



# Lane Cove Loop

*A community-focused public school  
valuing a proud tradition and shaping a positive future.*

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### LCPS Website

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### School Council President

David Mitchell

### P&C President

Joanna Ryan

## Events this week:

### Tuesday – 3<sup>rd</sup> February

\* Year 6 Information Evening  
6.30pm in the Hall

### Wednesday – 4<sup>th</sup> February

\* Year 5 Information Evening  
6.30pm in the Hall

### Thursday – 5<sup>th</sup> February

\* Year 1 Information Evening  
6.30pm in the Hall

### Friday – 6<sup>th</sup> February

\* P & C Welcome Breakfast  
from 7.00am

## Coming Events:

### Monday – 9<sup>th</sup> February

\* Year 3 Information Evening  
6.30pm in the Hall

### Tuesday – 10<sup>th</sup> February

\* Year 2 Information Evening  
6.30pm in the Hall

### Wednesday – 11<sup>th</sup> February

\* Kinder Information Evening  
6.30pm in the Hall

### Thursday – 12<sup>th</sup> February

\* Year 4 Information Evening  
6.30pm in the Hall

## Term 1 - Week 2

02 February 2009

### ➤ Principal's Report

#### Welcome to Our New Kinders

We welcomed 125 new Kinder students on Monday and this is an exciting time for students, parents and staff. My sincere thanks go to these parents for adapting to our changed arrangements and responding so positively due to vacation concerns about possible industrial action. This support and understanding were greatly appreciated. I would imagine that this is one of the higher Kindergarten enrolments across NSW.

#### Swimming Apology

I am obviously aware that the late finish of yesterday's swimming carnival resulted in a range of parental concerns. Whether it was bus transport, after school programs, parents endeavouring to pick up children or parking stresses, emotions were running high (including those of yours truly). There is no doubt that the new timing system and delays arising from extensive participation and determined finishes by all contributed significantly. We will ensure that future carnivals end at a set time regardless of the progress of the carnival. Thank you to the many parents and caregivers who demonstrated so much patience and understanding.

#### Junior and Senior Assemblies

Due to timetabling issues the Junior (K-2) and Senior Assemblies (3-6) will swap days. The Juniors will meet each Thursday at 11.30 am and the Seniors will do so each Wednesday at 11.30 am.

#### Executive Staff

Ms Huggett will be our new Relieving Assistant Principal, sharing this position with Mrs Spencer-James who will be teaching RFF Science on Thursdays and Fridays. Ms Huggett will share the co-ordination of Year 2 with Mrs Spencer-James.

#### Austin Street

I would like to acknowledge the assistance of Tony Fazio from Lane Cove Council in having the Austin Street fencing, gates and car park concerns addressed.

#### Bike Racks

Unfortunately school bikes cannot be considered secure in the current area where the bike racks are. This is behind the Terminus building adjacent to the upper Austin Street car park. I am considering relocating the racks to outside the admin area which is visible and out of bounds.

#### Information Evenings

You should have seen details of these sessions last week. This week we have Year 6, Year 5 and Year 1.

#### Chess, French, MAD Tennis

Specific information about these after school activities are included today.

#### Football Fever: Lane Cove Soccer

Each year I support this locals sporting body simply because so many LCPS students are involved. Registration day is Saturday February 7 and trials/selections commence on February 10.

#### Working Bee

Our first working bee for 2009 is Sunday 22 February. Please lend a hand for an hour or more if you can manage it. A good roll-up would be such a boost to all.

**Bob Lamaro**

## ➤ P&C News

Welcome back everyone! And a special welcome to all new families. Hope you all had a great summer break and are ready to get stuck in. Our first meeting will be the fourth Tuesday of the month as usual - Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February, in the Library at 7pm – we look forward to seeing you then.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (here we go again!)**

We will be asking parents to express their interest in a range of volunteer activities at each of the Grade Information Nights to be held over the next two weeks. Please look out for the forms which will circulate during the teachers' presentations in the hall. More information on how parents can help out at our school can be found on the school website in the P&C section, or ask for a copy at the front office. Please remember – we can't do it without you!

