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Term 4, Week 2

Monday, 17 October 2016

Calendar – What's On?

Week 2 Term 4, 2016

Tuesday, 18 th October	Learn, Play, Shine Girl Guides Talk 3pm Infants Hall
Wednesday, 19 th October	Kinder Transition
Thursday, 20 th October	Year 2 excursion to Junee
Friday, 21 st October	LNPSSA Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day

Week 3 Term 4, 2016

Wednesday, 26 th October	Kinder Transition
Friday, 28 th October	Walkathon

Week 4 Term 4, 2016

Tuesday, 1 st November	Learn, Play, Shine Book Fair
Wednesday, 2 nd November	Kinder Transition Book Fair
Thursday, 3 rd November	Music Count Us In 12.30 Grandparents Day Book Fair
Friday, 4 th November	Kindergarten Excursion Book Fair

Week 5 Term 4, 2016

Monday, 7 th November	School Spec Dance Rehearsal
Monday, 7 th - Friday 11 th November	LIFE ED VAN

Week 6 Term 4, 2016

Tuesday 15 th November	Learn Play Shine
Wednesday, 16 th November	Kinder Transition
Friday, 17 th November	Water Survival Challenge 9:30 – 12:30

Principals Report

Dear Parents & Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to once again encourage all parents to complete the online survey which can be found below. These surveys give us important information which we are able to use when planning for the future at LPS. Currently we only have 37 completed surveys registered which is very disappointing. The survey is easy to complete and can be done on tablets and smartphones. A reminder if you have more than one child attending LPS you are able to complete the survey multiple times to reflect this.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/b7msh>

Last Week at LPS

Kindergarten Transition Program

The transition program for students starting Kindergarten in 2017 commenced last Wednesday. We welcomed 55 students on the day with all of our 2017 Kindergarten students having a great time working with Mrs Brady and Mrs Frazer.

The program will run for 8 weeks (until Wednesday, 30th November) from 9:30 am until 11:10am. If you know of anyone yet to enrol in the program and they have students who will be attending LPS in 2017 please encourage them to come into the school office to obtain an enrolment pack.

Stage 2 Borambola Excursion

Last week Stage 2 travelled to Borambola for a two day excursion. The students had a wonderful time taking part in a variety of activities over the two days.

I would like to thank Mrs Pearce for organising this excursion and Mrs Tiffin, Mrs Spina, Ms Belford and Mr Creece for accompanying the students for the two days.

This Week at LPS

Year 2 Excursion – Thursday 20th October

This Thursday our Year 2 students will travel to Junee for an excursion to the Junee Roundhouse Museum and Junee Chocolate and Liquorice factory.

Students will be travelling by bus which will depart school at 7:30am. Students are asked to be at the school by 7:15 am.

I am sure that everyone will have a great time.



LNPSSA 3/4 Soccer Gala Day – Friday 21st October

This Friday students from Years three and four will take part in the Soccer Gala day which is being held in Narrandera at Marie Bashir Park. I am sure they will have a great time.

Coming Up at LPS

P&C Meeting – Tuesday 25th 7:30pm (Date Change)

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Tuesday 25 October commencing at 7:30pm in the Primary Staffroom. Please note the date change for this meeting.

All interested Parents and community members are invited to attend this meeting.

Grandparents Day – Thursday November 3rd

Grandparents day will be held at Leeton Public School on Thursday November 3. More details regarding this event will be in next week's Newsletter.

As always I encourage open channels of communication between the home and school. Parents are encouraged to contact the school office to make an appointment to discuss any matters regarding their child's education with the relevant teacher or Assistant Principal (Students K – 2 Mrs Rowe Years 3/4 Mrs Thomason & Mrs Pearce, 5/6 Mrs Ramponi).

Jayne Gill
Principal

2017 Classes

The executive and I are currently working on classes for 2017. The composition of classes is a very complex exercise with many factors we need to consider. If you have a specific request regarding class placement for 2017 you need to put this in writing and address it to the Principal. Please note that this request must be supported by a **sound educational reason. This must be received by Friday 28th October. Please note that this is a request only. The Principal has the final say on the composition of classes.** Once classes are formed the only changes I envisage will be from students leaving or enrolling at our school.

