

LOCKWOOD

Primary School

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DIARY DATES

TERM 4

October 2025

Tue 7 th – Wed 15 th	Somers Camp
13 th – 17 th	Swimming Program Week
Sun 26 th	Lockwood CFA 75 th Anniversary Community Fair
Wed 29 th	Bendigo Cup Day (Public Holiday)
Thur 30 th	Year 2 Big Day Out & Sleepover
Fri 31 st	Staff Recognition Day (World Teacher & ES Day combined)

November 2025

Tue 4 th	Melbourne Cup Day – school as usual
Wed 5 th	Student Free Day – First Aid
Tue 11 th	2026 Foundation Orientation – Session 1
Wed 12 th	Year 6 Crusoe Transition/ Big Day Out
Tue 18 th	2026 Foundation Orientation – Session 2
Wed 19 th – Fri 21 st	Energy Breakthrough
Tue 25 th	2026 Foundation Orientation – Session 3

December 2025

Tue 9 th	Statewide Orientation Day
Wed 10 th	Awards Assembly & Concert
Wed 17 th	Year 6 Graduation Dinner
Thur 18 th	Year 6 Big Day Out
Fri 19 th	Last day of School 2025 – 1.30pm finish



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Families,

It's wonderful to welcome everyone back for the start of Term 4. The sun is shining, the weather is warming up, and the school grounds are once again filled with the happy faces of our students, ready to learn and reconnect. It was clear from the first bell that many of our students returned refreshed and relaxed after a well-deserved break — and they've jumped straight back into their learning with enthusiasm. It's shaping up to be a busy and exciting final term of the year!

SCHOOL CANTEEN VOLUNTEER REQUEST

Thank you to the parents and carers who responded to our recent feedback survey regarding the school lunch canteen. Your input is incredibly valuable as we look at the long-term viability of the service. We're currently reviewing the responses and will provide an update in the next newsletter.

SWIMMING PROGRAM STARTS NEXT WEEK

Just a reminder that our swimming program begins next week! This program is a vital part of our Physical Education curriculum, helping students develop water safety skills, confidence, and overall fitness. Please ensure your child has all the necessary gear packed and ready to go each day. We're looking forward to a fun and active week in the pool!

SCHOOL VALUE IN FOCUS THIS TERM

Our school value focus for Term 4 is **Sharing**. We're encouraging students to think about the many ways we have a shared responsibility for our school community, not just in the classroom, but in the playground, during group activities, and even in how we contribute to the overall success of our school.

This term, we're reinforcing key concepts of shared responsibility such as:

Accountability, dependability, self-management, respect for rules and routines, helping others / community contributions, decision making and honesty.



'Learning, Caring, Laughing, Sharing'

SOMERS SCHOOL CAMP

On Tuesday morning, four of our students headed off to Somers School Camp for a week of adventure, learning, and new friendships. We know they'll have a fantastic time representing our school, and we can't wait to hear all about their experiences when they return. Best of luck to our campers!



Thank you, as always, for your continued support of our school and the many ways you contribute to our community. Let's make the most of this final term together! 😊

Carmen Huszar

GENERAL INFORMATION

THE RESILIENCE PROJECT SCHOOLS PROGRAM - GRATITUDE



Choosing a Gratitude Mindset

SHIFT FROM 'I HAVE TO' TO 'I GET TO'

A simple change in language from 'I have to do this' to 'I get to do this' can change our whole perspective on life and daily tasks. When we adopt the 'I get to' mindset as a gratitude practice, it helps us focus on the positive aspects of our lives and the opportunities we often take for granted.

