

LOCKWOOD

Primary School

Newsletter #03
16th February 2024

DIARY DATES

February 2024	
Fri 16 th	School Council Nominations open
Tue 20 th	School Council Meeting (Final meeting for 2023)
Wed 21 st	Prep/Foundation Rest Day
Fri 23 rd	(9am) Student Leadership Speeches (School Captains)
Wed 28 th	Prep/Foundation Rest Day 2024 Welcome Back BBQ Evening (5pm–7pm)
March 2024	
Fri 1 st	School Council nominations close
Mon 11 th	Labour Day Public Holiday
Mon 18 th – Fri 22 nd	NAPLAN
Tue 19 th	School Council Meeting
Fri 22 nd	Cross Country & Junior Fun Day
Thu 28 th	Foodbank Food Fight Fundraiser Final Day Term 1 – 2:30pm Finish
Fri 29 th	Good Friday
April 2024	
Mon 1 st	Easter Monday
Mon 15 th	First Day of TERM 2
Fri 19 th	Legacy's ANZAC Commemoration Ceremony – Melbourne (School Captains)
Thu 25 th	ANZAC Day Public Holiday



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Well, this week certainly brought with it some very interesting times! The week started very hot with temperatures in the high thirties, we had a visit and Q & A session with two players from the Kangaroos AFL team and then we had the short but destructive storm whip through our school and much of the State which resulted in us needing to close for a day to ensure everyone's health and safety! Phew – I'm exhausted!

STORM CLEAN UP

Tuesday's storm brought with it a lot of destruction, mess and inconvenience – not only for us at school but certainly for so many of our families in the community. Although it was over very quickly the aftermath was easy to see.

But thanks to our wonderful LPS community our school was cleaned up and 'put back together' by some wonderful volunteers and the prompt action of the Department of Education. In particular, on behalf of everyone here at LPS I would like to sincerely thank our amazing families that turned up to help with chainsaws, rakes, a working mobile phone and trailers! Gary, Ray, Kylie & Georgia Tatt; Michael, Bindi, Brayden & Riley Long; Anthony Humme; Mark Gudge; Kellie Jeffries and Patty Morris. This morning when we arrived back at school you wouldn't have known any trees had fallen! I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the work that was done yesterday.

AFL NMFC VISIT

On Tuesday morning the North Melbourne Football Club sent two players to visit our school and talk with our students. We met Curtis Taylor and Zane Duursma and they shared their stories about being part of the AFL as well as participating in a Q & A session with our students. Just some of the key ideas that they shared were:

Eating healthy, practising Mindfulness, keeping fit and healthy, having a 'rainbow' of foods on your plate, reflecting on things you've done and improving if you need to, and my personal favourite – everyone is as strong as each other, we are a TEAM!

As they were leaving, the players commented on how great our students were and what interesting and thoughtful questions they asked – What great feedback to hear, I'm so proud of our students!



'Learning, Caring, Laughing, Sharing'

2024 STUDENT LEADERS

Next Friday we have seven students from Year 6 who will be presenting their speeches to apply for School Captains/Vice Captains. Through their speeches they will describe why they want to be School Captain and how they will support their fellow students and the school throughout the year.

Once selected, our 2024 School Captains/Vice Captains will represent our school at significant events (eg: ANZAC DAY SERVICE) and support the school leadership to continue to make LPS the wonderful school that it is.

I wish each of the students applying all the best and look forward to hearing what they have to say. Parents are welcome to attend the speech presentations next Friday morning. After the speeches have been heard the other students and staff will vote for who they think will best represent our school.

Also, over the next two weeks students in years 3-6 will have the opportunity to be voted as Junior School Council representatives and House Leaders.

Once all leadership positions have been filled, we will have a special assembly for badge presentations to our student leadership.

SCHOOL COUNCIL—CALL FOR NOMINATIONS 2024

Nominations for the 2024-2026 School Council term are now open. Have you considered being part of our fantastic and productive School Council? Now's the time to consider doing so!

School Councils meet at least eight times a year and at least once per school term. The president chairs all meetings and all members of the council are expected to attend. Councillors can attend meetings in person or by video-conferencing or teleconferencing.

Each year we have a group of retiring council members which provides the opportunity for new members to join. Being on School Council is a great way to contribute to our school. We meet twice a term and are a very collaborative group of people.

This year we have four parent positions available so please consider joining. A self-nomination form will be sent home today with the eldest student in each family.

