

# 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.*

August	Tues-Fri	15 - 18	Dental Van
	Friday	18	National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence
	Friday	18	Assembly; 3pm
	Tues - Fri	22 - 25	Book Fair!
	Wed	23	Cricket Clinic
	Thursday	24	MARC Van
	Friday	25	Book Week Parade - 9.10am
	Tuesday	29	School Photos
	Wednesday	30	Cricket Clinic
	Thursday	31	Final day to bring in coins for the Coin Line!
	Friday	1	Father's Day Stall – all gifts \$5
September	Friday	1	Assembly; 3pm

### BREAKFAST CLUB IS BACK!

#### 8.40am Multi Purpose Room

Monday August 14  
Wednesday August 16  
Monday August 21  
Wednesday August 23  
Monday August 28  
Wednesday August 30  
Monday September 4  
Wednesday September 6  
Monday September 11  
Wednesday September 13



Parents, can you help at Breakfast Club?

Please contact us, we would love to hear from you!

### Can you help our Breakfast Club?

We are looking for donations of:



Long life milk  
Long life juice



Any donations will be appreciated!  
Please bring your donation to the school office.

## Save the date!

### SPECIALIST SHOWCASE

## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 13

## 2.30-4PM

A celebration of our specialist subjects:

Visual Arts STEM Physical Education Italian Performing Arts

Be part of our celebrations:

Student performances, art activities, science skills and Italian treats!

## PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Last week, I attended the Principal Forum. As part of our professional learning and Department of Education priorities, principals participated in a mathematics workshop with staff from YouCubed.

YouCubed focuses on developing a positive mindset for mathematics by using collaboration and problem-solving skills. The research presented evidence of how the brain grows and develops pathways through learning. It also addresses the misconceptions such as having a “maths brain”

There is evidence that embracing challenges and the power of a struggle improve persistence. Removing challenges enables a fixed mindset. By leading students through a challenge, we are facilitating the brain pathways to connect and learning to grow. The guidance adults can provide is significant as creativity and critical thinking is used to solve problems.

## MS READ-A-THON

It has been wonderful to see our students tracking their reading! Each of our classes have displayed a poster to record the texts being read and some students are providing recommendations for their peers!

## SRC

Our SRC held a very successful fundraiser this week. I am proud our representatives for supporting our students so well, particularly to gain feedback and ideas from all classes. On Monday, they worked diligently to pack and deliver lunch orders to all classes!

## 2024 ENROLMENTS

We are in the process of confirming enrolments for 2024, and the planning for next year is already underway! Please remind your friends, neighbours, colleagues or relatives to contact us if they are looking for enrolment information.

As planning is underway for next year, we also ask current families to contact us if your enrolment needs for 2024 are changing.

## PARENT/GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

Information regarding the annual Parent/Guardian Opinion Survey was sent home this week. The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education that is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, and student engagement.

The survey is optional but we encourage all families to participate. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school.

The Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey is open and will close on Friday 8 September 2023.

The survey will be conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese.

## THANK YOU!

Finally, thank you to our students, staff and parents for their kind messages for Principal's Day last week! I had a wonderful day of celebrations.

Enjoy your weekend,  
Chelsey

## MEET JENNA!

Jenna has begun working with us as part of her university placement. Jenna's focus is to support and improve our wellbeing initiatives at school.

*"My name is Jenna, and I am in my final year of my Bachelor of Community and Human Services at Federation University which involves completing a considerable placement which helps to bring all of my learning together. I have been absolutely blessed to have the opportunity to complete my final placement within this amazing school community and I am so grateful to have been welcomed so warmly already.*

*I have extensive experience working with young children and a special interest in working with children who need extra support. I have years of experience working with adults with disabilities and this has sparked my passion for advocating for autonomy, respect, and inclusion of all people within society, after all, everybody wants the same things, to be safe, to be loved and to be included. The purpose of my placement is to learn about and contribute to the wellbeing strategies in place within the school and the wider community of Lethbridge.*

*Please feel free to come and have a chat with me and introduce yourself!"*





## BOOK WEEK!

Are you Book Week ready?

We are looking forward to celebrating Book Week! On Friday August 25, we invite all students to celebrate Book Week with us by dressing up! Our Book Week Parade will once again be held along Stephenson Street.

**When:** Friday August 25, 9.10am

**What:** Dress up as your favourite book character, author or illustrator

## NAPLAN RESULTS

NAPLAN reports for students in Years 3 and 5 have been received by the school. Parents can collect their child's NAPLAN report from the office.

## STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Did you know you can communicate your child's absences through Sentral?

