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Term 4 Week 8

Monday, 24 November 2014

## Calendar – What's On?

### Week 8 Term 4

Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> November to	
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Swim School
Tuesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> November to	
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	School Spectacular
Sunday, 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Dance Group Performance – Light Up Leeton

### Week 9 Term 4

Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup> December to	
Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Environmentor's Visit
Tuesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Presentation Day MPC @ 10am
Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Proud & Deadly Awards @ 6pm Parkview PS Hall
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Reports sent home PA (Slave) Day Yr 6

### Week 10 Term 4

Monday, 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Platinum assembly 2.30pm
Tuesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Yrs 1 & 2 Assumption Villa Visit @ 1pm  Parent/Teacher Interviews 4pm – 7pm (Change of date)
Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Platinum award recipients – lunch @ Benvenuti  Christmas Dance Group Performance @ Assumption Villa 6.30pm  K-2 Christmas Disco 5 – 6.30pm LPS Hall
Thursday, 11 <sup>th</sup> December	K-6 to Roxy 10.45am

### Week 11 Term 4

Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Social Yrs 3-6, 6.30 – 8.30pm
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Wednesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Lake Talbot
	Last Day of School 2014

### 2015 Week 1 Term 1

Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Staff Development Day
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	School Commences Yrs 1-6
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Kindergarten Students Commence

## Principal's Report

Welcome to Week 8. We are well and truly into the countdown coming into the end of the 2014 school year however, as usual, this does not mean that we are not all extremely busy both in the classroom and outside. Presently staff are busy finalising end of year student reports. These reports will be issued on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

Last week we saw our 2015 School Captain Candidates present their speeches at a special assembly on Wednesday. I was extremely impressed with the quality of the candidates. All of the candidates gave excellent reasons for why they should be considered for Captain in 2015. Students 3-5 then voted for the 2015 Captains on Tuesday. Our captains will be announced on Tuesday December 2<sup>nd</sup> at our Annual Presentation Day.

### Retirement News

It is with sadness I announce that Mrs Joyce Jeffs will be retiring as of this Friday. Mrs Jeffs has been working at LPS in a full-time capacity under the new learning support model implemented in all DEC schools, *Every Student, Every School*. Before working here full time Mrs Jeffs worked across the area supporting students with various learning needs. I have really enjoyed working with Joyce and have always admired her great professionalism, work ethic and care for the students under her guidance. I am sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Jeffs all the very best for a long, happy and healthy future.

### This week at LPS

#### Intensive Swimming

This week Intensive swimming will continue for selected students Years 2-6. Learning to swim is important for all students and we as a school try to ensure that all students reach a basic level of swimming competence through our swim program which targets specifically non swimmers.



### School Spectacular

This week Mrs Ryan and Ms Belford will be accompanying 16 of our students to Sydney to take part in School Spectacular at the Sydney Entertainment Centre along with approximately 2000 other students from Public Schools across NSW. It is a great honour to be selected to participate in such an outstanding event and we should be proud of the students who are once again representing our school. Unfortunately due to commitments I will not be attending School Spectacular this year however I know that the students will do us proud.

### Light Up Leeton

This Sunday our Dance Group will perform at Light Up Leeton. These community events come around very quickly each year but I know this is one event that everyone really enjoys. Having LPS talented children as part of this community event will be a treat for everyone who goes. I am really looking forward to watching our students perform on the evening

### Kindergarten Orientation

This week is the last Kindergarten Orientation day for the 2014 Orientation program. The program has once again been extremely successful with the 2015 Kindergarten students getting to know our school well over the last ten weeks. A big thank you to all of our Kindergarten Teachers for all of their hard work ensuring our newest students have had a wonderful introduction to LPS.

Kindergarten students will commence school on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 10am

### Student Reports

Teachers are currently finalising student end of year Reports. These Reports will be issued on Friday 5th December.

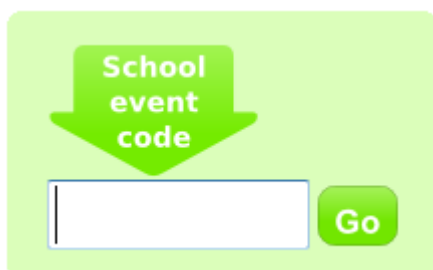
### Parent / Teacher Interviews – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 4pm-7pm

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December we will be holding Parent / Teacher meetings in the School Hall between 4pm - 7pm. Bookings for the Parent / Teacher evenings can be made online. Booking online is easy and simple and allows you to see what times are immediately available for the teachers you wish to see. I encourage you all to use this method. Bookings for Teacher interview can be made online at :-

[www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)

The process of making a booking is easy. Please follow the prompts given.

1. Enter the School Event code on the home page :-  
Event code **BC42N**



2. Enter your details
3. Choose the teachers you wish to talk to
4. Choose times which you wish to book.

For those parents who **do not** have access to the internet you can make a booking through the school office.

