

Leopold Primary School

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DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

Mon 13th - Labour Day Long Weekend - NO students at school

Tue 14th - Pupil Free Day

Wed 15th - 27th - NAPLAN Grades 3 & 5

Thu 16th - School Photos

Tue 21st - First new School Council meeting at 6.30pm

Fri 24th - Harmony Day

Wed 29th - Thu 30th - Grade 5 Snorkelling Excursion

APRIL

Tue 4th - Grade 1 Community BBQ

Thu 6th - Last day Term 1

TERM 2

APRIL

Mon 24th - Pupil Free Day

Tue 25th - ANZAC DAY

Wed 26th - First day Term 2

CAMP DATES 2023

Grade 4 - Anglesea Camp
24th - 26th May

Grade 3 - Camp Wyuna
21st - 23rd August

We live in this special place to continue our learning journey together.

We acknowledge the Wadawurrung people as the traditional custodians of the land upon which we live.

We understand their deep connection to country, to the waterways, the skies and the land.

We pay our respects to ancestors before us, to our elders and to those who stand for us today.

We acknowledge our past, and stand here for our future.

For all of us living and learning together on this country.



ASSEMBLY

The next school assembly will be Monday, March 27th at 2:45pm in the LINC. This is due to the Grade 6 Camp and the Public Holiday on Monday 13th March. We will decide closer to the date if Preps will be attending this assembly.

PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR 2023

Just a reminder that the School Council approved Pupil Free Days for 2023 have been arranged with particular consideration to Rostered Days Off, to support our families as best as we can:

- Tuesday 14th March – Assessment – What Now?
- Monday 24th April 2023 – Preparation for School Review. Staff looking at data across the school

SCHOOL COUNCIL POSITIONS FILLED

Thank you to the parents and staff that have nominated to be on School Council for the following 2 years. All positions have been filled and the School Council Members for 2023 are as follows:

Parent Representative

Ramona Browne

Jody Slater (re-elected member, thank you)

Kirsten Felthouse

Libbie Arnott (re-elected member, thank you)

Kylie Clayton (re-elected member, thank you)

Stephen Parker Bijvoet (re-elected member, thank you)

Nic Jarvis

Catherine Cloutier (new member, thank you)

Staff Representative

Triste Anderson

Cathryn Blennerhassett (re-elected member, thank you)

Sarah Lourey

Marion Coe (re-elected member, thank you)

Stuart Bott



SCHOOL PHOTOS

The date set for School Photos this year is **Thursday 16th March**. Please put this in your calendar to ensure all students are dressed in their full school uniform.

LAST DAY OF TERM 1

The last day of term 1 is **Thursday 6th April**. Students will be dismissed from school at 2:35pm.

The following arrangements will be in place for the final day of term 1:

Session 1: 9:00am - 10:00am

Session 2: 10:00am - 11:00am

Recess: 11:00am - 11:30am

Session 3: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Session 4: 12:30pm - 1:30pm

Eating Lunch: 1:30pm - 1:40pm

Lunch Play: 1:40pm - 2:15pm

Session 5: 2:15pm - 2:35pm

Out of School Care Program will commence at the conclusion of school. Students are expected to be at school and in full School uniform.

ANZAC DAY

We are looking forward to our students being involved in the ANZAC service on Tuesday 25th April starting at 8:00am in Leopold. Our School Captains will be speaking and there will be also students from Leopold Primary School singing. It would be great to see you at this important community event.



Our school will be holding an ANZAC ceremony in term 2, Wednesday 26th April at 2:40pm. We are yet to decide where this event will be held.

YARD SUPERVISION

Just a reminder to our parents that staff supervise students in the yard between 8:30 – 9:00am before school, and between 3:30 – 3:45pm after school. Therefore, I recommend students do not arrive at school unless they are supervised by a parent before 8:30am and they should be collected by 3:45pm in the afternoon. For those parents who have difficulty coordinating their work around these times, our Before and After School Care Program is available to assist you.



LATE ARRIVALS

Remember that there are learning and social consequences for students who arrive late. They may miss the Community Circle, the lesson's learning question and success criteria, and have not had the opportunity to catch up with their friends and develop socially. Students who are late must come in via the office, so that adjustments can be made to the online rolls that have been already marked by classroom teachers. The procedure is designed to encourage regular attendance and ensure the safety of our students.



CAR PARKING AROUND LPS

Can I please remind parents that the car parks on school grounds are for staff only. There are signs at the entrance of the 2 staff car parks that remind you that they are 'Staff Only' car parks.