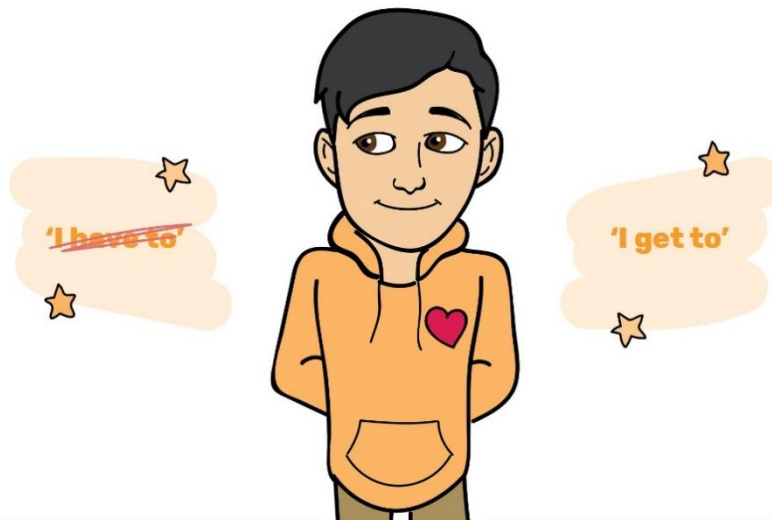
HOW CAN YOUR FAMILY PRACTICE THIS TOGETHER?

Here are some examples to get you started:

- I get to wash the dishes.
- I get to make breakfast for my family.
- I get to walk the dog and spend time outside.

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Try to replace 'I have to' with 'I get to' in your conversations this week. Notice how it changes your perspective, and discuss as a family how it feels to focus on gratitude in everyday tasks.



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RESILIENCE PROJECT, HEAD TO:

@theresilienceproject_ The Resilience Project The Resilience Project theresilienceproject.com.au

SWIMMING REMINDER

Next week is Swimming week. Throughout the week, students will need to **bring their bathers, towels, a spare set of underwear, and swimming goggles in a separate bag for swimming**. If possible, students are encouraged to arrive at school with their swimwear underneath their uniforms or change into their swimwear at school before departing for the swimming program. Limited time is available for changing at the pool, which may result in your child missing part of their lesson.



Session times are:

Session	Year level attending	Depart School via bus	Session Time	Return to School Via bus
1	3/4, 4/5 and some Grade 6 students	11:30am	12:00pm-12:45pm	1:15pm
2	F/1, 1/2 and some Grade 6 students	12:15pm	12:45pm-1:30pm	2:00pm

THURSDAY is WATER SAFETY DAY Please make sure your child brings a spare t shirt and a pair of shorts to wear over their bathers (AVOID denim and tight clothing as it can be very tricky to work with for the younger ages.)

Please remember that this is a CHILD SAFE FACILITY; for this reason, photos or videos are not to be taken inside the centre. Please be conscious of this if you were originally planning to take photos during the week. Also note that the toilets/change-rooms will be closed to the public to allow students safety and privacy whilst getting changed after their lesson.

LOCKWOOD CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



Our annual Christmas Raffle is happening again and will be drawn at the 2025 Awards Ceremony & Concert night – Wednesday December 10th!

This year, we are asking EVERY FAMILY to donate or approach a business for a donation of a new item for our Christmas Raffle. Some suggestions for donations that could make up hampers include: *wine, chocolates, gourmet food items, toiletry or beauty products, stationery items – notebooks, pens, artist's supplies, new children's books or toys, Travel/holiday goods, Vouchers, crockery and giftware, car products/vouchers, household items or Christmas decorations /items.*

If you know of any local businesses that you would like to approach for donations of product, services or vouchers, please see Patty and we can arrange a letter for you to provide them. Donations can be handed in at any time in the office. Thanks to those families who have already donated items for the hampers.

BREKKY CLUB RETURNS IN WEEK 2

Brekky Club will be back and operating as normal next week. Breakfast is served from 8:35am Tuesday morning, from the Canteen window.

NO LUNCH CANTEEN & HEALTHY SNACK CANTEEN IN WEEK 2

There will be no lunch canteen on Wednesday of Week 2. We will work with the parents that responded to our call for help, to try and get canteen back in Week 3.

There will also be no Healthy snack canteen on Thursday recess in Week 2 due it being Swimming week.

