

Leopold Primary School

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Respect Responsibility Kindness Honesty

Dates to remember

JUNE

Fri 24th—last day term 2—
2:35 finish

JULY

Mon 11th—Pupil free day

Tue 12th—First day term 3

Mon 25th—School
Assembly

Thurs 28th—Parent teacher
Interviews

THE FIRST DAY OF TERM 3 IS TUESDAY 12TH JULY

ASSEMBLY

The next scheduled assembly will be held on Monday 25th July and will commence at 2:40pm. At this stage the assembly will be held in the LINC. This will mean parents will be permitted to attend.



SUE LARKEY COMING TO LEOPOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Sue Larkey is Director of Autism Consulting & Educational Services in southern Australia. She has taught both as a primary school teacher and as a special education teacher teaching student with ASD in a mainstream and at a specialist autism school. She combines this practical experience with extensive research to provide Professional Learning for educators. Sue is coming to Leopold Primary School on **Monday 11th July** to share her knowledge. This day is the first day of term 3 and students are not required at school on this day. **The first day of term 3 for students is Tuesday 12th July.**



PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR 2022

To ensure parents are given ample notice of the Pupil Free Days for the remainder of 2022 the following have been arranged:

Monday 11th July - Sue Larkey – Understanding Autism

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



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.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS THURSDAY 28TH JULY

We have set the Parent / Teacher Interviews so that parents will meet with their child's teacher for approximately 10 -15 minutes to have a discussion about the student's progress both academically and socially. After 6 months it will be a good opportunity to discuss where the student is currently at and what plans need to be put in place between now and the end of the 2022 school year. The date that has been set for these discussions is the **Thursday 28th July**, the third week back in term 3. We are keen to get this message out to parents early so they can make appropriate arrangements for this day.



Further information about booking interview times, child care, etc. will be sent out very early in term 3.

2023 ENROLMENT

We are calling on all families who wish to enrol their child at Leopold Primary School in 2023 to enrol as soon as possible to assist us with our planning for 2023. If you wish to book a school tour or know someone who is interested, please phone the school office.

SCHOOL COUNCIL BRIEFS

At the School Council meeting held on Tuesday night this week the following was decided:

- To approve the minor adjustments to the 2022 Annual Implementation Plan
- Continue the Grant Applications for more shade sails and the Safe Tree Program
- Accept the draft report for the Outside School Hours Care program that assessed the program met all the standards
- To get a plaque made acknowledging the Leopold Community Bank for their wonderful financial support in the building of the new amphitheatre
- To accept the Junior School Council report from Benji, a grade 3 student.
- To support the 150 Years Celebration Committee on the program they have developed and the distribution of pamphlets this week across Leopold with the support from current LPS families.
- To continue maintenance works across the school over the upcoming holidays
- To order the new furniture and blinds for the new office spaces

ATTENDANCE

Going to school every day is important for a student's education. This may seem to be stating something extremely obvious, **but absence from school means that learning opportunities are reduced and this can ultimately lead to poorer student achievement.** When this happens, the impact will be felt long after the student has left school.

Absence from school clearly affects the absent student, but also impacts on the teacher's ability to plan and present class work in a sequential and organised way. This can affect the progress of all students in the class, not only those missing, and can make classroom management difficult.

BE ON TIME, BE AT SCHOOL, THAT'S THE RULE!

Missing 1 or 2 days a week of school doesn't seem much but....

If your child misses....	That Equals...	Which is....	and over 13 years of school that's....	Which means the best your child might perform is....
1 day per fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly <u>1.5 years</u>	Equals to finishing year 11
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over <u>2.5 years</u>	Equals to finishing year 10
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over <u>5 years</u>	Equals to finishing year 7
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly <u>8 years</u>	Equals finishing grade 4

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

ALSO A REMINDER TO FAMILIES TO RECORD ALL STUDENT ABSENCES ON COMPAS OR BY RINGING THE SCHOOL ABSENCE LINE 5250 1233 - THANK YOU

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE DAY TERM 3

For Semester 2, 2022, the Department of Education and Training has provided schools with the option to hold each teacher's allocated professional practice day on the same day for all staff. This is to enable the most effective and efficient use of this day.

As a result, we have scheduled our professional practice day for late term 3, a date that will be confirmed when we return from the school holidays to ensure there is ample notice for parents / carers to make appropriate arrangements for the care of your children. Students will therefore not be required to attend school on this day.

Last Day Of School FOR TERM 2

The last day of term 2 is **Friday 24th June**. 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 – 9am - 10am

Session 2 – 10am - 11am

Recess – 11am - 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.



LEOPOLD LIBRARY NEWS

There is a range of school holiday programs taking place in many of the libraries in Geelong - please refer to website <https://events.grlc.vic.gov.au/events?v=list&r=nextmonth&t=school+holidays>

There will also be a local teenage author book launch at the Leopold Library during school holidays - **Thursday 30th June 11am-12pm** See attached poster. Free event but bookings to be made.



CANTEEN NEWS

Included with this newsletter is an up to date Canteen list. We have had a small price rise on most items. The new pricelist will be current from the start of Term 3.

Thank You

Kylie



INDO COMP

On Monday the 6th of June, 11 students across grades 1, 2 and 3 competed at an Indonesian Speaking Competition called Sayembara Lisan. This event was held in Ocean Grove at Our Lady Star of the Sea. The students practiced the content over a number of weeks.

