

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.

June	Monday	5	Year 4-6 Basketball Clinic
	Tuesday	6	P-3 Basketball Clinic
	Thursday	8	Division Lightning Premiership – Soccer (selected students)
	Friday	9	Year 3/4 Healthy Heroes incursion
	Monday	12	Public Holiday – King's Birthday
	Tuesday	13	Division Lightning Premiership – Football (selected students)
	Tuesday	13	First Aid in Schools incursion
	Tuesday	13	Year 4-6 Book Bash incursion
	Friday	16	Division Lightning Premiership – Netball (selected students)
	Monday	19	Year 4-6 Basketball Clinic
	Tuesday	20	P-3 Basketball Clinic
	Tuesday	20	School Council meeting – 6:30pm
	Thursday	22	Learning Celebrations – open classrooms 2.30-3.15pm
	Friday	23	Term 2 finishes – students dismissed at 2:30pm
July	Monday	10	Term 3 Commences – students return to school

Enrolments Open for 2024

Please contact us to arrange a tour and collect an Enrolment Pack

End of Term 2 - Friday June 23

Dismissal – 2.30pm

SMALL AND SPECIAL

Our school is small, but special. We have beautiful facilities for our small community. Our size does not limit the experiences we provide for our students as we often source resources that are usually out of reach for smaller and regional schools.

This year, these programs have included free camps, free excursions, sporting clinics, online webinars, sporting events, family fun night, learning celebrations and many more.

I would like to acknowledge our staff who organise these events. These events are wonderful opportunities for our students and while we try to align events with our teaching and learning programs, the opportunity to try new sports, meet new people and learn 'outside the classroom' also has benefit.

Our school is small, and busy. Our priorities are student wellbeing and learning. We are relentless in supporting our students each day and often this means adjusting our plans to ensure they can thrive at school. Given this is the core of our work, there are times we seek support from our community to support us. I am very grateful to the families and community members who are regularly helping us– the mowing, gardening and volunteering in classrooms, Bunnings BBQs and Mother's Day stall. Your support and assistance at our school is so highly valued, so thank you!

YEAR 3 CAMP

Last week, I had the pleasure of attending the Year 3 Camp in Airey's Inlet. We had a wonderful time participating in a range of activities across the three days and I am incredibly proud of the way our students represented our beautiful school.

On Wednesday, our students met their peers from Shelford, Meredith and Anakie Primary Schools in Bannockburn to board the bus to camp. We quickly began activities after the camp introductions and safety talk. The initial activities involved bravery and courage! The giant swing increased our heart rates, and the climbing wall took strength and patience. At the archery, students encouraged and congratulated each other on the points they gained. A quick evening walk up the hill behind the camp was an enjoyable experience to notice the sounds around camp. Dinner time was an experience as our first duty group of students set tables, served dinner and tidied the dining tables after dessert.

Thursday was a reasonably wet day! We enjoyed a tour of the Lighthouse before returning to camp for workshops with Ecologic. The rest of the day passed quickly with students completing initiative activities in the afternoon. While watching 'Round the Twist' before bedtime, the students enjoyed making connections to landmarks they had seen earlier in the day.

During day three, students packed their bags ready for our departure before enjoying more activities at the camp site. We completed the low ropes course and explored the camp site through a game of golf frisbee! Our students did a wonderful job working as a team, supporting each other and meeting new friends! Thank you to Mrs McKenzie for also supporting the students at camp.



REPORTING

As term 2 progresses, our teachers are working to complete assessments and develop student reports. This semester, we have worked with feedback to provide more specific information in student reports. This includes a continuum of learning for each student and their report will show skills they have achieved, skills they are currently working towards achieving, and future learning. We hope that this will provide specific information for families regarding the content and individual learning goals being focussed on through our teaching and learning programs.

To follow the distribution of student reports, we will be scheduling time for Parent and Teacher Interviews in Term 3. This will be an opportunity to discuss your child's report and goals for semester 2.

REPRESENTING OUR SCHOOL

Throughout the past fortnight our students have represented our school in multiple sporting events. These have included the Lightning Premiership, Cross Country and a visit to the Immigration Museum and Earth Ed. I would like to thank the

staff for preparing and supporting our students before and during these events. Congratulations to our students who represented our community by showing our school values during these events. You can read more about the students' experiences later in our newsletter.

LEARNING CELEBRATIONS

Parents and families are invited to visit our classrooms on Thursday June 22, from 2.45-3.15pm.

Our Learning Celebrations are an opportunity to visit your child's classroom to share in their progress and achievements throughout the term.

I hope you can join us!

Take care,
Chelsey

SRC NEWS

We are proud to announce that \$102 was raised during our Wear it Yellow Day fundraiser yesterday. Money raised will go to Children's Ground, an organisation supporting the education and wellbeing of First Nation Peoples children living on Country.

Jai, Fraser, Ben and Mia
SRC



COMMUNICATIONS

Our newsletter continues to be the best form of communication. We aim to include all relevant information in our newsletter so that families have notice of upcoming events, celebrations and school information.

