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Thank you

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK



JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST WITH THE ANZ

WHERE: Lae International Hotel "HAUSWIN"
DATE: Wednesday 12th September 2012
TIME: 07:00 am to 09:00 am
COST: K65.00 for Members
K75.00 for non-members

Bookings to: Contact Person Wendie or Jenna
Email: info@lcci.org.pg
Phone: 472 2340
Fax: 472 6038
Deadline: Friday 7th September

Paul Gruenwald is the ANZ Chief Economist for Asia Pacific and has been a special guest of the Lae Chamber of Commerce for the past 3 years. Join us to hear his perspective on the region's economy, in particular the emerging economies in the Asia Pacific Region.

Don't confuse this breakfast with the luncheon on Wednesday 5th September. Both presentations will attack the economy from an entirely different perspective. It will certainly be worthwhile to attend both the Lunch and Breakfast functions.



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Objectives
of the LCCI

- To promote the business interests of the private sector;
- To further the economic development in Lae;
- To ensure the provision of services and utilities essential to such development;
- To provide a representative body for business people, which government can consult;
- To promote support or oppose legislation; or take any other measures to improve the business community;
- To provide a forum for discussion of private sector goals;
- To pool the strengths of business people so that together, they can accomplish tasks that each one alone cannot achieve;
- To promote the economic viability of the area, so those current businesses will grow and new ones will be developed locally;
- To provide business with a common voice.

We would like to thank the many members for booking already for the following function. There are some seats available, but you will have to book in early.

LUNCH WITH THE CHAMBERS

**The Lae Chamber of Commerce and
The Bank of South Pacific**

**Invite You To Attend a Luncheon
Where The Guest Speaker will be the ADB
(Asian Development Bank) Country Economist
Mr. Aaron Batten**

DATE: Wednesday 5TH SEPTEMBER 2011
TIME: 12:00 NOON TILL 2:00 PM
WHERE: The Vanda Room of the Lae International Hotel
Topic: **HIGHLIGHTING THE PNG ECONOMY &
LAE DEVELOPMENTS**
Cost: A **special rate** of K55.00 per head is payable to
the LCCI Office prior to the event

Remember payment is to be made for no show.

THE NEW TISOL

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The International School of Lae is planning to change the way it does business. But as a school undergoes such changes there are always apprehensions and misconceptions. I provide for you some answers to the many questions that are currently bouncing around our community.

WHAT ARE THE CHANGES?

Programs at TISOL will use a single fee structure. Classes will be taught by IEA trained National teachers. TISOL teachers will be mentored by a full time overseas sourced teacher's coach. The school is investing in its early childhood facilities. An ICT Manager will enhance a focus on resourcing the school's computer fleet. "After School" and "Vacation" programs will also be offered.

WHY THE CHANGES?

The school has used "TISOL Plus" and "TISOL Standard" programs. As enrolments in the Plus Program have declined, the smaller student base has led to increased fees. Services and staffing have been reduced to keep programs within budget. To maintain the PLUS program school fees would need to increase to levels that would not represent educational value.

TISOL!

This article provides valuable information on the changes that are to take place.



HOW WILL CLASSES BE FORMED FOR 2013?

Classes will be formed by grouping students of like ability to undertake tailored programs. Children who are achieving highly can continue to progress. Children achieving at lower levels can reinforce their skills.

WHAT ABOUT THE CURRICULUM?

TISOL will continue to use the IEA Curriculum. This is an "Outcomes" based curriculum that aligns with international best practice.

HOW WILL PROGRAMS BE QUALITY ASSURED?

External monitoring will be undertaken using international assessment instruments. The school will undergo an External School Review of all operations in 2013.

HOW QUALIFIED IS THE STAFF?

The TISOL Teachers

All National teachers must attain qualifications from the IEA to teach an international curriculum. Teachers will undertake English and Maths proficiency courses.

The Teachers' Coach

The successful applicant for this position will require a sound knowledge of the teaching and learning process as well as possess an understanding of curriculum at an international level.

The Principal

The Principal is currently completing a Doctor of Education degree. He has a Master's Degree in School Management; and a Bachelor of Education degree. He has been a principal for over 25 years. He has presented papers at International Conferences in Australia, Canada, Thailand, Sweden and Singapore.

