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.
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

THE SEARCH FOR YODA

Our school production ‘The Search for Yoda’ is well under way, and as we head into the final 3 weeks of rehearsal, excitement is growing! Tickets went on sale Tuesday 23 August, so if you have not secured yours, make sure you head to the Burrinja Cultural Centre Website, for online ticketing.


Matinee Performance – Concession/U16 - $15    Adult - $20
Evening Performance – Concession/U16 - $18    Adult - $25

TRIVIA NIGHT SUCCESS!

Question – Who are the wonderful parents and friends of Lysterfield Primary school who went above and beyond to elevate the LPS Trivia Night (one of our biggest fundraisers) to such great heights?

Answer - Tracey Dahlborg, who slaved away for hours upon hours, weeks upon weeks, months upon months to coordinated the Night. Tracey rallied a team including Nicole Mills, Anita Hancock, Craig Allen, Bri Lindsay, Lisa and Ben Ferrier, Kylie and Andrew Wyborn (the host), Shane Burdett (audio equipment), Michelle Clarke, Shane and Ilga Kelly. We should also give a shout out to Martin Dahlborg for being so gracious at losing part of his house for storage over the last few months!

We would like to thank everyone involved with this event, a tremendous team effort! We hear it was a fantastic night!

DEDICATION PLUS!

Last Thursday night we were unfortunately hit with graffiti outside the gym toilets and surrounding area, as well as along sections of our lovely mural. It’s in situations like these that our Lysterfield community band together. We would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to Kristy Fisher for initiating the clean-up of this graffiti, in the rain no less! Stuart Whetstone also lent a hand, as did Anita Hancock and Christopher Beavis. Thank you, thank you, and thank you!

FIRST AID TRAINING

On Monday night, Robyn Buchanan (a Swinburne affiliated trainer) led all LPS staff through a CPR Training Course along with a refresher on how to administer an EpiPen. The Department require staff to complete this training every 2 years. Robyn has worked with our staff over the past 6 years ensuring we are up to date with First Aid Management. Robyn will return next week to work with those of us requiring a First Aid Level 2 Update, and next term to focus on the Management of Anaphylaxis.
DESIGN A SIGN COMPETITION

As you would be aware, we have a new 2min drop off zone out the front of our school. Our promotion leaders have been busy working alongside Kristine Roose, Julie Morris and myself, to develop a competition for our students to not only name, but create a logo for this area. The winning entry will have their work displayed on signage at the front of our school. The competition opened on Monday this week and entries close at 9.30am on Wednesday August 31. Brooke and Jack have decorated the entry box that sits out the front of the library. Get your creative juices flowing everyone! Good luck!

THE VICSBMX SERIES

The VICSBMX Series, run by cycling Victoria, caters for students aged 6 - 18 and features five fantastic events across the state in 2016. Students, representing a school, can enter multiple events as they pedal for glory at one of the events. Every time a student competes, they receive points for their school. Points are awarded according to placement within a race e.g. 1st = 10 points, 2nd = 8 points etc. These points are tallied up for the school and the school with the most points receives the Champions trophy.

We have had a number of our talented Lysterfield Primary School students competing for this coveted prize, including Reilly, Holly, Sebastian, Milly, Angus, Spencer and Stephanie. We wish them every success in their endeavour to be the best! Good luck and we can’t wait to hear how you all go!

TOOT, TOOT!

Foundation students are ready and rearing to go this Friday, as they prepare to show off their box car creations, practise driving around a track and reading road signs, in the very exciting Foundation Box Car Show! If the weather holds out, this will be held at 11:15am – 12:00pm, on the Soccer Pitch, or in the Gym if need be. This coming Monday, at assembly, we will be treated to a parade of their cars, which will then be parked along our corridors for the week, so we can take a closer look. How exciting!

AUSSIE DAY

Our Junior School teachers are in the process of organising a celebration of their Inquiry unit for Term 3, with an Aussie Day! Students will rotate around art, music, and English lessons (just to name a few,) based around being Australian and why it is so wonderful! Stay tuned Junior School parents for further details coming out very soon, as there may be dressing up involved!

PRODUCTIONS A PLENTY!

Speaking of productions, on Friday, our Middle School students are heading up to Burrinja Cultural Centre to watch Mater Christi College’s school production titled, ‘The Production’. Mater Christi College always produces an entertaining show, so staff and students can’t wait to see what this one has to offer.

Have a great week everyone!

Tracy Wright
TECH TALK

Last week I introduced you to iParent; a fantastic resource for parents to seek information and advice. Once again, I encourage you to have a look at this tremendous government resource.

This week I thought I would take a slightly different approach to Tech Talk and provide an insight into the world of ‘coding’. There are so many unknown elements to what the future holds in regards to technology. However, ensuring our children have the opportunity to grow and develop their coding skills will not only help them to be ready for the inevitable digital workforce, but inspire to shape its direction. As an adult, it is not our job to give children all of the answers - it is our job to provide situations that allow them to explore so they can find out some answers on their own.

What is coding?
Coding is the way humans command and communicate with computers and machines. Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull identifies coding to be as “fundamental as reading and writing” in an “agile, innovative and creative” Australia (Weekend Australian, Nov 2015).

