

Dates to remember

NOVEMBER

Mon 22nd—Grade 2 Wild Action Incursion

Mon 22nd—Assembly

Wed 24th—Prep 2022 Transition morning

DECEMBER

Wed 1st—Prep 2022 parent info session

Tue 7th—Prep 2022 Transition morning

Wed 8th—Werribee Mansion excursion—1CH, 1 SM & 1MW

Thu 9th—Werribee Mansion excursion 1DM, 1JP & 1KZ

Thu 9th—Grade 6 Graduation

Wed 15th—Grade 6 Adventure park

Thur 16th—last day Term 4
3:30 finish



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 scheduled assembly will be held on Monday 22nd November and will commence at 2:40pm. Assembly will be held in classrooms and will be videoed and sent out to parents to watch.



TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS FOR GRADES PREP – GRADE 5

To make student transition from their current grade level in to their new 2022 grade levels, the following has been put in place until the end of the 2021 school year. The transition will look like:



Week beginning 15th November – Two sessions of wellbeing activities over the next two weeks. Teams will choose the day that best suits their team. The groups of students will be a draft of grades for 2022.

Week beginning 29th November – students will meet the new teachers in 2022 grade levels.

Tuesday 7th December – all students will meet their 2022 new teacher and spend some time with them. 2022 Preps will be in attendance on this day.

Week beginning 12th December - extra transition time will be allocated if required

2022 PREP TRANSITION

The 2022 Preps have finally had their first visit to Leopold Primary School at the beginning of this week, Monday 9th November. The students stayed for 45 minutes and we have had six groups come and visit. We enjoyed meeting the 2022 preps that will be attending Leopold Primary School. Here are some photos of the children visiting the school.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Thursday this week we commemorated the end of the First World War by placing Poppies on and around our Lone Pine tree. We also had a small ceremony over the PA system at school. We also had our School Leaders support the Leopold Community Commemorative Service as well. Here is a photo of our School Leaders laying a wreath at this Community Service.



END OF YEAR STUDENT REPORTS

End of Year Student Reports will be published on 14th December to provide an opportunity for parents to discuss reports with their child's teacher.

GRADE STRUCTURE 2022

Over the coming weeks, students will be doing activities prior to their 2022 grade placements within their current year level. While students may think these are their classes for 2022, these are not set and will change. All students will transition into their 2022 classes on Tuesday 7th December. However, 2022 classes are also dependant on student numbers on census day, at the end of February 2022. Dependant on numbers that day, some classes may change due to budgets.

The current plan for number of classes at each grade level for 2022 are:

- 6 x Prep classes (this may increase to 7 if enrolments increase)
- 6 x Grade 1 classes
- 6 x Grade 2 classes
- 5 x Grade 3 classes
- 5 x Grade 4 classes
- 5 x Grade 5 classes
- 5 x Grade 6 classes

Specialists – Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Indonesian and Physical Education

GRADE TEAM LEADERS 2022

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and announce the Grade Team Leaders for 2022.

They are:

Prep Team Leader – Mrs Kim Daffy



Grade 1 Team Leader – Mrs Jo Philp



Grade 2 Team Leader – Ms Claire Owen



Grade 3 Team Leader – Ms Stephanie Bostock



Grade 4 Team Leader – Mr Haydn Marshall



Grade 5 Team Leader – Mrs Andrea Marsh



Grade 6 Team Leader – Mr Ryan Sharkey



Specialist Team Leader – Mr Chris Williams



DATES FOR THE END OF 2021 AND START OF 2022

Please see below some dates for the end of this year and beginning of 2022:

- The last day of the 2021 school year for students is Thursday 16th December 2021. School will conclude at 3:30pm
- The first day of the 2022 school year for Grade 1 – 6 is Tuesday 1st February 2022.
- The first day of the 2022 school year for Preps students is Thursday 3rd February 2022. The end of the day for Preps on Thursday and Friday for that week is 1:30pm.
- The first full day for the 2022 Preps is Monday 7th February 2022.
- Every Wednesday in February 2022 Preps have a rest day to recharge their batteries.

DRAFT PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR 2022

To ensure parents are given ample notice, the planned draft Pupil Free Days for 2022 have been arranged:

- Monday 31st January 2022 – Berry Street Education Model: “Understanding Character”
- Wednesday 23rd February 2022 - Best Practice in Reading and Writing
- Friday 20th May 2022 - Respectful Relationships

Monday 11th July - Sue Larkey – Understanding Autism (This date is yet to be confirmed)

The last day for students is Monday 19th December 2022. School will conclude at 3:30pm.

TERM HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2022

| School Holidays | Starts | Finishes |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Term 1 Holidays | 9 Apr 2022 (Sat) | 25 Apr 2022 (Mon) |
| Term 2 Holidays | 25 Jun 2022 (Sat) | 10 Jul 2022 (Sun) |
| Term 3 Holidays | 17 Sep 2022 (Sat) | 2 Oct 2022 (Sun) |
| Term 4 Holidays | 20 Dec 2022 (Tues) | 29 Jan 2023 (Sun) |

TOY DRIVE—KIND KIDS CLUB

WOW! Congratulations to Leopold families and our wider community. Thanks to all of your kind donations for our Toy Drive, we raised a total of \$2356.70 which will all be presented to Liana Whitehand to help her with costs after her life saving operation. A big thank you also goes out to the students of the Kind Kids Club who have continued to help out with the collection of toys each week and for supporting the running of the day.

