

LETHBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Care Respect Collaboration Resilience

Lethbridge Primary School acknowledge the traditional custodians of our school lands, the Wadawurrung people, and pay our respects to Elder's past, present and future.

April	Monday	25	ANZAC Day – Public Holiday
	Tuesday	26	Curriculum Day
	Wednesday	27	First Day of Term 2
	Wed - Fri	27 - 29	Year 4 Camp
May	Monday	2	P-3 Auskick Clinic
	Friday	6	Mother's Day Stall
	Friday	6	Flinders Cross Country (selected students)

School Communications



SRC FUNDRAISING – GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL

In the final two weeks of term one, our SRC have been raising money for the Good Friday Appeal. They have done a wonderful job promoting our Zooper Dooper sales, with all proceeds going to the Good Friday Appeal. Thank you to the families who also added donations to our fundraising appeal. We raised over \$50!

RAPID ANTIGEN TESTING - EXTENSION

The Victorian Government has announced it is extending the RAT screening program for the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Thank you to all students and families who have played their role in regularly testing – we know that hasn't been easy. Your work has seen COVID-19 cases being picked up at the earliest opportunity, meaning less cases in our school and more time in the classroom for our students.

The testing recommendations will remain the same next Term for students and staff with:

- * Mainstream schools – recommended to test at home twice a week
- * Specialist schools – recommended to test 5 days a week at home due to the higher risk of severe illness for medically vulnerable children

Boxes of Rapid Antigen Tests have been distributed to students this week for the first two weeks of Term two.

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. The Easter break is a good opportunity to get your child vaccinated ahead of this, with many options across GPs, pharmacies and the state run vaccination clinics.

If you have any concerns or worries about getting your child vaccinated, please get in contact with your GP or another health professional who can answer your concerns.

Thank you again for all your support over Term 1, we couldn't have done it without you.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Thank you all for attending our Parent Teacher Interviews this week. It was wonderful to have parents visit our classrooms once again and discuss learning progress throughout term one. Throughout the year, we offer two opportunities for formal conversations with teachers – in term one and term three. We do however, always welcome you to contact your child's teacher at any point throughout the year. This includes a conversation at the front gate at the end of a school day, leaving a message at the office requesting the teacher call you, or sending a message to your child's teacher on Sentral.

We are incredibly proud of the strong connections and relationships we have with families, and we hope to welcome you back into classrooms soon to see and celebrate the learning of our students.

YEAR 4-6 EXCURSION

On Wednesday, our Year 4, 5 and 6 students travelled to the Victorian Space Science Education Centre. The students left school at 7.45am and returned at 4.15pm but the long day was worthwhile. The feedback we have gained from this excursion has been incredibly positive!

At VSSEC, students participated in scenario-based learning environment that engaged the students in a wide range of science activities, using computer and communications technology that strongly encouraged collaborative learning and teamwork. It offered a rich experience in science in building core skills. Students worked in Mission Control and at the M.A.R.S. Base.

Students also participated in static electricity activities, focusing on the effects of weather and humidity.



COMMUNITY OSH – SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Community OSH is leading a school holiday program at Belmont Primary School during the upcoming school holidays. Students from Lethbridge Primary School are welcome to register and attend this program. We have often had some of our students attend the holiday programs and as many of the staff have also worked at the Lethbridge Primary School OSH program, they are familiar to the students.

Bookings are available through the Community OSH website. Please see the full program at the end of our newsletter.

TUESDAY APRIL 26 – CURRICULUM DAY

The first day of Term 2 is a Curriculum Day (no school for students)

Please note that our Curriculum Day directly follows the public holiday for ANZAC Day, and therefore students will return to school on Wednesday April 27.



ATTITUDES TO SCHOOL SURVEY

Next term, our Year 4-6 students will participate in the Attitudes to School Survey. This survey is an important resource for our school to understand the student perspective and action improvements. We will share information with relevant families before commencing the survey at school.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER - BUNNINGS BBQ

Our Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser has been scheduled for Saturday May 14. In preparation for this day, we are asking that parents advise us of their potential capability to volunteer at the BBQ.

Please use the link below to advise us of your preference – Morning or Afternoon shift.

<https://forms.gle/7KpJjnpXbyxj96fCA>

YEAR 7, 2023

Secondary schools have begun planning for families of Year 7 students in 2023. Many schools are hosting upcoming information nights, open days and tours. Please see the details at the end of the newsletter.

COVID-19 VACCINES

Vaccination is another key component to protect students and staff in school settings.

Vaccinations for children aged 5 to 11 are open and third dose vaccinations for 16- to 17-year-olds are now available.

There are lots of convenient options to access vaccinations. These include state-wide vaccination hubs, your local GP or pharmacy.

You can book your appointment in a few different ways, including:

- * online: coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine
- * by phone: 1800 675 398 (Coronavirus Hotline)
- * In person: talk to your local pharmacy, doctor, or attend a state-wide vaccination hub.
- * using the COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Finder - COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Finder | Australian Government Department of Health

In addition, schools provide a trusted place among the community to access vaccination, particularly for families who may experience language or social barriers.

Following successful implementation of school pop-up clinics at the commencement of Term 1, more than 230 schools across Victoria are currently hosting mini-vaccination clinics led by GPs and pharmacists. Many of these clinics will also make vaccinations available the broader school community, inclusive of families of students and school staff.

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Please ensure you have downloaded the *Sentral* application and have registered to use it.



