

Community Newsletter

31 May 2017



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From the Principal's Desk

Hi Everyone,

It is terrific to see everyone again after a special time in Italy. A huge thank you to Mrs Marnie Hamilton for steering the

Lakelands ship so well while I was away. As you know it is Semester Reports season and teachers have been busy preparing these ready for the end of term. Being close to the winter season, there have been quite a few students and teachers affected by illness. We are encouraging children to remember hygiene, wear jumpers and rest when needed to ensure optimum health for learning at school. I have enjoyed watching students prepare and compete for our school at the recent winter sport events. It is a great opportunity for our older students to experience teamwork, competition, leadership and courage. I am also very excited to hear that our amazing school choir has been invited to sing at the official opening of the Lakelands Shopping Centre on 22 June. What an opportunity. More information will be provided soon. Don't forget you can always stay up to date with all the latest information and events via our website

Lakelands.PS@education.wa.edu.au, MessageU and the P&C Facebook site

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1477892799091841/>.

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Operation: Stop Cyber Bullying

Recently there have been incidences of cyber-bullying or inappropriate usage outside the school that has filtered into the school. Social media has a huge impact on society both positive and negative. For me, it is best described as a vehicle driver's licence.....purposeful and essential for helping everyday routines, but very dangerous if misused. As a school we have addressed cyber bullying through values assemblies, in-class Health lessons, information on steps to respond, student/parent case conferences, a 'no mobile phone' policy at school, an online use contract agreement and planning at staff meetings. We have now recently approached the School Board to discuss and look at community wide approaches that further safe guard our students from inappropriate online use outside school. The School Board is now investigating

strategies to help empower our community as a cyber-safe one including: expert presenters, student workshops, parent forum and information night, access to information on how to respond and appropriate communication of concerns. We want technology and online tools to inspire growth and not tear people down, so we ask you to join this campaign so we can be proactive and not reactive to Cyber safety. If you have any suggestions or ideas that could help this campaign please email

Lakelands.PS@education.wa.edu.au and we would like to hear from you.

New Website

On 7 June a Website Construction company will be working with the school to develop a new Lakelands PS website that will be better supported, maintained and useable for the community. Issues with the current website have corrupted links and certain images. It will be a great opportunity for the school to update images, projects and allow input for students to be part of this important marketing tool. The new website is due to be launched in term 3, however the current website will still be online in the meantime.



Thank you Mr Turner from the Go Green Team

The Go Green Team would like to thank Mr Turner for the creating the frame for our amazing new green house and Mr Nelson for helping with the building. The Green house will have walls and a roof made of 1.25 litre water and cool drink plastic bottles. With our focus on recycling plastic bottles, if you have some we would love them – Please cut the bottoms off them first and send in both parts. Also if you'd like to donate bamboo lengths (1-2 metres), chicken wire or wire to tie off we would be very grateful. From Mrs Theodosiou and the Go Green Team.

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NQS Nature Garden



Mrs (Buzz) Burrige has been working hard with students maintaining the nature garden, which has been appreciated by everyone. Equipment and features have been purchased and students have demonstrated responsibility caring for the area and even designing posters to keep feet from trampling small plants. Students who have found it difficult to socialise have also flourished in the area making great friends along the way.

Lakelands Lady Legends Football Team

Last week we unveiled our new Lakelands Legends girls football squad who competed in the Dockers Cup for the first time and also achieved their first ever win. Mrs de Oliveira did a wonderful job coordinating the opportunity to join the event. Thank you Mr Kyle Drew for coaching the girls and winter sport football teams and to Mrs Bobbie Webb and Mrs Cherie Fynn for coaching netball. The community support of these events are so important to our success.



What are Voluntary Contributions?

Voluntary contributions from parents make a significant difference to the resources at our school. An annual amount of \$60 per student has been agreed as a fair amount for parents to contribute by the School Board. It enables us to buy more resources for your children to use in class. The school is building resources in the following areas such as Home reading books for junior Primary and Years PP-2. Reading book sets for years 3-6. Speech resources for Kindergarten students. Maths resources for all year levels. The Voluntary Contributions only cost \$1.50 per week per student. At this point 30% of parents have contributed meaning that there is a potential of over \$19 000 that could still go towards the students if everyone contributed. Considering the work that the P&C have contributed to the school, this is a powerful way you can also make a difference for our school. If you have any questions about the voluntary contributions don't hesitate to ask at the front office or email Lakelands.PS@education.wa.edu.au

Book Club

It was fantastic to see so many parents and students visit the Scholastic Book Week Fair all week. There were some very happy faces satisfied with their purchases, which goes towards a great cause- reading and our school. Thank you to Mrs Suzanne Hymers and the P&C for yet another contribution to our school.



Complaints Management

While we do our very best to ensure we provide a great service for yourselves and your children, we understand, that on occasion, you may have cause to complain or raise an issue with us that requires attention. To help with this we have created a complaints management policy and this has been included onto our website. Our complaints management brochure is called "Talking with my School", just click on the "Information" tab and the brochure can be found under "Forms and Policies".

