

Dear families,

2nd March, 2022

Junior School Council

At our assembly last Friday, we congratulated Nyah, Charlie, Summer, Tim, Felicity, Olivia, Wes and Eamon who are our Junior School Council members for 2022.

These students were selected by their peers and provide an important avenue for student voice within our school. Already they have started to raise money by selling Zooper Doopers each Friday and will explore other fundraising options to support charities and school initiatives throughout the year. We wish them all the best for a successful year. Mr Rodger and Miss Missen are looking forward to working with our JSC leaders.



House Captains

At assembly, we also congratulated the Lucas Primary School House captains for 2022. These students were presented with their House captain badges and are very proud to be taking on this leadership role. Congratulations to Matthew and Zahrie (O'Shannassy), Mollie and Brody (Bolton), Cohen and Amelia (Thompson) and Mahathi and Charlie (Eleanor).

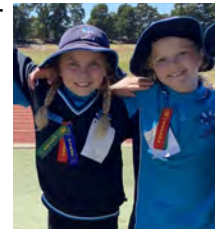


Last year we held a competition within our school community to choose house names. The following names were decided upon after families had the opportunity to vote. Eleanor - Yellow (after Eleanor Lucas), Thompson - Blue (after Matilda 'Tilly' Thompson), O'Shannassy - Red (after O'Shannassy Parade) and Bolton - Green (after William Bolton who is represented by the first tree in the Avenue of Honour).

Meet & Greets

Thank you to all parents who attended our 'Meet and Greet' sessions last week. I know the teachers appreciated getting to know you and discussing your child's needs. At Lucas PS we highly value the home-school partnership and believe it is important that we work together to ensure all students have the opportunity to show growth in their learning and achieve their best.

While two formal opportunities will be provided throughout the year for parents to meet with teachers, parents are always welcome to contact their child's teacher to arrange a meeting as needed.



Senior Athletic Sports

Our Senior Athletic Sports will be held on Thursday 17th March at Llanberris Reserve. All students in grades 3-6 will be participating in a range of track and field events which they have been practising at school. Students are encouraged to come dressed in their house colours. We will be travelling by bus to Llanberris leaving school at 9:30am and returning at 2:30pm. Please complete the online parent consent form for this event on Compass.

It's A Boy!

Congratulations to Mr O and his wife Stephaney on the safe arrival of Finn Michael. We hope you are enjoying this special family time together.



School Council Elections

At the close of nominations for our 2022 School Council, four parents and two staff members were nominated to fill six vacancies. As the number of nominations equaled the number of vacancies, an election is not required. Congratulations to the following parents who will be joining our School Council this year - Monica Stanmore, Harikrishnan Pandi and Lauren Wright. Sharon Cartledge, Greg Eames, Moulik Zaveri, Marc Oliver and Alicia Bond will be continuing as School Council members in 2022.

A big thank you to Tegan Ratcliffe and Emma Duzhnikov for their valuable contributions on School Council over the past two years and to Hayley Short for her involvement throughout 2021.



CALENDAR

Thursday 10th March

School Picnic 6-7pm

Monday 14th March

Labour Day holiday

Thursday 17th March

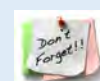
Gr 3-6 Athletic Sports

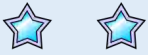
Wednesday 30th March

School Photos

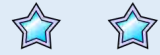
Friday 8th April

Last Day Term 1 (Finish 1:30pm)





RESPONSIBILITY AWARDS



Clara - Prep A

For demonstrating responsibility in your learning space by always keeping it tidy.



Ivy - Prep B

For demonstrating responsibility by always being organised and ready to learn.

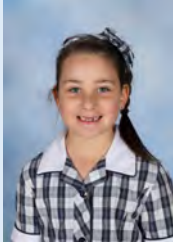


Elaina - Prep C

For demonstrating responsibility by always listening to instructions and being organised and ready to learn.

Savannah - 1/2A

For staying focused during learning time and using her time wisely.



Mustaen - 1/2B

For being ready to learn, staying focused and using his learning time wisely.



Sienna-Beth 1/2C

For showing responsibility by always being ready to learn at the start of each lesson.



Eve - 1/2D

For always being ready to learn by organising her belongings and using her time wisely.



Jax - 1/2E

For always being ready to learn at the beginning of each lesson and looking after all his belongings.



Felicity - 3/4A

For demonstrating responsibility by organising her learning space and focusing on achieving her learning goals.

