ANZAC DAY
Saturday 25 April 2015

LEST WE FORGET

Reminder: Hats are not compulsory in Terms 2 and 3

Mission Statement
Lysterfield Primary School will provide a positive and safe learning environment that caters for a variety of learning styles. Our objective is to develop confident, well adjusted, resilient, life long learners capable of being responsible for their own opinions and actions, whilst being positive contributors to the global society and a sustainable environment.
Principal’s Report

Crossing Supervisor

It was a very sad beginning to this week with the news that Patrick O’Connell our much loved Crossing Supervisor passed away early Sunday morning.

Patrick supervised at the front of our school for 8 years and greeted many students in the mornings with his cheery hello and farewelled them in the afternoons with high fives and ‘see you tomorrow’.

Patrick was fighting cancer although died of complications after being admitted to hospital a few days ago. Patrick will be remembered by our school community as a wonderful supervisor who befriended all the students and knew many of them by name. Patrick would always make sure he was on duty at Christmas and Easter to hand out little treats and wish everyone a Happy Holiday.

The funeral for Patrick will be held in Bairnsdale on Monday. If anyone would like to write a farewell card or a little note in remembrance, please bring these into the school before Tuesday and I shall pass them onto Patrick’s family.

Thank you to those families who have already laid flowers and cards at the front of the school to honour the memory of Patrick and to say thank you.

We would like to extend our sincerest sympathies to Patrick’s wife Margaret and thank Sharyn, Patrick’s daughter for coming in on Monday and keeping us informed.

ANZAC day Memorials

Last Friday Isabella, Jackson and I were invited to attend a memorial service at the Bayswater RSL. This service has been 18 months in the planning and was an absolute credit to Noel McLean, his wife Beth and Glynis Allan from Allan Tudge’s office. The RSL applied for a grant to the Federal Government to fund this event including gifting each school with a Gallipoli Lone Pine Tree (Propagated originally from pine cones brought home by two Australian soldiers) a Brass plaque to commemorate the Centenary of ANZAC and a book written by a local resident called ‘Knox ANZACS 1914 – 1919’.

We listened to the story of The Lone Pine which was the name given to a solitary tree which marked the site of the Battle of Lone Pine in 1915 during World War One. This was the sole survivor of a group of trees that had been cut down by Turkish soldiers who used the timber and branches to cover their trenches. The tree was destroyed during the battle; however, pine cones that had remained attached to the cut branches over the trenches were retrieved by two Australian soldiers and brought home to Australia.

Private Thomas Keith McDowell kept his pine cone for many years before giving his wife’s aunt, Emma Gray the seeds which she planted near Warrnambool. Five seedlings emerged with four surviving. These seedlings were planted in four different locations in Victoria: Wattle Park; The Shrine of Remembrance; the Soldiers Memorial Hall at The Sisters near Terang and Warrnambool Botanic Gardens.

The Shrine of Remembrance’s lone pine was felled in 2012 and the timber was used as part of a remembrance project, after a disease killed the tree.
Another soldier, Lance Corporal Benjamin Smith also retrieved a cone and sent it back to his mother in Australia as she had lost another son during this battle. Seeds from this cone were planted by Mrs McMullen and two seedlings were raised. One was presented to her home town of Inverell (NSW) and the other was planted by Prince Henry, Duke of Gloucester at the War Memorial in Canberra.

The Nursery where our tree came from is where seedlings from the above tree have been cultivated and therefore, our tree is a ‘grandchild’ (so to speak) of the last Lone Pine that fell at Gallipoli.

Thank you to the Bayswater RSL for presenting the tree, the plaque and the book to us to commemorate this very special occasion. Our tree has now been planted at the front of the school near the flag pole.

**Senior School Camp**

Our Senior School Campers are having a wonderful time at Coonawarra and although it is a little chilly...it is enormous fun!

The opportunity to have a go at activities that are challenging and thought-provoking is a fabulous chance to test oneself and see exactly what they are capable of achieving. The food is plentiful and wholesome and very tasty! The rooms are motel-like, warm and cozy. The first night was always going to be the most wakeful although they did eventually sleep, they soon realised that trying to stay awake at night was a big mistake cos the next day you all had to be up very early and the activities started straight after breakfast! The second night saw a lot more willing sleepers than the first!

At the time of writing, all was going along swimmingly and no issues to report!

**School Council Meeting**

On Monday evening we had the first of this term’s School Council Meetings and amongst other matters to be itemised, School Council ratified the Annual Implementation Plan and the 2014 Annual Report. The AIP is created to primarily outline our school priorities for the year and the Annual Report is to summarise to School Council and the wider school community how well our school achieved its milestones and targets throughout the previous year.

These documents were ratified by School Council and will be made available to the public via the school website and the Annual Report will be uploaded to ‘My School’ website at the end of April.

**Jump Rope for Heart**

Tomorrow, Katie Mead will be coming to school to talk to Foundation – Grade Four students about this year’s ‘Jump Rope for Heart Program’. Katie is excellent at inspiring students to skip, learn new tricks and generally get fitter whilst skipping for health. Katie will describe how to get sponsors for the Heart Foundation and will deliver the information forms to school which will be handed out during PE by Ben Fullard next week. We look forward to watching this skipping ‘craze’ take hold of our kids and hopefully see some wonderful skipping techniques emerge after watching Katie show us how it is done!

