

Newsletter

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Dear families, 27/07/2022

We have had an excellent start to the term with two successful weeks of swimming and wonderful learning happening in our classrooms and specialist programs. This week we are excited to be having our very first Book Fair. Thank you to the families who have already visited the Book Fair which is set up in our Admin building. See flyer for opening hours.













Staffing News

This Friday we say farewell to Clara (Miss Richardson) as she commences maternity leave. Clara has been at Lucas since we opened in 2020 and is a well-



Learning Conferences

Thank you to the parents who attended the Prep Learning Conferences earlier this term. I know the teachers highly value the opportunity to meet with you to discuss your child's learning and celebrate their achievements. While these conferences provide a formal opportunity to meet together, parents are always welcome to make an appointment to meet with teachers at any time throughout the year.



loved member of our school community. Clara is a positive, caring, dedicated teacher and has given her preps such a wonderful start to their school life. Clara will be greatly missed. We wish her all the best for this exciting time ahead.

This week we welcome Mrs Chris McMahon who will be working as a tutor in our school for the remainder of the year, replacing Mrs Peters. Chris brings a wealth of experience to this role and is well known by the students through her role as a casual relief teacher. Welcome to the team, Chris!

New Playground

In the last week of this term, we are looking forward to the installation of a new playground. After consultation with our students, we have chosen a design with a range of play options. This will be a great addition to the items we currently have. Thank you to Big Childcare for providing the extra funds to make this possible. The playground will be installed on the right side of the path leading to the sandpit.





School Assemblies

At Lucas PS we have a whole school assembly every fortnight in our school gym. This is a great opportunity for us to come together to celebrate learning, share achievements and present our school value awards. Parents and other family members are welcome to attend assembly. Our next assembly will be on Friday 5th August at 3pm.

PREP 2023 ENROLMENTS

If you have a child starting school next year and they are not enrolled yet, please contact the school as soon as possible to collect enrolment information.

PLACES ARE FILLING FAST!





On Friday the 5th of August the Preps will be celebrating 100 days of school!

We are going to mark the occasion by reflecting on what we have learned at school in these first 100 days while also exploring the number 100.

To make this day extra special, we would like the Preps to imagine what they would look like at 100 years old and dress up to match this!

Their lunchboxes can be packed as normal.

Please see your classroom teacher for any questions!





When: Wednesday 24th August 2022

Where: Lucas Primary School

What: Dress up as your favourite book character.









Book Fair 25th-29th July 100 Days Of Prep 5th August

Grade 3/4 Camp

10th-12th August

Pupil Free Day

18th August

Book Week Dress Up Day

24th August



RESPECT AWARDS Term 3



Charlotte Prep A

For showing our school value of respect by always listening to her teacher and using kind words with her classmates.



Alannah Prep B

For always listening carefully and respectfully contributing to class discussions.



Agasthya Prep C

For always showing respect by listening to her peers and teachers, being kind and helping others.



Max 1/2A

For always being a respectful listener and helper around the classroom. Max always strives to do his best learning.



Rebecca 1/2B

For always using her manners and kind words. She waits patiently with her hand up to share and listens actively to others.



Jorja 1/2C

For always listening and following instructions during swimming.



Kade 1/2D

For always including others, using his manners and kind words and listening respectfully when others are speaking.



Nathan 1/2E

For being kind and considerate to all. Nathan continues to show respect to everyone at Lucas PS both in the classroom and the yard.



Wesley 3/4A

For modelling the school value of respect by always using his manners and being kind to others. Well done Wes!



Georgia 3/4B

For demonstrating respect towards all her peers and being a helpful member of 3/4B.



Nyah 4/5A

For always demonstrating respect by listening well and contributing. She is always polite and respectful to all teachers and her peers.



Tilly 5/6A

For showing the value of respect by always listening, participating in class, being kind and helping others.



RESPECT AWARDS Term 3



ART 1/2A

For always demonstrating whole-body listening skills when listening to tasks being modelled. Well done!



PERFORMING ARTS 1/2C

For demonstrating the value of respect through excellent whole-body listening. This has allowed 1/2C to create and perform the dance of "School Fish" with great success!



PE 1/2E

For demonstrating respect by always respecting others right to learn and being excellent listeners.



Dear Families,

Just a reminder our Lucas Primary School Book Fair will be open from Monday to Friday of this week. Books will be available to purchase and we will have the ability to accept both cash and card payments. The school will receive a small commission from the sale of books which we will put towards the purchase of books for our class libraries.

**Please take note of the amended opening times.

Monday 3.30 – 4.00pm

Tuesday 8.15 – 8.45am & 3.30 – 4.00pm

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Thursday 8.15 – 8.45am & 3.30 – 4.00pm

Friday 8.15am – 8.45am



During Week 1 and Week 2, students in Grade 1/2 participated in swimming lessons at Shayne Reese Swimming. Students practised a range of skills including freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and diving in groups according to their swimming abilities. On the last day of the program, students participated in a water safety lesson. They learnt what to do if they ever unexpectedly fall into the water, how to signal for help, how to rescue a person and techniques to enter the water safely.

Students had a fantastic time and represented Lucas Primary School by showing all of our school values!









In Integrated Studies, Grade 1/2 students have been learning about Chemical Sciences. They have explored what a scientist is and the many different types of scientists and what they study. Students are very excited to explore the properties of different materials and to conduct experiments by following the Scientific Method procedure. Students will learn a range of scientific skills by asking questions, hypothesizing, testing and observing different science experiments.

Students have been expanding their scientific vocabulary in Writing and working on their exposition writing skills. They explored the question 'Why is it important to learn about science?' and brainstormed reasons relating to the LPS Big Ideas. Students followed the structure of an exposition and wrote three arguments persuading their reader about why every student should learn about science.







WESTERN BULLDOGS FOOTBALL CLINIC

Last term, our students participated in a Western Bulldogs incursion during their PE lessons. Students learned many skills with Ryan and Holly during games and challenges including how to handpass, mark and punt a football.

When questioned, many students said their favourite activities were Ruckman's Treasure Chest and Footy Tag which involved evasive skills to avoid being tagged. Lots of fun was had by all students.

If your child enjoyed the clinics and is interested in becoming involved in football, there is an under nine competition run by the Ballarat Football League clubs on a Friday night or multiple Auskick programs within our local area.

Thanks very much to Ryan, Holly and the Western Bulldogs for this opportunity for our students and for the donation of ten Western Bulldogs footballs.









