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LALOR EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

More Proud Principal Moments

Last week was a fantastic week and there were so many things which made me feel very proud of the students at our school.

On Thursday 30 May, I accompanied the Grade 3/4s to Sceneworks and I was very impressed with the students' knowledge and their behaviour. There were actually 14 schools at Sceneworks that day. I set a challenge for our students to be the best behaved of the schools and I wasn't disappointed. At the end of the day, I definitely ranked our school number 1!

What did they do to achieve the number 1 ranking you may well ask. Students were: engaged in the classroom session, their answers showed they had gained knowledge during class sessions back at school, they showed respect to the presenters by listening when the presenter was speaking and weren't afraid to have a go even if they didn't know an answer. The behaviour during the Planetarium session was also excellent. One of the most incredible things was that due to our late arrival we missed our snack time and didn't get to eat until after 12. Our students were polite, showed patience and caring by waiting their turn to have a go at an activity even when the lines were long or if others pushed in front of them. One student helped a mother with a pram by holding the door open for her so it wouldn't shut when she entered. Everyone cooperated to transport the food trolleys to and from the bus.

Well done to all our fabulous Grade 3/4 students who attended the excursion.

Thank you to Mary Kassos for coordinating the excursion and to the staff who attended the excursion, Dimitra, Julie, Hari, Adrian and Pauline and ensured it was a valuable learning experience for our students.

Being Brave Performance

On Tuesday our students attended the Brainstorm Production Being Brave. It was an emotional performance with the characters having to confront and adapt to different challenges life may throw at us. How do we be brave when we are challenged? The Cyber Action Team have prepared a report on the performance for you to read. Again, the behaviour of our students was excellent!

Exciting News - New School Buildings!

I announced at assembly on Monday, the incredible news that over the next two years our tired, old 1972 constructed buildings will be transformed into wonderful new 2019 buildings! Yeah! The state government has allocated \$8.9 million to our school to update and modernise our facilities. We are in the early stages of the program and I will look forward to sharing more information with our community as more information is provided to me.

Updating our facilities has been a dream for many of our families and staff. I would like to acknowledge the support of Bronwyn Halfpenny, the Local Member for Thomastown and our School Council members, particularly School Council President, Vu Nguyen, for their work to ensure our dream could come true.

Linda Richards

LALOR EAST
PRIMARY SCHOOL



UPCOMING EVENTS

Well done Noor and Celine for your excellent achievement at the Divisional Cross Country event!

Thursday 6 June

JSC Event - Out of Uniform Day
Cost: \$2

Monday 10 June

Queen's Birthday Holiday
(no school for anyone!)

Tuesday 18 June

School Council Meeting at 6:30pm

Wednesday 26 June

Coffee & Chat session for families 3pm in Staffroom

Friday 28 June

End of Term 2 Early finish at 1:30pm

2019 TERM DATES

Term 3

15 Jul - 20 Sep

Term 4

7 Oct - 20 Dec

OFFICE NEWS

Office hours are 8:30am-4:00pm**Student Banking**

Parents please ensure that the deposit slip is fully completed by you e.g. name, account number, student number and amount as we are unable to process payments with incomplete information.

School Hours 8:45am - 3:45pm

School officially opens for business at 8:45am as this is when the teachers are on yard duty. Breakfast Club does open its doors at 8:30am. Students should not be at school before 8:30am as there is no-one to supervise them. Please show our value of cooperation by helping us to keep your children safe by not sending them to school too early.

It is equally important for parents to ensure they are able to pick up their children at 3:30pm when school finishes. Staff are on duty until 3:45pm but not beyond this. We understand that on occasions, you may get caught in traffic and run late, but if this is a regular thing, children need to be booked into After School Care where they can be properly supervised.

Natalie from Camp Australia runs an incredible Before and After School Program and casual bookings can be made for those days when you have an early or late appointment.

Student Safety

We continue to be concerned by the safety of our students at the front of the school as a result of our parents not following basic road rules.

Help us to keep our children safe by:

- 1) Ensuring they only cross at the crossing
- 2) Travelling in one direction along Cleveland Street and not doing U-Turns and blocking the flow of traffic
- 3) Not parking on the crossing or in NO STANDING zones.

These are just three of the things I have seen our parents do in the last week. These matters have been reported to Whittlesea Council again and they will be attending the school to issue parking/driving infringements to those drivers who do not follow the rules and risk the lives of our students.