The top students from each level have the opportunity to compete at the State level which 6 of our students have achieved that standard.

Congratulations to those who participated:

Elsie Biddle
Nadia Raiker
Eva Neupane
Emily Watson
Shanaya Barot
Georgia Nicholson

And congratulations to those who achieved in the top:

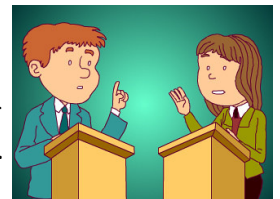
Felix Simpson
Hannah Barron
Hudson Willmott
Zeppelin Harrower
Lillian Forster
Indiana Hovancek

DEBATING

On Thursday the 16th of June the two LPS debating teams faced off against Geelong Grammar and Highton Primary in 2 separate debates.

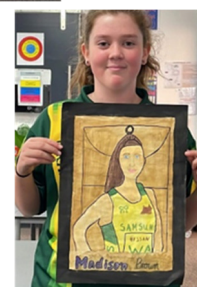
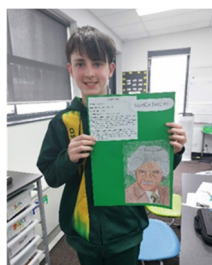
Team A which consisted of Lily C, Lilly F and Ruby were affirmative against Geelong Grammar and Team B which consisted of Jacob, Izzy B and Jake were negative against Highton Primary.

The topic for both debates was 'Digital technology improves the lives of children'. Both teams did an amazing job and had insightful arguments but unfortunately we lost by 2 and 1 points respectfully. We have 3 more debates in the coming weeks. A special thankyou to Shaylise for being our Chairperson for both debates.



GRADE 6'S CHOOSE OUR INSPIRING LEADERS

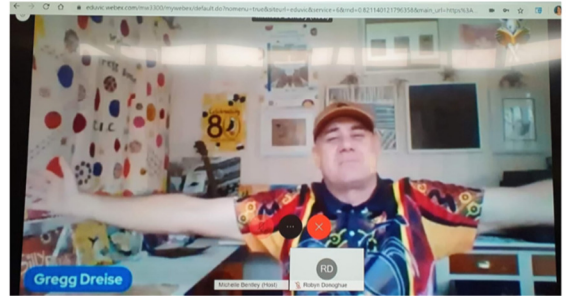
As part of our Action Learning unit, the Grade 6s have been researching different Australian **leaders** and how they've made a **positive impact** on our country. We are finishing the unit by holding an avenue of leader portraits the students have created with personalised plaques and an information fact file on their chosen leader. Some **inspirational** leaders chosen included: Neville Bonner (Fletcher), Grace Tame (Izzy), Madison Brown (Lily), Layne Beachley (Abbie), Ash Barty (Brianna), Steve Irwin (Pippa) and Dylan Alcott (Chloe).



The Teaching & Learning Corner

In recognition of National Sorry Day students participated in a author session with an indigenous author and illustrator Gregg Dreise.

The students really enjoyed this session, it was very interactive and students learnt some indigenous language and song.



We Have a Winner!!

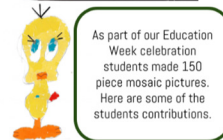
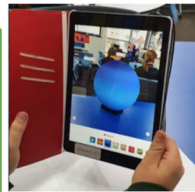
Charlotte from 3AE has one last months coloring competition.

To access the colouring sheet for this month and check out the other students writing follow the [link](#).

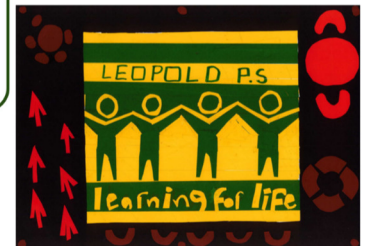
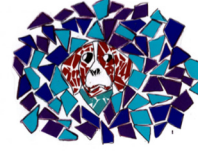


The Grade 5 students have been learning about space. As a part of their learning they were able to use Merge cubes. These cubes are a way for the students to use augmented reality.

They were able to pick up and investigate the planets in our solar system in a highly engaging and interactive way, building their content specific vocabulary.



As part of our Education Week celebration students made 150 piece mosaic pictures. Here are some of the students contributions.



150 Word Writing Competition

As part of our Education Week celebration students wrote 150 word stories. The winners are.....



To see out winners awesome writing, check out the next issue of the Writing Club's magazine.

KINDER VISITS:

Over the past few weeks, students from the Kind Kids Club have been lucky enough to be able to begin visiting our local kindergartens again. Over the year we will be visiting Leopold Kinder, Allanvale Kinder and Leopold Early Learning Centre kinder groups. Our first sessions to all of these kindergartens were fantastic. The KKC students worked with the kinder kids to talk about what Kindness is and how we can be kind to others. We did a thumbs up for kind behaviours and thumbs down to show what unkind behaviours might be (a great visual for the children!).



THANK YOU

We would like to give a big Thank You to the volunteers at Leopold Boomerang Bags.

They kindly donating 150 Library bags to the school earlier this year so that all our children have the chance to purchase one to take with them through the years.

Boomerang bags have not asked for any money donations but in return would appreciate any cotton materials (Non stretchy) that our community would like to donate. Old curtains, doonas, sheets, any material in good clean condition would be wonderful. Material donations can be left at the school office.

There are still some bags available for purchase from the office—\$2 per bag



Thank you to the following for supporting Leopold Primary School:



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