

IMPORTANT DATES:

AUGUST

24 P&C Association Meeting
- Cancelled

SEPTEMBER

15 SCHOOL PHOTOS

23 APPEALS DAY &
JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

25 PBL-NINJA WARRIOR
LAST DAY OF TERM 3

OCTOBER

12 TERM 4 BEGINS

17-23 BOOK WEEK

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A message from our Principal...

Good afternoon everyone!

Well isn't 2020 the gift that keeps on giving! It has no doubt been a time of great complexity, however, how our school community has come together and made the best of it, is something I'm incredibly proud of.

The major change in the short term is with staffing. Unfortunately, we do have 1 staff member that lives outside of the "Border Bubble" and is unable to return to school at the moment. Mrs M is unable to cross the border to teach 1/2M. As a result, Miss Guymer will come on to the class until the restrictions are relaxed. Mrs M will still be in regular communication with students, staff and parents, as she is currently under Working from Home arrangements.

In other staffing news, as you may be aware, Mrs Powys will be taking some time away from LPS from the end of Week 8 to have a baby and we all wish her the very best of luck! Angela has been an incredible addition to our whole school community and has made a massive impact on Lavington Public School in such a short time. She will undoubtedly be missed while away, but will be welcomed back with open arms whenever the time suits. Over the next month, Angela will be spending some time transitioning Miss Dunn into taking the MC class for the remainder of the year. Miss Dunn is most definitely looking forward to the role and I'm sure, alongside Mrs Schulz's knowledge, skills and experience - the students will continue to thrive! Also, a shout out to Ms McConnell and Mrs Emmett who have been teaching 3/4C while Mrs Clarke is on leave, they've been doing an incredible job.

As you would have seen on our Social Media pages this week, we have been provided with further guidelines on how we as a school can operate. I completely understand how restrictive these guidelines are, however, we are all staying as positive as we can, controlling the things we can, and look to maximise each opportunity extended to us.

As always, if you have any questions, comments or queries, please reach out to the school any time.

See you all soon,

Brett

GREEN DAY

Thursday 13 August 2020 was our day to wear green and focus on our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) value of RESPECT. At Lavington Public School, RESPECT means 'caring for and valuing yourself and showing kindness and consideration for others'. Our PBL matrix for all settings identifies the following points to focus on when demonstrating

RESPECT:

- listen and follow staff directions
- use good manners
- wear school uniform
- care for others

In class, various activities were completed that focused on how to be respectful learners and members of our school community.

Mrs Lynch





Meet our enthusiastic Term 3 Photo Squad members:

Alyse, Matilda, Asher, Hallee, Goldie, Raymond, Xander, Indi & Emma.

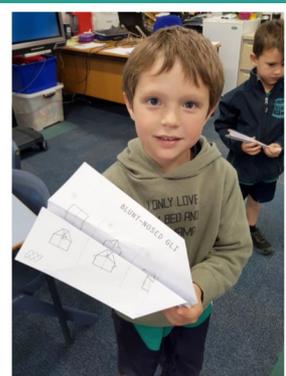


NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK: 15–23 AUGUST 2020

Mrs Jory's Science & Technology classes explored the theme, *Deep Blue: Innovation for our oceans*, during their lesson this week.

There were some interesting discussions about how we can keep our oceans healthy and many questions about sea life in the ocean zones. Stage 3 students explored innovative ideas for removing litter from oceans.

As part of National Science Week, Mrs Jory held a paper plane competition. Each student participating was trying to fly their plane the longest distance for their age group. Due to the wet weather this week, the competition will continue into next week, and winners will be announced on Friday 28 August 2020. Here are some photos of students learning about flight from Mrs Jory's classes last week.





The students at Lavington Public School give a big 'Thankyou' to Coral Coady for making our outdoor cushions. Coral has used our old yellow and brown uniforms to create these awesome cushions.



MEMORIAL



Kylie Dawson was a well respected teacher and valued member of our school community. She was a proud advocate of public education and passionate about providing engaging learning opportunities for her students.

Kylie passed away on 25 January 2019. A plaque and seats have been placed in the garden to the right of the infants ramp in memory of Kylie.

BAND

Lavington Public School is excited to form a band with some enthusiastic students.

Mrs Baker is teaching students to play the clarinet and saxophone, while Miss Adams is teaching guitar and flute to students.

We are fortunate to have our talented and experienced, Naomi teaching the 'Ngoma – Daram band'. (African and Indian Drumming band)

We are extremely eager to hear some wonderful songs throughout the year.

Unfortunately Covid 19 restrictions now prevent the teaching of Saxophone, clarinet and flute until further notice.



SPORT NEWS

PSSA Winter Sport

It is great to see our 3-6's enjoying our Friday winter sport opportunities, albeit playing against each other as opposed to other schools. The weather has done its best to dampen the enthusiasm of kids, however judging by the exhausted faces at the end of sport, the boys and girls are certainly getting into it.

Thank you to parents for adhering to the Covid 19 schools' restrictions of parents not being allowed to attend. We have 3 more weeks of the modified competition then our focus turns to trialing for T4 summer sport options. Albury PSSA are hopeful that this inter-school competition can take place.

Athletics Carnival

Fingers crossed our school Athletics Carnival can take place during Term 4. When the weather warms up and the restrictions allow, we will look to reconvening our postponed carnival.