It is Department of Education policy for families to notify the school of any absences. If we do not receive communication, we are then expected to contact you. You can advise us of absences in several ways, directly to the office, via telephone or on Sentral.

## SRC REPORT

We are pleased to announce that we raised a whopping \$208.37 from the party pie and sausage roll fundraiser. Thank you to all who contributed. We will spend that money on some quoits and trucks for the sandpit.

The coin line fundraiser will continue until 31<sup>st</sup> August and then we will be able to purchase some more games and equipment, and don't forget that the class with the longest line will win a prize.

Thank you for your support.

Jai, Fraser, Ben and Mia

Student Representative Council

## BOOK FAIR

Our annual Book Fair is on again, from Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August until Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August, and will be held at the end of the Learning Street. Students will have a quick browse of the books on offer on the Monday. There will be an EFT machine available to make your purchase, or alternatively please have the correct money for your items.

Book Fair opening times are as follows:

### Before School

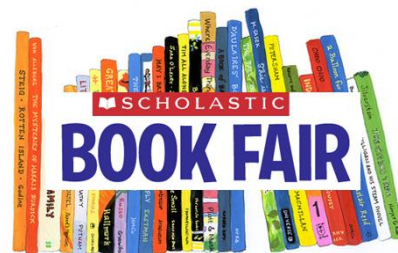
Tuesday – Friday

8.30am – 8.55am

### After School

Tuesday – Friday

3.30pm – 4.00pm



*Parents if you can assist with the Book Fair on any of the above days/times please see Mrs Boal or Meagan at the office.*

Thank you for your support of this fantastic fundraising opportunity, which enables our school to earn new books for our library.

## BOOK WEEK PARADE

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August we will be having a whole school dress up parade to celebrate Book Week. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. We will walk down Stephenson Street to the Fire Station in our year levels from about 9:10, so we would love you to stay and watch us if you are able!

## FATHER'S DAY STALL

Donations for our Father's Day Stall are gratefully appreciated! Please drop off any donations to the front office.

On Friday September 1, students will visit our Father's Day Stall to purchase gifts for their dad or special person.

All items will be \$5.

## RECYCLING ITEMS WANTED

On August 28th we will be celebrating science week with a 'science day.' In house groups, students will be participating in science activities in a friendly house competition, led by our fabulous Year 6 students.

To make this day possible, we are asking that if you have any of the following items in your recycling or laying around and wish to get rid of them, can you please send them to school with your child. Any help will be appreciated!

- Newspapers
- Straws
- Unused icy pole sticks
- 600ml or smaller soft drink/water bottles
- Paper cups
- Foil
- Corks
- Balloons

## TISSUES

It would be appreciated if students could please bring along a box of tissues for their classroom.

## LOST PROPERTY

We have a large collection of lost property, most of which is unnamed. If you are missing uniform items, please check the lost property basket in the office. We also suggest uniform items are clearly labelled, so that if they are lost, they can be returned to your child.

## BOOK CLUB

Book Club has arrived! Look out for your copy of Book Club coming home in your child's schoolbag.

Orders for Issue 6 are **due by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August.**



## BREAKFAST CLUB – PARENT VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	Parent	Parent	Parent	Parent
Wednesday August 2	Mandy	Nicole	Ashlea	Emily
Monday August 7	Mandy	Rachael	Please contact us if you can help!	Emily
Wednesday August 9	Mandy	Clare	Louisa	Kate
Monday August 14	Mandy	Jason	Please contact us if you can help!	Emily
Wednesday August 16	Mandy	Please contact us if you can help!	Alex	Emily
Monday August 21	Mandy	Rachael	Kate	Emily
Wednesday August 23	Mandy	Clare	Please contact us if you can help!	Please contact us if you can help!
Monday August 28	Mandy	Please contact us if you can help!	Please contact us if you can help!	Please contact us if you can help!
Wednesday August 30	Mandy	Please contact us if you can help!	Please contact us if you can help!	Emily
Monday September 4	Mandy	Rachael	Kate	Please contact us if you can help!
Wednesday September 6	Mandy	Clare	Louisa	Please contact us if you can help!
Monday September 11	Mandy	Please contact us if you can help!	Ashlea	Kate
Wednesday September 13	Mandy	Please contact us if you can help!	Alex	Emily

### Parent Helpers needed!

Please contact us if you are available.

Parents helping at Breakfast Club arrive at approximately 8.30am to set up, and finish at approximately 9.20am, when clean-up is complete.

Younger siblings are welcome!



## STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

### Term 3, Week 4

<b>Prep B</b>	<b>Jannali</b> For showing persistence and enthusiasm when writing a narrative this week about the Rainbow Butterfly. Excellent use of sounds and punctuation Jannali!
<b>Grade 1 / 2 F</b>	<b>Jarvis</b> For his hard work practicing his handwriting and fantastic work creating his own Dreamtime stories. Great work Jarvis!
<b>Grade 2 / 3 M</b>	<b>Duke</b> For showing collaboration and listening to feedback to improve his learning.
<b>Grade 4 / 5M</b>	<b>Mack</b> For asking questions and working hard in all areas of his learning. Keep it up Mack!
<b>Grade 5 / 6R</b>	<b>Jasper</b> For showing a positive attitude towards all learning tasks and consistently putting in the effort to produce great work. Keep it up Jasper!
<b>STEM Award</b>	<b>Jordan C</b> For his enthusiasm when observing and conducting experiments. Keep up the great work Jordan!
<b>P.E. Award</b>	<b>Jesse</b> For taking on new hockey skills and working well with others. Keep up the great work Jesse!
<b>Italian Award</b>	<b>Jarvis D</b> For his effort when pronouncing new Italian words and his willingness to keep practicing them in context. Bravo Jarvis!
<b>M.A.R.C Awards</b>	<b>George</b> For always remembering to bring his books. <b>Gemma</b> For her great oil pastel piece.
<b>Principal's Award</b>	<b>Shabad</b> For his hard-working attitude and helpful approach in the classroom.

### Term 3, Week 5

<b>Prep B</b>	<b>Kobe</b> For showing a positive attitude to all of his learning this week, especially reading and writing. Keep up the great work Kobe!
<b>Grade 1 / 2 F</b>	<b>Ryder K</b> For his enthusiastic approach to learning and contributions to our discussions during Maths sessions.
<b>Grade 2 / 3 M</b>	<b>Jordan</b> For slowing down in maths and listening to instructions carefully to complete his work.
<b>Grade 4 / 5M</b>	<b>Lottie</b> For using feedback to improve her work and showing kindness towards others.
<b>Grade 5 / 6R</b>	<b>Toby</b> For consistently finishing his work to a high standard and always being willing to lend a hand to others. Well done, Toby!
<b>STEM Award</b>	<b>Amelia D</b> For working collaboratively with her group when investigating mixtures. Fantastic effort Amelia!
<b>P.E. Award</b>	<b>James L</b> For his positive attitude and willingness to demonstrate hockey skills. Keep up the great work James!
<b>Principal's Award</b>	<b>Angus</b> For his incredible efforts in writing.



## TERM 3 LUNCH CLUBS SCHEDULE



Our Clubs are created by our students and led by our Student Leaders.  
Speak with a student leader if you would like to offer a Club to other students.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES



Dear primary school community,

Below is the link to the newly revised Western Heights College Specialist Sports Program Handbook with everything you need to know about having a student participate in one of our specialist sports programs. Please feel free to pass it on to families/friends who may be interested in considering applying for one of our programs.

We are starting our Year 7 2024 trials this week. Any students interested in joining us in Year 7 -11 2024 can register their interest via the SSP page on the school website.

[Western Heights SSP handbook 2024](#)

**Saver Plus**

**Program includes:**

- Matched dollar for dollar savings up to \$500
- Money Minded workshops - Financial Education
- Coaching on budgeting and savings

SCAN ME

**Eligibility Criteria**

- Must be a health/concession card holder;
- Be in receipt of a Centrelink Payment
- Be studying or have a child in school
- Have some regular income from work
- Be 18+ years old

**State Schools' Relief**

Provides school uniforms and shoes to those that are unable to afford them.

SCAN ME

**Eligibility Criteria**

Situations include but not limited to:

- Unemployment
- Health issues/illness
- Financial difficulties
- Independent living and/or homelessness
- Natural disasters
- Bereavement
- Domestic and family violence

**Camps, Sports and Education Fund**

**Funding to attend activities like:**

- school camps or trips
- swimming and school-organised sports programs
- outdoor education programs
- excursions and incursions

\$125 per year for eligible primary school students  
\$225 per year for eligible secondary school students.

SCAN ME

**Eligibility Criteria**

- Parent must be a health/concession card holder;
- Or families on protection/bridging visas, or seeking asylum;
- Or children in out of home care

**Computerbank**

Low cost refurbished computers that include various programs including word processing, Google Chrome and PDF Maker

SCAN ME

**Eligibility Criteria**

- Concession/Health Care Card holders
- Students
- Asylum seekers