

# LOCKWOOD

## Primary School

Newsletter #14  
22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025



### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### DIARY DATES

#### TERM 3

#### August 2025

|                                                |                                     |
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| Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> –<br>Tue 26 <sup>th</sup> | Year 3 & 4 Camp                     |
| Thur 28 <sup>th</sup>                          | Gymnastics – Week 1                 |
| Sat 30 <sup>th</sup>                           | Energy Breakthrough<br>Bunnings BBQ |

#### September 2025

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| Thur 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Gymnastics – Week 2                                                 |
| Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>   | Father's Day Breakfast<br>Father's Day Stall<br>(Volunteers Needed) |
| Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>   | BOOK WEEK Parade                                                    |
| Thur 11 <sup>th</sup> | Gymnastics – Week 3                                                 |
| Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>  | F – Yr2 – Melbourne Zoo<br>Excursion                                |
| Tue 16 <sup>th</sup>  | School Council Meeting<br>6pm                                       |
| Wed 17 <sup>th</sup>  | School Photo Day                                                    |
| Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> | Gymnastics – Week 4                                                 |
| Thur 18 <sup>th</sup> | Year 1 Special Night                                                |
| Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>  | Footy Colours Day (EB<br>Fundraiser)                                |
| Fri 19 <sup>th</sup>  | Last day of Term – 2.30pm<br>finish.                                |

#### October 2025

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| Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> | First Day of Term |
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Dear Families,

As week 5 comes to an end I am reminded of how quickly time passes. This term is only 9 weeks, so we have only 4 weeks to go until the next term break. It has been a very busy term so far, and next week looks much the same with the Year 3/4 Camp and our Gymnastics program beginning.

#### YOUR OPINION COUNTS!

Our annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is now open and ready for parents to complete. On Monday I emailed families with a letter explaining the purpose of the survey and with the log in details.

The survey is optional, but we encourage and appreciate your participation so please make some time to complete. If you need the log in code, please contact me.

#### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

School Councillors met on Tuesday evening to discuss and approve several items. The final 2025 school budget was approved, updates were provided regarding the Term 4 Student Free Day, our TheirCare OSHC service and information regarding our obligations with the Child Safe Standards.

#### OSHC – A GREAT OPTION FOR BUSY FAMILIES

Our Outside School Hours Care (Lockwood PS TheirCare) service is a fantastic resource for families needing a bit of extra support during the week. Whether you're working late, stuck in traffic, or just need a more relaxed end to the school day, OSHC offers a safe, fun, and engaging environment for your child. Even booking in just 1 or 2 afternoons a week makes a big difference, not only for your family's routine but also in helping us keep this valuable service running. So if you've been thinking about it, now is a great time to give OSHC a go!

#### BOOK WEEK

*"In every book, there's a new world waiting to be discovered – let's keep turning the pages together."*



*'Learning, Caring, Laughing, Sharing'*

## BOOK WEEK CONTINUED ...



This week is Children's Book Week and the theme this year is "Book an Adventure!". This theme encourages children to explore new worlds, meet unforgettable characters, and unlock their imaginations through the power of reading. As part of our celebrations, we'll be holding our much-loved **Book Week Parade** on **Monday, September 8th**. This date also coincides with our **MARC van visit**, making it a perfect opportunity to highlight the importance of reading in a fun and meaningful way. We encourage all students to come dressed as their favourite book character and get ready for a day full of stories, colour, and creativity. We can't wait to see the wonderful costumes and share the joy of books together!



CBCA Book Week Celebrations at **Lockwood PS** are on

**Monday September 8th**

We will have a parade in the morning followed by a day of book fun! Dig through the dress up box and come as your favourite character 😊



## KEEPING OUR KIDS SAFE ONLINE

In today's digital world, it's more important than ever for parents to stay aware of their child's online activity. Apps like **Kids Messenger**, **Snapchat**, **TikTok**, and games like **Roblox** can be great fun, but they also come with hidden dangers—such as unkind messages, exposure to inappropriate content, or chatting with strangers. Sometimes children say things online they wouldn't say face to face, so it's worth having regular, open conversations about respectful behaviour and online safety. Simple tips like checking privacy settings, keeping devices in shared spaces, and encouraging your child to talk to you if something feels off can make a big difference. Let's work together to help our kids build safe and positive digital habits.