### **CLASS PARENTS**

Class teachers will be asking for 2-3 parents per class to volunteer at the grade information nights as class parents. For info on the role of the class parent, please visit the website or ask for a handout at the front office. It would be great if class parents could be settled ASAP, and class contact lists created and distributed within the first few weeks of term. This is such an important part of communication throughout the school. Please be mindful that the information on these sheets is to be used for school-related purposes only. There will be a morning tea to welcome class parents on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February in the Hall at 9.15.

### **WORKING BEE – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 8.30 till 1pm-ish**

Please put this date in your diary for a much needed spruce-up of the school grounds. As little as **an hour of your time** is appreciated, and the more helpers we have the less we all have to do! We hold only one working bee per term - more detail to follow.

### **BACK-TO-SCHOOL BBQ – Friday 6th March 5pm-9pm**

Our famous back-to-school BBQ will be held on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 5pm-9pm on Coral Park. Pop the date in your diaries – it's a great chance to catch up with friends and perhaps make some new ones! Subject to the potential arrival of the new demountable classroom, there will be four great rides for the kids, a kid's disco featuring a groovy DJ, sizzling BBQs, a licensed bar, soft drinks, chips, ice-creams and glow sticks. Bring a picnic rug or some chairs to enjoy the outdoors on Coral Park. In keeping with tradition, the BBQ goes ahead RAIN HAIL or SHINE!

### **PARENT FEEDBACK**

Any thoughts, concerns, comments? Please email [pandc@lcps.nsw.edu.au](mailto:pandc@lcps.nsw.edu.au) or complete the P&C Feedback Form on the website.

**Sally Evans** P&C President

## ➤ Canteen News

**Changes to Menu:** The Canteen Committee has completed a full review of canteen prices over the holidays and, as a result, a number of changes have been made. The main changes are as follows;

**Sushi** has been taken off the menu this term

**Flavoured Milks** are now \$1.20 each

**Paddle Pops** are now \$1.40 each

A number of other items have also gone up. Can you please make sure you have a current Canteen menu before placing a lunch order. The current menu was sent home with all children last week.

**Volunteers:** We still have a few spots to fill for canteen volunteers for this year. If you would like to help out please contact Ruth Quirk on 9418 8656 or 0419 188656 or email [crquirk@optusnet.com.au](mailto:crquirk@optusnet.com.au) as soon as possible.

### **The Canteen Committee**

## ➤ Uniform Shop

### **Attention Y6, have you put your Y6 garment order in yet?**

Deadline is today. Kristin hopes to make an early order with the supplier so get in quick if you want a Y6 garment, with your order and name choice. Keep your receipt. If you haven't received a receipt, we haven't received your order. Please be aware we only order exactly the number and size you order. No extras. There are no spares and no possibility to change size once ordered.

**Summer dresses, culottes & hair accessories**

Summer dresses, culottes & hair accessories are back in stock in all sizes and all last year's orders will be sent out as soon as we can find out your new class.

**Did you buy new microfibre sports shorts last year?**

New stock with correct sizing arriving March. It is essential that we return as many as we can of the shorts already sold. We have retained all the kindergarten ordered shorts. Please send or bring in your shorts so we can return them to the supplier.

**Netball skirts and tops**

New netball skirts and tops can be obtained by sending in a netball order form and will not be sold over the counter at the uniform shop. The netball committee have sample sizes for you to try on and the forms to fill in. Please send in your form with payment to the shop and we will deliver to your class as soon as we can. Don't leave it to the last minute to order.

**Winter stock**

Winter stock will not arrive until early March. We will send out a winter order form to all kindergarten children. Save queueing and send in an order. Grey trousers sizing same as grey shorts. Winter tunics much the same as summer dresses. Usually the same size required.