How can I assist my child to explore?
Depending on the age of the child, there a huge variety of relevant and useful apps available. The school currently uses Scratch (and Scratch Jnr.), Hopscotch, Codeacademy and Tickle. However, I recommend taking the time to find apps (most of which are free) that suit your child’s interests. For example, there are Minecraft coding apps available for the older children, although this is a little trickier to use compared to a more basic program, such as Scratch.

At Lysterfield PS, we currently have a 3-6 Code Club, held each Monday lunch time in the Senior School building. With its success, we hope to expand the coding experience into the Junior School in the near future.

Craig McKenzie
ICT Coordinator

LIBRARY

PREMIERS’ READING CHALLENGE

This Friday 26 August is the final day to complete your reading logs as the Challenge closes for Lysterfield PS on this date.

Please do not send print outs of reading logs to school as verification is finalised online.

Online Honour Rolls will be available in October and Participation Certificates will arrive some time in November. Once they are received they will be presented at a whole school assembly.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this years challenge, I hope you have enjoyed the experience.

Sandra Irvine
PARENT’S ASSOCIATION

FATHER’S DAY STALL WED 31st AUGUST

It's that time of year again! Please don't forget to send your child with a bag and some money for the stall.

We are in need of helpers for the day. There will be a session before snack and one after. If you are able to help can you please text Andrea on 0402104917 (or complete the form below) with your availability. Morning tea will be provided.

We are also in need of raffle prizes. If you have any new items that you would like to donate, can you please hand these into the office. Boxes of chocolates or wine would also be most appreciated.

Thanks so much

Andrea and Kylie

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FATHER’S DAY STALL-PARENT HELPER

Yes, I am able to help on the Father’s Day stall on Wednesday 31 August 2016.

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PLEASE CIRCLE AVAILABILITY

Session 1: 9.00am—10.40am   Session 2: 11.10am—12.50pm
We would like to congratulate our BMX racers, who participated in the Eastern and Metro Zone Final at Knox BMX Club on Friday 19 August.

Holly FB, Spencer 1F, Milly 1T, Reilly 3H, Sebastian 3W, Angus 3D, Stephanie 4M

The conditions weren’t fantastic; with rain and a muddy slippery surface for all the riders. After sweeping water from the berm the races started. The gates were hard to balance on with wet slippery wheels and the riders cleats kept filling with mud which flicked up off the track.

Holly loved riding in the rain and getting wet. Her shoes very muddy by the end of the day. Holly competed in the Sprockets division and came 3rd in every race! Great job Holly!!

Spencer didn’t really like riding in the rain, but it was still fun. This was Spencer’s first BMX competition and he raced fantastically! Racing against other 6-7 year old boys Spencer came 5th, 2nd, 3rd and 1st! An awesome result for your first every competition Spencer!!

Milly loved getting muddy and riding in the rain. Milly was the champion of the Sprockets 6-7 year old girls division and came first in every race! Sensational Milly!!

Reilly loved the wet conditions, pushing himself harder to try and beat his competitors. Reilly raced in the 9year old expert boys division and finished 5th, 6th and 4th. Unfortunately Reilly didn’t make the finals, but competed in the Invitational Finals with a sensational result of 1st place! Fantastic Reilly!

Sebastian loved riding in the wet with the mud constantly flicking onto his back. Competing in the 9year old expert boys competition Sebastian came 2nd, 2nd and 1st and competed in the finals. The finals were a little disappointing because Sebastian was clipped by another rider and was 8th out of the gate…a fantastic comeback to finish 4th! Well done Sebastian!!

Angus forgot his jumper, so sat shivering for most of the day. Riding in 9year old boys competition was challenging, but Angus went extremely well, making it to the finals by one point. Congratulations on coming 8th in the finals Angus!!

Stephanie had fun riding on the muddy track. There were 4 competitors in the 11year old expert girls race, with Stephanie coming 1st in all races, including the final! Awesome racing Stephanie!!

Congratulations on a fantastic day at Knox BMX track and for representing Lysterfield Primary!
Yes, I am able to volunteer to help in the Canteen.

Please circle day/s volunteering:

- Friday 26 August
- Friday 2 September
- Friday 9 September

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OSHC OLYMPICS

We have now concluded our Olympic activities and I would like to thank Connor and Devin for volunteering to be our OSHC Olympic Organizing Committee. The boys did an amazing and creative job of organising events so that the other children could all participate and earn medals. Who knew a paper plane could be used as a javelin or an archery arrow? Once the children had earnt their medal they went to the Medal decoration station to create an individualised memento. The children were very proud to wear the medals.

We are continuing to experiment with additional Healthy Eating options to our Afternoon Tea Menu. We tried Cinnamon Roasted Chick Peas which had a mixed reaction and this week we will try Banana Muffins. We are pretty sure these will be a hit.

Our focus for the rest of the Term is helping to raise money for The Smith Family Back 2 School Fundraiser. Watch out for our posters around the school and more information in next week’s newsletter.

Have a great week

Chris and Jenny

AWARDS

Connor V and Devin V for their fantastic organising skills.

Thomas F and Rees H for assisting with the Olympics.

Todd F for doing a great job helping to clean up.

Ariana B, Sophie C and Keira V for being very supportive friends.

Our operating hours are:

Before School Care: 7.00am-9.00am

After School Care: 3.30am-6.00pm

Last Day of Term 1,2 and 3: 2.30pm-6.00pm

Last Day Term 4: 1.30pm-6.00pm

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Klad Sport, 8 Macro Court, Rowville, 3178 Phone: 9763 0266

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.