*Be Well—Be Happy 😊 Carmen Huszar*

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB #6



Book Club Issue 6 went home with students this week. If you would like to order something from the catalogue, there are two ways you can order.

**Option 1 (preferred option)** is that parents can go online to order and pay for their children's purchases through the LOOP portal or app. If families choose this option, then orders do not need to be returned to school. There are lots of great extra specials and bonuses available if your family orders through the LOOP portal. Please see the Book Club catalogue for further details.

**Option 2** is to send the order form, along with money/cash back to the school office. If you do send in cash, please ensure that it is the correct value and in a sealed envelope with the order enclosed.

Orders close on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September, and payment should either be completed online or returned to school by this date. Books will be delivered to school usually a week or so after orders close.

### CANTEEN – HOTDOG & DIMSIM DAY – WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER (WEEK 7)

Week 7 will be our Special Food Day – Hotdogs, Dim Sims and Ice cream.

The menu will be up in QKR this Monday. Please note our special food days are red food days, and our normal menu is not available, with exception to some healthy options that are on our normal menu. Morning Fruit Snack is still available to order on the separate menu and be collected from canteen on the way to class in the morning.



Thank you again to our wonderful volunteers that enable us to continue to operate canteen. Our canteen is purely volunteer run. If you are interested in volunteering in canteen in Term 3 or 4, all you need is a few spare hours on a Wednesday morning (can be a one-off week, or more regularly) and a current Working with Children Check. If you want to know more information, please speak to Patty in the Office.

### FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST – FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Our Annual Father's Day breakfast will be held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Father's Day breakfast is for any important 'father figure' in your child's life, which may include grandparents, uncles or special friends.

Breakfast will be held in the **PE shed from 8.30 – 9am** with croissants, cereal, toast, fruit and tea/coffee and juice on offer. A note will come home next week to provide RSVPs to assist with catering.



**From 9 – 9.30am you are welcome to join your child in the classroom** for morning reading.

## FATHERS STALL – FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Father's Day stall will be held Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September with gifts offered for purchase ranging from \$1 - \$5. All students will have a chance to come through the stall and purchase a gift for the special. Please note purchases are **CASH ONLY**. Please ensure when your children bring the cash to school that it is a sealed envelope or zip loc bag to avoid cash being lost.

If you can volunteer and help on the Father's Day stall on the Friday morning (9-11am). Please let Patty know.



## SPRING SPORTS



## SPRING SPORTS DAY— 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

Students in grades 3 to 6 will participate in our annual Cluster Spring Sports Day at Bridgewater on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September, travelling by bus and leaving school at approximately 10:30am and will be returned to school by approx. 3.00pm.

Consent forms will be sent out in Compass next week.

## THANK YOU HAZELDENES CHICKEN

## REPEAT INFORMATION

### YEAR 3 AND 4 CAMP – LOG CABIN

Year 3 and 4 students will be going on an overnight camp to Creswick on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August. Log Cabin is an adventure camp, where students will participate in a variety of fun outdoor activities that focus on confidence and team building.



The students will be leaving for camp via bus on the Monday morning at 9.00am sharp and will **need to be at school by 8.30am** to allow time to pack bus, organise lunches and any other needs your child may have. On The Monday student will need to bring their recess, fruit snack, lunch and drinks in labelled disposable bags. Students can wear casual dress (uniform not required). Students must have closed in shoes and no singlets. If you have any questions, please ask Mrs Hosking or Mr Wickham.

### THANK YOU TO HAZELDENES

A big thank you to Hazeldene's for the Chicken Sale that occurred this week. Not only did our community benefit from very cheap, but very fresh chicken, proceeds of **\$488** have been donated back to our school.



