

The Lake Primary School - Newsletter



Principal's Report

Term 4 is drawing to a rapid conclusion but we still have a large number of exciting events/programs to enjoy. Last Friday evening the staff organised a memorable Retirement function for me at 'The Office.' The theme was 'Red & Black'. As evidenced by the photo above Mr Mac even crossed over from his beloved Tigers to the mighty Bombers in an extraordinary show of solidarity on the evening. Shaun assures me this is definitely a once off! I was humbled by the positive attendance, kind words and lovely gifts. I am really proud of the team of dedicated professionals at our wonderful school and feel very privileged to have enjoyed excellent support and collective contributions over my 13 years as the leader of our school. Importantly I have felt a real sense of professional satisfaction observing the development of many of our teachers from Graduate to Experienced practitioners. For a large number I have been their first and only Principal, so it is an exciting new era just around the corner for our staff.



The 3-6 Swimming program at First Stroke Swim School this week has been a valuable opportunity for our students to practise up on their



swimming skills prior to the warmer months. My thanks to Mrs Taylor for once again organising this program and teachers/staff for their flexibility and support.

Our students and staff participated in a major 'Lock Down' drill on Monday morning. It is important for all P-6 students to remain calm and safe and follow sensible procedures if a need ever arises. We were all impressed with the efficiency of Monday's drill and similar drills are planned for the future.

Miss Toni has been doing an amazing job with this year's Merbein Carols Choir. We have 63 enthusiastic P-6 students who will be gracing the stage tomorrow evening at Kenny Park. Students are to arrive by **7:30pm** and are performing at **7:50pm**. Best of luck students!

Next Tuesday will be an exciting day for our school community with the 4th and final Prep Orientation for our fifty-five 2020 Preps and the announcement of our 2020 classes and teachers. Parents are invited to join us for a brief assembly at 9:00am under the shade sails (weather permitting!). An opportunity for our current Years 1-5 to move up a level and spend some quality time with their 2020 teacher in their new classroom will be provided. Students will remain with their new teacher up to 12:30pm. Joining us will be The Lake

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Dates to Remember

Dec 6th

Merbein Carols by Candlelight

Dec 10th

Announcement of 2020 classes
Prep Orientation (final session)

Yr. 6 Transition Day

Dec 10th

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Dec 11th

2020 School Captain Speeches
9.15am

Dec 13th

EOY Break-up Evening

Dec 16th

Inter-house swimming sports

Dec 17th

Community morning tea for Rod

Dec 18th

Health & Wellbeing Day

Sem. 2 student reports sent home

Yr. 6 Graduation @ Willow & Ivie

Dec 20th

Last day (1.30pm dismissal)



Primary's newly appointed Principal Ms Bernadette Warburton and our newly appointed Graduate teacher Miss Claire Ljubic (Successful shortlisted applicant last Thursday).

Don't forget our annual **End-of-year School Community Break-up Evening on Friday, December 13th**. Food vans will commence serving at 6:00pm with the official proceedings commencing at 7:00pm. Student items, awards, presentations will round out a fantastic way to celebrate another successful year for our school. The evening will conclude at approximately 9:00pm. BYO chairs drinks/food if not purchasing from the food vans

- **Rod Pearce, Principal**

P & C News

Lunch Orders

This week's lunch orders are dim sims, thank you to our parent helpers this week – Cherie Quinlivan, Bec Morrish, Mel Bott & Maria Stanbrough

There are still a few spots free on the 12th December for Sausages in Bread for parent helpers – Pop in and see the girls in the office to put your name down, if we don't get all 3 spots filled lunches will be cancelled

Fundraising Chocolate

There are still some chocolates available to sell if anyone would like, call in and see the girls in the office

Christmas

This year we have decided to do something different We are running a **"Thank you Draw"** in place of the end of year Christmas Raffle

How will this work? Family names will be put in a bucket and winners will be drawn at the end of the year Community Event (Friday 13th December) – it's our way of saying thank you for your amazing support to The Lake Primary School

Workers of the Week – Focus: Academic Excellence

Congratulations to the following students on their 'Worker of the Week' awards:

Chantae King Milla Algate, Kiya Cluss, Shaneece Cluss, Isabelle Giddings, Isobel Scutcheon, Demi Mayes, Cooper Wilson, Harry Lambert, Cameron King, Alexander Mellow, Mia Hart, William Howden, Zaine Hughey, Lucas Puleio, Jada Taylor, Zali Dichiera, Madelyn Goudie, Hazel Robert James, Harlen Saleta.

3/4C News

3/4C have been learning about Our History in Inquiry. We have been writing information reports about Sunraysia's important historical people and places. We have also been reading and learning about some well-known characters like Ned Kelly, Clancy of the Overflow and Albert Namatjira who all featured in our Socratic Circle text, "I am Australian'. As we have read about each character, we have completed a vocabulary chart to describe each story or character.



Thursday Lunches

Lunch Day – Thursday, 12th December

Orders in by Tuesday 10th December

Total cost \$4.00 for 2 x Sausages in bread and an icypole

Name Class

Extra Sausage \$1.50

Icypole only \$1.00

Amount paid \$.....

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