

Lysterfield Primary School

Senior School News



LPS develops students that are curious about the world around them and confident in their knowledge and skills to be successful in the future.

Term 4 Week 2

Our Learning

English:

In reading, we are analysing the author's purpose and working towards our personal goals. We have identified the three basic reasons why an author writes—to persuade, inform and entertain. To build on this knowledge we have analysed hybrid texts, texts that have combined purposes, and reflected on the emotions the author has made us feel to assist in developing an opinion on the author's purpose.

In writing, we have begun our passion projects and scrapbooks. This week the emphasis has been on entertaining our audience. We have created poems, songs, narratives, fictional letters and other texts all to entertain our audience. Alongside this, we have focused on developing our revising skills by learning the 'writing off the page' strategy. We have found 'blah' parts in our drafts and tried to create new and exciting sentences on a scrap piece of paper. Once we have found a solution, we add it to our draft.

Maths:

In Mathematics, we have been revising adding and subtracting decimals with two or three addends/subtrahends. We have applied this knowledge to real life situations such as ordering from a menu. Everyone has become very excited about enhancing our problem solving skills by completing a STEM project. We went through a design process to understand the problem and create a design for a marble maze that had to be solved within 30 seconds to one minute. We only had 30 minutes to make our products. Once we had made them, we tested each one and recorded our results. Lastly, we had to evaluate our product and make suggestions for future improvement.

Inquiry:

Inquiry this term is focusing on being a global citizen and on entrepreneurship. We have interpreted our overarching question—How can an individual make an impact on a global issue? Together, we interpreted this question as 'what could I do to help an issue that matters to me?' From this, we have created research questions to learn more about global issues that interest us.

Resilience Rights and Respectful Relationships (RRRR):

Over the past fortnight we have focused on the concept, stress. Stress occurs in our everyday life and we need to learn how to identify, manage and reduce our stress. To build this skill, we have defined stress and identified the situations and places where stressful situations can occur for our 10 to 13 year old age group. We have written fictional stories surrounding a typical stressful situation for a Senior School student to demonstrate our understanding of stress.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term Dates:

Term 4 8th Oct - 21st Dec

Upcoming Senior School Events:

19th of October—Super Speak Workshop 2

26th of October—Knox Division Rugby League

2nd of November—Super Speak Workshop 3

8th of November—Royal Flying Doctor Incursion

Curiosity

Acceptance

Respect

Resilience

Integrity

Senior School Awards

SK— Bodie

SM— Riona

SS— Conner

SH— Emma

SW— Bodhan

Learning in Action

Super Speak

The grade 5s have participated in two Super Speak workshops. The aim of the workshops is to build our skills in public speaking. In the first workshop, we discussed why people are afraid of public speaking and how to overcome this. Additionally, we learned how important posture is during a speech. We focused on positioning our feet, placing our hands by our side, holding our head up high and standing still. During speaking games, we discovered that our breath can help with pacing our speech. We applied all our new learning to a group poetry reading. Lastly, we played games to improve our story telling skills.

Knox Division & Regional Athletics

Congratulations to Bree H, Sara L, Elise D, Gemma M, Jacinta M, Kate G, Sebastian F and Rees H who went through to compete in the Knox Division Athletics.

We would also like to congratulate the 11 year old girls relay team who placed second at the Regional Athletics. Bree H, Sara L, Elise D, Gemma M and Lara W (grade 4) will be progressing to the State Level. Bree H is also going to compete in the 80m Hurdles and Kate G will be competing in triple jump at the state level. Well done girls!

Hair With Heart Program

Over the past two years, Taylah H has been growing her hair for a great cause. She is going to cut off 35.5cm of her hair and donate this to the Hair With Heart Program. This program, run by the Variety Children's Foundation, uses the donated hair to create specialised wigs. Taylah also will be raising funds for this charity. Later this term, the SVC will run a crazy hair day to support this cause. If you wish to donate, the link is below.

<https://hairwithheart.everydayhero.com/au/taylah-hunkin>

The New Library!

This week our new library was unveiled. The space is much more inviting and bright! Each of our classes have been excited to use this space. The furniture is beautiful and makes reading a better experience. We would like to thank all the families, Kate and Sandra who helped organising the library.

The Makerspace

This week was the Senior School's first time using the Makerspace. This space allows our students to engage in critical and creative thinking, whilst using their mathematics and science knowledge . It was great to see our students involved in the design process and evaluating their products.

Graduation and Whole School Photo

The graduation photo has been postponed to 16th of November as we are planning to take a whole school photo on the same day. We apologise for any inconvenience that this has caused as we understand there was some confusion.

Scrapbooks

We are reminding all parents and students that the grade 6s will require a scrapbook for our scrapbooking projects. All year 6 students will need to purchase a scrapbook. We would like it if all students could bring a 12 inch x 12 inch scrapbook. Kmart sell them for about \$8. Here is a link:

<https://www.kmart.com.au/product/12in.-x-12in.-scrapbook-album---black/963291>

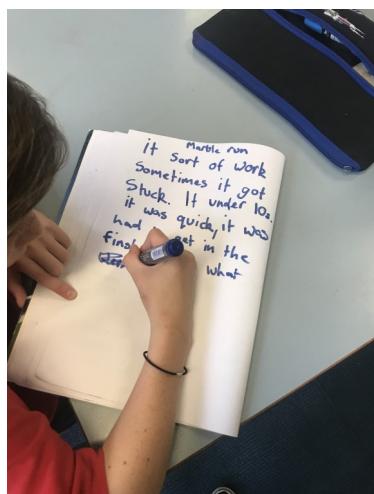
We also would like to remind our year 6 students to start collecting any materials and photos that they would like to use for decorations.

Grade 5s do not need to purchase a scrapbook as we can bind their passion projects together at school.



Playing speech games—breathing and speaking and telling a story about a object

Reading in the new library



MakerSpace!

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The Senior School will be at it again, raising money for Graduation and the Legacy project.

\$1 each (maximum 2 per person)



Every **Monday, Thursday and Friday** at lunchtime in Senior School until sold out!