

# Community Newsletter

## Week 9, Term 4



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### From the Principal's Desk

Hi Everyone

Welcome to the last week and the final newsletter for 2017. After 2 amazing years at Lakelands Primary School it is time for me to say

farewell. I have really enjoyed the opportunity to lead the school through a time of growth and exciting innovation. I have cherished the relationships with students, staff, parents and the community that help make this a special place. As a parent and Principal of the school I am proud of the reputation of Lakelands and know this will continue into the future. Thank you for your support over the 2 years. I wish Mrs Marnie Hamilton all the best as she steps into the Principal role for 2018. I also want to take the opportunity to thank you all for your support and partnership in making this school such a great place to work together and learn. There is an air of excitement as Year 6 students prepare for graduation and all other classes practise for their Christmas items. It is a joyful time, while remembering our values of respect, responsibility, courage, leadership and cooperation amidst the excitement. I look forward to seeing you at the Graduation Ceremony and/or the Christmas performances, which will again be held at the Grand Lakes Theatre next door at MBC. I wish you all a joyous Christmas and New Year holiday with family and friends.

### Kindy Orientation

Our legendary Kindy teachers Miss Tabitha Creed and Miss Megan Ellam coordinated a 3 day Orientation for our new Kindy students and parents. It was very pleasing to have so many parents (including Dads) at the information day and see the big smiles from our new Kindy students. It is set to be an exciting 2018 in the Lakelands Early Childhood zone.



### Year 6 Graduation

Our Year 6 Graduation will be held this Friday 8 December 2017 at 9.00am in the school undercover area, followed by a luncheon to farewell our leaving students. Again, we will be hosting special guests who have sponsored awards and we welcome parents to join the occasion. On behalf of all staff at Lakelands,

we wish our Year 6 students all the best as they embark on their next phase in education.

### Christmas Concert in Week 10

Like last year, our Christmas Concerts will be split into Junior and Senior groups to ensure all parents get an opportunity to join the audience. Below are the details to remember:

#### Junior Concert:

**Who:** All Students from K to Year 2/3 (year 3's in 2/3 classes only)  
**When:** Wednesday 13 December from 10-11am  
**Where:** Lakes Theatre, Mandurah Baptist College

#### Senior Concert:

**Who:** All Students from Year 3 to Year 6  
**When:** Wednesday 13 December from 1:00-2:00pm  
**Where:** Lakes Theatre, Mandurah Baptist College

Coffee and light refreshments will be available at the Lakes Canteen on the day. Thank you to Mrs Eryl Lewis for coordinating this event.

### Junior Councillors Recognition

Our Junior Councilor's Luke and Porsha had the opportunity to graduate from the role this year at a special function with the new Mandurah Mayor, Rhys Williams.

We are proud of both Luke and Porsha for their leadership in the school and commitment to the Mandurah Junior Councilor initiative, which is a strong focus for our new Mayor. It is a great way to celebrate our future leaders.



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## Choir Performance

Our amazing Lakelands Choir performed Christmas Carols at the Lakelands Town Centre in front of an appreciative crowd. They will also be performing at the Madora Bay Christmas this Saturday due to popular demand.



## Excursions

Term 4 has been busy with end of year excursions for many students including a trip to the Perth Zoo, Scitech, Lakelands Town Centre and Black Swan Lake. It is pleasing to hear so many comments from the community stating that our students were very respectful and polite



## Semester 2 Reports

Reports will be sent home with children **Tuesday 12 December**. If your child will not be there on the day please arrange another time to pick up reports or reports can be kept on school site and given when students return.

## Coles Community Challenge

Lakelands and Meadow Springs Primary School have been battling it out for first prize (\$2000) at the Coles Community Challenge. This finishes next week so don't forget to place your tokens in the Lakelands pile!

## Thank you Morning Tea



Last Wednesday staff hosted a Thank you Morning Tea for our wonderful volunteers who have helped in the classroom and abroad throughout the

year. With your ongoing support Lakelands has continued to be a strong school in partnership with an engaged community passionate about education. I would also like to acknowledge Megan Turner, who is stepping down from the P&C presidency role and has been a key driver behind incredible events like LakeFest, Disco nights and sausage sizzles that have not only raised funds for the school, but raised our profile in the community. Thank you and all the best Megan!





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## Story Dogs

This has been a wonderful initiative this year inspiring an interest in reading with junior students. Thank you to Mrs Nicole Ellis for coordinating this and to our Story Dog volunteers. Due to popular demand, it looks like our canine buddies are returning next year.

## Champion Lakelands Swimmer Kailey Wins Medals

Congratulations to Kailey who recently won several medals at the Peel Swimming Championships. She proudly showed me her medals which is a great achievement after commitment to training. Look out for her at the Olympics one day!

