Lismore Primary School Scoop

Our vision is to develop well rounded, confident and responsible individuals who aspire to achieve their full potential. We will do this by providing a welcoming, happy, safe and supportive learning environment in which everyone is equal and all achievements are celebrated.



Lismore Primary School would like to acknowledge the Wathaurong People, the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are gathered and pay our respects to their Elders-past and present and emerging.

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FROM MY DESK

Dear Families,

Welcome back to the final term of the 2024 school year. I hope everyone enjoyed an exciting and restful break ready for another busy term. There are many great learning experiences and extracurricular activities planned throughout the term across the school.

Melbourne Cup Day

A reminder to parents and carers that Tuesday 5th November is a student-free day.

Berrybank Wind Farms Donation

We were thrilled to announce on Facebook recently that our school received a generous donation of \$10,000 from Vestas and GPG at Berrybank Wind Farms to revitalise our school community garden. We are also very thankful for the hard work of Benn Remmington and his crew from Berrybank, who cleaned up the garden site ready for its revitalisation of the area to begin.

School Community Garden Meeting led by our ISC

We are hoping that families can join us at 2:30pm on Wednesday 23 October for a meeting being organised by our Junior School Council to discuss plans for our school community garden. Your ideas and participation are crucial to reinvigorating this space for our whole school community. We are particularly interested in hearing from families with experience in gardening and constructing wicking beds. We are also keen to hear from those who might be able to support the reintroduction of hens back into the school, knowing that their care needs to be extended to weekends and holiday periods when school staff are offsite.

Only members of our school community will have access to the space, and we encourage all families to visit and volunteer to help maintain and care for it. We can also assist with arranging Working with Children Checks for those interested in working with students during the school day once the garden officially reopens.

Please meet the JSC and me in the Wellbeing room at 2:30pm on October 23rd. Our school assembly will follow at 3:15pm. If you're unable to attend, please feel free to contact me to discuss any ideas that you have.

Parent Opinion Survey

Thank you to those who completed the annual Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Opinion Survey. We are excited to analyse the data and use it to inform our School Strategic Plan for the next four years.

Parent-teacher interviews

If any parents or carers of F-2 students would like to schedule a parent-teacher interview, please contact Mrs. Sanderson or Mrs. Evans through Seesaw over the next week. We understand that these interviews didn't occur last term, and we're happy to accommodate your requests. Those students on Individual Education Plans will have SSG meetings organised over the next few weeks.





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School Saving Bonus

As shared with you previously, parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025 will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus \$400 support. In the coming months, the Department of Education will send you 2 email communications for each of your children enrolled in Victorian government schools. By Friday 18 October 2024, please ensure that your child's 2025 enrolment is completed and/or that your contact information is up to date. The 2 emails from the Department of Education will:

- 1. Confirm your email address between mid-October and late-November.
- 2. Provide you with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code by the end of November.

If you do not receive a confirmation email from the department by late-November, please check your spam or junk folders and contact me if needed.

PLEASE LET OUR BUSINESS MANAGER MICHELLE KNOW IF YOU HAVE CHANGED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS WITHIN THE LAST 12 MONTHS.

SunSmart Reminder

As we approach Summer, please remember to send your child to school with a wide-brimmed hat. Hats are mandatory during Term 4, as per Department of Education guide-lines. Sunscreen is provided in all classrooms, and we encourage students to apply sunscreen before coming to school. Hats are available for purchase at \$15.



Social media safety

Parents and carers play an important role in supporting their children to be safe online and on social media. You can help your children safely navigate their digital world and educate them to avoid harmful online experiences. You can explore websites, games, apps and social media together and set some rules and boundaries.

Your support and guidance can give your children the knowledge to make sound decisions online and confidence to ask for help when they need it. It is also important to stay informed about online safety.

The Department of Education recognises this important issue and has developed fact sheets about supports to help keep students safe online and what to do if they are involved in an online incident. The fact sheets contain links to evidence-based information on supporting positive and safe online experiences, signs a child or young person might need support, what to do if something unsafe happens online, and where to go to for support. To access the fact sheets, refer to the Safe Socials webpage: https://www.vic.gov.au/safe-socials

The government is also launching public consultation on age limits for social media. You and your children can share your experiences to inform proposed changes via an online survey, before 5 pm on Friday 1 November 2024. For more information on the survey and to take part, refer to <u>Proposed changes to social media age limits</u> on the Engage Victoria website. If you have any queries about this information, you can contact the department by email: bullystoppers@education.vic.gov.au

We look forward to a wonderful term ahead! Matt Hobbs



F-6 What a fabulous start to Term 4. Students have come back very happy to continue their learning and play with their friends.



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F-2 NEWS

Welcome back! Mrs Evans and are I are so excited to be back and see everyone. We hope you have had a fabulous holiday, and students are refreshed after their break. It's been great to see the students happily reconnecting with their friends, within the classroom, and in the yard.

