands for:

Accomplishments, Skills, Purpose, Identity, Relationships, Empowerment.

Each fortnight a new value is brought before the students in a manner that informs, engages and challenges them to look at themselves and how they can reach their God-given potential and destiny.

To date we have looked at the pillar of PURPOSE and this week started IDENTITY looking at the theme of "Uniqueness" The last two weeks of the term we looked at the value of "Resilience".

Each year we are privileged to have about a dozen Year 13 students teach in a couple of local state primary schools. Each Friday morning the students, working in pairs or threes, spend 30 minutes teaching values based on Biblical stories in teacher-supervised classrooms.

This year, two boarders, Tilya Taikakara and Jaydene Tesese, have volunteered their time at Riverdale School. The school's staff and students not only appreciate immensely the contributions made by the students, but are amazed that our students would actually give of their own study time to reach out to others.

God is blessing our students.

Accomplishments
Skills
Purpose
Identity
Relationships
Empowerment



Year 13 Camp - White water rafting group

Slip and Slide...





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Swimming Sports...



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Athletics Day...



Mosaic Church Teen Social...



Weekends...





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...and Paint Wars!



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