I ask that all members of our community to please show **COOPERATION**, **CARING** and **RESPECT** when using Cleveland Street.

SPORTING NEWS

Unfortunately, due to poor weather all games were cancelled for round 5.

This week (June 07), Lalor East will also have no games due to Lalor PS forfeiting as they are on camp and will not have students available to field teams.

We will resume games in round 7 (June 14) against Meadowglen PS. All games will be held within Meadowglen PS school grounds with the exception of football & soccer. Football will be held at Meadowglen Reserve & Soccer at Epping Reserve.

Dean Sharples
Phys. Ed Coordinator



Date	Who	Where
7 June	No matches	Lalor East PS
14 June	AWAY Meadowglen	Footy - Epping Res Soccer - Meadowglen Res
21 June	HOME Lalor East PS	Footy - WA Smith Res Soccer - Sycamore Res

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club is open each morning from 8:30 to 9:00 am. We provide a FREE breakfast of toast, cereal and fresh fruit for students and their family. You can find us in the GP Room, so come along and enjoy a nourishing breakfast before school begins. We thank and appreciate the ongoing support from Foodbank Victoria, Bakers Delight Mernda Village, Christina Bakery, Semper Dental and Fare Share.

Amanda Einsiedel
Breakfast Club Coordinator

Divisional Cross Country

Congratulations to our two superstar students who progressed into and participated in the Division Cross Country Finals on Wednesday 29 May!

Running a cross-country race may seem physically and mentally challenging for many, however, it can be even more difficult when it's 10 degrees with a wind chill factor of six! Despite the cold, Noor and Celine persevered and let nothing slow them down.

Thank you to Frances for attending the event with me and for her positive attitude and encouragement. Congratulations to Noor (19th place U10) & Celine (37th place U12/13).

Well done girls! Making it into the Whittlesea Division finals is truly an outstanding achievement. You both are an inspiration to everyone at Lalor East Primary. Through their achievements, we can see that anything is possible with hard work and resilience.

Well done on your efforts Noor and Celine. We are very proud of you!

Dean Sharples
Physical Education Coordinator



World Education Support Day

Monday 27 May

This week we celebrated our incredible Education Support Staff with a special luncheon. Our school wouldn't be able to run without the tireless work of our ES Team. Without our ES staff we wouldn't be able to offer the myriad of services and supports we provide to our students every day including:

- processing excursion payments and ensuring we have all the supplies we need, answering questions and calls, recording absences
- ensuring our students have the food they need to be able to engage in their learning through Breakfast Club and our lunch program
- looking after students when they are unwell or injured
- ensuring there are lots of lovely books for borrowing in the library or available to purchase through Book Club
- processing all the Focus on the Good cards would just be pieces of card and not a valuable commodity worth 5 points to exchange at the shop
- keeping our school looking neat and tidy and making sure we are kept safe when things get damaged
- supporting our students with their learning so they can achieve their Personal Best.

Our sincere thanks go to: Lorraine, Vanessa, Sandra, Sharyn, Amanda, Pauline, Christine, Manal, Frances, Athena, Anthony, Marie, Jenni and Mel for all the wonderful things you do for us all and especially for the difference you make to our students.

No one is as special
As those who guide,
Who love our challenges
And work with pride.

The way you support
And notice each step,
Is invaluable to all,
We're in awe of your pep.

Thank you from all at LEPS

Original poem by Heather Campbell



Student of the Week



*Congratulations to these students for receiving a
Student of Week award yesterday at assembly*

Prep Miss D Finn

Prep Mrs Natalie Ivy

1/2 I'a Blake

1/2 Hannah Ahmed & Jina

1/2 Steph Ross & Kassem

1/2 Karen Helen, Bella & Ayla

3/4 Vassilou All the 3/4s

3/4 Kelm/Harl Kathy

3/4 Hewison/Kassos Whole Class

5/6 Kristian Mishelle X 2

5/6 Mr Jones Eva & Robert

5/6 Lauren & Steph Whole Class

OHSC Ryan

Commonwealth Bank Awards



Year 3/4 Pen Licences



'Being Brave' - Brainstorm Productions

On Tuesday 28 May two amazing actors came to our school and performed a show called **Being Brave**. They taught us how to be brave in many different ways like sharing stories, showing feelings and keeping memories in our head rather than sad ones.