## STUDENT AWARDS (TERM 3 – WEEK 4 & 5)



### Foundation/1

**Riley R** – (*Laughing Award*) for always coming into school with a smile on her face and finding joy in everything that she does.

**Spencer S** – (*Learning Award*) for showing curiosity and always trying his best to learn new things in the classroom.

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**Chase C** – (*Caring Award*) for showing kindness towards his classmates and offering to help around the room.

**Henry D** – (*Learning Award*) for demonstrating a strong commitment to completing his work each day.

3/4

**Chloe O** – (*Learning Award*) for always trying her hardest in all classroom tasks.

**Geo S** – (*Learning Award*) for trying his best in his writing of a narrative and showing improved concentration.

4/5

**Olivia J** – (*Laughing Award*) for being engaged and working diligently on her information report on 'Adelaide'.

**Lachlan W** – (*Laughing Award*) for being really engaged with his work this week, especially in writing and inquiry.

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**Chase N** – (*Learning Award*) for dedication to researching information about James Hird and creating an interesting and detailed information report.

**Tye H** – (*Learning Award*) for improved commitment to reading at home and improved focus during independent work times.

**Mia Mc** - for showing great paper weaving technique.

**Ella Mc** - for always showing such a positive attitude in Art and taking pride in her work.

**Eden R** - for choreographing a captivating dance performance in music this week. Her creativity, energy, and flair brought joy to the stage and earned well-deserved recognition!



Happy Birthday to the following students who will be celebrating birthday over the next two weeks:

✚ Evie M  
✚ Jayde L  
✚ Chloe R

✚ Recker B  
✚ Melia G

## THE RESILIENCE PROJECT G.E.M AWARDS

Mental wellbeing is so important, and incorporating our GEM principles (Gratitude, Empathy & Mindfulness) into our daily routine is a great way to stay mentally healthy. At Lockwood PS we recognised and acknowledge students who demonstrate the GEM principles at school.



Jayda C



Kreed H  
Bianca R  
Eden T  
Ella Mc



Laylah B  
Ella W  
Chloe R  
Elaina C  
Ashton T

## STEM BILLY CART INCURSION

On Tuesday we had Emma from Supreme Incursions come to the school to facilitate Billy Cart workshops for all our students. The students participated in two groups, Foundation to Year 3 and Year 4 to Year 6. The students rotated through various stations where they engaged in activities such as

- creating a vehicle out of various materials to gain an understanding of how simple machines contribute to an effective design
- work as a team and use problem solving skills to follow a set of instructions to replicate a build design
- design and test a team-designed vehicle, considering how friction and gravity affect its performance
- explore the concepts of push and pull while taking turns racing around the Supreme track in the PE Shed on Billy Carts and Ezy-Rollers.

It was great seeing so much teamwork and the wonderful smiles on our students faces, whilst immersed in STEM learning.



# TheirCare Newsletter



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## the past few weeks..

we've had a lot going on in OSHC lately! we headed over to the variety bash to check out the cars, the kids and staff had an awesome time! we finally got our Wii set up, and have been playing lots of Wii sports and mario kart!

we participated in science week, doing 4 activities daily!



## bullying! no way

this week, we recognised bullying! no way week and doing anti-bullying activities. the theme for this year is 'be bold. be kind. speak up.' we will have a range of activities that teach the kids the significance of being kind and speaking up when something is wrong!

## school holidays!

school holiday bookings for our spring holiday program at strathfieldsaye primary school are open. be sure to book in if you need care! more details on the big hill holiday program should be coming soon.

## theircare extraordinaire!

this week's winner of our theircare extraordinaire award is Jordan! for always being kind and considerate of others.

## contact details

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## 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](mailto:Lockwood.ps@education.vic.gov.au)

# FREE

## Father's Day Family Event

Bunnings Kangaroo Flat



**Thursday 4th of September**  
**6:00pm – 8:00pm**

Activities and fun for the whole family

Join us in-store for a free & fun event to celebrate Father's Day. We have loads of activities for the whole family, including a Bluey Scavenger Hunt, Kids D.I.Ys, FREE Sausage Sizzle, entertainment and more!  
\*\*\*\*BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL\*\*\*\*

Don't miss out, register now!

