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Term 1, Week 7

Monday, 7 March 2016

Calendar – What's On?

Week 7 Term 1 2016

Monday, 7 th March	Riverina PSSA Swimming
Tuesday, 8 th March	Learn, Play, Shine 9.45am P&C Meeting Primary Staffroom at 7.00pm
Friday, 11 th March	LNPSSA Boys & Girls Soccer K/O Gala Day and Trials Boys: No 2 Oval, Girls: PPS

Week 8 Term 1 2016

Thursday, 17 th March	Riverina PSSA Western AFL trials
Friday, 18 th March	LNPSSA Rugby 7's Boys & Girls Yrs 5/6 and Yrs 3/4

Week 9 Term 1 2016

Tuesday, 22 nd March	Learn, Play, Shine
Thursday, 24 th March	Riverina PSSA Boys Football trials Easter Hat Parade
Friday, 25 th March	Good Friday

Week 10 Term 1 2016

Monday, 28 th March	Easter Monday
Tuesday, 29 th March	LNPSSA Rugby League Trials - PPS
Wednesday, 30 th March	Riverina PSSA Girls Football Trials

Week 11 Term 1 2016

Monday, 4 th April	LNPSSA Rugby League K/O & Gala Day No 1 Oval LNPSSA Netball K/O & Gala Day Leeton Stadium
Tuesday, 5 th April	Learn, Play, Shine
Wednesday, 6 th April	NSW PSSA Swimming

Principals Report

Dear Parents/ Carers

What a great week last week at LPS. Last Monday our School Leaders travelled to Sydney to take part in the Young Leaders Conference at ACER Arena. On Thursday it was wonderful to see so many parents, grandparents and carers visiting our school as part of our Term 1 open classrooms. Every classroom had numerous visitors who were able to see how the students have settled into school this year. In the senior classrooms many of the students were completing tasks using their devices and it gave parents the opportunity to see just how much learning has changed first hand.

We also had students at the AFL trials along with students participating in Clean Up Australia Day last Sunday.

Last Week at LPS

Young Leaders Conference – Sydney

Last Sunday our Leaders travelled down with students from Whitton/ Murrumbidgee and Yanco to attend the Young Leaders Conference which was held in Sydney on Monday March 1. The program consisted of keynote talks and presentations for students who aspire to lead themselves and others well. The students listened to speakers including NSW Police Commissioner Andrew Scipione.

The trip also provided students with the experience of commuting on public transport, with students travelling by public bus, train and ferry to the event from their accommodation at North Narrabeen. Highlights of the trip also included a trip to Narrabeen beach, the Sydney Opera House, Manly and the Sydney Aquarium at Darling Harbour.

LPS students were excellent ambassadors for our school and I was extremely proud of the way they conducted themselves whilst away.



LNPSSA AFL Trials

On Friday 4th March students took part in the LNPSSA AFL trials. The students were involved in a development session then played several games. Congratulations to Logan Mahalm, Liam Papasidero, Taj Doyle and Jayden Broadbent who were chosen to take part in the Western Riverina AFL trials.

Tape Up Your Teacher

On Friday we hosted a fundraising event for Leeton SunRice Festival Ambassador Entrant Madison Coelli. Miss Williams, Miss Belford, Miss Errey, Mr Sales and Mr Creece volunteered to be taped up on the day with students purchasing pieces of tape to tape up their chosen teacher. Lots of laughs and fun was had by all on the day.



Clean Up Australia Day

Yesterday, in hot conditions over fifty students joined in to clean up around Leeton Public School as part of the annual Clean Up Australia Day. A big thank you to all who came along as well as all of the teachers who helped out on the day.

This Week at LPS

Riverina Swimming Carnival

Today we had students representing the LNPSSA at the Riverina Swimming Carnival in a variety of events. Results will be posted in next week's newsletter.

Parent Information Sessions - Best Start – Thursday 10th March

On Thursday 10th March we will be holding two parent sessions for **Kindergarten parents** to explain the Best Start testing procedure and the reports that all students receive after completing these tests. Sessions times are :-

- 2:30pm
- 7 pm

Parents who attend these sessions will receive their child's report on the day. All other Best Start reports will be sent home on Friday 11th March.