Please also note that as this is a K-6 school, any teachers working at this school could be expected to teach anywhere from K-6. Please don't assume that a certain teacher will be teaching in a particular grade (or Infants or Primary), even though they may have been teaching the same grade or in Infants/Primary for a number of years.

As planning is well under way now for 2017, it is also vitally important that I am aware if you are intending to leave LPS at the end of this year. Please inform me immediately if this is your intention so I can continue to organise staffing.

Selective High Schools Year 7 2018 Placement

Government schools use a range of strategies to meet the educational needs of students. One strategy is selective high school placement which provides intellectual stimulation and an educationally enriched environment for students. Selective High Schools include Yanco Agriculture High, Hurlstone Agriculture High School, Sydney Boys High School, Sydney Girls High School and Aurora.

Offers for selective high school placement will be determined mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on 9th March 2017.

If you would like your child to apply for selective high school placement in Year 7 in 2018, you need to do so soon.

Most applicants are expected to apply and submit applications online. You will need to have an email address (not the student's email address), access to the internet and a printer to do this.

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 11th October 2016 at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement. Online applications close on Monday 14th November 2016.

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

At LPS we value parent feedback. At this stage we have only had 21 surveys completed out of a possible 500 plus.

I encourage you to complete the online survey by clicking on the link below. No username or login details should be required.

<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/b7msh>

If the survey opens to a login page, please **copy and paste the link into your internet browser.** This will ensure the survey launches directly to page one of the survey.

If you are experiencing any problems with this process, please contact the school.

Special Award Winners for this Week

Diamond Award Winners

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



Back L-R: Raffaele Mallamace, William Gray-Mills, Nicholas mannall, Grace Tynan

Front L-R: Aimon Doyle, Laura Teerman, Tate Pauls

Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to **Tate Pauls** who was nominated as the Aussie-of-the-month for October. Congratulations also to the other nominees listed below.



Front L-R: Lachlan Johnstone, Tate Pauls (Aussie of the Month)

Back L-R: Halima Bushra, Lily Thomason, Avaril Deaton, Patrick Turner

Merit Award Winners

KB	Bella Franks, Julian Mallamace
KF	Fleur Townsend-Mallinder, Taylor Griffiths
KV	Penny Dunell, Logan Doig
1M	Zara Lamont, Janushan Anandakumar, Bronson Crockett
1S	Chloe Curry, Myah O'Meley
2M	Amy Johnston, Will Sgroi
2R	Ethan Lyons, Eden Richardson
S2B	Emma Sherlock, Vula Wate, Grace Hill
S2C	Ella Rhodes, Charlotte Kirby, Noumea Kember
S2S	Isaac Blake, Olivia Stafford, Kane Flack
S2T	Jack Morgan-Smith, Cade Sims, Mackenzie O'Loughlin
S3E	Nicky Robinson, Shallan Stockton, Jana Deaton
S3L	Tyson Collins, Paiton Sainsbury, Emily Mahalm
S3RA	Hamish Johnstone, Lilly Hillier, Isabella Franz
S3RY	Francesco Ierano, Hugo Gerhardy, Haley Vecchio

Mosquitoes

It is that time of year and the mosquitoes are very active already, especially with all the water around at the moment.

We will be applying stingose gel to students who have been bitten at school.

Please let the office know if any student is allergic to this product.

As a precaution it might be advisable if your child is prone to mosquito bites that they have insect repellent applied in the morning before they come to school and a roll on repellent in their bag.

Walkathon

On Friday 28th October 2016, Leeton Public School will be holding a walkathon. The money raised from our walkathon will go towards purchasing literacy resources for Years K-6. Your child will be given a sponsorship card throughout the week. We thank you for your support.

MS Readathon

Just a quick reminder that sponsorship money and any used or unused receipt books need to be in by October 31st.