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Ripper Writers, Readers & Maths Champs

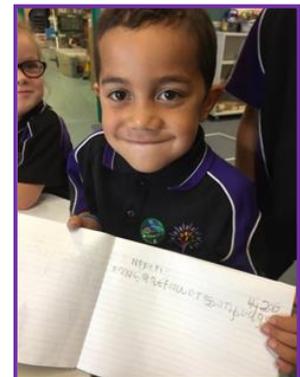
The 'Ripper Writers' and 'Number Champs' have been flooding in from classrooms and it is brilliant to see parents encouraging reading, writing and number skills at home. Here are some of our Lakelands Legends:



Number Champs Kortua & Aurora from 2.1 & 5.4



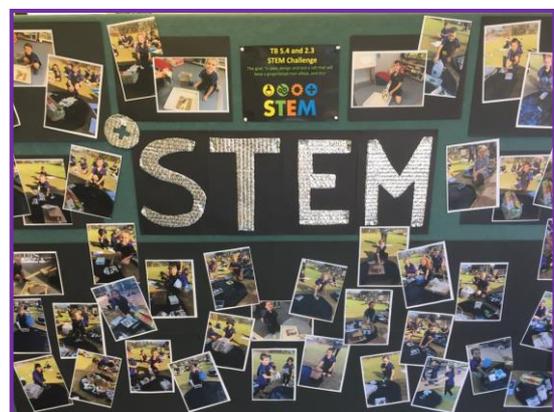
Music Legend Xavier from TB 2.2 with his hand made-ukulele



Ripper Writers Jada, Jensen, Taylor, Brooklyn & Nepiti



from TB 1.5
More Ripper Writers from TB 1.5 Fynn, Bianca Jada, Aryanna, Tahlia, Jensen, Ella, Apryl, Lucas & Kale



TB 5.4 with Mr Brook & TB 2.3 with Mrs Kolk have showcased their amazing STEM work over recent weeks in an amazing poster out the front of their rooms. Be sure to check it out!

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Art News

Fun Exploring Sculptures in the Art Room
The Year 2 – 6 students have been exploring sculptures from around the world this week! Lakelands has been lucky enough to have The Elaine and Jim Wolfensohn Gift Suitcase to visit, which is a travelling Art exhibition belonging to the National Gallery of Australia. A key feature of the Wolfensohn Gift Suitcases is that the art works can be handled. The shapes, surfaces and tactile qualities of each work can be explored, examined and enjoyed.



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Story Dogs Needed!

Our school would love to have this unique reading support program helping our students to become life-long readers.

The teachers love this program, the students can't wait to read and the program works!

- * Do you have a dog that is well behaved, gentle and is happy around children?
- * Can you spare a couple of hours a week?

Call or email Story Dogs so you can start helping children to become better readers.



amanda@storydogs.org.au
Phone: 0417 993 497
Web Site:
www.storydogs.org.au



Scitech's Early Childhood Program at Mandurah Community Museum

Scitech comes to you with this unique program where adults and children play, explore and discover together. Children will use their senses to understand the world around them and discover how they are being scientists every day. The program fosters children's natural curiosity and encourages them to ask why, how and what if?

The workshop is divided into four learning areas: Light, Push & Pull, Living Things and Sound.

Activities include investigating shadows and light, moving objects with magnets, creating sounds, identifying smells and many more.

Where: Mandurah Community Museum

Choose a date and time

Dates: July 4 - 6

Times: 10.00 - 11.00am or 11.30am - 12.30pm

Ages: 0-5 (supervision is the responsibility of the parent or guardian)

Cost: \$5

Limited places available

To book call Mandurah Community Museum on 9550 3682 or email museum@mandurah.wa.gov.au



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P & C Watch.

Term 2 is flying by and the P&C is in full stride. Both our Mother's Day stall and Book Fair were extremely successful. To everyone that volunteered to help and to all the people that supported these events thank you very much for your support and contributions.

Entertainment Books

We've started our Entertainment Book Fund Raiser. To check out the great value for this year go to the digital flip book to get a load of what is on offer <https://online.flippingbook.com/view/866062/8> . To order either the book or digital copy please go to www.entbook.com.au/913537a . With every membership sold Lakelands Primary School get \$14 back so check out the great saving and see how much it can save you over the 12 months. Books are available from the front office for cash purchases.



Silent Auction

At the start of June we will be running a silent auction. We held one 2 years ago and it was an enormous hit and lots of fun when it got down to the final round of bidding. Flyers will be sent home this week so get your bidding fingers going as there will be a wide range of different items that you could grab.

5c and 10c Coins

Please start collecting all you're 5 and 10 cent pieces, in weeks 8 and 9 we will be running a competition between the classes to see who can collect the most. The prize for the winning class that raises the most money is a class lunch and special afternoon planned in week 10 for the students to enjoy.



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Lakefest 2017

LAKEFEST 2017 is fast approaching. Meetings began this week on Wednesday and the next meeting will be on 21 June at 8.45am. We are off to a very exciting start so if you would like to be involved on the planning committees please come along to the school staff room.

School Banking

School banking continues to be on Thursday Mornings before school in the undercover area. If you would like to participate, application packs can be found in the front office or just as easy head to your local Commonwealth Bank Branch and open your youth saver accounts directly. If you would like to view this year's prizes please go to schoolbanking@cba.com.au . Any enquiries please contact Kimberley Bebbington at kim@bebbington.com.au .

P & C Calendar Term 2

2 -16 June –Silent Auction
12 – 23 June – 5c and 10c
14 Jun - P&C General Meeting 8:45am
21 June – LAKEFEST Meeting 8:45am
21 -30 June – Raffle VIP Car Park
24 June – shopping centre open sausage sizzle
30 June – Free Dress
Scholastics Order
Banking Commission
Discount Card

P&C Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th June at 8:45am in the conference room. Fun-A-rama is once again providing the P&C members with child care for our meeting durations for just \$5 per session.

Thank you to the enormous team of people that help us continuously throughout all of our events. We can only achieve what we do with all of your support, thank you.

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