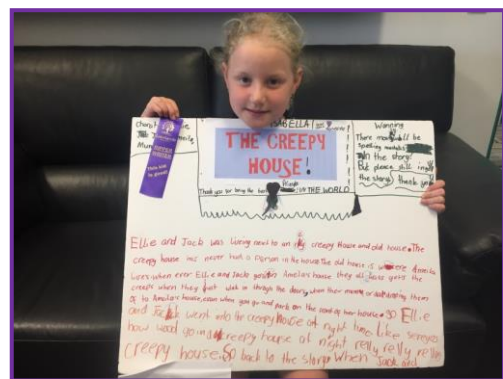


## Interschool Cricket Competition-

Congratulations to our Interschool Twenty20 cricket teams who competed very well at the event in week 6. The boys achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and the girls 2<sup>nd</sup> overall. I had the honour of coaching the girls team who competed with great spirit and a strong sense of team. Thank you to Mrs de Oliveira for coordinating the event and for our legendary parent helper/coach Mr Dru.

## Ripper Writers, Readers & Number Champs

The 'Ripper Writers', 'Number Champs' and STEM Legends have been a huge feature in all the newsletters this year. Congratulations to all who have received a Principal Award (which is now a fancy ribbon). Here are some of our latest Lakelands Legends



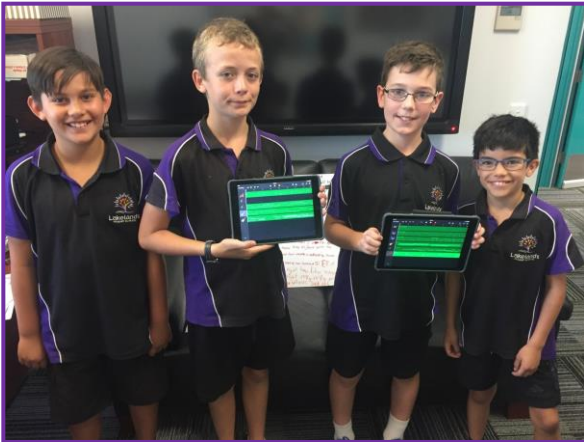
Ripper Writer Isabella from TB 2.4

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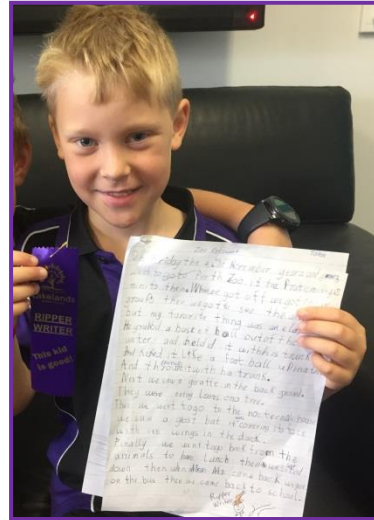
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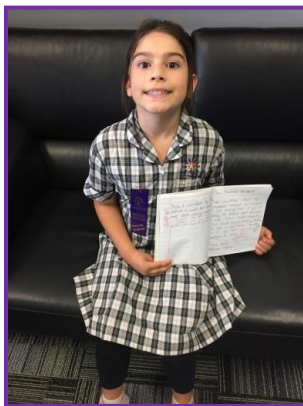
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STEM Legends Noah, Ashton, Riley & Brandon from TB 3.2



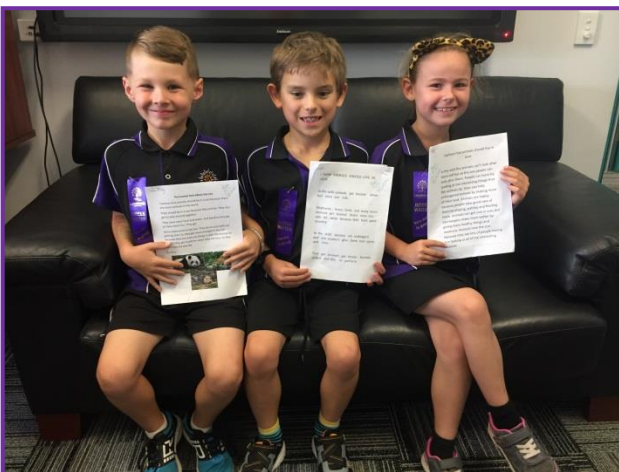
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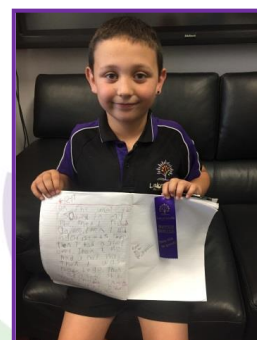
Ripper Writer Rhianna from TB 5.7



STEM Legends Mason, Cooper, Jaden, Kaite & Madi from TB 5.4



Ripper Writers Riley, Amy & Cooper from 5.4



Ripper Writer Blair from TB 5.3



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Ripper Writer Indigo from TB 1.6

Stay in touch with all the school and P&C news by joining our Facebook page

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

What a year we have had and I can hardly believe that we are so close to winding up. Thank you to all the parents, community and teaching staff that have supported our fundraising efforts throughout the year. We are really appreciative of everyone's cooperation and assistance. Team Lakelands You ROCK!!!