There are several ways students can send the money that they fundraise to the MS Readathon:

1. By credit card or PayPal via the donation platform on the [MS Readathon website](#)
2. By bank deposit via [The MSL Westpac account](#)
3. By online bank transfer to [The MSL Westpac account](#)

After processing the bank deposit and online bank transfer please ensure you post back your payment form to the [MS Readathon National Processing Centre](#)

All cash/cheques and receipt booklets can be returned to the [MS Readathon National Processing Centre](#)

Environmentors Visit

Last week LPS was lucky to host workshops by Keep NSW Beautiful. Our Environmentor Tracey taught us about the cost of littering to our environment and to our health. We learnt about biodegradable and non-biodegradable litter. Did you know that dog poo won't even break down in a sewerage treatment plant? That's why we should pick it up when our dog leaves a dropping on a walk. We also learnt that once a little bit of litter is left lying around it is more likely that others will leave their rubbish too.

I hope the visit made all of us more aware of the problems litter causes and that we will be less likely to become litterers ourselves.

Mrs Jennifer Tiffin LPS Garden Coordinator

Learn to Swim

I am currently starting the process of organising Learn to Swim lessons for Weeks 7 & 8 this term. New students to LPS (in Years 3 to 6), this year will be bringing home a note requesting information about their swimming ability. Could all parents/carers complete this note and return it as soon as possible? This will help me get underway with lists of students who will benefit from attending our Learn to Swim classes.

Jennifer Tiffin Learn to Swim Coordinator

Leeton/Narrandera PSSA Red Ball Tennis Gala Day

On Tuesday 20th September, sixteen Stage 2 students took part in the Leeton/Narrandera PSSA Red Ball Tennis Gala Day. We went to Parkview courts and played against Wamoon, Narrandera, Parkview and Whitton-Murrumbidgee schools.

The students were broken into four teams, which each consisted of four players. They used minimised nets and

compression balls and played both singles and doubles matches. Leeton Public placed 2nd, 4th, 5th and 6th out of a total of 16 teams. There were some very close matches and they should be proud of their efforts on the day. Their sportsmanship and behaviour was amazing! It was a great day and luckily the weather held out for us.

I would like to thank the wonderful parents who helped with transporting the students to the courts. It was also great to see parents stay and watch to encourage the students. I would like to specifically thank Matt Evans for his help with scoring on the day.

Emma McLennan

PHOTO GALLERY – TENNIS GALA DAY





BANKING, BANKING, BANKING!!!!

Welcome back to Term 4 and welcome to those who have started on the rewarding school banking journey.

School banking is done every Tuesday. It's never too late to start banking just drop into your local Commonwealth Bank Branch and open a Youth Saver account, then send in your deposit book and we will issue a student number.

School banking is simple and a great way to encourage your child/ren to learn about saving and a great head start for their future. Banking is also a great way to help raise money for your school P&C with all money raised going back to the school!!!

You can also bank for your children who are not yet attending LPS or have moved on. Send in their deposit book with their siblings, they are also eligible for the reward program.

Could you please ensure that your child's **deposit slip is completely filled out** as it is very time consuming for us to have to fill out deposit slips.

Each time your child makes a deposit they will be issued with a silver token. Once they have made 10 deposits they can send in their tokens and choose from one of the reward items on offer.

Bush Fly & Wriggly Glow worm – these are now available to order

Please note that **Mudsplat handballs and Flying Snake tails** are no longer available.

Backtrack Eraser Pen, Jump and skip rope & 2015 Galaxy Gliders: stock is running low.

Keep an eye out over the coming weeks as we announce a consistent savers competition for Term 4.

We are available at school from approx 10am- 11am Tuesday mornings or leave a message with the ladies in the office.