Any queries please contact me at school phone number 9427 1024 (ask for uniform shop) during shop opening hours or at home on 9428 3523. **Cash, Cheques or Credit Cards (2% surcharge) accepted. No EFTPOS.**

**Helene Sharp** - Uniform Shop Manager

**➤ Music News****Commencement of Music Lessons this week**

By now you should have organized private weekly music lessons with your allocated music tutor. If you haven't contacted/been contacted by your tutor (or have not been allocated one) please let me know. Lessons are 30mins (20mins for beginner recorders) and are held at school at the time/location arranged between you and your tutor (either before or after school). The tutor will invoice you directly for the lessons (\$32 per half hour). Note venues are subject to change as we all settle into the new school year.

**What you should know about private music lessons at LCPS**

Music tutors are employed by the music committee and must sign an agreement with the school which outlines the rules under which they must operate to use the facilities provided. In return the tutors pay the school a nominal amount for use of the facilities and provision of students.

As a parent some of the things you should be aware of include:

- a. Tutors are not obliged to provide a refund or makeup lesson if your child misses a lesson for whatever reason. In reality most teachers are fairly relaxed about it or will stipulate their individual policy on their invoices. If the tutor knows of an absence well in advance they may be able to reschedule later lessons to close up the gaps or hold a makeup lesson for another student in the gap so as not to waste their valuable teaching time.
- b. If the Tutor misses a lesson they must refund or credit you (or make up the lesson if possible).
- c. It is essential that children are not left unsupervised at the School. Accordingly, if the Tutor is running late, or is unable to attend a lesson, the student's parent or guardian, or the School, must be notified.
- d. If the Tutor is late for a music lesson, the student must be given their ½ hour lesson (unless otherwise agreed). If the student is late for a music lesson, the Tutor may end the lesson at the scheduled time.
- e. Tutor's are expected to support the school's musical groups by following the method book used by the group and dedicating some lesson time to group music.
- f. Afternoon lessons must not commence before 3.15pm, and neither the Tutor nor the student may enter the designated classroom prior to that time;

### Group Rehearsal Schedule for 2009

The schedule has recently been updated to include venues (which are still subject to change) so please check the music section of the school website under "rehearsal schedules". Most groups start in Week 2 except:

Guitar Ensemble commences Week 3 Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Feb

Beginner strings commence Week 4 Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Feb

Training Band commences Week 4 Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Feb (roster for alternating weeks)

Orchestra commences Week 4 Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Feb

Beginner guitar commences Week 5 Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Feb

Beginner Recorders commence Week 5 Tues 24<sup>th</sup> Feb

### New Guitar Group Structure in 2009

All guitar students should have received notification via email from Swantje Lorrimer (guitar group coordinator) regarding the new guitar group structure. Please support the program by attending lessons and group rehearsals and don't hesitate to provide your feedback to Swantje.

### New Rock Group

A Rock Group has been formed to cater for senior students (Year 5 and 6) who are interested in playing this type of music. The group will rehearse in Tambourine Bay or Stringybark 2 (tbc) on Friday afternoons from 3:15pm-4:15pm and will be taken by Jeremy Brien. Membership is open to electric and bass guitars, percussion, keyboard, sax and trumpets. Any child interested in becoming part of this group should attend rehearsals for the first two weeks. After that the group will be finalised by informal audition. Because we don't want the Rock Group to diminish the strength of the Band program or Guitar Ensemble, we expect members of the Rock Group to take part in the Concert Band or guitar Ensemble as well. Year 6 students will be exempt from this rule, since many of them are musically stretched playing in several groups already.

### Recorders

All children in the beginner group in 2008 should attend intermediate group on Thursdays 8:30am in 2009. All others should remain in their 2008 groups and after a few weeks the intermediate/senior group conductor, Ben Oxley will allocate children to intermediate or senior group based on ability and commitment. All children beginning private recorder lessons in 2009 should attend the beginner group lesson with Toby Thatcher on Tuesday mornings at 8:30am in addition to their private lesson.

