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Term 2, Week 4

Monday, 16 May 2016

Calendar – What's On?

Week 4 Term 2, 2016

Tuesday, 17 th May	ICAS Computers Learn, Play, Shine
Wednesday, 18 th May	Leeton Mortimer Shield day
Thursday, 19 th May	Police Visit – K – Year 2 Book Fair
Friday, 20 th May	Walk Safely to School day Kinder – Responsible pet care LPS Veggie garden working bee 3.30pm all welcome

Week 5 Term 2, 2016

Thursday, 26 th May	LPS Athletics carnival
Friday, 27 th May	LPS Athletics carnival

Week 6 Term 2, 2016 – Book Fair all week

Tuesday, 31 st May	ICAS Science Learn, Play, Shine Book Fair – Community Day – Sharing Reading
Thursday, 2 nd June	BACK UP DAY LPS Athletics Carnival
Friday, 3 rd June	LNPSSA Cross Country at Narrandera

Week 7 Term 2, 2016

Monday, 6 th June	Book Fair
Tuesday, 7 th June	Book Fair
Wednesday, 8 th June	Kindergarten 2017 Information sessions 2pm & 7pm

Week 8 Term 2, 2016

Monday, 13 th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday, 14 th June	ICAS Writing Mortimer Shield Final Learn, Play, Shine

P&C Meeting 7pm Primary
Staffroom

Wednesday, 15th June ICAS Spelling

Thursday, 16th June Riverina PSSA Cross Country

Principals Report

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

Schools are busy places with many events taking place every week both inside the classroom, outside in the playground and out in our wider community.

The next few weeks will be busy for LPS with a variety of events taking place including the LPS Athletics Carnival, LNPSSA Cross Country, Riverina Dance Festival, Read More in May Day, Year 6 Transition program, Kindergarten information sessions and the Stage 3 Excursion to Ballarat just to name a few.

Congratulations

This morning we received the exciting news that the combined Dance and combined Choir that auditioned for Schools Spectacular have once again been successful in gaining entry to this prestigious event.

Schools Spectacular will take place in week 7 Term 4.

Well done to the students and staff.

Last Week at LPS

LPS Cross Country

Last Friday we held the LPS Cross Country in beautiful weather. It was a great day with many parents, grandparents and carers turning out to watch the event.

A big thank you to those parents who helped out on the day. Without parent helpers we would be unable to run many school events.

A full report can be found further on in this newsletter.

This Week at LPS

Riverina PSSA Boys Touch Trials

Good luck to Braith McCann, Ben Faoa, Kalem Thompson and Jhi Grundy who are travelling to Albury as part of the LNPSSA team to take part in the Riverina Touch Trials today.



Mortimer Shield Competition

On Wednesday we have three teams (two boys & one girl) taking part in the Mortimer Shield competition at the Leeton High School Ovals.

I would like to thank Bill Arnold and Bianca Lotito for training our teams in preparation for this event.

Upcoming Events

Kindergarten 2017

Although, not yet half way through the 2016 school year, planning has already commenced for our 2017 Kindergarten students. This year we will be holding two **information sessions regarding Kindergarten 2017 at the school on Wednesday 8th June at 2pm and again at 7pm**. I would like to encourage all parents with students enrolling at LPS in 2017 to attend these sessions. This year we will once again be offering an extended transition period for our new students starting next year. The transition program will commence on Wednesday 12th October (Week 1, Term 4) until 30th November (Week 8, Term 4). Initially the program will run for approximately 2 hours every week.

If you know of anyone from within the Leeton area who may be interested in registering their child in our transition program, please ask them to contact the school for more details. Likewise, the information will also be located on our website at www.leeton-p.schools.nsw.edu.au.

Road Safety Concerns

Pick up time around Leeton Public School is extremely busy with a high volume of cars and buses going along Mallee Street and Wade Avenue.

With this in mind it is important that if you are parking on Wade Avenue to pick up your child, that you make sure that they use the designated crossing area. We ask that if you park across the road that you come across to pick up your child from the waiting area and then use the crossing to cross the road.

