



TERM DATES

Term 4

19/10/2026 – 21/10/2026

Book Fair

25/10/2026

The Lake Primary School Fete

03/11/2026

Public Holiday

05/11/2026

Prep Dinner

13/11/2026

Student Free Day (Report Writing)

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Principal's Report – Term 4, Week 2

Welcome to the Week 2 Newsletter!

We have enjoyed a wonderful start to **Term 4**, with students settling back into routines and reconnecting with their classmates and teachers. There is a busy and exciting term ahead, with plenty of opportunities for learning, school events and celebrations as we make the most of our final term together.

Prep Orientation Day

It was lovely to welcome our newest Lakers for their first Prep orientation morning on Tuesday! The children were excited to make new **friendships**, **explore their school environment** and had an opportunity to experience some of the **routines** that will become part of their school day. It was wonderful to see so many families join me for the **'Coffee & Chat'** information session. To all our new families, a **heartfelt welcome!** We are so pleased you have chosen to become part of our Laker family and look forward to getting to know you and your children as we share this new educational chapter together with your child.

Thank you to the **many staff** members who contributed to the team that supported our new preps and families on their first school experience! A **special thank you** to **Mrs Wall & Mrs Hunt** for their wonderful organisation & memorable experience for our preps!



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New Afternoon Pick-Up Arrangements

Thank you to our students and families for your positive response to the new afternoon pick-up arrangements. Your co-operation and patience have helped make this busy time safer for everyone. It has been encouraging to see our school community working together to keep student safety a priority.

Please continue to read our **Compass** communications so you stay informed about school news, events and changes to arrangements. If you are having difficulty logging in or accessing your account, please contact the school office so we can help you stay connected.

Year 5/6 Student Voice Workshop

Last Wednesday, our Year 5/6 students participated in an important workshop focused on revisiting our school values of **Respect, Learning, Success, Resilience** and **Tolerance** by reflecting on how these values are demonstrated through their everyday choices and behaviours. The workshop was informed by feedback from our recent Attitudes to School Survey, particularly in the areas of a '**sense of connectedness**', '**student voice**' and '**positive relationships**'.

We also discussed the importance of being positive role models, taking responsibility for our actions and making choices that reflect our school expectations. Students were encouraged to reflect on their commitment in creating a safe, respectful and inclusive learning environment where everyone feels valued, supported and respected.



As senior students, our Year 5/6s have an important role in modelling the culture of our school community and we look forward to seeing them demonstrate these values consistently throughout the remainder of the year. **Let's finish strong Lakers!**

A Lasting Memory for Our Year 6 Students



Our Year 6 students have created a special and lasting memory of their time at The Lake Primary School by each planting a 'Red Robin' in our school grounds (look for the newly planted Red Robins along the Seventeenth St. fenceline!). Each student received a personalised keepsake tag featuring the plant's name, their own name and an individual number identifying the location of their plant, allowing them to return and find it in years to come.

A heartfelt thank you to **Margot and Andrew Fowler**, whose incredibly generous donation made this meaningful experience possible for our students. Our sincere thanks also to **Mr Trev** and **Miss Bec** for their time & support in bringing this wonderful initiative to life. What a lovely way for our Year 6 students to leave a lasting memory as Lakers!

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End of Year Celebration Morning – Save the Date!

Please join us on **Monday 14th December**, for our End of Year Celebration & Awards Morning **commencing at 9:30 am**. We look forward to reflecting on the achievements and learning successes of the 2026 school year! The morning will feature year level **dance performances**, a performance by our **student choir**, the presentation of academic & acknowledgement **awards** along with the announcement of our **School Captains** and **House Captains** for 2027! We look forward to coming together with our families to celebrate another year of learning, success and achievement at The Lake!

Wishing all our Laker families a wonderful week ahead!

Kind regards,
Bernadette



9 Days Until Our Fabulous Fete!

To Do

- Please bring in any secondhand books, toys and Laker uniforms to the office. We need uniforms to be clean and in good order – only Lake Primary School uniforms please.
- Tomorrow (Friday) all Laker families will be provided with a container, label and instructions for participating in the cake stall. We would love all families to contribute if possible. Your tasty contributions can be delivered to the office on Friday 23/10/26 or Saturday 24/10/26.
- If you have been potting up plants, please bring these in any time now and put them on the paving to the left-hand side of the office steps.
- Please return your raffle books (sold or unsold) to the office as soon as possible – we have lots of requests for additional tickets, so don't worry if you have not sold them all.
- Bring along gold coins for kids to participate in the school run activities (Footy Clinic, Biscuit Decorating, Fete Faces, Fast Feet Netball and Yabby Race).

Helpers welcome

- If you have time to help on the day of the Fete with setting up, serving on a stall or with pack up, we'd love to hear from you! Please indicate the time(s) you can be available to Margot Fowler at andrewandmargot@bigpond.com

Many thanks,

The Fete Committee

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It's about books, it's about reading! It's about your children, it's about fun! It's our **Scholastic Book Fair** – a special time for our entire school community. Our fair will be in our Open Learning Area from **Monday 19th to Wednesday 21st of October**. We will be available for sales between **8:15 – 8:45am and 3:15 – 3:45pm on both days**.

On Monday and Tuesday, students will be visiting the Book Fair to create a 'wish list'. Please note you do not have to purchase everything on this list, it is simply to give you an idea of what your children have their eyes on. Orders can be made online by following the instructions on the back of your child's 'wish list'. **This slip must then be returned to make a purchase.**

If you like, you can help grow our school library by purchasing a book to donate. All donated books will have a sticker placed inside the book highlighting which family/student donated the book.

We encourage you to enjoy this special event and help raise funds for our school. We can't wait to see you there!

With kindness and excitement,

Miss Louise and Miss Leah

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