HOT LUNCH FRIDAY HAS ENDED

Just a reminder to families that hot lunches on Fridays have now ended for 2025. Thank you to the families that volunteered to sort and load the lunches in the pie warmers of a morning, and to Emma for organising and distributing them at lunchtime. Hot lunch Friday will return in Term 2 of 2026.

ENJOY A HEALTHY START AT

**SCHOOL
BREAKFAST
CLUB**



All students welcome!

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Fresh Fruit Friday returned today, thanks to the Mckern Steel Foundation and their foundation partners.

Thank you to the volunteers last term her came in on Friday mornings to cut up the fruit and have ready to be delivered to classrooms for morning fruit snack at 10.am.

If you can volunteer on a Friday morning (8.45am – 9.30am approx.) and go onto the Fresh Fruit Friday roster, please let Patty know.

Fresh Fruit Friday Volunteers

(8.45 - 9.30am)



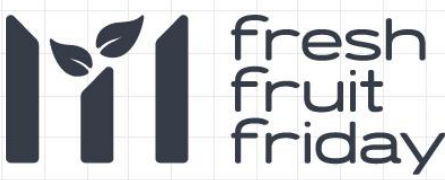
Week 2
(17/10/25)
Jenny O

Week 3
(24/10/25)
Suzie R



Celebrating 10 years

Delivering 1,000kg of free fruit to Bendigo school children every week



Made possible thanks to our Foundation Partners














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UNIFORMS

A uniform order will be placed with our supplier next Friday 17th October. The order should arrive back at school prior to end of this term. If you require any new uniform items, please ensure to place your order via QKR. (Note QKR Is now back operational).

After this order, there will be one more order towards the end of term, for delivery in 2026.



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



Samantha R



Bella A

Congratulations to all our students for reaching the following reading night milestones.

 nights of reading!	25 nights	50 nights	75 nights	100 nights
	Matilda C Jordan W	Mia M Hektor P		Jeremy D Zaxson R
	125 nights	175 nights	225 nights	250 nights
	Autumn E	McKenzie Mc	Lillia-Belle H Arie N-C Spencer S	Ella W Joshua O
	150 nights	200 nights	Ella C Lily J	275 nights
	Alison S	Poppy S Tex F Mason C		



STUDENT AWARDS (TERM 4 – WEEK 1)



Foundation/1	Carter B – (<i>Sharing Award</i>) for being a kind and caring classmate who always shares and helps others
1/2	Tex F – (<i>Sharing Award</i>) for always taking responsibility for his learning and being a reliable class member
3/4	Aria H – (<i>Sharing Award</i>) for her positive attitude towards learning and helping to make our school great with her sharing nature.
4/5	Lily J – (<i>Sharing Award</i>) for outstanding effort in sharing ideas and completing all work
6	Sienna C – (<i>Sharing Award</i>) for being a responsible person in all in area of school life.
	Vaida O – Art Award - for creating a detailed plan for her art sculpture.



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD – Week 1

Congratulations to **Sadie F** for showing initiative and responsibly for keeping our school grounds free of rubbish.

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.



Raf G



Hektor P
Grace G
Olivia J



Melia G

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

75 YEAR



LOCKWOOD

**JOIN US AT A
COMMUNITY FAIR
TO CELEBRATE
75 YEARS OF
LOCKWOOD CFA**

**Sunday 26th October
10am to 3pm**

**Lockwood South Community
Hall Carpark (Cnr Crusoe Rd
& Calder Alt Hwy)**

- Community Market
- CFA Displays
- CFA Vintage Trucks
- Family & Kids Activities
- Food & Drinks available
- Local School Displays



Gratefully Supported by:



🎨🎨🎨 Hello under 11 and 12 cricketers and families. 🎨🎨🎨

With school holidays over, and daylight savings now started, junior cricket training is starting.

Marong Cricket Club Junior cricket training will be on Thursday's afternoons. 4pm - 5.15pm.

For first timers, we have plenty of equipment to train with. Don't think you need to have everything to start with.