## Cookie Dough

Cookie Dough is being delivered early on Wednesday 6 November. An email from Kay Smith will go to each of you that have ordered with collection details within.

## Toy Catalogue

Don't forget the toy catalogue full of education learning toys that we distributed a few weeks ago. For every \$1 you spend we receive 20c to purchase resources for the school. It is a set freight fee of just \$6.60 per order and the delivery is right to your door. This is great for busy parents trying to organise Christmas Presents.

## Christmas Raffle

We have a Christmas Raffle happening. Flyer for purchasing tickets has been sent home and the baskets will be on show and tickets available on Thursday and Friday outside the office. Each Basket has over \$100 value of goodies so please get your tickets; they are just 50 cents ea. Raffle will be drawn at the junior assembly on Wednesday 13 December.



## Discount Card

Don't miss out on the opportunity to purchase our Lakelands Primary School Discount Card ready for 2018. It is only \$10 and has discounts at over 50 local businesses. It's great value and I'm sure that every family will be able to save just a little bit of money by having one. Just one round of haircuts for my girls and it had paid for itself. They are available for purchase from the front office at school. If you have a business that wishes to get involved or just wish to enquire regarding please email [lakelandspc@outlook.com](mailto:lakelandspc@outlook.com).

## 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](mailto:schoolbanking@cba.com.au). Any enquiries please contact Kimberley Bebbington at [kim@bebbington.com.au](mailto:kim@bebbington.com.au).

## For Your Calendar

Below I have attached the remaining term 4 events. Please add the dates to your calendar and let us know if you wish to help with anything.

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### Term 4 Events

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9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Madora Bay Christmas Carole Game/Drinks Stall

4<sup>th</sup> Dec – 13<sup>th</sup> Dec Christmas Raffle

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Thank you to the enormous team of people that help us continuously throughout all of our events. On behalf of the P&C team I would like to wish you all a wonderful festive season, full of love, laughter and special moments. Best wishes for the New Year, thanks again



Megan Turner  
P&C President  
[lakelandspsc@outlook.com](mailto:lakelandspsc@outlook.com)

### From the School Nurse

The Flying Doctor has updated its advice and procedures for snake bites following the publication of a new snakebite study. Please go to the link below for more information.

<https://www.flyingdoctor.org.au/news/flying-doctor-issues-new-snakebite-advice/>

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**FREE, FUN KIDS PROGRAM**



Join your next FREE local program at Mike Barnett Sports Complex



**DO YOU HAVE KIDS 7-13 YEARS OLD? ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT THEIR WEIGHT?**  
The Better Health Program is a fun, interactive 10 week healthy lifestyle program for families. In a supportive and friendly environment, children become fitter, healthier and happier.  
**PLACES ARE LIMITED! FIND OUT MORE OR REGISTER NOW FOR TERM 1 2018:**

Call us: 1300 822 953	Starts: January 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Text us: 0409 745 645	Day: Wednesday
Online: <a href="http://www.betterhealthprogram.org">www.betterhealthprogram.org</a>	Time: 4-6pm


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### Fostering Independence for a great start to school life




The workshop is to help parents prepare themselves and their child for starting school next year, the workshop includes:

- Skills that encourage independence
- Responsibilities
- Use of routines to foster independence

**Date:** 13 December 2017  
**Time:** 1:30pm to 2:30pm  
**Venue:** Child and Parent Centre – Dudley Park, Kooljack Street, Dudley Park.  
Crèche available, bookings essential.

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### Get LANGUAGE Ready for Kindy



**Is your child going to Kindergarten in 2018?**  
Come along to our parent-child workshop with our speech pathologist, Lasera Ng! Parents play a huge role in their child's learning. Discover different activities and strategies you can do at home to support your child's language skills for their learning and participation at school.

The workshop will cover:

- Language skills important for kindergarten
- How to make your everyday routines such as shopping and walks to the park a vocabulary-filled experience
- How to share books with your children

You will have the opportunity to have a go at the activities and strategies with your child and ask the speech pathologist questions.

**Date:** 20 December 2017  
**Time:** 9.30am to 10.30am  
**Venue:** Child and Parent Centre – Dudley Park, Kooljack Street, Dudley Park.  
Crèche Available, Bookings essential

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