CURRICULUM

In Writing students will be working on narratives. In Reading our focus for the next two weeks will be making text connections. For Inquiry there will be a focus on Media Arts.

Please ensure that your child is bringing a drink bottle to school each day. If you wish to keep a drink bottle at school, please do so. Drink bottles will be sent home each Friday for a clean and can be returned on Monday.

SEESAW

Just a reminder Seesaw is a great way to connect with us and view some of the class activities/work. If you are having difficulties in connecting, please feel free to pop into school for some assistance.

Please remember if you have any concerns, please contact one of us to have a chat. Our door is always open.

We hope you have a fabulous week!

DRINK BOTTLES

ter as well as assembly tomorrow. Now to interview Corey. Hi I'm Corey my favourite subject is art because I like to paint and craft things, my favourite thing is to play outside because there are lots of things to do. I am looking forward to school camp at Kangaroobie and my favourite excursion was

Sovereign Hill.

Thanks Corey I'm pretty sure everyone's looking forward to camp. That's all I have for this week. Jacko

School Captain report Its already term 4! I can't believe it's gone so fast. Today

I'm going to interview Corey.

This term is going to be very

of year but first an update on

busy with school camp and end

this week as we've got newslet-

3-6 NEWS



Welcome to Week 2,

Welcome back to term 4! All students in the 3-6 classroom have started this term with a very positive mindset and are ready to learn.

Below is an overview of what your child/children are focusing on during the next few weeks.

In Writing, we are focusing on the "Johnny the Boot" writing task. Students will be choosing an occupation from World War 2 and researching information about a person who did this specific job during the war. All students will be completing a diary/journal entry about a day in the life of their chosen person.

In Reading our Mentor Text is "One Small Island" by Allison Lester.

Our Learning Intention is "We are learning to understand the concept of argument and authority and analyse how authors use an authoritative style to create texts".

In Numeracy, our new topic is Chance and Probability. Students have enjoyed playing a variety chance and probability games such as, Greedy Pig, Coin Tossing and Dice Games.

Our Inquiry focus this term is Civics and Citizenship. Students will be exploring our *Inquiry question- How* have laws affected the lives of people, past and present? Topics such as Rules and Laws, Reasons for laws and rules, Laws and Land and Local Government will be covered.

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email or your child's diary if you have any concerns or questions. Remember, my door is always open, and you are encouraged to review your child's work.

Cheers Judi



F-2 Class Rory for his positive, and resilient, attitude towards school and learning. Well Done!

3-6 Class Ashlie for her outstanding contribution to the first week's learning activities. Well Done!



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School Dates to Remember

Wednesday 23rd October	JSC and school community meeting regarding garden @ 2.30pm
Thursday 24th October	School Council meeting
Tuesday 5th November	Melbourne Cup public holiday / No School
Monday 11th November	Remembrance Day
Friday 15th November	Summer Sports at Lismore Primary
Mon 18th Nov-Wed 20th Nov	3-6 Camp Kangaroobie
Friday 22nd November	150th year anniversary of LPS afternoon tea
Friday 20th December	Last day of Term 4

Thunderstorm asthma – be prepared this pollen season

Grass pollen season, which typically runs from October to December each year in Victoria, brings an increase in asthma and hay fever symptoms. It also increases the risk of thunderstorm asthma. For people with asthma or hay fever, especially those who experience wheezing or coughing with their hay fever, thunderstorm asthma can be sudden, serious and even life threatening.

Lismore Primary School will implement a range of measures to keep our school community safe as the risk of thunderstorm asthma increases. Many of our staff are trained in asthma first aid, and we will monitor the VicEmergency app to receive thunderstorm warnings, and, where appropriate, keep students indoors when weather forecasts identify greater risk. During the season, there are some things you can do to prepare and protect yourself and your family:

- · If your child has ever had asthma, talk to your doctor about what you can do to help protect them from the risk of thunderstorm asthma this pollen season, including updating your asthma action plan. Taking an asthma preventer properly and regularly is key to preventing asthma, including thunderstorm asthma.
- If your child has hay fever, see your pharmacist or doctor for a hay fever treatment plan and check if you should have an asthma reliever puffer. These are available from a pharmacy without a prescription.
- · If your child has hay fever and experiences wheezing and coughing, it is important to make sure they don't also have asthma. Speak to your doctor about an asthma action plan.
- Where possible, avoid being outside during thunderstorms from October to December, especially during the wind gusts that come before the storm. Go inside and close your doors and windows. If you have your air conditioning on, turn it to 'recirculate'. Protect yourself this pollen season managing asthma and allergies matters. For more information, speak to your doctor. You can also visit the <u>Better Health Channel</u> website.