Enquiries regarding the LCPS music program to Jackie Brighton, Convenor of the Music Committee on 9427 5529 or [brighton23@optusnet.com.au](mailto:brighton23@optusnet.com.au)

### ➤ Netball News

All players, existing, new and Fun Net, are required to register with the LCPS Netball Club if they wish to participate in 2009. Registration - Saturday 31st January, 2009, 10:30am to 12:00pm outside the Canteen.

#### Pre-grading practice sessions:

Practice 1 (pre grading) Tuesday 3rd February 3.15pm

Practice 2 (pre grading) Saturday 7th February 3 - 4.30pm

Grading Day Tuesday 10 February 3.15pm (not for Netta)

Please meet at the tables adjacent to the courts

First Training Date Tuesday - to be confirmed

First Game of the Season - to be confirmed

Umpiring training and testing to be confirmed

First Committee Meeting - Monday 9th February - 5 Delta Road Lane Cove @ 8pm

New registration form on web site.

Further details will be available on the school's website under "Sport", then "LCPS Netball Club".

**Kathy Segal** – Netball Committee

# Fun Languages for Children!

French, Spanish, Mandarin, Italian, German



## French @ Lane Cove – Term 1 2009



Make the most of your child's natural abilities to learn a new language.

We use a professionally designed course involving songs, drama, crafts and lots of lively games, with the emphasis always on FUN!!

Supported by fantastic interactive online activities at Babelzone – sign up for a free trial today at [www.lcfclubs.com/babelzoneNEW](http://www.lcfclubs.com/babelzoneNEW)

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Learning  
Difficulties  
Coalition NSW Inc.

February 24  
Hornsby RSL

## Practical Management Strategies for School Students with **AD/HD**

(for parents and teachers)



Speaker

### Virginia Hastings Special Education Teacher

Virginia, who has recently relocated back to Australia from the USA, has a Masters Degree from the University of New South Wales in Education and has taught special education both in Australia and the USA.

Virginia has written the learning difficulties resource booklet "Assisting Students who have ADD"

This seminar will provide both teachers and parents with an overview of ADHD and strategies that can be adopted both in the home and at school.

**Suitable for parents and teachers  
of school aged children**

Date:

**24 February 2009**

Where:

**Hornsby RSL**  
Acacia Function Room  
4 High Street, Hornsby

Time: **7pm—9pm** (approx)  
6.30 Registration

Payment:

**\$5 for LDC members**

**\$10 for non-members**

(includes light refreshments)

To reserve your seat, visit our website [www ldc.org.au](http://www ldc.org.au)

phone 9806 9960, or email – [info@ldc.org.au](mailto:info@ldc.org.au)



## Sydney Academy of Chess

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your son/daughter has indicated an interest in participating in the chess program run by the Sydney Academy of Chess in 2009. This program will take place on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons** from **3:00pm – 4:00pm** and will be held in 4J (classroom closest to bus stop on Longueville Road). Children attend one class per week, and the different days are for different experience and skill levels: Tuesday is for beginners and rookies; Wednesday is for intermediates; Thursday is for advanced players. The term dates are as follows:

<b>Term 1: Wk 2</b> (3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Feb) – <b>Wk 11</b> (7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> Apr)	Cost: \$80	Payment due: 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> Feb
<b>Term 2: Wk 1</b> (28 <sup>th</sup> /29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> Apr) – <b>Wk 11</b> (7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> /9 <sup>th</sup> Jul)	Cost: \$88	Payment due: 28 <sup>th</sup> /29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> Apr
<b>Term 3: Wk 1</b> (28 <sup>th</sup> /29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> Jul) – <b>Wk 10</b> (29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> Sep/1 <sup>st</sup> Oct)	Cost: \$80	Payment due: 28 <sup>th</sup> /29 <sup>th</sup> /30 <sup>th</sup> Jul
<b>Term 4: Wk 1</b> (20 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct) – <b>Wk 9</b> (15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> Dec)	Cost: \$72	Payment due: 20 <sup>th</sup> /21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct

If your payment is not received by the required day, your child cannot take part in the class. There will be no refunds for students who miss classes during the term.