P & C Meeting – Tuesday 8th March 7:30pm

The next P&C meeting will take place in the Primary staff room this Tuesday 8th March commencing at 7:30pm. Everyone is encouraged to come along to this meeting.

Attendance

Last week our Home School Liaison Officer completed a Roll Check. It was disappointing to see the number of students who have already been absent a number of days in 2016. As parents it is your responsibility to ensure that your child attends school on a regular basis.

If your child is absent it is important to ensure that you provide the school with a note to explain this absence. If sick and under the care of a Doctor it is good practise to obtain a Medical Certificate to explain these absences.

The Department monitors attendance of all students. Students whose attendance rates drop below 90% are carefully monitored by the classroom teacher, Principal and the Home School Liaison Officer.

As always I would like to reiterate to all parents that if you have a concern or query regarding your child's education please make an appointment to see relevant classroom teacher or appropriate Assistant Principal to further discuss the matter. **Parents are asked to address any emails to our school email address. These emails will then be forwarded to the appropriate teacher.** It is important that concerns are initially addressed with classroom teachers as often issues can be addressed quickly.

Jayne Gill
Principal

Parent/Carer – Information Sessions

This year at LPS we are looking at holding a variety of Parent Information sessions throughout the year. These sessions are aimed to inform parents about current teaching practices as well as giving parents ideas on how to help students at home.

Some of the sessions we are hoping to run this year include:-

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| Literacy K-2 | Understanding Student Reports |
| Literacy 3-6 | Maths K-2 |

We would like parental input on any additional information sessions that you would like us to run at the school this year. Please fill in the form at the end of this newsletter and return to the office.

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: Brianna Meinrath, Braith McCann, Keisha Poulson, Zac Poulson

Front L-R: Indigo Sands, Jack Perram

Aussie of the Month

Congratulations Mavies Smith who was the Aussie of the Month! Congratulations also to Jack Perram, Ava Robertson, Andrew Sherlock, Brylle Isidito, Bryce Baker and Georgina Jackson who were all nominations for Aussie of the Month.



Back L-R Jack Perram, Mavies Smith, Ava Robertson

Front L-R Andrew Sherlock, Brylle Isidito, Bryce Baker, Georgina Jackson



Merit Award Winners

KB	Kobe Jeffriess, Mia Ryan
KF	Faith Faoa, Inep Toia
KV	Laura Teerman, Eli Lepper
1M	Ellena Halloran, Marley Rook
1S	Lana Sims, Halima Bushra
2M	Matilda Sidebottom, Ethan McDonald
2R	Issac McWhinnie, Tennyson Sales
S2B	Luca Deaton, Eloise Crelley, Mathew Ierano
S2C	Liam Collins, Charlotte Kirby, Abbie Doyle
S2S	Taj Lepper, Jordan Lloyd, Isaac Blake
S2T	Ryan Baker, Evan Johnston, Cade Sims
S3E	Taj Doyle, Rayden Best, Flynn Anthony
S3L	Jarryd Winnel, Lainothy Toia, Kalem Thompson
S3RA	Jhi Grundy, Austen Tiffin, Emily Pearce
S3RY	Todd Hockey, Elizabeth Lee, Noah Sands

2016 University of NSW Competitions (Years 3-6)

The University of NSW Competitions will be held again this year at Leeton Public School. The following information is for those parents/carers who wish to enter their child/ren in any of the subject competitions.

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY (formerly known as Computer Skills) - \$8.00

SCIENCE - \$8.00

SPELLING - \$11.00

WRITING - \$17.00

ENGLISH - \$8.00

MATHEMATICS - \$8.00

Please see the front office to receive a permission note/entry form.

Closing date for ALL payments is

THURSDAY 24TH MARCH 2016

LNPSSA AFL Team

On Thursday 3rd March, 8 students travelled to the Leeton Showgrounds to trial for the LNPSSA AFL Team. As a result four boys were selected for further trials.

These students are:

Logan Mahalm

Taj Doyle

Jayden Broadbent

Liam Papasidero

Other students trialling were Hugo Gerhardy, Tom Sheldrick, Jack Norden and Cohen Matthews. Congratulations to all students on your enthusiasm and wonderful behaviour. Well done to the boys who now get to travel to Barooga for further trials.

