



TERM DATES

Term 4

Friday, 14th November

3-6 assembly @ 2.40pm
Assembly performance 4/5B

13/11/2025

Prep Dinner 3.15-6.15pm

14/11/2025

Yr 3/4 Merbein Library Excursion

18/11/2025

Yr 3/4 Mildura Library Excursion

18/11/2025

2nd Prep Orientation (2026)

21/11/2025

Report Writing Day
(Pupil Free)

24/11/2025-28/11/2025

3/4A, 3/4B, 4/5A & 4/5B
Swimming Program

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NEWSLETTER: Term 4 Week 6

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Honouring Our Heroes: Remembrance Day Service

On Tuesday, we gathered to honour and remember the brave men and women who served our country and made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom: reflecting on their courage and dedication, and to express our gratitude for the peace we enjoy today.

The Lake PS is very fortunate to be able to honour our service men and woman with the privilege of having our beautiful memorial garden as a daily reminder of their sacrifices for us. **Lest We Forget.**



Congratulations, Champion Readers! Celebrating 200 Nights of Home Reading!



I look forward to celebrating the incredible achievement of our students who have now reached **200 nights of home reading!** This dedication to reading not only shows your hard work and commitment but also fosters a lifelong love of books and learning. The celebratory lunch will be held **tomorrow at 11am**. Students that have received an invitation won't be required to bring their lunch. **Congratulations students!**

Design & Technology: Putting Solar Boats to the Test!

Students recently embarked on an exciting project in STEM where they designed and constructed their own solar boats from the ground up! Students used a mix of materials including corks, duct tape, solar panels, wire coat hangers & cardboard to design their boats. Yesterday students excitedly tested their creations to see if they would float and travel on water successfully! This hands-on experience not only fostered creativity and teamwork but also deepened their knowledge of renewable energy and engineering principles. **Very clever Lakers!**



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Prep Orientation #2 at The Lake!

Our second orientation morning for the 2026 prep students will be held from **9am to 11:30am** next **Tuesday 18th November**, providing another opportunity for new families and their children to explore our school community. We look forward to seeing our future students again and sharing more wonderful experiences with you!

Creative Hanging Pot Plant Made Especially for Our School!



We are very excited to showcase a beautiful hanging pot plant created by one of our talented students, Grace, featuring a lovely mix of native plants. Thank you Grace for making this special gift for our school!

Enjoy your week- we are already halfway through the term!

Kind Regards,

Ms Warburton

WORKERS OF THE WEEK

Hayley Shaw, Heath Fiebig, Bohdi Marks, Amelia Pritchard, Rilee McInerney, River Burley, Miles Lee, Aspen Eccles, Austin Hansen and Lainey Chapman.



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Lollies in the morning?

Recently, we have noticed many students consuming lollies in the morning before the school day has started. There are also several students bringing packets of lollies to share. Eating too much sugar has both short term and long-lasting effects. Consumption of sugary foods leads to an increase in blood sugar levels and an increase in insulin levels which is often followed by a 'crash'. This cycle can lead to hyperactivity, poor concentration and mood fluctuations. New research is telling us that over consumption of sugar affects the hippocampus, which is the part of the brain responsible for memory. This of course leads to struggles concentrating, focus, learning and emotional dysregulation.

The recommended daily intake of sugar for children is 6 teaspoons. Just 4 gummy bears is 2 teaspoons of sugar! Of course, the more we try to restrict sugar the more children want it. Instead of restricting sugar, it's best to replace it with healthy snacks. Great examples are fruit, yoghurt, cheese, vegetables and any whole food. When talking about food with children, it's best to talk about the positives – 'health foods give you energy and make you strong'. Please be mindful about what food your children are bringing to school understanding that this directly impacts on the day.



With much kindness,

Miss Louise and Mr Mac

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4/5A NEWS

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NOVEL STUDY

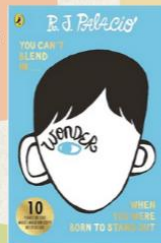
This term, 4/5A have been reading the novel, **Wonder**, by R.J. Palacio. Here are some students' thoughts about the book so far:

Jimmy: My favourite part so far was Auggie's first day of school and when he dressed up for Halloween.

CHARACTERS

Turia: Via is Auggie's sister and she is supportive of him and his condition. She always stands up for him.

Clara: Auggie is the main character and he is very self aware. I feel sad for him. He loves his family and they support him.



STORYLINE

Emmi: The book is about Auggie, who has a rare genetic condition that has caused him to get bullied a lot. I like that he finds some friends.

Seth: It's about a boy with a gene that's caused a face defect, making it hard for him to make friends.

OPINIONS

Imogen: The book is very interesting.

Henry: I think the book is good because I like the characters. It's interesting.

Maddie: I like the book because it's realistic fiction.

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The Merbein Development Association and Mildura Merbein Rotary 2025 **Merbein** Christmas Carols will be held at Kenny Park, Merbein, on Friday 5th December from 5:00–9:30pm. Go along and support this great community event.

Due to late notification and time restraints, our Carols by Candlelight Singing Group will not be performing at this event but we will be performing at our End Of Year Concert.

This year, they are adding some festive extras! The event will feature vendors and activity stalls to spread even more holiday cheer, including:

- Rotary BBQ
- Scoops Ice Cream
- Curlytops Coffee
- Christmas crafts with Merbein Kindergarten
- Glitter face painting with the Merbein Development Association

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2025
Burunga Public School
International FOOD FESTIVAL

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SATURDAY
15TH NOVEMBER
5PM - 8PM

RAFFLES (PRIZES TOTALLING OVER \$8,000!!!)

1st PRIZE - ALL NEW TM7 THERMOMIX!
Valued at \$2649)

2nd PRIZE - Trek Marlin 6 Bike Pack
Valued at \$1,490)

3rd PRIZE - GT Performer Mercado BMX Bike pack (valued at \$890)

AND MANY, MANY MORE!

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OUR LEGACY, OUR CHILDREN



October 2025

An open letter to all parents and guardians of The Lake Primary School

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter is to inform you about the Mildura Schools Lands Trust (often referred to as College Lease) and how it works for our school and our children.

- Each year our school receives money from this trust.
- Last year 2024 we received \$ 55,828.00 and our school council used this money to ICT devices used by the students



The money we receive from this trust is additional to the funding we receive from the government and voluntary contributions from families. Every Victorian primary and secondary school in Sunraysia and therefore, every student, benefits from the money raised by this trust. The amount of money that each school receives is allocated evenly, based on the number of students who attend each school.

Information & History

Our trust was formed in 1916 and it is the most unique, community education trust in Australia. Mildura Schools Lands is a trust that owns 183 parcels of land spread throughout the city of Mildura and the original irrigation district. Each land title is leased for 50 years. Leases can be bought and sold and developed by the lessee, with approval from council. Commercial rental from each lease raises the money for schools. The Chaffey brothers first allocated these lands and it was then legislated for in 1916.

The Mildura Schools Lands-Beneficiaries Committee works to protect and improve the trust. This committee works with the trust's manager (State Trustees), the community and the Department of Education to ensure the security of the trust for the benefit of all Sunraysia students.

If you would like further information, please contact the school.

Kind Regards

Bernadette Warburton

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