### **Why join the chess class?**

Chess is a valuable activity for children, developing their logical thinking skills, concentration and discipline, as well as being a source of much enjoyment!

What better way to combine learning and fun!

### **What happens at the chess classes?**

These classes include an interactive lesson and puzzles on a demonstration chess board. During the rest of the class children play games against each other, putting newly learned strategies into practice, and receiving personal feedback from the teacher. As the term progresses and the children become proficient in all the basics, the lessons will move on to more complex ideas such as strategy, middle game ideas and chess technique.

If you are interested in your child taking part in this activity, please fill in the form below and return it to the chess coach, along with payment for the appropriate term.

## Lane Cove Public School Chess Classes - 2009

I would like my son/daughter to take part in the chess coaching organised by the Sydney Academy of Chess in 2009.

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tick the appropriate box and enclose payment for:

- |                 |                          |                          |                          |                                   |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Tue / Wed / Thu |                          |                          |                          | Term 1: (Wk 2 – Wk 11) Cost: \$80 |
|                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Term 2: (Wk 1 – Wk 11) Cost: \$88 |
|                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Term 3: (Wk 1 – Wk 10) Cost: \$80 |
|                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Term 4: (Wk 1 – Wk 9) Cost: \$72  |

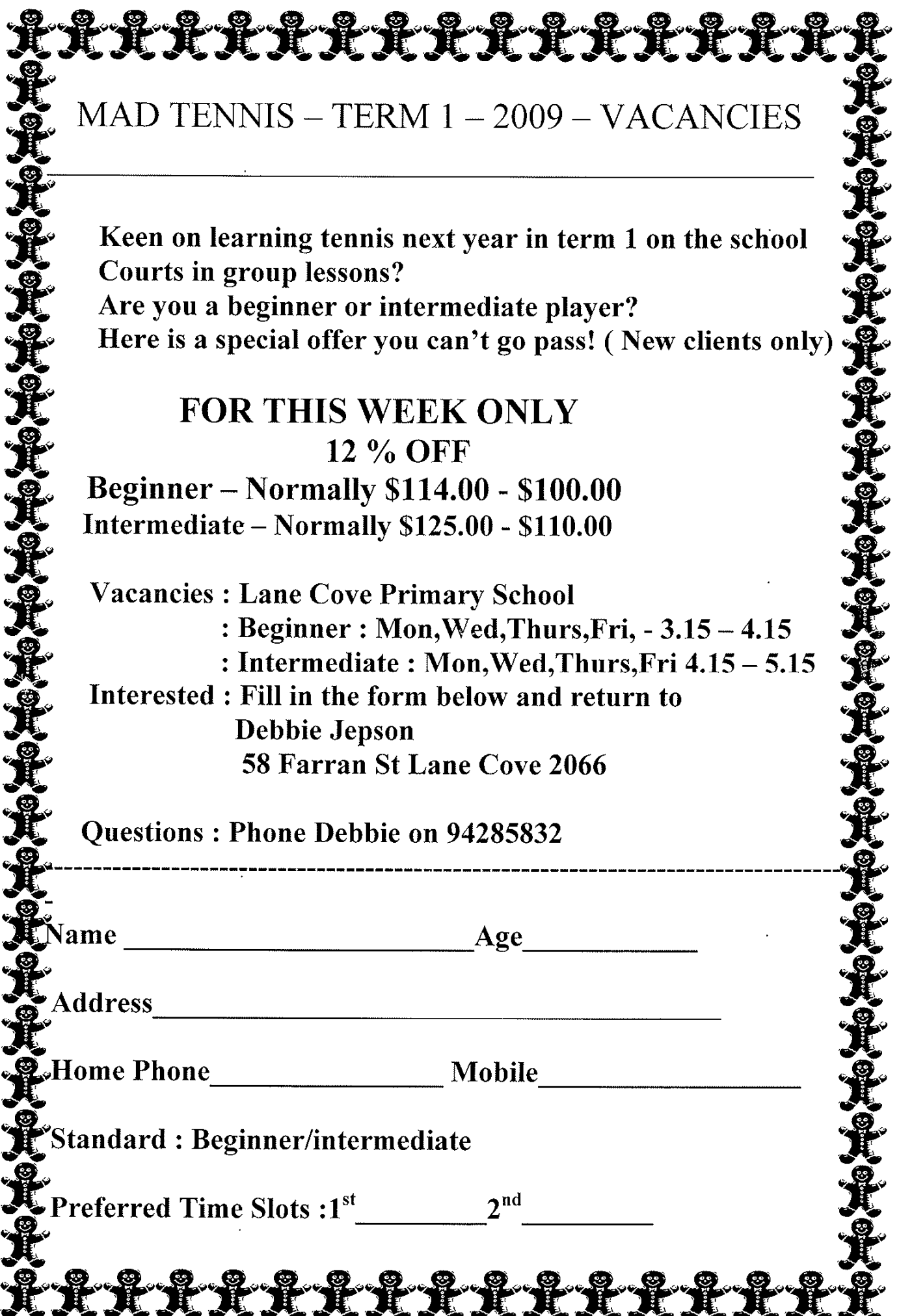


NEW! Workbook 1 (Beginner/Rookie level - Course notes and exercises) Cost: \$15 (optional)

NEW! Workbook 2 (Intermediate level - Course notes and exercises) Cost: \$20 (optional)

(Cheques should be made out to **Sydney Academy of Chess**)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



MAD TENNIS – TERM 1 – 2009 – VACANCIES

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Keen on learning tennis next year in term 1 on the school  
Courts in group lessons?

Are you a beginner or intermediate player?

Here is a special offer you can't go pass! ( New clients only)