**Canteen**

This year we have 3 extra classes plus an earlier lunch time which puts an enormous amount of pressure in processing orders, preparing lunches and getting them back to classrooms on time.

We desperately need more parent helpers for Fridays—last week Aine from the office kindly helped to pack lunches. Please contact Carolyn or Gayle at the canteen if you feel you can help.

**Tina Clydesdale**
**Classroom Awards**

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**SPORT/FITNESS**

Lysterfield Primary School is participating in the Jump Rope for Heart program this term. Katie Mead from Jump Rope for Heart is coming to speak about the program and the importance of keeping our hearts healthy on Thursday.

More information regarding the program and sponsorship will be distributed to students in class.

*Mr Fullard*

*PE Teacher*

**PARENT’S ASSOCIATION**

**Family Fun Night**

**INVITATION**

Every second year Lysterfield Primary School has a Family Fun Night that acts as one of the major fundraisers for the year. This year the FFN is planned for Friday the 13th November. We would like to invite any parents interested in helping with the planning of this event (whether you want to help a lot or a little) to a meeting at the school on **Tuesday the 28th April @ 6pm (in the staffroom).**

So if you have any ideas or just want to participate in a school event please join us. If you are unable to attend but would like to be involved please email the Parents Association at lysterfieldpa@gmail.com

**Thank-you**

**Mother’s Day Stall**

We are looking for donations of new items for the Mother’s Day Stall Raffle. Anything you can offer would be greatly appreciated. All items can be handed in to the office.

Thank you very much.

*Andrea, Kylie and Julie*
Helpers Needed

Thursday 7th May

Every year Lysterfield Primary School celebrates our Mums and other important carers by having a Mothers’ Day gift stall. It is an exciting opportunity to for the children to "secretly" choose a fabulous gift for Mum or another carer to open on Mothers’ Day. In order to hold this stall we need many helpers so if you could spare an hour or 2 out of your day please come along and lend a hand. It is a lovely experience watching the children decide what to buy, and seeing their excitement once they make their choice.

If you are worried about seeing what your little one buys then we can make sure that they buy their items from another mum on the day.

Morning tea will be provided. 😊

If you are able to help please fill in the form below and return it to the office or email Andrea/Kylie at lysterfieldpa@yahoo.com.au

NAME: ______________________________  CONTACT No. __________________

(ELDEST) CHILDS NAME: ______________________________  GRADE: __________

I am available to help:

☐ 9am - 11am
☐ 11:30am - 1pm
☐ Both Sessions
Maths and Science Academy Information Night

Rowville Secondary College offers an exciting specialist program for students with a passion for Maths and Science. This program, known as the Maths and Science Academy (MSA) provides students with the opportunity to investigate Maths and Science curriculum in greater depth and to engage with other motivated and enthusiastic learners.

An Information Night will be held on Wednesday, May 6th 2015 at 7pm in the Senior Study Centre, Rowville Secondary College (Western Campus), Paratea Drive Rowville. Interested families are encouraged to attend. If you would like more information on the Academy please do not hesitate to contact Harold Cheung or Melissa Fraser on Ph 9755 4555.
Recycle your pre-loved mobile phones to help protect gorillas on the brink of extinction.

Lysterfield PS Foundation Students are helping gorillas in the wild by collecting mobile phones for recycling and reuse.

How does mobile phone recycling protect endangered gorillas?
Recycling reduces the demand for coltan and helps protect gorilla habitat
It also raises money for a non-profit organisation called Gorilla Doctors and Zoos Victoria’s conservation programs
It helps keep mobile phones out of landfill.

How recycling will work:
Hand in your mobile phones to FJ Room 4
PhoneCycle will collect the mobile phones
PhoneCycle will donate the value of your mobile phones to Zoos Victoria and Gorilla Doctors’ conservation programs

Find out more information at www.phonecycle.com.au.

LOCAL PRE-SCHOOL

Are you looking for a fabulous 4 year old kinder program for your kids?

Taylors Lane Preschool which is situated behind the milk bar on the corner of Taylors Lane and Kellets Rd will be running two kinder groups in 2016 and has places still available.

Please contact our wonderful new Educator Lisa White on 9764 8355 to arrange a time to visit the kinder. Come and view our amazing facilities, huge backyard and see this year’s happy kids in session.

TAYLORS LANE PRESCHOOL
130 Taylors Lane
Rowville VIC 3178
Phone 9764 8355
The Reading Challenge is now underway and if you would like your child to participate please complete the 2015 Privacy and Consent Form included with this newsletter and return to the office for registration by Friday 24 April.

Rules for Lysterfield students:

1. You must register as a Challenger with Lysterfield Primary School and keep a record of your reading on the Challenge website. User Name and Password will be issued to students once registered to enable you to access the Challenge Website.