WHAT ABOUT THE FEES?

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Whilst work continues on the roundabout at Chinatown, the section of Busu Road that was completed in Bitumen last year from Chinatown to the Bumbu Bridge is already developing potholes. We will request Department of Works to look at getting the Contractor to repair these potholes.

Be careful when travelling on Coronation Drive near Tusa Medical Centre, as the contractors are realigning drainage and kerbing near the road junction and they have been closing off the whole road.



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**Circular from
the Australian
High
Commission**

**Important
Information on
Office Hours**



**AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSION
PORT MORESBY**

CONSULAR & PASSPORT OFFICE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – OFFICE HOURS

From **Monday, 3 September 2012**, the hours during which passport interviews and notarial services will be conducted at the Australian High Commission Port Moresby will change as follows:

Passport interviews

8.30 am to 12.30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays)
Or by appointment – call 325 9333 ext 240

Notarial services

8.30 am to 12.30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays)
Or by appointment – call 325 9333 ext 240

Please note: The Consular Office hours remain unchanged:

Consular Office hours

8.00 am to 4.30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays)

Out of these hours, in an emergency, please call 325 9333 to be transferred to the 24 hour Consular Emergency Centre (CEC).

MOROBE CULTURAL MUSEUM & LIBRARY RESOURCE CENTRE

If you wish to be part of this great Community Project, either by seeing the opportunity to be a voluntary advisor, or if you are in a position to donate in cash or kind please email your interest to sales@melanesianarts.com.pg.

The Cultural Museum and Library Resource Centre will be built at the Morobe Showgrounds. So far the project has received the support of Hardware Haus, Lioness Club of Lae, Rotary Club, Soroptimist International of Lae and Ahi Holdings. BUT the Community needs your help.

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NEW LAE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EMAIL ADDRESSES

The Lae Chamber of Commerce is now operating with 2 new email addresses:

Executive President – Alan McLay
Executive Secretary - Wendie Garalom

president@lcci.org.pg
info@lcci.org.pg

The old email address lcci@global.net.pg will continue to work alongside the new addresses for the time being. We do advise all recipients to change to the new email addresses as soon as practicable.

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LCCI appointed agent for the Pacific Business Mentoring Programme!

As advised last week, the New Zealand Business Mentors will come to Lae to offer assistance to local business owners, through the LCCI. This service is free of charge and is funded by New Zealand Aid.

The volunteer based mentoring programme in New Zealand has a pool of 1800 mentors who are experienced business owners/managers themselves giving their time and expertise for free. Over 60,000 businesses in New Zealand have benefitted from the free mentoring service. Over 60 mentors are now helping businesses in the Pacific.

The objectives of the programme are to strengthen business management and empower businesses to competitively participate in both the local and international economies and to identify and train local mentors to be effective and to ensure sustainability and ownership of the programme.

The measure of success of the Pacific Business Mentoring Programme is to increase staff numbers, increase turnover of each business, increase export sales for exporters, increase the use of business plans, marketing plans and financial information and achieve high levels of client company satisfaction.

Wendie from the LCCI Office will shortly travel to Auckland where she will pick up all information of what the LCCI will need to do to take on this Programme. Interested business owners will be able to apply through contacting LCCI - phone: 472 2340 Email: info@lcci.org.pg. This service will not be restricted to LCCI members and **so if you know** of a business that will benefit, we ask you to pass on the information.

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Don't forget to discuss the opportunities at the Brisbane Boys College.

Huon Club Thursday
6th September 2012
At 6:30 pm

EUROPEAN
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PNGREPORT

The latest edition for June/July 2012 of this magazine is now on display at the Lae Chamber of Commerce. Read the reports on the ELECTION EXPECTATIONS, LAE PORT EXPANSIONS, PNG DEVELOPMENTS, BUSINESS CONCERNS and more, when you get your free copy of this June/July edition, which can be reserved by contacting Wendie on 472 2340 or by emailing us at lcci@global.net.pg or just come into the chambers and pick up your copy.