Regards, Kristy Jackson and Steph Glenn, School Banking Coordinators

CRUNCHY CABIN ROSTER

Week 2

Monday 17th - Margie

Tuesday 18th - Liz Tynan

Wednesday 19th - Jo McLennan

Thursday 20th - Helen Birbara

Friday 21st - Sally Doig

Week 3

Monday 24th - Margie

Tuesday 25th - Cara Chitts

Wednesday 26th - Sue Mundy

Thursday 27th - Karen Kalon

Friday 28th - Kathryn Bechaz

Week 4

Monday 31st - Angela Clarke

Tuesday 1st - Margie

Wednesday 2nd - Jo McLennan

Thursday 3rd - Cara Chitts

Friday 4th - Tammi Ryan

UNIFORM SHOP

TUESDAYS 1.00-5.00

(or by appointment 0427532401)

CASH ONLY, STRICTLY NO CREDIT

www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

☺**THE TIES HAVE FINALLY ARRIVED FOR THOSE AWAITING ONE.THESE ARE \$24.**

☺**A TRUCKLOAD OF GIRLS SOCKS HAVE ARRIVED @ \$5.00 PAIR.**

***Please don't hesitate to write down your uniform order, child's name & class with money and place in an envelope & I will deliver it to your child.**

Leeton Junior Cricket Association

Leeton Junior Cricket Registrations

Saturday 15th October & Saturday 22nd October
9:30am – 11:30am
Jarrah Mall

Milo Cricket (Under 8's) \$100
T20 Bash (Under 10's) \$100
Saturday Morning T20 (Under 12's & Under 14's) \$90

Online Registrations will open this week please see the Leeton Junior Cricket Website
<http://www.leetonjca.nsw.cricket.com.au/>
 or Facebook Page, *Leeton Junior Cricket Association* for more information.

Aurora College

The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW's first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW. Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.

Students in the selective stream are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.



Applications for entry to Year 7 in 2018
 OPEN 11th OCTOBER 2016 AND
 CLOSE ON 14th NOVEMBER 2016

Visit Selective High Schools website
<http://bit.ly/shsyear7>

For further information about Aurora College, visit the our website
www.aurora.nsw.edu.au | or phone 02 9886 7560

LEETON JUNIOR TOUCH COMPETITION REMINDER

Competition starts Monday 17th October 5:30pm

At Leeton High School Ovals

Please be there prior to ensure games begin on time

Students are to wear a shirt that is predominantly the
 colour of their team.

'Plan with my Family' Workshops

Northcott
supporting choice & opportunity

Do you have a child with a disability and need more support with their behaviour? Northcott is offering free workshops for families to increase your skills in supporting your child.



What?

A workshop which focuses on identifying things which could contribute to behaviour, understanding the 'why' of behaviours, and tools to plan strategies to respond to behaviours.

Who?

For any family who are supporting a child with a disability and have concerns about their behaviour.

When?

Wednesday 26th October, 2016

Time?

9.30am to 2.30pm

Where?

Wagga RSL Club, NSW
Cnr Dobbs St & Kincaid St.

Costs?

None! It's free. But be quick as availability is limited to 30 places and Registration is essential.

To apply for a place contact:

Jasmine Woodland 02 6921 1996 or jasmine.woodland@northcott.com.au

Child Care?

Northcott regrets we are unable to provide child care for these sessions.

Messy Sunday

Messy Sunday...

IS A LOT OF **FUN**!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Messy Sunday is aimed at all ages (yes, even you!)

Fun, Faith & Food!!

OUR NEXT MESSY SUNDAY WILL BE:

Sunday 30th October, 2016

4.00pm to 6.00pm

Our theme is "SALT AND LIGHT" on the eve of Halloween

St Peter's Anglican Church Hall

24 Church St, Leeton

Cost: a donation, please

Want to know more?

Call 69532107



Leeton Public School

Learn Play Shine



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

0 - 5 year olds
Tuesdays 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.

Dates for Semester 1

9th February
23rd February
8th March
22nd March
5th April
3rd May
17th May
31st May
14th June
28th June

Dates for Semester 2

26th July
9th August
23rd August
6th September
20th September
18th October
1st November
15th November
29th November
13th December

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

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.