We have also begun using Sentral for parent messaging this year and as this continues to grow, we will introduce more features to families. Class Dojo will continue to be used for event reminders and photos of events happening at school.

COMMUNICATING WITH STAFF

At Lethbridge Primary School, we take great pride in the partnerships we have with families and the strong communication we have with parents when sharing information between school and home. To support communication, we often have parents dropping into the office with short messages. There are however occasions when parents require more time to meet with a staff member. We recommend parents contact the school office to book a time in advance with teachers or school leaders on these occasions. We are often not available for extensive conversations at the beginning of the school day. Making an appointment in advance will help us to ensure your conversation with us protected and uninterrupted.

MR BARTLETT ON LEAVE

Mr Bartlett is enjoying long service leave for the final four weeks of this term. Parents and families can continue to contact Miss Marks by making an appointment through the office or phoning 5241 7214.

FUNDRAISING

This semester we have raised over \$3000 through the Mother's Day Stall, Bunnings BBQ and Hot Cross Buns. This is an incredible effort! School Council have been discussing potential ways to improve our school using fundraised money. If you have any ideas to share, please contact us at the school or a member of School Council.

SPORT REPORTS

Cross Country

On Tuesday 23rd of May, we went to the 3rd round of Cross Country. Dyer raced first and came 18th out of about 150 kids and Emily came 23rd out of about 50 kids. When we finished our race we got a green piece of paper that said what we came. If we had come in the top 12 we would have moved forward to 4th round. We raced against a lot of other schools. We were the only students from our school that went to the competition. We would like to thank our parents for taking us to the Geelong Botanical Gardens.

Dyer (5/6) and Emily (4/5)

Winter Sports - Football

Last Friday some of the Grade 3-6 students went to Bannockburn College to participate in the Winter Sports Lightning Premiership. In football, we played five games against Teesdale, Inverleigh and Baptist College. There were 2 Teesdale and Inverleigh teams. We won 1 game and tied 1 game and lost the rest but we did not give up! We tried our hardest. Some teams needed more players so we gave some of our players to them. Thank you Mrs McKenzie for coaching us and Kate for supporting us on the day.

Jackson and Harry (5/6)



Winter Sports - Netball

For netball, we played 7 games! We won 6/7 of them. We had a bye first and then we played against Baptist College 1 and then we played Baptist 2. We tried our best to win and we were successful!

We played Meredith and Anakie. This was the only game that we lost, by 1 goal. After this, we played both Inverleigh teams and managed to thrash them.

Our last match of the heats was against Teesdale. This was stressful because we wanted to win so bad so that we could make it into the grand final. We won and found out that we were top of the ladder so made it to the grand final!

In the grand final, the pressure was on. We played Inverleigh a second time, and once again thrashed them which made us the winners of the day!

We would like to thank Miss Rowe and Lauren for taking us and coaching us. We couldn't have done it without you both.

Briah (4/5) and Jai (5/6)



Winter Sports - Soccer

We got on the bus to get to the Bannockburn Soccer field. We got off the bus and got our shin pads and boots on and we were ready to go.

Our first team to play against was Geelong Baptist 1. We won 4-0.

Our next team to play against was Geelong Baptist 2. We were pretty evenly matched and drew 1-1

Our next team to play was Inverleigh. It was an easy game, we won 3-0.

Next was Teesdale. We both played very well and drew 0-0. Then we played Shelford and Meredith. This was an easy win for us - we won 6-0.

Finally we made it to the final. It was Teesdale versus us. Unfortunately, they won 2-0 but we tried really hard.

We would like to thank Mrs Matthews for helping us on the day

Rocco (5/6) and Tom (4/5)



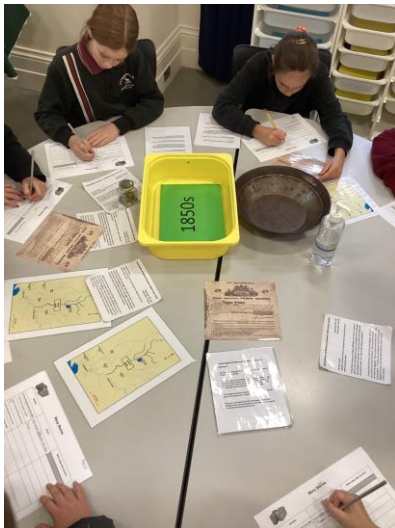
EXCURSION REPORTS

Immigration Museum

On Tuesday, the year 4, 5 and 6 students went to Melbourne to go to the Immigration Museum. We hopped on the bus and drove to Melbourne. It was a long bus ride. We hopped off the bus and ate our lunch. Then we walked across the Sandridge Bridge and looked at displays about different eras of time and then we walked back to the Museum.

We took a photo of our group and then we went back to the museum and looked at items from immigrants who have come to Australia in the past. We saw videos about immigrants affected by war and natural disasters. We used a simulation where we interviewed people wanting to come to Australia.