Nomination forms are **due back to the office by Friday March 1st at 4pm**. If you have any questions or would like further information, don't hesitate to contact me or Maddy McAlpine (current SC President).

What is the role of the School Council?

The Lockwood Primary School Council is the governing body of the school. All schools are required to strive for continuous improvement, using a four-year School Strategic Plan (SSP) and an accompanying Annual Implementation Plan (AIP). School Council is responsible for approving these plans and ensuring that they set a direction for the future that is aligned with our shared vision for Lockwood Primary School. We are a policy driven organisation and operate around a set of policies that are regularly reviewed by School Council. Council is also responsible for approving camps, excursions and pupil-free days.

Be Well—Be Happy 😊 Carmen Huszar

OTHER NEWS & REMINDERS (some repeat items)

WELCOME BACK BBQ & FAMILY PICNIC

A reminder that we have our welcome back BBQ and picnic next Wednesday 28th February.

- ❖ 5 – 5:30 Open Classrooms, come and walkthrough
- ❖ 5:30 – 7:00 Share a picnic with your family in the Sun court area

LPS parent volunteers will have the BBQ hot and cooking hamburgers and sausages available to purchase on the night. Feel free to pre -order (send an email to the office) OR buy your food there on the night.

The picnic is a great opportunity to meet and chat with new and current families. We hope to see as many families there as possible – bring a chair and enjoy a relaxing evening together.

Please let Patty know if you will be there and happy to volunteer on the BBQ.



CANTEEN

It was a false start to our Canteen this week with school being closed due to the storm. If you placed an order for your child this week (Week 3) we will carry the order over to next week (Week 4 – Wed 21st Feb). If you have already placed an order for Week 4, please go into QKR and cancel the order before 7pm Monday. Orders for Week 4 will remain open until Monday 7pm for anyone who forgot to place an order.

Reminder to Prep families not to order canteen until March when Preps are at school for the full week.

All orders are placed through QKR and orders will close off on the Monday prior to canteen at 7pm.

If you would like to volunteer in our canteen, all you need is a valid Working with Childrens Check (WWCC). It is a great opportunity to meet other families. Please let Patty know and we can roster you on.



CANTEEN ROSTER

21 Feb – Kelly Jinks,
Louise C, Caitlyn A,
Lauren B

28 Feb – Louise C,
Caitlyn A, Lauren B

UNIFORMS & YEAR 6 SHIRTS

Term 4 Uniform orders have now been received and will be sent home with students early next week.

If you are still waiting on a Term 3 order (and have not already spoken to Patty about it) please email Lockwood.ps@education.vic.gov.au to let Patty know what you are waiting on, and we will follow up.

Year 6 shirts should be arriving at school next week and will be sent home as soon as they are received.

FOUNDATION (PREP) STUDENT GRADUATION LETTERS

At Lockwood Primary School we have a lovely tradition of asking parents and careers of our Prep students to write a letter to their child in the first few weeks of the school year.

A blank school letterhead, an envelope and a note about the Prep letters will be sent home with all Prep students and Year One students today (it has come to our attention that this was missed last year). We request that letters are returned to school and will be held here for the next seven years and handed to each child at their Year Six graduation.

If you have enrolled in the last five years and haven't yet written a letter to your child, you are welcome to come and collect an envelope & paper from the office and your letter will be added to your child's year level.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB Issue 1 2024 – CLOSE THIS WEEKEND

If you wanted to order from Issue 1 of Book Club, LOOP Online is still open this weekend. It is now too late to send paper orders into the office.

Parents can go online to order and pay for their children's purchases through the LOOP portal or app. Please see the Book Club catalogue for further details. Books will be delivered to school usually a week or so after orders close.

HEALTHY SNACK CANTEEN

Our Healthy Snacks Canteen is back and will run every Thursday at afternoon recess. All items from Healthy Snack canteen are 80 cents.

This terms Menu is:

- ❖ Plain popcorn
- ❖ Banana and berry smoothies (contain fruit, milk and plain yoghurt)
- ❖ Frozen pineapple
- ❖ Zero Sugar Zooper Doopers



ENJOY A HEALTHY START AT

**SCHOOL
BREAKFAST
CLUB**



All students welcome!

BREAKFAST CLUB

Brekky Club is back and will operate every Tuesday morning from 8:30-8:55am. Students are welcome to come along to school early and share a free breakfast with their friends. Brekky Club is served from the canteen.