It is important that we teach our students to be safe at all times. I ask for your cooperation in this matter.

School Uniform

At Leeton Public School we wear the school uniform with pride. School uniforms foster pride in the school, assists in the development and maintenance of tone and good conduct and reduces to a minimum undesirable distinction because of clothing among children in the same school. By providing identification, school uniforms also help to increase security for children travelling to and from school.

Over the last few weeks it has come to my attention that students are not wearing the correct uniform to school. This includes footwear and sports wear.

The uniform set in conjunction with the P&C states that all students are to wear black, preferably leather, shoes to school. Presently we have many students wearing Raben type shoes to school. These shoes offer students little

protection and especially in this damp weather get wet easily.

Also a concern is our senior students not wearing the correct sports uniforms. I ask that all parents ensure that students are correctly attired in **blue shorts** and the appropriate house coloured polo tops.

Please find at the end of my report the School Uniform requirements.

Approaching students at School

I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents that under no circumstances can a parent approach another person's child.

The school will deal with issues between students as part of the school's Discipline and Welfare policy.

In very rare cases, where people wishing to express concerns, do so in an aggressive, threatening or violent manner, the principal (or nominee) has the legal authority under the 'Inclosed Lands Act' to:

- direct the person to immediately leave the grounds.
- call the police to remove the person should he/she refuse.
- withdraw future permission (by letter) for the person to enter the grounds without permission of the principal.
- seek further legal avenues.

As always if you have an issue or concern please contact the classroom teacher, the appropriate Assistant Principal or myself to discuss.

From time to time issues arise at school. This is perfectly normal for any school setting so if you have any questions, issues, enquiries or you want feedback on any aspect of your child's schooling please ring to make a mutually convenient appointment time with your child's teacher, Assistant Principal or myself as required.

Jayne Gill

Principal

UNIFORM

The school has a uniform shop where the girl's uniforms, grey shirts, socks, hats, grey tights tracksuits and school spray jacket can be purchased. A uniform price list is available from the School Office.

Below is listed the uniform requirements for this school.

SUMMER:

- Girls:** Blue, white and lemon check dress with yellow tie.
Short royal blue socks, black shoes.
Hair ribbon (if necessary) lemon or blue.
- Boys:** Grey short sleeved shirt (preferably with emblem)
Grey shorts
Grey socks with black shoes.

WINTER:

- Girls:** Tartan pinafore OR
Tartan slacks
Lemon, long sleeved blouse
Tartan Tie
Grey stockings OR
Royal blue socks
Royal blue vest (optional)
Royal blue jumper OR
Royal blue, V neck sweatshirt OR
Royal blue cardigan.
- Boys:** Grey shirt (preferably with emblem)
Grey trousers
Grey socks
Royal blue vest (optional)
Royal blue jumper OR
Royal blue, V neck sweatshirt OR
Royal blue cardigan

SPORTS UNIFORM

- Polo shirt in their house colour
Royal blue tracksuit (preferably with emblem)
- Girls:** Royal blue wrap-around pleated skirt OR
Royal blue sports shorts
White socks
- Boys:** Royal blue sports shorts
White socks

Leeton School Dental Clinic
has re-opened. Staff will be
there every day until further
notice.

Please call the hotline on:
1800 450 046 to make an
appointment. Services are free
to children from any age to
the age of 18. Please bring
your medicare card.

Special Award Winners for this Week**Diamond Award Winners**

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



Back row L-R: Lucy Rhodes, Sophie Mannall, Sophie Anthony, Jade Cooper

3rd Row L-R: Cody McCallum, Adrian Mallamace, Finley Sales

2nd Row L-R: Callum Jackson, Jez Lashbrook, Jack Clark, Henry Rhodes, Ella Rhodes, Noumea Kember