Tom (4/5) and Jaxen (5/6)



Earth Excursion

On Thursday the 18th of May, the year 5s and 6s went to Earth Ed and learned about AI (artificial intelligence) which is the ability for a computer to think and learn. We had lots of fun and Fifi led us around Earth ED. We taught the computer how to identify rock, paper and scissors. We went into this room and there was a thing where you held up a certain amount of fingers and it would change the weather on the tv. Thank You to Miss Rowe, Mrs Matthews and Ms Marks for organising this fun treat.

Heidi (4/5) and Ruby (5/6)

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Term 2, Week 5

Prep B	Chiara For confidently using your sound knowledge to consistently attempt unknown words. Keep up the great work Chiara!
Grade 1 / 2 F	Hayden S For his lovely caring nature for others, both in the classroom and in the yard. Keep it up, Hayden!
Grade 2 / 3 M	Grade 3 Campers For showing our school values during their time at Camp. Excellent effort!
Grade 4 / 5M	Amelia For your thoughtful comments and explanations during your literature circle discussions. Well done Amelia!
Grade 5 / 6R	Heath For showing kindness and gratitude daily. Thank you for being such a positive and welcoming person. Keep it up, Heath!
Art Award	Jenna For your effort put into creating your mask. Well done!
STEM Award	Charlotte For her curiosity when researching the structural adaptations of frill neck lizards. Fantastic work Lottie!
P.E. Award	Jack M For your positive attitude and consistent hard work when working as a team. Thank you Jack!
Italian Award	Oliver G For his hard work and creativity when working on his Carnivale mask. Bravo Oliver!
Principal's Award	Angus For your great attitude towards learning and improvements in reading. Well done Angus!

Term 2, Week 6

Prep B	Harlow For listening to feedback about your writing and striving hard to make immediate improvements. I am very proud of how hard you have worked this week Harlow!
Grade 1 / 2 F	Ruby-Rae For her wonderful effort and work to construct a lovely information report on the telephone. Keep up the good work Ruby-Rae!
Grade 2 / 3 M	Ava For her persistence and effort during all aspects of her work this week. Congratulations Ava!
Grade 4 / 5M	Emily For her outstanding attitude to learning, especially when challenged to calculate elapsed time using timetables. Well done Emily!
Grade 5 / 6R	Dyer For showing a keen interest in both your biography
Art Award	Beatrice For your beautiful beaded necklace using a wonderful pattern. Awesome work Beatrice!
STEM Award	Jordyn B For your contributions when working on the life cycle of a frog. Keep up the great work Jordyn!
P.E. Award	Jarvis P For his teamwork, beautiful manners and personal best effort in PE this week. You did a sensation job Jarvis!
Principal's Award	Beau For his consistent demonstration of our school values and role model behaviours.

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

BOOK CLUB

A reminder that orders for Issue 4 of Book Club close on **Thursday 8th June**. Orders can be made by using the following link (<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx>) or by returning your order to the office with the correct money.



PARENT PAYMENTS

Thank you to all of the families who have already contributed to essential learning materials and voluntary payments. We are very appreciative of these payments. These contributions support us to provide effective programs for our students. Parents wishing to make contributions towards the Parent Payment Arrangements for 2023 are welcome to contact the office by phone or visit us in person.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Saturday 3rd June
Corner Milton & High Street,
Bannockburn 8.30am to 12.30pm

'Parenting Children who Worry'

Info Session for Parents

An information session for parents will be delivered by Ballarat Catholic Care Regional Parenting Program in partnership with Golden Plains Shire Council.

The info session will deliver on topics from Karen Young's 'Hey Sigmund' model as well as introducing the key themes of *Circle of Security Parenting*.

- Turning 'tantrums and meltdowns' into learning and teaching moments.
- Early brain development.
- What is anxiety? Responding to anxiety and worry in young children.
- The importance of relationships in early psychosocial development.
- Support your child's developing self-esteem.
- Emotion Coaching techniques – Responding to big feelings.

Date: 7th June 2023

Time: 10am-11am

Location: Multipurpose Room, Bannockburn Family Services Centre
2A Pope Street, Bannockburn, 3331.

Cost: FREE

To register: Contact Chelsea Brooks gpshealthandwellbeing@gplains.vic.gov.au
P: 03 5220 7207



Lethbridge Junior Football Club
presents



A hands-on Australian Wildlife Show

When: Sunday 25th June 2023
3 Session times available
9.30am/11.30am/1.30pm (limited seats per session)

Where: Lethbridge Recreation Reserve
8 Stephenson St, Lethbridge

Cost: \$12 per ticket
(An additional processing fee and ticket fee will be charged by trybooking)

Light refreshments available to purchase on the day.
For more information contact lethbridgejuniorfooty@gmail.com or 0421 609 246



ZINEverleigh

Zine Fair



Saturday 3rd June, 10am - 2pm
Inverleigh Town Hall, 71 High Street, Inverleigh

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