Skye Cook
Kind Kids Club coordinator

INDIGENOUS BOOK SWAP 2021

I wanted to give a heartfelt thanks to our wonderful Leopold Primary School community. With your children participating in swapping books, gold coin donations, buying bookmarks and generous contributions we were able to raise \$700 for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

This money will now go to providing books for First Nations children living in remote communities where access to books is desperately needed.

Thank you so much,

Robyn Garnham



Congratulations to these students who have completed 200 nights of reading:

Grade 2:

Blake Cherry, Liam King, Archie Moore, Emily Melbourne, Charlie Smith

Grade 3:

Mitchell Slater, Piet McKenzie, Charlotte Felthouse, Saylah Lane, Jett Wilson
Violet Hill, Lorenzo Gonzales, Ayrla Smyth, Zander Higoe

Grade 4:

Evelyn Mitchell-Meadley, Mack Warburton, Elliott Clarke, Lavinia Fiu, Charlie Hopkins, Skyla Carr, Stanley Hill, Spencer Cook

Grade 5:

Lily Connolly, Archer Di Stefano, Shaylise Cook-Goulet, Brianna Martin, Jack Schammer, Laney Scott, Luke Ritchie, Paige McQueen, Declan Wilson



SCIENCE ALERT - BLAST OFF INTO SPACE

LPS have seeds from Space.

What'll happen to the wattle?



Our school is involved in a very special International Space program where Australian Wattle seeds have been sent to the International Space Station on the rocket ship SpaceX CRS-21. They spent 6 months in space and have now landed back on Earth, ready for our LPS SCIENTISTS to plant out.

This week Mrs Moreno and some Grade 5 and Grade 1 students will plant the wattle seeds that went to space to see if they germinate and watch their growth.

You can check out the launch of our seeds into space in this clip. <https://youtu.be/3nTHuINAK1A>

Check out our challenge at this link <https://seedsinspace.com.au/>



So, you want to be a space farmer!

Are you living on the Moon or a quick trip to Mars? Exploring our galaxy?

A real career going places.

The growing of food in space will be essential for space workers and space travellers.



PARENT REMINDERS

A reminder to all families **to not use** the staff car parks to pick students up after school or drop them off in the morning. We have had a number of near misses in recent weeks where students have run in front of cars entering or leaving the staff car parks at peak times. We understand that parking around the school area is very difficult however we all need to work together for the safety of our students.

Thank you

'Lap the Map'

For Diabetes Awareness

SATURDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 2021

9am - 2pm

At the Leopold Primary School oval.



The main activity for the day will be a self-paced, low level walk around the school oval. We will be keeping track of the kms walked by each participant, and then add them together to try to reach the distance around Australia.

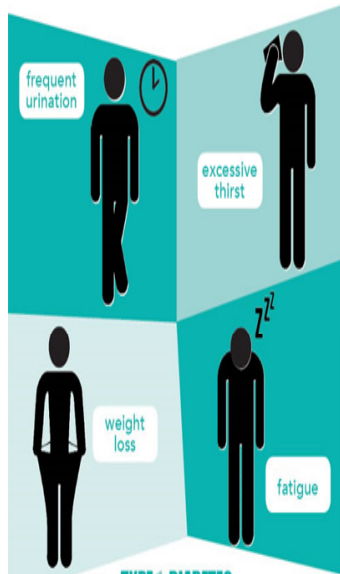
We are aiming to walk approximately 16 times around the oval - an average of 5 kms per participant. Everyone can participate **by registering on the day, and making a \$2 donation.**

Each participant who registers will receive a **Certificate of Achievement** at the end of their walk. All funds raised on the day will be donated to Lions Diabetes Awareness.

Water and a Lions BBQ will be available at reasonable family prices. (Bring a chair if required)

Please note, dogs & bikes are not permitted on the school oval.

TYPE 1 DIABETES
DON'T IGNORE THE WARNING SIGNS



The infographic is divided into four quadrants, each with a black silhouette of a person and a text label in a white box. Top-left: 'frequent urination' with a clock icon. Top-right: 'excessive thirst' with a person drinking from a bottle. Bottom-left: 'weight loss' with a person silhouette. Bottom-right: 'fatigue' with a person silhouette and a 'Zzz' icon.

TYPE 1 DIABETES
CAN RANDOMLY OCCUR AT ANY AGE.
INFANTS AND TODDLERS MAY JUST APPEAR LETHARGIC.
THESE SYMPTOMS NEED URGENT MEDICAL ATTENTION.



*TO THE ONES WHO HAVE BEEN DOING THIS FOR
EVER.*

THE NEWLY DIAGNOSED.

THE MISDIAGNOSED.

THOSE EXPERIENCING BURNOUT.

THOSE WHO SUPPORT TYPE ONE DIABETES.

*AND TO ALL OUR LEOPOLD FAMILIES
SUPPORTING, DEALING, LIVING WITH
T1D*

We are all in this together



WORLD DIABETES DAY

14 NOVEMBER 2021