

LOCKWOOD

Primary School

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Dates To Remember

28th April	Elmore Bakery Delivery
3rd May	RSVP For Mothers Day Afternoon Tea Return Division Cross Country forms
4th May	Division Cross Country
6th May	Mothers Day Stall & Afternoon Tea
10-12th May	NAPLAN (Gr 3 & 5)
12th May	Grade 6 Transition Forms to be returned to school
13th May	Cluster Athletics
21st May	Election Day BBQ Fundraiser
23rd-27th May	Education Week 2023 Prep Tours
25th May	2023 Prep Information Evening

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome to Term 2. It is so nice to be back after a lovely Autumn holiday break and to see the happy and excited faces of our students and staff. This term will only be nine weeks, but there will be a lot to look forward to during that time. Another busy term ahead at LPS!



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Last term students from years 5 and 6 were able to apply for the roles of School Captain, Vice-Captain. They had to complete a written application, give a speech to students and staff. After the application process finished, students and staff voted for those students who they felt would best represent them. I am pleased to announce the results as:

School Captains : Allison R and Harvey H
Vice Captains: Ella B and Izabelle W

Students in years 3 – 5 also nominated students for our Junior School Council. Students were nominated because they best represent our school values:

Our Junior School Representatives are:
Ella Mc, Emily S, Joshua O, Lily R, Elsie W, Iylah H-T, Caden Mc and Taylah D.

House Captains will be decided early this term. Congratulations to all of our student Leaders for 2022!

MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA

It is that time of year again and we are pleased to be able to host our annual Mother's Day event.

We will host a Mother's Day Afternoon tea on Friday May 6th at 3:00pm in the sun court/turf area at school.

Tea, coffee and orange juice along with a special cupcake will be provided for each mum/grandma/special lady at NO COST. Your child/children will be released from class to spend time with you (and we'll have a small treat for them also).

A RSVP form is included with this newsletter. To ensure we have enough cupcakes please return your form by Tuesday 3rd May.

STUDENTS NOT REQUIRED AT SCHOOL ON FRIDAY 3RD JUNE

For Term 2 2022, the Department of Education and Training has provided schools with the option to hold each teacher's allocated professional practice day on the same day for all staff. This is to enable the most effective and efficient use of this day.

As a result, we have scheduled our professional practice day for FRIDAY JUNE 3. **Students will therefore not be required to attend school on this day.** Please note that our OSHC service will not be available on this day either.

SENTRAL PARENT PORTAL/APP

I want to thank all of our parents/carers for their patience while we try to rectify the problems we are having with Sentral at the moment. We are aware that parents/carers are unable to access Sentral though the app or portal currently. We are working on a solution and will provide you with updates/information in the coming weeks.

Until then, please phone the office for any absence notifications or any other queries.

Thanks!

OSHC -Online Booking Form

All OSHC bookings should be made through this link. Please save it in your favourites.

<https://forms.gle/TmTqzLfMzVSOqNVPv7>

All alterations or cancellations should be made by calling the school office.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEER ROSTER:

- PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU CAN HELP OUT WITH VOLUNTEERING.
- 4TH MAY HELP WANTED
- 11TH MAY HELP WANTED

ANZAC DAY SERVICE—KANGAROO FLAT

Thanks to our School Captains, Allison and Harvey for representing our school and laying our wreath at Monday's Kangaroo Flat RSL Sub-Branch ANZAC Commemorative Service. They did a superb job and it was a wonderful service!



HELP NEEDED FOR OUR MOTHERS DAY STALL

" CAN YOU SPARE AN HOUR OR TWO TO HELP WITH OUR MOTHERS DAY STALL ON FRIDAY 6TH MAY FROM 9.00AM TO 11.00AM?
PLEASE LET FIONA KNOW IF YOU CAN HELP OUT."



'Learning, Caring, Laughing, Sharing'

HOME/SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

This week, all families will receive an email from your child/ren's class teacher. This communication will include a term overview, timetable and any other reminders. We hope you find the information useful and remember, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to email the class teacher. You will receive a reply as soon as practicable.

COVIDSAFE UPDATES

The Department of Education announced some important changes to our COVIDSafe measures, in line with the Victorian Governments changes:

Face masks — face masks, while recommended, are not required in any school setting. This means students in grades 3 to 6, staff and visitors in primary schools are no longer required to wear face masks. Any student or staff member who wishes to wear a mask may do so, including those who are medically at-risk.