Front row L-R: Holley Harrison, Maya, Phoenix Kember, Madison Sharman

Merit Award Winners

- KB Heidi Goulding, Patrick Turner
- KF Dion Bennett, Fleur Mallinder-Townsend
- KV Charlotte Buchanan, Cid Patenia
- 1M Zara Lamont, Brylle Isidito
- 1S Xavier McVittie, Lachlan Bridge
- 2M Lily Hansen, Toby Jackson
- 2R Kyis Ruttley, Lily Thomason
- S2B Mimi Robinson, George Kokke, Scarlett Wallace
- S2C Ella Rhodes, Noumea Kember, Mia McBroom
- S2S Kate O'Brien, Jack Skewes, Isabella Polimeni
- S2T Callum Jackson, Jade Eglinton, Evan Johnston
- S3E Flynn Anthony, Tom Sheldrick, Blake McDonald
- S3L Isabella Lotito, Myer Patten, Jarryd Winnel
- S3RA Kurt Young, Jade Cooper, Junior Nikoro
- S3RY Emily McVittie, Jessica Wells, Francesco Ierano

Premier's Reading Challenge



It's that time again! Time to log your books for the 2016 Reading Challenge.

The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely!

Students in K-2 are challenged to read 30 books off the challenge list, whilst years 3-6 are set the challenge of reading 20 books from the list. Students may include books they have read earlier this year at home as well as those read at school!

To log the books read or to find out what books are on the list, students can log into their student portal and the Premier's Reading Challenge link is hidden in the Learning tab.

If you require help logging books please catch up with one of the Info Hub teachers during your lessons and we can help!

Thanks

Jo Pearce – Challenge coordinator.

LPS Cross Country

The LPS annual Cross Country was held on Friday 13th May. What a perfect day for a long distance run! Students ran on the picturesque track through our grounds and the adjoining grounds of Leeton High School. Thank you to Leeton High for allowing us to run through their grounds. A huge thank you to the parent and citizen volunteers who assisted on the day, 'manning' check points and cheering on their children as well as other students. The parents gathered at the finish line were also great supporters of all LPS children. Thank you to the staff of LPS who assisted in the smooth running of the day. A special thanks to Mr Sales, Mrs Spina and Miss Williams who set up and dismantled the course. Finally, congratulations to all the students who took part fairly, enthusiastically and competitively. Ribbons were presented today at our afternoon assembly.

5 Years Girls

1st Aspen Martin 2nd Matilda Kokke 3rd Faith Faoa

5 Years Boys

1st Bryce Butler 2nd Vann Hodge 3rd Jaxx Burns

6 Years Girls

1st Sage Deaton 2nd Charli McCann 3rd Phoenix Kember

6 Years Boys

1st Lachlan Bridge 2nd Xavier Stanton 3rd Wesley Wate

7 Years Girls

1st Ellena Halloran 2nd Zara Lamont 3rd Indigo Sands

7 Years Boys

1st Sebastian Crelley 2nd Jez Lashbrook 3rd Luke Bechaz

8 Years Girls

1st Madeleine Glenn 2nd Holly Harrison 3rd Mackenzie Lee

8 Years Boys

1st Tennyson Sales 2nd Eli Doyle 3rd Arlo Ciavarella

9 Years Girls

1st Katelyn Winnel 2nd Sari Leighton 3rd Scarlett Wallace

9 Years Boys

1st Cayden Hillier 2nd Jack Allen 3rd Tom Cooper

10 Year Girls

1st Emily Baulch 2nd Noumea Kember 3rd Nakeita Alampi

10 Years Boys

1st Jonah Allen 2nd Flynn Anthony 3rd Luca Deaton

11 Years Girls

1st Holly Sharman 2nd Isabella Franz 3rd Charlie Lamont

11 Years boys

1st Jhi Grundy 2nd Jayden Broadbent 3rd Kalem Thompson

12 Years Girls

1st Alex Glenn 2nd Lailani Watts 3rd Sophie Mannall

12 Years Boys

1st Jhie Deaton 2nd Ryan Butler 3rd Riley Arnold

The house points for the day were Parkes 218, Cook 226, Flynn 277 and Sturt 281. The winning house, stopping Flynn's run of five in a row, of our annual Cross Country was Sturt.

The next round for the runners is the Zone PSSA Cross Country at Narrandera on 3rd June. All first five place winners of the 10, 11 and 12 years races, plus the first three 9 and first two 8 years, are eligible to attend. Notes will be sent home to those children next week.