### **Bookings will close Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 9am**

If you are unable to meet with the teacher on this date please contact the school to make an appointment with the classroom teacher at another time.

***If you have the Leeton Public School App bookings can be made by selecting more down the bottom and going to Parent teacher interviews and putting in the above event code.***

This week we are also in full preparation mode as our annual Presentation Day fast approaches. A rehearsal will be held on Monday, 8th December and I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday, 10th December for this very special recognition ceremony for LPS.

As always I encourage any parents who have a concern regarding their child's education to make an appointment with the class teacher, Assistant Principal or myself through the office.

Regards

Jayne Gill  
Principal

### Special Award Winners for this Week

#### Diamond Award Winners

Congratulations to these students for their exceptional achievement, behaviour and service to others.



L-R: Coco Sands, Jayden Davidson, Liam Collins, Blake McDonald and Amritveer Singh

## Merit Award Winners

KF	Holley Harrison, Eli Doyle
KV	Shanae Best, Mavies Smith
1M	Matthew Puntoriero, Scarlett Wallace
1S	Tyce Thornton, Jye Davison
2MG	Cody McCallum, Abbie Doyle
2MT	Luca Deaton, Connor Cregan
S2K	Madeline Sachs, Jarryd Winnel, Kiesha Poulson
S2M	Trinity Matthews, Elizabeth O'Brien, Campbell Fields
S2T	Kai Gearing, Beniel Dakunibubului, Matilda Ryan
S2/3O	Charlotte Morschel, Sophie Anthony, Matthew Waddington
S3RA	Amelie Sachs, Isabel Ryan, Lily Sharman
S3RY	Jesse Smith, Amy Ryan, Megan Didden
S3W	Byron Tarlinton, Emma Chambers, Zoe Stockton

## Presentation Day

Presentation day will take place on Tuesday December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Multi Purpose Centre at Leeton High School. The day will commence at 10am. Parents are asked to be at the Hall and seated prior to this time.

## Platinum Awards

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding our last Platinum Assembly for 2014 at 2:30pm in the school hall. This will be followed by a luncheon for Platinum students on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at Benvenuti's.

As this will be the last Platinum assembly for the year, if your child has 7 diamond awards, please ensure they are in to the office ASAP.

A reminder that students who arrived at Leeton Public School after kindergarten only need the following number of Diamond awards by the end of Year 6 to qualify for Platinum.

Year 1 - 6

Year 2 - 5

Year 3 - 4

Year 4 - 3

Year 5 - 2

Year 6 - 1

## Enviromentors Visit

This Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday LPS will host its annual visit from the Enviromentors group. This visit is funded by the Keep Australia Beautiful Council and aims to promote ways that children can be a part of caring for our country. Ten classes will take part in the workshops (there is no charge).

We have always enjoyed these workshops in the past and look forward to being involved again this week.

Mrs Jenny Tiffin  
LPS Garden Coordinator

## Learn to Swim and Water Survival Challenge

Learn to Swim continues for its second week, this week. Thank you for the support at home in getting gear here each day. We try our best to accommodate all the many different swimming abilities. I am pleased to report on the great behaviour at the pool and the effort most children are putting into their lessons. Progress in noticeable in most cases.

This Friday I will also take down any children who missed their Water Survival Challenge on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov, during the 9:20am to 10:20am session. I will send another note home for a signature. If you have already paid for and missed the last session you will not need to send in extra bus fare, simply sign the note. I would like to catch as many of these children as possible, as it is very busy at Lake Talbot and testing is just one more task to carry out.

If your child is attending Learn to Swim and their instructor feels they have a good chance of passing the challenge, they will also sit the challenge on Friday.

Thanking you  
Mrs Jenny Tiffin  
Learn to Swim Coordinator

## LPS Giving Tree

With Christmas fast approaching, it is a special time of the year to think of family, friends and holidays and others in our community. We have set up a Christmas Tree in the foyer of the LPS front office. It would be lovely if we could get as many new toys or books to give to the Salvation Army to distribute to children in our community this Christmas. **Please do not wrap the gifts** as Salvation Army staff will do this. Gifts can be placed under the tree during school hours.



## K-2 Christmas Disco

**When:** Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

**Time:** 5 - 6.30pm

**Where:** Leeton Public School Hall

**Dress:** Your best Christmas clothes if possible

## Golden Apple Dockets

Reminder to send in your Golden Apple dockets - last chance for end of year.

A big thank you to those people who have sent them in for this year.

## Lost Property

A large number of school jumpers and other items have been left at school this winter. If you think one of these items might be yours, or you would like to see if there is anything that might fit your child next year, please see the teachers in the infants K-2 staffroom or for primary please come to front office.