Georgia - 3/4B

For being a wonderful role model to her peers and always following the school and classroom rules.



Kirby - 4/5A

For displaying responsibility for your learning and actions, both within the classroom and outside in the yard.



Matthew - 5/6A

For showing responsibility by always being organised and staying focused on your learning.



School Camps

Each year we alternate between a Gr 3/4 and a Gr 5/6 camp. In 2022, the grade 3/4s will participate in camp and in 2023 the 5/6s will have a camp. This year the Grade 3/4 camp will be held at Cave Hill Creek from Wednesday 10th - Friday 12th August.



Swimming

All students will have the opportunity to be involved in swimming lessons at Shayne Reese Swimming. This will be held at the start of Term 3 for Grades 1-6 and early Term 4 for Prep. Students will attend for 5 days in a row with a 1/2 hour lesson conducted each day.



Pupil Free Day - Friday 20th May

On Friday 20th May, staff will be involved in a professional learning day focussing on Numeracy led by Educational Consultant Andrea Hillbrick. There will be no school for students on this day.



Lunch Orders

There will be no lunch orders this Friday 4th March due to a staff shortage.

Lunch orders will be available again from Friday 11th March.



Lucas Primary School Family Picnic

When: Thursday 10th March

Where: Lucas Primary School

Time: 6:00-7:00pm



***This is an informal event where families are invited to come along and bring their own picnic tea. This event will provide an opportunity for families to get to know each other and the staff. We have made this later in the evening to enable as many families as possible to attend. We will also be opening the classrooms from 6:30-7pm so your child can show you their classroom.*

***Adults will be required to show evidence of vaccination on arrival.
**Masks will not be required outside but will need to be worn when in the classrooms.*



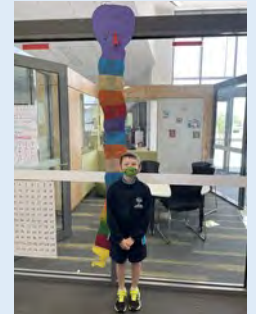
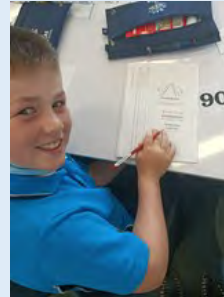
Respect - Responsibility - Excellence - Growth

Grade 3-6 Learning

Grade 3/4 Numeracy

In Numeracy this term we have been learning about place value and fractions. Through our place value investigation, students explored the properties of odd and even numbers and renamed, represented and reordered numbers up to tens of thousands. Check out the number snake we have created to show our place value knowledge below. We started to learn about fractions by exploring fractions of a whole and of a collection. We have represented fractions as pizzas by drawing and by using physical materials. We have also plotted fractions including $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ on a number line range from 0 - 1. We have been creative and designed our own fractions flags to show our knowledge of splitting a whole into fractions in different ways. Keep up the great work 3/4s!

Mr. Rodger & Miss Gibcus

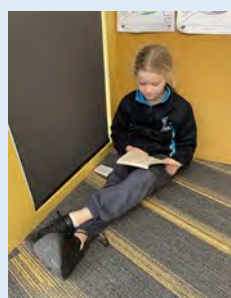
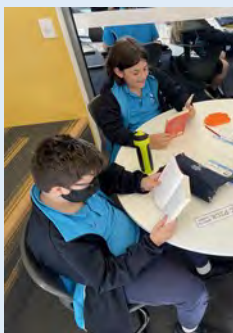


Grade 4/5 & 5/6 Literacy

In Writing this term we have been learning to write narratives. We have completed one writing cycle. We have generated ideas in our writer's notebooks, planned using a proforma, drafted, edited and revised. We have been focusing on enhancing our vocabulary and using 'show don't tell' when describing characters, settings or objects.

In Reading we have been making our way around the Fountas & Pinnell Systems of Strategic Action wheel. We have been looking at solving words, monitoring and self-correcting, searching for and using information and working on our fluency when reading aloud.

Miss Moir and Mr. Compston



JSC Friday Fundraising!



The Junior School Council members will be running a fundraiser every Friday throughout Term 1. They will be selling **Zoooper Doopers** for **\$1 each** from the canteen.

Money raised will go towards purchasing some more outdoor games for the students.

If you would like to purchase a Zoooper Dooper on Friday please bring \$1 to school and meet the JSC members at the canteen at the beginning of lunch.