Mrs Jenny Tiffin, Cross Country Co-ordinator

LPS Vegie Garden Working Bee

Wow! You should see the vegie plot now! Virtually unrecognisable from two weeks ago. A huge thank you to the band of workers who pitched in on Friday afternoon to weed the rest of the patch. Thank you to **Thelma Chaffey**, who once again started early and spent a total of 4 hours toiling away. **Thank you to Joe Vecchio and his daughter Hayley, Amanda Franz and her daughter Bella, Kristy Pike, Jarrod Young, Mrs Ramponi and Ms Moore**, who all worked their fingers and green thumbs to the bone weeding, weeding and weeding. A special thank you to my son **David** who returned for a second week to prune the fruit trees and cut back the berry vines. Dangerous work that!!

Plans for this Friday are to fertilize and turn the beds over so they will be ready for winter crop planting. So, once again, if any parents or interested LPS supporters could lend a hand for half an hour or so on Friday afternoon, we would love to see you. This will be our final working bee for the time being. Phew! say all of us!!

Mrs Jenny Tiffin LPS Garden Co-ordinator

Stage 3 AFL: Tony Lockett Shield and Paul Kelly Cup

On Friday 6th of May, thirteen girls and eighteen boys from Stage 3 ventured to Griffith to represent LPS in AFL.

The Boys contested the Tony Lockett Shield. They won two out of their three pool games, narrowly losing one game. The boys had two easy wins, but fell two points short against Hanwood Public School. Overall, the LPS team combined well together and showed that they were able to play a good standard of football.

The LPS girls showed that a positive approach and a willingness to 'have a go' can really pay big rewards. In the Paul Kelly Cup, they managed to easily win each of their three pool games, kicking eight goals in every game, and finishing on top of their pool. They even had to play an extra game, to cater for an uneven draw, which although, made them tired, gave them a little more experience and momentum. In the semi-finals, the girls defeated both St. Joseph's Leeton and St. Patrick's Griffith who fielded very strong teams. LPS then played Griffith Public School in the grand final, and although Griffith were much taller overall, they were no match for the LPS girls whose teamwork and skill level allowed them to kick twelve goals to three.

The LPS girls will now advance to the next stage of the Paul Kelly Cup in Wagga Wagga on Tuesday 21st June.

Walk Safely to School Day

This Friday, May 20th, will be "Walk Safely to School" day. All students are encouraged to walk safely to school with an adult family member. This day supports our LPS PDHPE outcomes. There will be a sticker for all K-2 students who can walk to school or part of the way on this day. Primary students will earn "House points"

Thank you for your support.

Megan Moore

Leeton Public School Athletics Carnival

This year the carnival will be held on **Thursday, 26th May** from 9.30am until 3.15pm, and on **Friday, 27th May** from 9.30am until 3.15pm.

To help with organisation during the carnival, we will once again be asking for parent helpers. If you have the time to help fill a role at the carnival it would be greatly appreciated. We will also require some parents to help with setting up the field events at approximately 8:00am on Thursday 26th May.

Students (8 years plus) in Year 2-6 will attend the

carnival on both days. Weather permitting, students in K-1 will attend the carnival on Thursday. Our school Facebook page will be updated if this information changes.

To indicate your availability, please fill out the parent/carer assistance request note sent home with this newsletter and return it to school as soon as possible.

Please also note the LPS Canteen will be closed at the school for the two days as it will be operating at the carnival.

Regards

Jo Pearce

Carnival coordinator

Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour Soundscape Recordings Remember Me Project

Leeton Public School was successful in securing a position in the Australian War Memorial's Roll of Honour Soundscape Recordings Remember Me Project.

This project is led by The Australian War Memorial and attempts to capture recordings of school-age children from around Australia, recording the names of the fallen soldiers on the WW1 Roll of Honour. The intended use of the recordings is as part of an audio soundscape which features at the War Memorial's First World War Roll of Honour in the Cloisters of the Commemorative Area.