Mrs Vallance and Mr Creece

Clean Up Australia Day

On Sunday 6th March, approximately 80 students, parents and family members from Leeton Public School braved the heat and participated in Clean Up Australia Day! We collected a lot of rubbish from along Palm Avenue and the surrounding streets. It was great to see so many of our students and their family members volunteer their own time to help keep our great patch of Australia beautiful. A HUGE thank you to everyone who participated.

Aliesha McDonald



Tape Up The Teacher

On Friday 4th March Mr Sales, Ms Williams, Miss Errey, Mr Creece and Miss Belford were taped to the poles under the bus shelter by the students! It was all for a good cause, a fundraiser for SunRice Festival Ambassador Madison Coelli. Students could purchase pieces of tape for \$1 and then place the tape around the teachers. The event raised over \$280! A big thank you to all the staff and students involved!

Ms Lara Belford

Len Wade Pharmacy Easter Colouring Competition

The pharmacy will donate \$1.00 to Leeton Public School for each entry received.

Copies of the colouring sheet are available at the school office or the pharmacy.

Entries returned to Len Wade Pharmacy before Wednesday 23rd March. Huge Easter Basket to be won!!

P&C

The SunRice Parade will occur on Easter Saturday 26th March and LPS P&C will submit a float again. We would love as many children to participate as possible. **If you would like your child to participate you must be able to help with set up at the showground, please contact Melissa Anthony 0420 903 069 or Tash Deaton 0428 538 058 for further information. As you may be aware, it is a very busy morning and we will require parents to supervise their children.** This has always been a fun experience to be a part of the parade and we look forward to many helpers and children on the float.

On Easter Sunday the balloon glow will take place and the P&C will have a stall there to sell baked potatoes. This is a good source of fundraising as well as supporting a community activity. We are asking for volunteers for baking potatoes and for serving in the van at the balloon glow between 6pm and 8pm. Please contact Melissa Anthony for more information.

Melissa Anthony

BANKING, BANKING, BANKING!!!!

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.

We have introduced monthly "The Gold Platypus" award. The Gold Platypus will be given out once a month to the class with the most children banking for the month.

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.

Rewards on offer for this year are:



- Flying Snake Tail and Wildlife Writer Set, released Term 1
- Mud Splat Handball and Outback Pat Bag Tag, released Term 2
- Backtrack Eraser Pen, and Jump and Skip Rope, released Term 3
- Bush Fly Fan and Wiggly Glow Worm, released Term 4

This year School Banking is also running another awesome holiday giveaway:

Win a wildlife family adventure holiday at Australia Zoo

This year we're giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

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

THE CRUNCHY CABIN ROSTER

Week 7

Monday 7th – Margie

Tuesday 8th - Cara Chitts

Wednesday 9th - Rosa Daddona

Thursday 10th – Trudi Alampi

Friday 11th - Tammi Ryan/Tracey Mannall

Soccer Gala Day - #2 Oval

9.30-12.00 - Jenny Ryan, Helen Birbara , Rosa Daddona

12.00-2.30 - Kathryn Fox, Cara Chitts, Amanda Sidebottom, Rosa Daddona

Week 8

Monday 14th - Margie

Tuesday 15th - Liz Tynan

Wednesday 16th - Sue Mundy

Thursday 17th - Amanda Sidebottom

Friday 18th – Tracey Mannall

Week 9

Monday 21st - Margie

Tuesday 22nd - Janette Veness

Wednesday 23rd - Nadia Gerhardy

Thursday 24th - Maryanne McDonald/ Tammi Ryan

EASTER HAT PARADE

Friday 25th - Good Friday !!