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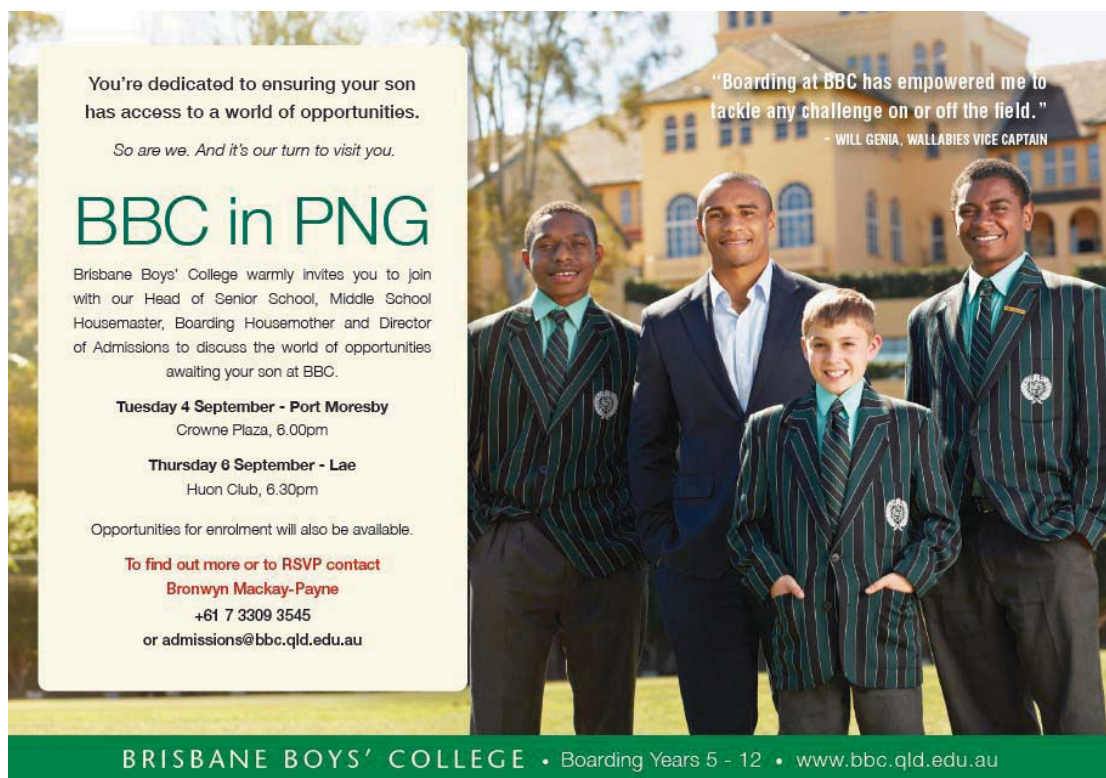
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Tuesday 4 September - Port Moresby
Crowne Plaza, 6.00pm

Thursday 6 September - Lae
Huon Club, 6.30pm

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TRADE & GROWTH

Publication of a Commission Staff Working Document on external sources of growth

On 18 July the European Commission published a study analysing the contribution of further trade liberalisation to economic growth and job creation in Europe. The EU, the world's largest exporter, importer, source and recipient of foreign direct investment, largely benefits of trade and the contribution of trade to GDP is expected to increase even further in the next years. The study concludes that if the EU pursues its ambitious external trade agenda, this could boost the EU's GDP by 2% or more than €250 billion.

[Announcement](#)

[Commission Staff Working Document "External Sources for Growth"](#)

New partnership to empower Pacific women

Prime Minister Julia Gillard today (31st August 2012) announced a new 10-year \$320 million initiative to help improve the political, economic and social opportunities of Pacific women.

[More about the Pacific Women Shaping Pacific Development initiative](#)

Women in the Pacific

Challenges and opportunities

Did you know?

Women hold just **5%** of the Pacific's parliamentary seats.



But the **greater the number of women in parliament the lower the level of corruption.**

Every 1% increase in female parliamentary representation raises economic growth by 0.16%

More than **60%** of women in some Pacific countries have experienced **physical or sexual abuse.**

Many women injured as a result of domestic violence now have a permanent disability. This can further limit their participation in **social, political and economic life.**

Women who are free from violence contribute to **economic growth, have better health outcomes, gain more leadership and education opportunities.**

Women are excluded from employment opportunities all across the globe.

The Asia-Pacific region **loses US \$47 billion each year** due to women's limited access to the job market.



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