A selection of Year 6 students were invited to participate. They completed their recordings last week and have been forwarded onto the AWM for inclusion in the Soundscape Remember Me Project. If you wish to learn more about the project please visit the AWM site:

<https://www.awm.gov.au/1914-1918/roll-honour-soundscape/>

Lest We Forget



THE CRUNCHY CABIN ROSTER

WEEK 4

Monday 16th –Margie

Tuesday 17th - Cara Chitts

Wednesday 18th - Sue Mundy

Thursday 19th - Amanda Sidebottom

Friday 20th - Rosa Dadonna

WEEK 5

Monday 23rd -Margie

Tuesday 24th -Liz Tynan

Wednesday 25th - Jo McLennan

THURSDAY 26TH & FRIDAY 27TH - SPORTS CARNIVAL -

HELPERS REQUIRED - CRUNCHY CABIN CLOSED

UNIFORM SHOP

☐ ☺ **OPENED 1.00pm-5.00pm**

EVERY TUESDAY OR by appointment call
Belinda on 0427 532 401

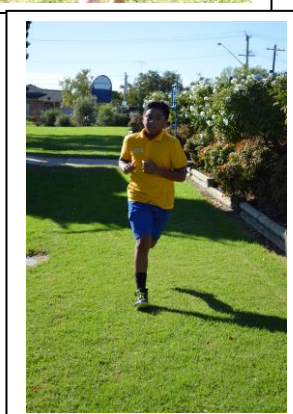
- Hats have increased from \$14 to \$15.
- I am currently out of size 12 boys long sleeved shirts.
- Size 57cm hats have finally arrived!

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





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.



Leeton Public School

Kindergarten 2017

Information Sessions
Wednesday 8th June,
2016
2pm & 7pm

Kindergarten Transition
Program
Starting Wednesday
12th October, 2016

For further details contact Leeton Public School
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FAMILY TIP SHEET

Common Sense on Talking Safely Online

What's the Issue?

Kids love connecting with others online. Most young people talk online only with their friends and family. But as a parent, you might be concerned that a stranger with bad intent (predator) could contact your child.

Predatory behaviour is when people contact your child on the Internet (mostly through instant messaging, chat rooms, or social networking sites) and attempt to “groom” your child for a relationship. These people try to win children’s trust by hiding their true identities. They may try to get kids into creepy or dangerous situations by pretending to have similar interests, giving them compliments, and letting them talk about anything they want. They typically tell children to keep the friendship secret, and they may even threaten kids if they tell anybody. As the relationship develops, the predator may send pictures, ask a child to send them pictures, and then ask to meet face to face.

Why Does It Matter?

Teaching your child to be alert about how predators groom their targets is crucial to keeping your child safe. With very small kids, it is best if you are present when they are online. At this age, you may choose to block your kids from talking online, or create strict rules for them to follow about who they can talk to. For older elementary school children, you may choose to give them more freedom after first discussing how to stay safe online.

Discuss responsible online behaviour.

Establish rules for appropriate instant messaging and chatting online, and explain that you’re enforcing those rules because you care about their safety. You may want to involve an older sibling who can model good online behaviour and can stay involved in their younger siblings’ online lives.

Establish rules for who’s okay to talk to.

Online talk should generally be with people your children know, like family and friends.

Set boundaries for what topics are okay to discuss.

Kids shouldn’t answer questions online that make them feel uncomfortable. They also shouldn’t talk about adult topics with strangers.

Make sure your child feels safe telling a trusted adult.

If something creepy or inappropriate happens online, kids need to know they won’t get in trouble if they tell an adult they trust. Also, avoid banning them from the computer. Kids are less likely to tell parents when they experience a problem on the computer if they think as a result they won’t be allowed to use it.

Remind your kids not to give strangers private information.

Kids should never give out their name, address, school, phone number, email, pictures, or anything that could identify who they are.

Block, ignore, or leave. Most kids know to brush off unwanted contact. Encourage this behaviour.

Look for warning signs. Does your child seem withdrawn, emotionally distant, spend endless hours online, or seem to be hiding something? The kids who get sucked into inappropriate online relationships often show warning signs. They might be hiding an online relationship they don’t want you to know about. If you think this might be happening, ask your child about it!

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