Dear Parents and Carers
Welcome back to term 3 and our new newsletter format! At La Perouse Public School we’re always trying to do things a little better and I thank Mary Smith who has shouldered most of the work in terms of setting up the template for our improved newsletter.

Your invitation
Last term I wrote and informed the community that we are starting to develop our school management plan which will cover the next 3 year period (2015-2017). The school management plan outlines our goals for students and their academic outcomes, and is reviewed by the school and the community annually.

As a part of this process I will be leading staff and the community through the development of a La Perouse Public School Statement of Purpose. This statement will outline our core values, what we stand for as a school, what we believe in and where we want to head in the future.

We will meet to develop this Statement of Purpose on Wednesday 8th August and Wednesday 13th August (3:15pm-4:15pm).

I would like to warmly invite all interested parents and community members to become a part of this process and contribute to the ongoing development of our great school.

Staff at the school look forward to this very important collaboration.

WOW!
Congratulations to Shanae Brown and Tymekqwa Duckett, both of whom are superstar netball players and will be a part of the Australian Aboriginal Girls Netball Team who travel to Brisbane and New Zealand to represent Australia! I am so proud of these girls I could burst!

Athletics Carnival
Many apologies for having to postpone the School Athletics Carnival today. The new day for this carnival will be next MONDAY, 28th July, starting at 10:00am. The P&C will be running a full canteen on the day and all parents and community members are welcome to attend.

Thank you
Thank you to all community members who supported us last week when Will.i.am and ZK made an impromptu visit to our school. Unfortunately ZK were unsuccessful on the night, but their visit has been a promotional success for our amazing school with publications in the Daily Telegraph, The Southern Courier, The Daily Mail online (a UK paper), as well as a feature package on Channel 9’s “The Voice” at the grand finals. If community members are looking for copies of the published articles, they will be on our web site this afternoon.

Dace Elletson
Principal

CALENDAR
Monday 28/7/14
Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 29/7/14
Homework Club
3.15 to 4.15
Thursday 14/8/14
Year 6 Fundraiser
Monday 18/8/14
Showcase Rehearsal
Tuesday 19/8/14
Showcase
Our radical reader of the week is Brandon Cleland. He has been working extremely well in both literacy and numeracy. Brandon is starting to read with increased fluency. He is working hard on breaking up words and putting them back together.

Well done Brandon!

Buriburi

What a fantastic start to Term 3! We were lucky enough to have Will.i.Am and ZK from The Voice visit us last Friday. Our class performed two songs for them; ‘The Sounds of Then’ and ‘Chooky Dance’. It was a wonderful day and enjoyed by both the students and the La Perouse Public School Community.

This term we have started our unit on ‘Living Things’. Our class has been studying the different life cycles of animals and plants and in Maths we have started our investigation on measurement and length.

Girawaa

This term Girawaa will be learning about the environment. We have already started to learn what living things are and how they grow. We have decided to grow a grass head. We are watering them every day so they can grow lots of “hair”. Girawaa is also working on including text conventions in our writing. In Maths we are investigating different shapes and how they exist in our everyday lives. We have made both 2D and 3D shapes out of blocks. Please help our students at home by finding shapes which are in our everyday lives, such as signs, and discussing them. In Physical Education we are practising our catching and throwing. We have been using different types of objects that have different textures such as; bean bags, soft balls and footballs.