



TERM DATES

Term 3

13/08/2026-14/08/2026

Yr 1/2 Activity Day

Yr 2 Sleepover

21/08/2026

Book Day/Grandparents Day

25/08/2026 – 26/08/2026

The Beat Performance –
Mildura Arts Centre

01/09/2026

Mini Olympics

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Principal's Report – Term 3, Week 5

Welcome to the Week 5 Newsletter!

We have had many wonderful opportunities over the past few weeks for our students to challenge themselves, celebrate success and strengthen connections with our school community. **Enjoy the week 5 news!**

Athletics Day

What a fantastic day we had at our annual Athletics Carnival! It was wonderful to see so many families supporting our students and cheering them on throughout the day, despite the cold and windy weather! Our students demonstrated outstanding sportsmanship, determination and team spirit, making it a great celebration of participation and achievement.

Congratulations to **Shillington** for receiving the **Spirit Cup Trophy!** Your cheering and support for your fellow Shillington peers was amazing all day!

This year the **Shield** went to **Russell!** An amazing demonstration of perseverance and giving your best effort as a team! **Well done!**

Congratulations to all students who achieved age champion medals! We are so proud of the teamwork, caring support for our younger students and the overall enthusiasm that our students displayed! Well done, Lakers!

A special thank you to **Mrs Cohrs** and **Mr Trev** for their exceptional organisation and preparation for the day. Events such as these require a tremendous amount of planning, and we sincerely appreciate everything they did to ensure the day was such a success.

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Congratulations, Fletcher!

We are incredibly proud of **Fletcher Fitzgerald**, who recently represented **Victoria** at the Under 12 National Football Championships in Canberra.

Fletcher and his teammates were awarded national champions after an unbeaten tournament. What an outstanding achievement! Well done Fletcher!

Book Week and Grandparents' Day

We look forward to welcoming families and grandparents to our annual **Book Week and Grandparents' Day** on **Friday 21st August**. This year's Book Week theme, "**Symphonies of Stories**" will be another exciting celebration of reading. Families are invited to enjoy our **student dress-up parade at 9:00am** before joining classroom activities followed by a shared picnic lunch on the oval from **11.00 am**. Look forward to seeing you there!

Parents as Partners

Our upcoming **Parents as Partners** meetings provide a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's learning, celebrate their achievements and identify future learning goals.

Bookings are now available through **Compass**, with appointments starting at **8:45 am through to 4:15 pm**. We encourage all families to take advantage of this opportunity to connect with your child's teacher and celebrate their learning and growth!

Proposed VGSA Agreement

Members of the Australian Education Union are currently voting on the proposed Victorian Government Schools Agreement.

Voting closes on **Monday 17 August**. If the proposed agreement is endorsed by members, the planned industrial action scheduled for **Wednesday 19 August** will no longer proceed. I will continue to keep families informed of any updates as they become available.

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Late Arrivals

A reminder that classes commence promptly at **9.00 am** each morning.

Students **arriving after 9.00 am** are required to report to the office and be signed in before heading to class. Arriving on time helps students settle into the day and ensures they don't miss valuable learning time.

Lost Property, We Need Your Help!

We kindly ask families to check at home for any school uniform items that may have been mistakenly brought home. We currently have several students missing named jumpers, hats and school bags, so if you find an item that doesn't belong to your child, please return it to the school office so it can be reunited with its owner. Thank you for your assistance!

Lights, Camera, ACTION!

Our school choir has been working incredibly hard in preparation for this year's **The Beat** performance.

A huge thank you to **Miss Toni**, who has dedicated many hours preparing our students for this exciting event. The students have shown tremendous commitment to attend singing practices, and we are looking forward to seeing them perform. The year's theme is 'Lights, Camera, ACTION!'

Performances will be held on:

- **Tuesday 25th August** – 7:00pm
- **Wednesday 26th August** – 11:00am and 7:00pm

Tickets are available through the **Mildura Arts Centre**. We know our students will do us proud!

School Fete

THE COUNTDOWN IS ON – 10 WEEKS UNTIL OUR FETE!

Lock in **SUNDAY 25th October from 10am to 3pm** for the Lake Primary School 2026 Fete.

Your School Council is busy getting things underway for this terrific community event. Funds raised will go towards new all-inclusive playground equipment and other resources for our Lakers.

Will you be part of the fun?

As well as coming to the Fete and getting the word out for others to join the fun, there are lots of ways all families and our school community can be involved. Here are a few:

Raffle tickets

Local businesses have been very generous in supporting our school with sponsorship along with auction and raffle prizes. Each school family will receive a raffle book soon and your help to sell a book or two would be much appreciated

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School managed stalls

In addition to commercial stall operators, we will be running a number of stalls and we are seeking help in the following ways:

- **Food and drink stalls** – we are hoping to do most of the ‘catering’ ourselves which will mean all money raised comes straight to the school, but we will need your help! There will be opportunities for people to assist in the lead up to the Fete, food preparation on Saturday, assist with set up and pack up of stalls; and also to manage or serve on stalls during the day.
- **Plant stall** – we will have pots available for collection (from near the front office doors) for any gardeners who could pot up plants, seeds or cuttings. We can arrange to look after the plants if you do not have space at home.
- **Cake stall** – contributions to the cake stall, and ways to get involved if baking is not your thing, will be requested closer to the event.

Fete Committee

If you would like to assist us with general Fete organisation, you are welcome to join our Fete committee – we’d love to have you onboard!

Please contact Margot Fowler on 0407 394101 or email andrewandmargot@bigpond.com with your questions or to let us know how you would like to help.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable week ahead.

Kind regards,

Bernadette

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