We have a variety of options from cereals and porridge to hot spaghetti, baked beans and fruit. We hope to see you bright & early next Tuesday morning!!

GUITAR & DRUM LESSONS

Drum & guitar lessons will be offered at Lockwood PS again in 2024. Guitar lessons will be held on Tuesdays and drum lessons will be held on Fridays. Please email Erin Malone (erin.malone@education.vic.gov.au) for further information or an expression of interest form.

TISSUES

We ask that all families provide each of their children with a large box of tissues for their classrooms. Please hand their box of tissues to your child's individual class teacher.

STATIONARY PACK BACKORDERS

We received a delivery of headphones and whiteboard markers that were on back order from the back to schoolbook boxes. These have been delivered to classrooms today and now all orders should be filled. If you think something is still missing, please let Patty know.



Happy Birthday to the following students and staff who will be celebrating their birthday over the coming week.

🎂 Jaxson H
🎂 Tom R
🎂 Mr Mitchell

🎂 Koby S
🎂 Mrs Hayes

STORM EVENT PHOTOS







COMMUNITY NEWS

If you are involved in a local community group and would like to have information of an upcoming event included in our newsletter, please email the information to Lockwood.ps@education.vic.gov.au



Girls in STEM CLUB

Thanks to Rotary Bendigo, we are offering a **FREE** after school program.

Girls* in grades 5 and 6 will get explore Science, Technology Engineering and Math through weekly workshops designed to develop STEM skills such as collaboration, creativity, critical thinking and resilience.

Dates: 4pm-5pm every Thursday. 15th Feb - 28 March.

*Girls includes female identifying, gender neutral and non binary students



Lockwood School of Dance

Classes for 2024 are resuming next Wednesday 21st February and Thursday 22nd February.

All classes are held in the Blue Shed here at Lockwood Primary School.

Children from 3years old and up can participate in ballet, hip hop/funky jazz, tap and contemporary dance in a relaxed and nurturing environment.

For more Information, and to book in for your free first trial class please contact Nadine Ireland on 0414 959 012 and/or collect a flyer from the school office.



BENDIGO FORD FUN RUN 2024

SUNDAY 3 MARCH

REGISTER NOW bendigofordfunrun.com.au

1km KIDS DASH	5km RUN/WALK TSPN BUSINESS & SPORTS TEAM CHALLENGE	10km FUN RUN	21.1km HALF-MARATHON
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Lest We Forget

The East Shelbourne Recreation Reserve and the Kangaroo Flat RSL Sub-Branch kindly invites you to attend the East Shelbourne Restored Original WW1 Honour Roll unveiling ceremony held at the East Shelbourne Recreation Reserve, Bendigo - Maryborough Road, East Shelbourne on Sunday, 3rd March 2024. The ceremony will commence with a short march at 1pm followed by the unveiling in the hall.

The ceremony will be followed by afternoon tea.

Please RSVP Christine Johnson by 11th February 2024

Email: kenchrisjohnson@bigpond.com

Mobile: 0488 992 714



East Shelbourne Rec Res ABN 61248372127



Kangaroo Flat RSL Sub-Branch ABN 28 160 996 468

HUNTLY FAMILY FUN DAY



Proudly sponsored by Agnico Eagle Fosterville

**FREE
ENTRY**

**SUNDAY
FEB 25, 2024**

**10AM
TO 1PM**

FREE ACTIVITIES:

THE ZONE JUMPING CASTLE AND INFLATABLE WATER SLIDE
WATER FUN WITH HUNTLY CFA • ART AND CRAFT
SPORTING ACTIVITIES • FACE PAINTING • FREE GIVEAWAYS!
RENEGADES FAN VAN • INFLATABLE CATCH MAT

*Don't forget
a towel!*

FOOD/DRINKS:

BBQ (MEAT AND VEGETARIAN OPTIONS) AND DRINKS
- ALL \$2 EACH • FREE FRESH FRUIT • COLIBAN WATER
REFILL UNIT (BYO DRINK BOTTLE)

*Limited shade - bring
along your hat and chair.*

**STRAUCH RESERVE
14 GUNGURRU ROAD, HUNTLY**



PLAY FOR KICKS



Superkick is next level fun for
7 to 12 year olds who are new
to footy, or want to continue to
grow their skill levels.

BENDIGO ALL GIRLS

SUPERKICK CENTRE

MONDAY'S STARTING 26TH FEB

4 WEEKS

4:30PM - 5:30PM

SHADFORTH PARK, NORTH BENDIGO