## War Memorial Honour Roll

To commemorate 100 years since the Gallipoli Landing, the Australian War Memorial in Canberra is recording the names on the WW1 Honour Roll.

The names and ages of WW1 fallen will be read and recorded by Australian school children, with the recordings collated and played in the WW1 Cloisters at the Memorial during 2015.

LPS is excited to have been selected to be part of this historical project.

Miss Belford

## CANTEEN NEWS

- ☼ **Please note: If your child would like their sandwich toasted or their lunch heated up there is a charge of .50c (please bring to me @ 9.am clearly labelled)**
- ☼ **Tomato and BBQ sauce sachets cost .30c.I have had numerous orders for sauce without the .30c enclosed. Thank you.**
- ☼ **Over the next few weeks I will slowly be reducing my stock levels ready to empty the freezer over the Christmas holidays so please forgive me when I run out of stock, but I will notify you all in newsletter and delete from purchasable items online.**
- ☼ **Due to the "learn to swim program" lunch will be at 1.30. I will open the canteen at 11.20 for recess.**

## CANTEEN ROSTER

### WEEK 8: 11.20 recess & 1.30 lunch

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Margie

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November - Jodie Lee

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November - Dee Polsen

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November - Amanda Sidebottom

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Tammi Ryan

### Week 9

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December - Margie

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Leanne Chaffey

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December - Nadia Gerhardy

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December - Renee Sharman

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December - Kel Edis

### Week 10

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Margie

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December - Liz Tynan

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - Alicia Legge

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December - Karen Kalon

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December - Tracy Mannall

### Week 11

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December - Margie

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Nicolle Sachs

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December - CANTEEN CLOSED –

LAKE TALBOT!!! LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!!

## UNIFORM SHOP

### TEMPORARY OPENING TIMES

**DUE TO THE KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM THE UNIFORM SHOP WILL BE OPENED WEDNESDAYS FROM 1.30-2.30 TO CATER FOR NEW PARENTS/CHILDREN.**

**IT WILL BE CLOSED TUESDAYS BUT YOU CAN STILL CONTACT ME ON 0427532401 OR SEND A NOTE IN WITH YOUR CHILD. MY APOLOGIES FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE.**



The "Light Up Leeton" committee are looking for children who wish to dress in costume for the walk with Santa from Madonna Place to the park.

If anyone interested in participating, please phone:

Robyn Retallick

6953 2274 / 0407 467 021

Or Gwen Spadaro

6953 3641 / 0428 978 215

## White Ribbon Day 25 November

### Unite for the Right To Prevent Domestic Violence

March against domestic violence

Gather at the old Franklins Car Park Off Peter Street at 9.45am

March from Southern end of Baylis Street at 10am

Concluding at Victory Memorial Gardens

FREE  
BBQ

Face Painting

FREE  
Soft Drinks

Support and  
Information

Petting Zoo

Feed  
the Ducks

DRUMBEAT



Children's  
Entertainment

Community  
Groups

Proudly Supported by Wagga Domestic Violence Liaison Committee, including:



# Street Art Workshop

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY  
6TH AND 7TH DECEMBER

**FREE WORKSHOP IN LEETON**

**Day 1 - 10am-3pm**  
Will step through the tools of the trade, aerosol preparation, and design and then basic tips to more advanced techniques.

**Day 2 - 10am-3pm**  
Put everything into practice and create individual artworks as well as contribute to a community mural.

**Everyone Welcome  
Ages 12 and above**

**Workshop facilitated by Newcastle based artists from True Colourz.**

**Must register by 1 December.**

**Contact Jackson or Jacob at Leeton Shire Council  
jacksonj@leeton.nsw.gov.au or 69530911 with your name, age and contact details.**

## Grandparents Day







**Leeton Public School**

# Learn Play Shine



Come and join us for singing, stories, playtime and more!

0-2 year olds

Tuesdays 9.45 - 10.45

3-5 year olds

Wednesdays 9.45 - 10.45

*Our baby and preschool community growing together!*

For further details call 0269 533 488



## Leeton Public School

Learn, Play, Shine

Operating once a fortnight, in the wooden building in the Infants area of Leeton Public School. If you have children with multiple ages, please choose the session you would prefer.

0-2 year olds

Tuesdays 9.45 - 10.45

3-5 year olds

Wednesdays 9.45 - 10.45

All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Activities and resources will be provided free of charge.

### Dates for Term 3

22nd / 23rd July

5th / 6th August

19th / 20th August

2nd / 3rd September

16th / 17th September

### Dates for Term 4

14th / 15th October

28th / 29th October

11th / 12th November

25th / 26th November

9th / 10th December

*Creative play, reading aloud and sharing stories with your child promotes language, literacy and brain development. It also helps develop speech, imagination and counting skills.*