Representative Pathways

Unfortunately, all state carnivals and knockouts have been cancelled for 2020. It is normally this time of the year when we celebrate in the achievement of our talented sporting kids. No news this year, which is a shame.

Mr Jarrod Lyons

Lavington Public School

Photo Day

Tuesday 15 September 2020

To Order Photos:

Go to www.msp.com.au, enter your unique shootkey and follow the prompts.

Order your School Photos before midnight Tuesday 22 September 2020

Late Orders can be accepted after Tuesday 22 September 2020 by contacting **03 5482 3190**.

All late orders incur an extra \$20 for postage and handling.

Family Photos – Please order online prior to photo day with the unique shootkey. One shootkey per family. Please collect Family Envelope with shootkey number on it, from the School Office.



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ROAD SAFETY / SCHOOL CROSSINGS

Please increase your awareness of student, staff and carer safety around the school at both drop off and pick up times.

Students should be encouraged to use the supervised school crossing when crossing Hague Street or Urana Road, to meet their parents.

Please do not call your child across the road at other areas, as this creates significant risk of harm for all concerned.

Parents are again reminded not to drop off in the *no parking zones* next to the school crossings as this is not only dangerous, it prevents students crossing at the school crossing whilst you are stopped there.

Thank you





**The students of
LPs have really
enjoyed being
back in the
library.
The new
furniture and
shelving has
been a hit!**

Mrs Doherty



BOOK WEEK NEWS

BOOK WEEK 17-23 October 2020

Usually held in August, the decision has been made to move this year's Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) Book Week to October given the exceptional circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic. Of course with so much uncertainty still surrounding us, we are doubtful that visitors will be allowed onto school grounds to help us celebrate. However, we will definitely be celebrating CBCA Book Week at Lavington Public School with staff and students. Students will be invited to come dressed up as their favourite book character, participate in lessons including the shortlisted titles and even have the chance to win some of these titles through competitions.

CBCA Book Week 2020

CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS

Hey! You in the back with the book.
Are you paying attention?

I'm reading to inform you, that the dates for the 2020 CBCA Book Week are a little later than usual!

17-23 October 2020

NEW CBCA
BOOK WEEK DATES

(different dates, same amount of fun!)



THE CHILDREN'S
BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA

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Dear Families

Schools are operating full time while actively following health advice.

School attendance

Students should be at school unless:

- They have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition, the certificate should include an expected timeframe.
- They are currently unwell.

Students with flu like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school. Please contact the NSW Health Landline on 02 8890 8288 and ask for a copy of your test result to be emailed to you. This letter can then be provided to the front office as evidence of a negative COVID-19 test.

Schools are not required to conduct widespread temperature screening or mandate the wearing of a mask.

All schools will be vigilant when implementing infection control, physical distancing and personal hygiene protocols to protect the health and safety of students and staff. Schools will promote the need to follow good hygiene practices such as:

- Regularly washing hands.
- Avoiding sharing drinks or food.
- Coughing or sneezing into your elbow, or a tissue which should be discarded immediately.
- Filling water bottles from bubblers rather than using the bubbler directly.

All students who reside in or have visited Victoria must have a permit to enter NSW and are required to comply with health restrictions relevant to their permit which may include the need complete the 14 day self-isolation period commencing the last day they were in Victoria.

School activities

Additional safety measures for school activities have been put in place to minimize the risk of COVID-19 transmission in schools for the remainder of Term 3.

Activities on hold for Term 3

- Kindergarten orientation.
- Year 7 orientation has been delayed until Term 4.
- School camps.
- Parent and carer attendance at assemblies and other school events.
- Parent and carer volunteers – e.g. parent reading helpers (note: canteen and uniform shop volunteers are permitted).
- School-based activities that involve large gathering of adults. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school BBQs, large parent information evenings and large onsite cultural events.

Physical distancing

Physical distancing of students in schools is not required under the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) guidelines. Parents should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable them to physically distance 1.5m from one another and from staff.

Tightened NSW-Victoria border restrictions

From Friday 21 August, for people living outside the border zone in Victoria, permits will only be considered for the following persons:

- Students who attend special purpose schools. Students attending a School for Specific Purposes will be eligible for a special permit through the NSW Government website.
- HSC students and HSC teachers. The Department has commenced the process for seeking and exemption for HSC students and essential HSC teachers with NSW Health and will advise relevant families of arrangements prior to 21 August 2020.

Please note that Victorian residents who reside outside of the border zone will not be able to enter NSW to attend school unless they obtain an exemption. **Please see Service NSW Website for the latest information.**

All students and staff not eligible for a border permit will be supported with remote learning and working through the online learning hub until they are able to return to work or learn on site.

School cleaning and hygiene supplies

Our school will continue to receive additional cleaning in line with the AHPPC guidelines and advice from NSW Health. Target areas include high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas. There will also be additional cleaning of toilets and bubblers and topping up of supplies like soap.

Transport

Bus services to and from schools are scheduled to run as normal. For travel advice to and from school refer to the NSW public transport service.

Thank you for your understanding.

Brett Davies
Principal
17 August 2020

WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2020

11:00am to 12:50pm

Followed by Jump Rope for Heart session 2:20pm – 3:00pm

APPEALS

DAY

2020

Dress Up – FRONT LINE WORKERS



Money raised day;

- Stewart House
- Jump Rope for Heart
- Purchase appreciation food hampers for local front-line workers (Police/Ambulance/ED nurses)