' EVERY STUDENT MATTERS, EVERY MOMENT COUNTS'

TERM DATES

Term 4

13/11/2026
Student Free Day (Report Writing)

16/11 – 20/11
Yr 5/6 Swimming

16/11
Pevan & Sarah Excursion Prep-Yr 2

23/11 – 27/11
Prep A & Yr 3/4 Swimming

30/11 – 4/12
Prep B & Yr 1/2 Swimming

7/12
Whole School Swimming Carnival

10/12
Yr 6 Graduation

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Principal's Report – Term 4, Week 6

Welcome to the Week 6 Newsletter!

Welcome to Week 6! As we head into the final five weeks of the school year, there are plenty of activities and events to look forward to and opportunities to celebrate our learning and achievements for 2026! We have been encouraging our **Lakers to finish strong** by showing our school values, supporting one another and making the most of every day!

Remembrance Day





On Wednesday, our Laker community came together for our **Remembrance Day** service to honour those who have served and those who continue to serve. We reflected on the sacrifices made by service personnel and their families and paused for a minute of silence. We were proud of the respect our Lakers showed as they listened and took time to remember. **Lest we forget.**

Linked-in Lakers

Our Linked-in Lakers groups met today, giving staff the opportunity to hear what students have enjoyed about their catch-ups, what activities they would like to include and any suggestions for improvement for 2027! This valuable feedback will help shape future sessions as we continue to strengthen connections between students and staff.

Volleyball

Congratulations to our Year 6 Lakers on winning the Loddon Mallee Sports Region Volleyball Tournament! Their tenacity and teamwork have earned them first place and a spot in the finals in Melbourne next Friday. We're proud of you and wish you all the best for the finals!

Harvey Smithers, Riley Robinson, AJ Hugo, Fletcher Fitzgerald, Nate Cooksley, Jax Williams and Fletcher Weinert



OH&S Audit

We are proud to share that **The Lake PS achieved 92% compliance** in our recent **Occupational Health and Safety** (OH&S) audit, with just six minor actions requiring attention! A big thank you to our wonderful OH&S team, led by Mrs Roelofs and Mr Trev and to all staff for their fantastic teamwork and support to achieve this result! This pleasing result reflects our ongoing commitment to keeping The Lake PS a safe and healthy place to learn and work.

VGSA Update

The Victorian Government Schools Agreement 2026 has been officially approved and took effect on 23rd October. It sets out pay and working conditions for teachers, principals and education support staff, including salary adjustments and changes to workload arrangements. At The Lake, we are working through the implementation requirements and will keep families informed of any changes that affect school arrangements.

New Transition Mornings

Our Lakers will take part in **two additional transition mornings** in Week 7 **(Friday 20th November)** and Week 8 **(Friday 27th November)** to help make the final **Statewide Transition** morning a more familiar and comfortable experience. These mornings will also give teachers and education support staff opportunities to observe classroom dynamics and get to know students who may be in their classes next year. On the final transition morning, **Tuesday 8th December**, your child will spend time in their confirmed 2027 classroom with their teacher for next year.

Somer's Camp

Congratulations to our students attending the upcoming Somers Camp! **Layla Watt, Zoe Hollingworth, Amelia Gale, Isla Marks, Billy Ough**, Oliver Barnes, Sam Watson and Spencer Morgan will be departing next **Tuesday 17th** with **Mr Rhode** and will enjoy nine days of exciting adventures, personal challenges and the opportunity to make new friendships. Have fun Lakers, try something new and make the most of this wonderful opportunity!



Coming Up in Week 7!

- **Swimming Program**- Year 5/6 students
- **16th November: Year P-2 students**- 'Pevan & Sarah Show' at MAC
- **17th November: Prep Orientation Day #2**
- **17th November: Somer's Camp Students Depart!**
- **Friday 13th November-** Pupil Free Day

Reminder: Tomorrow, Friday 13th is a Pupil Free Day

Tomorrow, our teachers will be preparing student reports for Semester 2. From Semester 2 this year, **student reports** at The Lake Primary School will be available digitally through **Compass**. If you would like a printed copy of your child's report, please contact the school office and we'll be happy to arrange one for you.

Have a great week!

Kind regards,
Bernadette