PARENT PAYMENTS

Thank you to the families who have already contributed to essential learning materials and voluntary payments. We are very appreciative of the timely manner of these payments. Parents wishing to make contributions towards the Parent Payment Arrangements for 2022 are welcome to contact the office over the phone or visit the office in person.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$125 per year is paid for eligible primary school students. A special consideration eligibility category also exists. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to the student.

To be eligible for the fund you must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two;
- a) Hold a Veterans Affairs Gold Card, Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC), Pensioner Concession Card (PCC), OR
- b) Be a temporary foster parent, and
- c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

HOW TO APPLY Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Enjoy your holidays!
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

To assist your decision making in relation to your child's education for 2023 and beyond, please find below a link to the 76 page 2022 edition of the

Geelong Schools Guide.

<https://victoriaschoolguides.starcommunity.com.au/geelong-education/>



4ST - 8TH APRIL 2022

COMMUNITY OSH NEWSLETTER

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FOR THE FINAL WEEK OF TERM 1 WE DECIDED TO FOCUS ON EASTER.

WE HAVE DECORATED CARDBOARD EGGS, MADE PAPER DOLL BUNNIES, DONE EASTER THREADING AND EVEN TRIED MAKING OUR OWN CLAY EGGS.



WE LOOK FORWARDS TO SEEING YOU NEXT WEEK!

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND, JADE, EMILY, SOPHIE, SUSIE, AMY, ANNIE AND GRAEME.

TO ENROL & BOOK, LOGIN OR CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT AT
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Belmont Primary Autumn Holiday Program

12TH-21ST APRIL 2022



Program Day \$62.00
Incursion Day \$78.00
Excursion Day \$86.00
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Families can claim Child Care Subsidy if you are registered with MYGOV and the Family Assistance Office.

7.00am-6.00pm 51 Mt Pleasant Rd Belmont VIC 3216 Ph: 0438195589 www.commosh.edu.au

<p>HAPPY HOLIDAYS</p>	<p>Tuesday 12th Excursion Movies We are off to the movies today at Readings to see the latest Children's Movie. Sit back and relax and get transported to another world. Movie title to be confirmed and parents advised a week prior once session times are released. Please arrive by 9.00am</p>	<p>Wednesday 13th Outer Space Blas off and out of orbit at our Outer Space Party today! Learn more about the galaxy, constellations, gravity and space travel. Make a Mini Scratch Planet and some Meteor Masals. In the afternoon Play Solar System Dunk and Pin the Tail on the Comet.</p>	<p>Thursday 14th Eggstravaganza Hop on down to our gigantic Easter Party! Enjoy making a colourful Easter Masalo, an Easter Crown to wear and a Cheeky Chicken toy. Compete in teams at our Easter Bingo Game and join the Mega Egg Hunt at the park in the afternoon</p>	<p>Happy Easter Program Closed for Good Friday</p>
<p>Program Closed for Easter Monday</p>	<p>Tuesday 19th Robotics Do you love STEM? Robokids Implement a cross curricular and problem solving approach to Integrating the Digital Technologies to develop, critical thinking, creativity, curiosity and resilience through Roboto applications. Children will be either in the P-2 or Year 3-4 group workshop.</p>	<p>Wednesday 13th Multiparts Clinic Proactivity Make sure you have a big breakfast as we will be running, swinging and throwing all morning. We will be learning the fundamentals of soccer, basketball, athletics, AFL and tee-ball to develop essential motor skills in a fun and non-competitive environment.</p>	<p>Thursday 21st Excursion Werribee Zoo Get up close and personal with the amazing animals at the Werribee Open Plain Zoo. Enjoy the African savannah on the Safari Bus and stroll through the Zoo at your own speed, spotting lions, hippos, cheetahs, monkeys, gorillas and more on the African River Trail. Please arrive by 9.00am</p>	

Children need to pack morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea.
Please ensure children are wearing closed in shoes, weather appropriate clothing, hat and bring a refillable drink bottle.

Attention - Year 6 Netballers!!!

Western Heights College would love the chance to show our talented Grade 6 netballers their school and introduce them to the Director of their netball Program. Please see flyer below for more details.

Western Heights College is committed to providing positive support and ongoing learning opportunities to promote sustained academic and sporting excellence. The Specialist Netball Program allows student athletes to further achieve their sporting potential in a High-Performance Training Environment within school hours. This allows balance of both sport and academic as well as allowing student athletes to continue participating within their respective clubs and representative competitions. Director of Netball is Susan Mearney Australia Diamond player #127, current specialist coach of Melbourne Vixen, Head coach of the Vixen Academy, Director of the Barwon Sports Academy.

Susan's coaching philosophy outlines that excellence and successful outcomes come with hard work and a relentless strong self-belief, which must be always present. Each person/athlete has a unique skill set and personality. Susan enjoys getting to know her athletes and connecting with them each individually to assist them in achieving their potential, becoming better athletes, and, most importantly, becoming better people through the journey and creating successful lifelong habits and behaviours.

In the netball program each athlete is provided with 500 minutes of weekly Technical Training and Athlete Development within school hours. This includes:

- Footwork fundamentals
- Movement skills
- Ball handling skills
- Attacking and defending skills
- Shooting skills

Our 2022 Yr.7 Talent ID session will be held at Leisuretime Sports Precinct
252-252 Anakie Rd, Norlane on Friday 29th April 4-5pm.
To learn more about our Specialist Netball program and register for this session, please visit our website: <https://www.whc.vic.edu.au/specialist-sports-program>
Contact Cate Johnson, Program Coordinator
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