Screening requirements — Students who have tested positive for COVID-19, and have completed their 7-day isolation period, now do not need to undertake rapid antigen test (RAT) screening for 12 weeks after their release from isolation. This was previously 8 weeks.

Household contacts — Students who are household contacts of a COVID-19 case are not required to quarantine. They may return to school as long as they undertake rapid antigen tests (RAT) 5 times during their 7-day period, and wear a face mask when indoors (8yrs+). They are required to notify the school that they are a household contact.

Vaccination requirements for visitors to schools — Parents, carers and other adult visitors (not performing work) are no longer required to show evidence of two doses of COVID-19 vaccine.

RAT testing — Complimentary RAT kits will be provided for the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Students and staff are encouraged to continue the twice weekly testing regime.

As we approach winter and flu season, the vaccination of children aged 5 to 11 and booster shots for students 16+ remains the best way to ensure protection for students and staff.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Thank you to those parents who nominated to become members of the Lockwood Primary School Council. I am pleased to say that each of our retiring members re-nominated for another term, and the number of nominations matched the number of vacancies, so elections were not required.

Our 2022 School Council members are:

Parent members: *Sashi Cross, Kelly Jinks, Patricia Morris, Edward O'Neill, Kim Hanson, Ashley Attrill, Rachel Testa-Woodward and Kellie Jeffries.*

DET members: *Fiona Adams, Helen Hosking, Carmen Huszar (with one DET member still to be confirmed).*

Congratulations

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the Marwood family for their kind and generous donation of Easter Eggs for our students at the end of last term. They were very happily accepted, and eaten!

We are very appreciative of any/all donations we receive ... Thank you!

Be Well—Be Happy!

Carmen Huszar 😊

Current News/Reminders**ELMORE BAKERY PIE DRIVE FUNDRAISER**

Thank you to all of our families who have supported this year's Elmore Bakery Pie Drive fundraiser. We have sold over \$4,200 worth of yummy pies

Pies will be **delivered to school on Thursday 28th April from 3:00pm in the canteen (TODAY)**. Please ensure you are available to collect the pies on this day because we do not have the capacity to refrigerate such a large number of pies overnight.

PRIMARY SCHOOL NURSING PROGRAM

The primary school Nursing Program is a free service offered to all foundation children attending primary schools in Victoria.

At the end of term 1 an envelope with the school entrant health questionnaire was sent home with all of our foundation students. If you would like your child to be seen by the school nurse, please complete and return the questionnaire to the school office by Friday 29th April.

If you do not want your child to be seen by the school nurse, please return the consent form with your child's name and tick the NO box on the consent page.

Please contact the school office if you have any questions or concerns.

BOOKCLUB –ISSUE 3

A reminder that orders for Issue 3 of Book Club are due back to the office or need to be completed online by Friday 30th 6th May. Brochures are being sent home with the newsletter today.

DIVISION CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the 40 students from grades 3 to 6 who have qualified for the Division Cross Country to be held next Wednesday 5th May. The students will travel to the Bendigo Racecourse for their cross country event. Permission forms and further information was sent home to families yesterday. Please return the permission form for the Division Cross Country by Tuesday 3rd May.

Jessie Wardell, PE Teacher

MOTHERS DAY STALL

Our annual Mothers Day Stall will be held on **Friday May 6th**. Thanks to Sashi Cross for ordering and pricing up a great range of giftware for the children to choose from.

Prices are between \$1 - \$5!! All students will visit the stall on Friday 6th May. We are looking for some extra parent helpers to help Sashi run the stall next Friday morning from 9:00-11:00am. If you available, could you please contact the office and let Fiona know.

**EASTER EGG GUESSING COMPETITION**

Thank you to everyone who participated last term's Easter Egg Guessing Competition and hat parade/free dress day on the last day of term 1.

We were able to make a donation of \$299.00 to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal with the proceeds from these activities.



CARNIVAL-HELP NEEDED

Advance notice that our LCDSA Athletics Carnival is early this year, being held on **Friday 13th May**. This day which requires a lot of people power to help run the day. Each school has been asked to start collecting names of parents who can assist in one of the following jobs on the day:

- **Age Group Supervisor** (supervising a group of students)
- **Age Group Recorder** (recording student scores at each event)
- **Age Group Assistant** (general assistant for an age group)

Also if you are a person who feels confident to help with an individual event, then your help would be greatly appreciated as well.