Please use the 3 drop off zones around our school, 2 on Kensington Road and 1 on Vicarage Road if you are dropping your children off in the morning. If you need to park as you are walking your children to their classrooms, then you are able to park in the side streets around the school. This is same for the end of the day if you need to collect your children from the school grounds. Please use the school crossing if you are crossing the road for the safety of the LPS community.

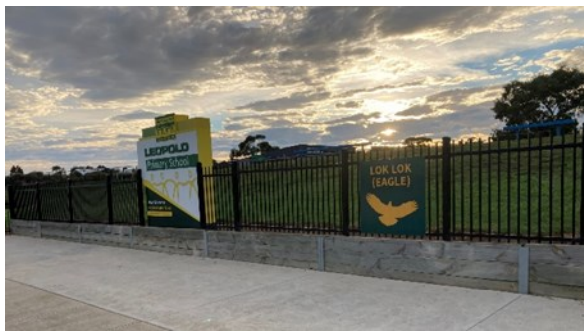
**STAFF
PARKING
ONLY**

PICK UP AND DROP OFF ZONES

At Leopold Primary School there has been Pick Up and Drop Off Zones installed. This has helped parents communicate with their children where they are going to meet them, ie "I'll pick you up from the Wordel (Crab) Drop Off Pick Up Zone". You will see the name of the animal in English as well as the language of Wadawurrung, the traditional owners of this land around Leopold. These meeting zones were named by our Junior School Council representatives. Cars may stop in between the arrows for up to two minutes, as stated on the large signs.



WAITING ZONES ON KENSINGTON RD



WAITING ZONE ON VICARGE RD

Drop Off & Pick Up - Guidelines

These guidelines are for your child's safety, your convenience and to minimise congestion & confusion

Drop Off 8:30 - 9:30am

- Please only stop for a maximum of 2 minutes
- Please also stay close by your vehicle
- Please drive as far forward in the designated area as possible

Pick Up 3-4pm

- Please do not park in the 'No Parking Zone' between 3-4pm
- If your child is not at the waiting area please move on and try again.

General rules for the safety of our children

- All Children should enter/exit car on the footpath side.
- Please be courteous to other road users and allow cars easy access and departure.
- Observe traffic and school crossing when entering or leaving the zone.
- Children must wear a seat belt/restraint until the car has stopped or before take off.

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MINUTE

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

SCHOOL DAYS

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SCHOOL PHOTOS

ONLINE BOOKING

Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year.

Choose your own **FREE** background



The benefits of being online...

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
- No cash on school grounds or children's bags
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
- 18 different backgrounds to choose from - no additional cost

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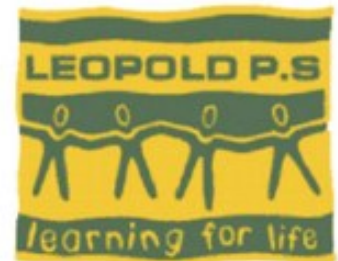
INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to www.leadingimage.com.au
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Select your State
- 4 Enter your special unique Access Key



Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30 pm the night before photo day.
Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.



School photo day for 2023 is Thursday 16th March. All students will have group and individual photos taken on the day by school photographers - Leading Image. All photos are ordered on line using the school code above.

PLEASE NOTE: All family photos must be ordered no later than 4:30pm Wednesday 15th March. Family photos cannot be ordered after this time or on the day of school photos.

If you have any questions in relation to school photos please contact Leading Image on 1800 750 586.



LPS are celebrating Harmony Day on Friday March 24th!

We invite all students to come dressed in traditional or cultural clothing, or to wear the color orange on this day to celebrate diversity and culture.

Students will participate in classroom activities promoting diversity and there will be a special community assembly in the morning, celebrating our LPS school family.

We would love to invite any families and friends of LPS, who could share a cultural story, dance, song, traditional outfit etc to contact the school, as we welcome you to be a part of our community assembly and join in our cultural celebrations. Please email Kim Daffy or Stuart Bott, if you or your child would like to participate in our whole school assembly.

Kimberley.Daffy@education.vic.gov.au

Stuart.Bott@education.vic.gov.au

More information will come out closer to the date regarding the formalities of the day. Please note, there will be NO donation required to participate in the day, but if your child does not wish to wear cultural dress or the colour orange, they will wear their school uniform.

Back to School. But with less stress.

Saver Plus. Start saving now. Make next year easier.
A savings coach. Up to \$500 in matched savings.
It's free.

*Eligibility criteria apply



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today!

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Are you eligible to join Saver Plus & receive \$500 for your back to school costs?

Must meet all eligibility criteria:



Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
AND an eligible Centrelink payment*



Be studying yourself OR have a child in school
(can be starting school next year)



Have regular income from work (either yourself or your
partner)*



Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