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Our local Community Hub  
**THE ALT**

## Winter Games

Friday nights  
4.30-6.00pm

- \*board games
- \*puzzles
- \*crafty keepsakes

## SAUSAGE SIZZLE PIKELETS

gold coin donation for the hall fund  
@Lockwood Sth. District Comm. Hall  
Cnr. Alternate Calder Hwy/Crusoe Rd.

We want you!!!!

New or returning Players wanted.  
Looking for a new team or first time playing?  
Competition for Summer Basketball starting  
6th October 2025

Come and join our fun and exciting new club.  
All ages welcome, under 8s, 10s, 12s, 14s  
Come down to a training session  
and see if you enjoy it.

Call head coach Kiel Kerrison 0461-528-481 or  
Club president Brooke Deacon 0400-508-324



## THE WORLD'S COOLEST READATHON

Event 2025

Join in on the Annual Readathon.  
Read Books, have fun and fundraise  
to support positive mental health!

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2025

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# Bring it on!

Join us for a fun-filled day of tennis as schools rally together at the Sandhurst Division Hot Shots Competition! Discover the excitement of Hot Shots and cheer on our young players in action.

Venue - Bendigo Regional Tennis Centre  
Date - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Time - Registrations 9.30am for 10am start

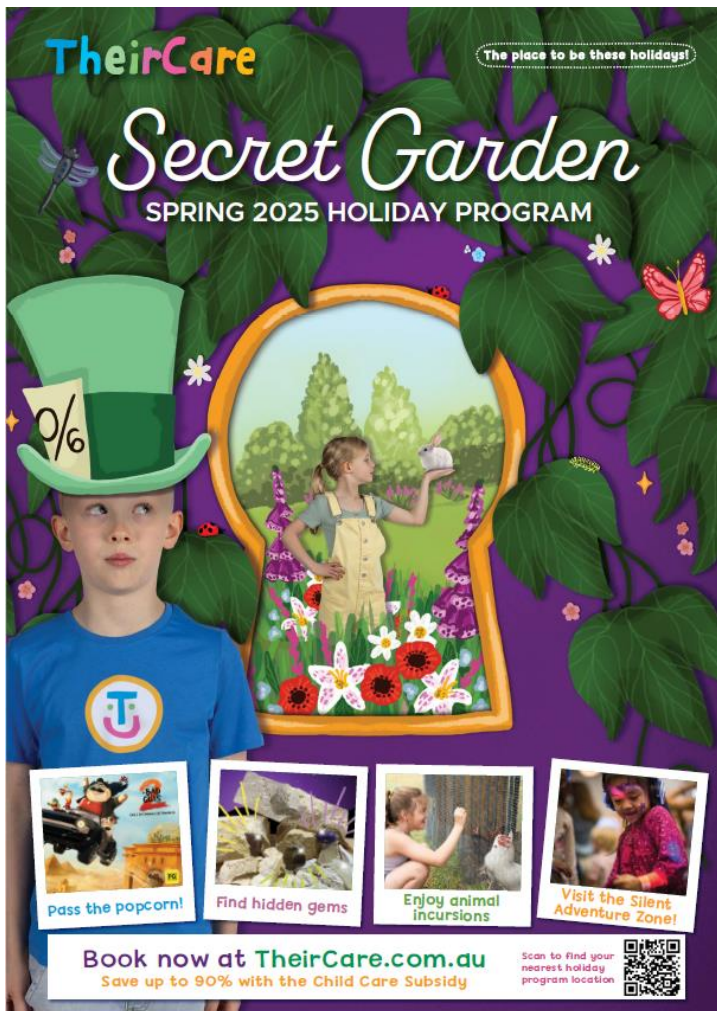
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