To assist on the day you will need to have a current Working With Children Check. If parents could please check their diary for availability and let either Jessie Wardell or Fiona in the office know if you can help out on the day. **The event is held at the La Trobe University Athletics Track in Flora Hill and will run from 9am until 3pm approx.**

HOT LUNCHES RESUME – FRIDAY 6TH MAY

During the cooler months "hot lunches" will be available on Fridays starting next week.

For those who are new to our school, "Pie warmer" lunches are **lunches in tin foil (not plastic) with the child's name marked clearly on the outside** that are placed on the shelf at the kitchen before 9:00am on Friday morning.

Examples of food that can be heated this way include pies, sausage rolls, toasted sandwiches, pizza, spaghetti bolognaise, etc. Food for the pie warmer must be thawed prior to coming to school as frozen foods will not heat in time for lunch.

The school does not supply sauce or forks so please ensure your child has the appropriate cutlery to eat their "hot lunch" where required.

BREKKY CLUB

Brekky Club starts again tomorrow and will be open from 8:30am to 8:55am. Please come early if you would like to enjoy brekky at school each Friday morning.

**Mothers Day Stall
Friday 6th May
9:15 - 11:00am**

All students are invited to
visit our **Mothers Day Stall**
On **Friday 6th May**
Open from **9.15am -11:00am**
(All classes will be visiting
during the morning)
Come to the "Big Blue Shed"
We have a range of gift ideas ranging
from \$1.00 to \$5.00 that Mum will love!

**Five Minutes With Staff:****Amelia Brereton**

How long have you worked at Lockwood PS?

I first started at Lockwood PS in late 2018 as the STEM teacher and moved into a classroom the following year.

What is your role at the school?
I'm one of the grade 5/6 teachers.

When you were little what did you aspire to be?

I always wanted to be a teacher, my nan was a teacher for many years and used to take me into her classroom with her when I was young. I always aspired to be like her.

What was your favourite subject at school?
I always loved PE, it helped having a great PE teacher in primary school.

If you were a super-hero, what powers would you have?

I'd love to be able to read minds.

What's your favourite holiday destination?
My favourite destination so far has been New Zealand, it was so beautiful.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Trae S
Joshua O

Lachlan H
Lucia R



CANTEN

Canteen will start back next week. QKR is now open to start placing your order for next week. Just a reminder that orders close on Mondays at 7:00pm and late orders cannot be accepted.

Students who are going on the cross country next week should not order a lunch order as they will need to take their packed lunch with them to the event.

With the weather starting to cool there will be some changes to the menu next term. We will be adding some home-made soups with fresh bread rolls, and mini pizza. We will also be dropping the Caesar salads and rice paper rolls for the next few terms.

Thank you to all the families that have supported canteen buy buying lunches

Patty Morris & Kelly Jinks, Canteen Co-ordinators

OSHC NEWS:

STATEMENTS

Statements for the end of Term 1 were emailed to families during the school holidays. If you did not receive a statement, please contact Fiona.

A reminder to families who use OSHC that payments for Before and After School Care are due fortnightly. We would appreciate if families could finalise all outstanding fees for Term 1 by the end of this week.

Here's what is happening at OSHC next week:



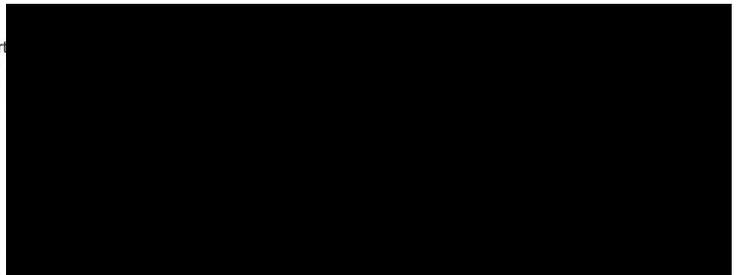
Date: 27/04/22	Afternoon tea	Activity
Monday	Fruit Beef & Vegie Soup	Sandpit
Tuesday	Fruit Yoghurt Cones	Mothers Day Craft
Wednesday	Fruit Toasties	Oval Games
Thursday	Fruit Biscuits & Dip	Magic Ink
Friday	Fruit Spaghetti	Newspaper Fashion Show

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