2. You must be a student in a year level from Foundation to Year 6 in 2015.

3. Between February 2015 and Friday 28 August 2015 (Lysterfield Primary School’s closing date for the challenge).

4. If you are in Foundation, Year 1 or Year 2 you can read books by yourself or with someone else, for example, a parent, teacher, brother or sister, classmate, buddy or friend. They can help you or read the book to you if you are just learning to read.

5. Your online books must be verified as read by the school’s co-ordinator.

6. All your information must be completed online and a hard copy submitted to school before Friday 28 August 2015 (no late lodgements can be accepted).

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Sandra Irvine

Challenge Coordinator
Welcome to the annual Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge. Reading is an essential life skill for everyone and the Challenge encourages families to be actively involved in supporting children to read. The Challenge invites children and young people to read a set number of books and record their efforts online. It’s a great way to get them talking about reading with friends and family, and to push themselves to read as many books as they can. Join the Challenge today and discover new authors, get expert tips, book recommendations and more. Participation is free. To find out more about the Challenge and access the booklist visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc

Like us on Facebook to share tips, literary articles and recommended reads www.facebook.com/VicPRC

2015 Privacy and Consent Form (Schools and Early Childhood Settings)

By signing this document, you agree to the TERMS and CONDITIONS outlined below. These include consent for your child to participate in the Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge and for their name to appear on a certificate of completion and for their name to appear in the online honour roll. Please note that the child’s name only will appear on the certificate and online Honour Roll with no other identifying factors. Participating schools appear as a separate list.

Child’s name: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

School or early childhood service: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Year level/class: ……………………………… Yes ☐ No ☐ I consent to my child’s name appearing on the online Honour Roll

Certificate name (only if different from name above): ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Parent/guardian name (please print): …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Parent/guardian signature: ……………………………………………………………………………… Date: …………………………………………………

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Definitions: Department refers to the Victorian Department of Education and Training, Person refers to the child/adult listed below in the consent declaration.

1) Privacy Protection
The Department takes its privacy obligations seriously and any personal information collected or used by the Department will be handled in accordance with the Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic). This law sets out what we must do when the Department collects, uses, handles and destroys personal information. Personal information includes personal details such as an individual’s name and school that could be used to identify an individual.

2) Collection, use, disclosure and storage of personal information
If you provide your consent your school or early childhood setting will collect and disclose your child’s first and last name, and the name of the early childhood setting or school to the Department. The Department will then:

- Use the information to register your child and to generate an online account (through which school age children can record the books that they read);
- Publish your child’s name and year level on its online Honour Roll located at: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc at the completion of the Challenge with no other identifying factors such as school name.
- Give the name of your child to Finsbury Green Pty Ltd ABN 52 007 743 151 who will then disclose to a 3rd party for the purpose of printing Certificates of Achievement.

3) Accuracy, access to information and withdrawal of consent
The Department will endeavour to ensure that any personal information held about your child is up to date and accurate. You can access, correct or withdraw personal information held by the Department by written request in accordance with the Department’s Information Privacy Policy located at http://www.education.vic.gov.au/Pages/privacypolicy.aspx

Consent may be withdrawn at any time by writing to the Department’s Privacy Unit on: privacy.enquiries@edumail.vic.gov.au.

If you have any questions about this form, or if you need more information, please contact the PRC Challenge Coordinator at the Department readingchallenge@edumail.vic.gov.au or (03) 9637 3624.
MUSIC LESSONS

Please contact providers direct

GUITAR LESSONS
Mathew Robb
0433 806 838

KEYBOARD LESSONS
James Hampton
0415 754 007

CANTEEN

JUST A REMINDER!!

Hot Dogs are no longer available. Our Term 2 Special is Chicken Noodle Cups $3.00 YUM, and they taste great. Gayle and I always taste test our food in the Canteen and choose only the yummiest items for our menu.

Sunny Boys are no longer available but will be returning in Term 4, you can have too much of a good thing.

Enjoy your lunch

Carolyn and Gayle

ROSTER

Friday 24 April—Michelle D.

Friday 1 May—Kristy W.

Monday 4 May—Special Lunch Day—Helpers Needed Please

SPECIAL LUNCH DAY VOLUNTEER

Yes, I am able to help with the Special Lunch Day on Monday 4 May.

Name.............................................................................................................Phone No.................................................................

Child’s Name............................................................................................Grade..............................................................
GLIDERS
Last week we made some gliders from thin foam. We decorated the wings and added a plastic tip to the nose to help it fly. Our conclusion was that our paper planes were able to fly much higher and greater distance. They were also better for the environment because we used recycled drawings to make them.

ANZAC
This week we will be looking at the meaning of ANZAC. The children will make and consume some delicious ANZAC Biscuits and we will endeavour to make some poppies.

AWARD WINNERS
Jaimee K.

O.S.H.C. CO-ORDINATOR - CHRISTINE
0423 794 779
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1300 105 343
www.campaustralia.com.au

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Normal Trading Hours

Mon-Thurs. 8.30am to 5.00pm, Fri 8.30 to 4.30pm, Sat 10.00am to 1.00pm

Please note, due to increasing bank fees, all EFTPOS payments made at Klad Sport must be over $20.00.

We apologise for any inconvenience.