

The Lake Primary School Weekly Newsletter



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Important Dates

02/08/2024
Prep-2 Assembly
Assembly Performance 1/2B

Forward dates:

Monday 04/11/2024
Curriculum Day
(before Melbourne Cup public holiday)

Principal Message – Week 3

Inter-house Athletics Carnival – What a day!



Yesterday, in radiant sunshine, we hosted our annual Inter-house Athletics Carnival - what a day it was! Bromley, Shillington, Russell and Dermott competed strongly, showed admirable sportsmanship and championed this week's school value of 'Resilience' throughout the day. I would like to extend a big 'thank you' to Mrs. Cohrs and Mr. Trev for displaying such wonderful organisation and commitment to ensure that our sporting fields were in tip-top shape and for the smooth running of the day. Thank you to the large contingent of families who came along to watch some events - it really does give our students a boost! A full review of results can be found in the 'PE/Health News' section of today's newsletter.

National Science Week – Open Classroom



The school theme this year for National Science Week (10th - 18th August) is *Species Survival - More Than Just Sustainability*. The theme aims to highlight the importance of science and innovation in ensuring the survival and thriving of different species in an ever-changing world. To recognise National Science Week at The Lake Primary School, Mr. Bell will have the S.T.E.A.M room open on Wednesday, 14th August and Friday, 16th August (3.15 - 3.45pm) to showcase the amazing activities that students have recently been engaging with. Mark these dates on your calendar and be sure to drop into the S.T.E.A.M room during National Science Week!

Year 3/4 Sovereign Hill Camp – Not long now!



On Monday, our Year 3/4 students will be boarding the bus and heading to Ballarat for a 3-day excursion. The anticipation and excitement has certainly been building amongst the students, particularly over the last few weeks as the event draws near. For some students, being away from home for consecutive days will be a new experience. School camps are designed to challenge students, offer new experiences and provide opportunities for personal growth. I would particularly like to congratulate those students (and families) who, even though they may be feeling a little uncertain about taking this leap, are approaching camp with a growth mindset and seeing the wonderful opportunity that lies ahead. Staff attending camp include Ms. Tania Anderson (camp coordinator), Mrs. Jackie Walsh, Miss Mia Humphrey, Mrs. Leah Crane, Mrs. Louise Bowes, Mr. Trev Roelofs and myself.

Digital Learning Policy

It is an Education Department (DET) requirement that all community members are informed of our digital learning practices. If you would like to view our Digital Learning Policy, please access the below link or log on to our school website and click on the 'Policies & Reports' tab.

https://www.thelakeps.vic.edu.au/files/ugd/7d8f65_4f2647e425fb4e67bb89ed49d1dbe90f.pdf

Thank you for your ongoing support. All the best for a great finish to the week!

Kind regards,

Shaun McInerney

TOLERANCE RESPECT SUCCESS LEARNING RESILIENCE

'Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts'

Take pride in being a 'Laker'- aim for 97% attendance or above!

Does this sound familiar? 'How was School?' 'Good'?

As parents, we generally want to hear about our child's school day but it's not always easy to get information out of them. We want details they're not giving up easily. Here is a list of questions you might like to try after school.

- Who did you play with at lunch/recess?
- Who came up with the idea of what to play?
- Did you have any Specialist classes today? What did you do in Art/STEAM/PE?
- What are you doing in maths at the moment?
- How did you help someone today?
- What book are you reading now? What's happening so far?
- Who do you think is the kindest person in your class?
- What is something that made you smile today?
- What did you find hard today?
- Who was the 'Super Helper'?
- What things did people share for 'Show & Tell' today?
- What are you writing about?
- Where is your favorite area to play in the yard?



Please be mindful that not all students will be ready to talk straight after school and they may need some type of 'down time' before they can talk about their day. Just like us adults, children need breaks too! For some, talking in the car may be better, whilst others may need the car to be quiet and have a snack before chatting about their day.

With much kindness,

Miss Louise and Mr Mac

News from PE/Health

To the students of The Lake Primary School,

Congratulations on your enthusiastic participation in yesterday's Athletics Carnival! Your energy, dedication, and teamwork truly brought the event to life.

Your participation in the events beautifully reflected our school's core values:

- **Respect:** You showed respect for each other and for the spirit of fair play, demonstrating that true sportsmanship is about honouring both opponents and teammates alike.
- **Tolerance:** Athletics Day highlighted your skill in recognising and celebrating the unique talents and strengths of your peers, fostering an environment where everyone felt appreciated and valued.
- **Learning:** Each event was an opportunity for growth and discovery. Whether it was mastering a new skill or learning to overcome challenges, you embraced every event with enthusiasm.
- **Resilience:** From pushing through tough moments to bouncing back after setbacks, your resilience was inspiring. You showed that true success comes from persistence and hard work.
- **Success:** Beyond the medals and ribbons, your participation highlighted the real success of Athletics Day: the joy of effort, the pride in your achievements and the friendships and team spirit you fostered along the way.

Thank you for making the day so memorable and for living out our values with such dedication. Keep up the great work and remember that every effort you make helps you move closer to achieving your goals.

From Mrs Cohrs.



2024 Athletics Day Champions:

Bromley

2024 Spirit Cup

Winners

Shillington



Age Group Champions: Congratulations to the following students who were awarded Age Group Champions: Stella Wall, Evie Coombes, Zack Hugo, Reese Ayars, August Eccles, Lucy McCully, Chase Scarr, Madeline McAskill, Ryley Bailey, Ivy Duscher, Cooper McCully, Zoe Caia, Flynn Crossling, Sienna McGlynn & Hudson Cramp.

Records Broken: Lucy McCully (Long Jump - 2.92m & High Jump - 99cm), August Eccles (High Jump - 105cm), Aspen Eccles (High Jump - 80cm), Ivy Duscher (Long Jump - 3.20m & Vortex 23m), Madeline McAskill (High Jump - 106cm), Azaylia Cohrs (Vortex - 19.7m), Ollie Hall (Sprints - 9.48secs), Abbigayle Francis (High Jump - 107cm) & Anthony O'Farrell (Vortex - 44m).





'Worker of the Week' Awards'

Congratulations to the following students:

Sydney Hunt, Remi Dichiera, Oliver Leach, Sophie Cavallo, Maggie Thomas, Wil McGinty, Jax Williams, Jaynah Bowes, Zoe Caia, Phia Hugo, Alexia De Angelo, Billie Smithers, Isla Burley, Mason Stephenson, Zoe Hollingworth, Fletcher Fitzgerald, Jaxson Brereton and Jack Allen.

What's on offer next week for Thursday lunches?

Food Day - Thursday 8th August
 Please return orders by Tuesday 6th August
Penne Pasta \$4.00

Name Year

Extra of the same selected \$2.00

Total amount enclosed \$.....



2024 Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey



Department of Education

WE WANT OUR PARENTS / CAREGIVERS / GUARDIANS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

Our school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation.

Our school will use the survey results to assist in identifying areas for improvement and professional development needs in the school, to target school planning and improvement strategies.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey will be open online from **Monday, 29th of July to Friday, 30th of August, 2024**. A random sample of parents / caregivers / guardians have been selected to participate in this year's survey.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **20 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. Resources are also available in additional languages to assist parents / caregivers / guardians who speak a language other than English at home. Please reach out to your child's teacher, or the school directly for survey guides in your language.

If you are one of 60 randomly selected families, you will be notified via email and will have until Friday, 30th of August to complete the survey.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this important survey - a survey that will be thoroughly reviewed and strongly contribute to shaping the direction of The Lake Primary School.

Kind regards,

Shaun McInerney

Acting Principal