We will work out teams over the next few weeks, once we get a handle on numbers, friendship groups and logistics.

Kids as young as 8 years old can participate in Under 11's. Under 12's will be those that have graduated from 11's or those that want the greater challenge of under 12's. Or, they could play both! If the parents are up for that. Under 11's are Monday afternoons and under 12's Saturday mornings. We are expecting junior cricket to start the 25th of October.

To qualify for a grade you need to be "under" on the 1st of September. If you're close, we can generally get permits. Girls can play in the age group, a full year older than their age would suggest. Marong CC have had a long history of having plenty of girls play with us.

If you or your child isn't sure about cricket yet, get them along to training and see if they enjoy themselves, over the next few weeks.

So, if you're keen on cricket, or interested in trying, come along to Malone park on Thursday at 4.

Regards,

Greg, Aaron and Darren (Marong Cricket Club)

0427 104 484 Greg

0448 458 931 Darren

0490 062 224 Aaron



FREE • FUNLOONG • FUN DAY!

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Saturday October 18, 11am to 2pm
Hargreaves Mall and Williamson Street

Live entertainment
Animals and reptiles
Laser Tag Spaceship
Face painting
Airbrush tattoos
Jurassic Adventure jumping castle
Cultural activities and performances
\$2 sausages and vegie burgers
...and much more!

Join us to celebrate Children's Week with a range of **FREE** fun activities and live entertainment for children and families to enjoy!

Scan the QR code for more information about this inclusive event.

Smoke and vape free event

Translations: أهلاً وسهلاً, မေတ္တာတူဖို့, Welcome, 欢迎, Wominjeka

Child Safe event

This event is proudly sponsored by:



161ST MALDON & BARINGHUP AGRICULTURAL SHOW

SUNDAY 19TH OCTOBER, 2025
9AM - 4PM

Maldon Racecourse Reserve, Lewis Rd, Maldon

FREE CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES FROM 10am-3pm

ENTRY
\$15 Adult
\$35 Family (2 adults & family under 14)
\$7.50 Pensioners/Students
\$5.00 Children (Under 14)

• HORSE EVENTS • SHEEP & WOOL PAVILION • FIZZICKS EDUCATION & FUN FARM 2U
• DOG SHOW • FACE PAINTING, JUMPING CASTLES, LASER TAG, ROCK CLIMBING,
QUIRKY TALES PUPPET SHOW, SHEAF TOSS, GUM BOOT THROWING
• PAVILION COVERING ART, CRAFT, COOKING, HORTICULTURE & MORE
• ENTERTAINMENT BY MALDON BRASS BAND & THE MARTINI SET

Proudly supported by:



MALDON SHOW

MORE INFO - LEEANNE
secretary@maldonshow.com.au

Dear Girls in STEM participants, families, supporters and educators,

If you are interested in coming along to Discovery's Free Girls in STEM After School Club or know someone who would like to give it a try you can check it out here:

Girls in STEM Term 4

It starts back on the 14th of October. It runs 4pm-5pm each Tuesday and this term we will be exploring engineering challenges and movie magic.

Discovery Science and Technology Centre Bendigo

TERM 4



Girls in STEM Club

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BENDIGO AUSKICK AND SUPERKICK TERM 4 PROGRAM

EPSOM HUNTLY REC RESERVE - MONDAYS FOR 5 WEEKS STARTING 20TH OF OCTOBER - \$55 INCLUDES A FOOTBALL



nab Auskick 

5-6 year olds

Come find your awesome at NAB AFL Auskick. An introductory program to Australian rules football, teaching skills through fun activities and mini games.



AFL Superkick 

7-12 year olds

Level up your footy with skills and modified match play in weekly sessions. NAB AFL Superkick is tackle-free and great for Auskick grads and newbies alike.

VISIT PLAY.AFL

hotshots tennis



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 17th Oct
Time - Registrations 9.30am for 10am start

Please contact Jarrod Epps for more details at jarrodeppe@girton.vic.edu.au
hotshots.tennis.com.au