Week 10

Monday 28th - Easter Monday

Tuesday 29th - Cara Chitts

Wednesday 30th – Rosa Daddona

Thursday 31st – Trudi Alampi

Friday 1st April - Natasha Deaton

Week 11

Monday 4th - Margie

Tuesday 5th - Liz Tynan

Wednesday 6th - Sue Mundy

Thursday 7th - Trudi Alampi

Friday 8th - Tracey Mannall

☺☺☺☺LAST DAY OF TERM 1!!☺☺☺☺

CANTEEN NEWS

On Friday we had a technical issue with "ouronlinecanteen" I could not get in to process the orders or to even view them, unfortunately it was out of my control. I apologise to the children who this affected & I hope that all the children involved got the message to come & see me about their order. If any child missed out on their lunch or drink please come and see me or contact me & I will refund you. Once again I apologise.

For those stage 3 boys ordering their lunch for Fridays Soccer Gala Day please have your orders in to me by WEDNESDAY 9TH Thank you.

UNIFORM SHOP

OPEN 1.00pm TUESDAYS

Closed 4.00pm this week

Please do not come in canteen time for uniforms I do not have time to help you then

NO EFTPOS AVAILABLE, CASH OR CHEQUE ONLY

SORRY THERE IS NO CREDIT AVAILABLE.

DON'T FORGET UNIFORM SHOP IS NOW ONLINE. GO TO "OURONLINECANTEEN" & CLICK ON UNIFORMS!

For your convenience! or by appointment with Belinda on
0427 532 401

Kids Camp Out

Kids Camp Out is an inter-denominational 24 hour camp for children in school years 3 to 6.

The camp will be held on Saturday and Sunday 19th – 20th March at Narrandera Racecourse.

The cost per camper is \$30, family of 2 \$55, family of 3 \$80. This covers camping fee, food, travel and accommodation.

For details contact:

Alison or Genia Cowell 0404 261 779 or 0450 910 779 A/H by Thursday 10th March.

Registration by Thursday 10th March

Registration forms available at school office

AUSKICK (boys and girls aged 5 to 9)

A 10 week program will be running during Term 2

Cost is \$70.00 per player

Registration will be online and will open 1st March. Auskick participants receive:

2016 Auskick Benefits pack

New Club Auskick Pack for 1st year participants - includes Auskick Backpack, football, cap, pump, card album, card pack, height chart, and GIANTS stickers

Returning Club Auskick Pack for returning participants – includes Boot bag, football, GIANTS or Little Miss AFL T-Shirt, pump, card pack, height chart and GIANTS stickers

LEETON DUATHLON

Leeton Memorial Swimming Pool

Saturday 26th March 2016

4pm - Enticer-Novice Duathlon - 1.7km run, 200m swim
- Entry fee \$10, Team entry per person \$5

5pm - Sprint Duathlon - 3km run, 400m swim, 3km run -
Entry fee \$15, Team entry per person \$10

Junior Entry (11 years and under at 31 December 2015)
\$5.00 - Family entry \$20

Registration from 2.30pm at Leeton Memorial Swimming Pool.

Entry forms are available from the pool or can be printed from our Facebook page

Proceeds from the Duathlon will be donated to Leeton Community Health



LEETON JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE**2016 registrations****Under 7 – Under 14 Rugby League Players****Under 7 - 16 League Tag Girls****All registrations must be completed online.**

Simply go to www.playnrl.com to hit register now.
Type in Leeton and select Leeton Juniors and follow the prompts.

You can pay online or by cash at our first training session.

Registration Cost - \$50 per player, which includes our club training shirt.

All new players must supply a copy of their birth certificate or passport (which will be sent off with regos. Unfortunately blue books, immunisation records and letters from schools are no longer accepted. Proof of ID can be handed in at our first training session.

Training starts Thursday 24th March
4pm at the Leeton High School Oval
All enquiries to
Aliesha McDonald 0418 968 387

Centacare Southwest NSW*Keeping Kids in Mind*

A 3 session course for Parents experiencing conflict after separation designed to:

Assist parents to see through their children's eyes the experience of parental separation

Develop greater understanding about how to support children following family separation

Leeton Multipurpose Community Centre

3 Wade Ave

Wednesday 9th, 16th and 23rd March 2016

10am – 2pm

Light refreshments provided

For further information or to register please contact

Centacare South West NSW on 6964 1447 or email griffith@centacareswnsw.org.au

2016 Information Sessions

I would like to see Information sessions on the following topics:-

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Please return to the front office.