**FOR THIS WEEK ONLY**

**12 % OFF**

**Beginner – Normally \$114.00 - \$100.00**

**Intermediate – Normally \$125.00 - \$110.00**

**Vacancies : Lane Cove Primary School**

**: Beginner : Mon,Wed,Thurs,Fri, - 3.15 – 4.15**

**: Intermediate : Mon,Wed,Thurs,Fri 4.15 – 5.15**

**Interested : Fill in the form below and return to**

**Debbie Jepson**

**58 Farran St Lane Cove 2066**

**Questions : Phone Debbie on 94285832**

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**Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_**

**Address \_\_\_\_\_**

**Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_**

**Standard : Beginner/intermediate**

**Preferred Time Slots :1<sup>st</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_\_**



# LANE COVE FOOTBALL CLUB

## Soccer Season 2008 Registration Day

The Lane Cove Football Club registration Day is coming up in February!

For all you budding Socceros and Matildas, come along register to play Soccer with Lane Cove this coming season!

**Registration Day:** Saturday 9th February 2008      **Time :** 9.00 am to 12.00 Midday

**Where:** Lane Cove Senior Citizens Centre  
164 Longueville Road (Opposite. Lane Cove Public School), Lane Cove

Registrations from the Under 6 age group (turning 6 during 2008), and all Junior and Senior age groups.

Alternatively, register online from 5<sup>th</sup> January 2008

For details on Lane Cove Football Club, or to register online, visit us at [www.lanecovesoccer.org.au](http://www.lanecovesoccer.org.au)

# Parenting Programs

## Child & Adolescent Parenting

Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service

(Phone: 9887 5830)



## Triple P (Positive Parenting Program)

Behaviour management program suitable for parents of children (3-8yrs). Clear strategies on how to encourage desirable behaviour and manage persistent misbehaviour.

(7wks/2.5 hrs - 4 group sessions/ two 1:1 phone sessions over 3 weeks, with final group session Wk 8)

◆ Chatswood (17/2)      ◆ Cremorne (18/2)

## Communicating with Kids (based on PET)

6 week/2.5hrs course providing communication skills for building effective long term relationships with your children and other important people in your life. (Age group: 4-12 yrs)

◆ Chatswood (26/2)

## Communicating with Teens 5wks/2.5hrs

Aims to increase your understanding of your adolescent's needs & behaviour with skills to relate to them.

◆ Chatswood (4/3)