We learnt that children can be impacted by parents separating, having to let go of a pet which is special to you, having a close family member die, having to flee your country and leaving family members behind. We learnt that sometimes we need to reimagine our original dream and focus on a new dream. If we are being bullied we need to take action by telling the bully to stop and if they don't then telling a trusted adult including a parent or your teacher.

Most importantly, we learnt that we don't have to face these things alone. We can all help each other get through tough times. Thank you so much to the Being Brave team for spreading the message to students who have dealt with these situations. We appreciate them coming to Lalor East and putting on an enjoyable show. It is a performance we will never forget.

By Eva and Mishelle



Alpacas with Maracas



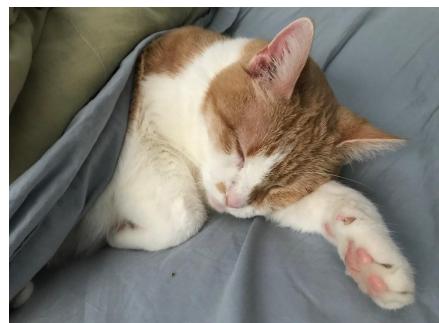
On Wednesday 22 May our school joined thousands of others around Australia for Simultaneous Story Time. Every year a picture story book is selected by the Australian Libraries and Information Association and read at the same time by schools across Australia. This year's book was 'Alpacas with Maracas' by Matt Cosgrove.

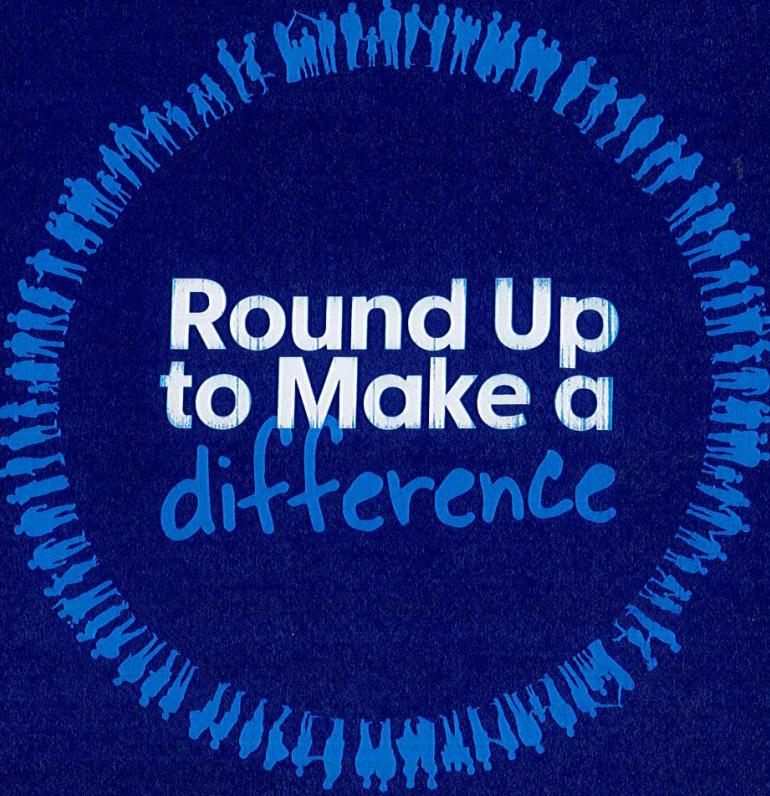
Congratulations to Abraham, Kassem and Nashmy who were lucky to win a copy of the book at assembly.

REMINDER

MONDAY 10 JUNE IS THE
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
THERE IS NO SCHOOL FOR ANYONE
ON MONDAY!

Enjoy your sleep in!





Round Up to Make a difference

Shop at Officeworks
Epping
during the month of June
to help support
Lalor East Primary School

We're raising money to
purchase new playground equipment

Lalor East Primary School



Junior School Council

*The Junior School Council of
Lalor East Primary School
is proud to present....*

"IN YOUR DREAMS" OUT OF UNIFORM DAY



THURSDAY 6 JUNE 2019
\$2.00 Donation

You might like to come dressed in your PJs or as your favourite dream or your dream job when you grow up.

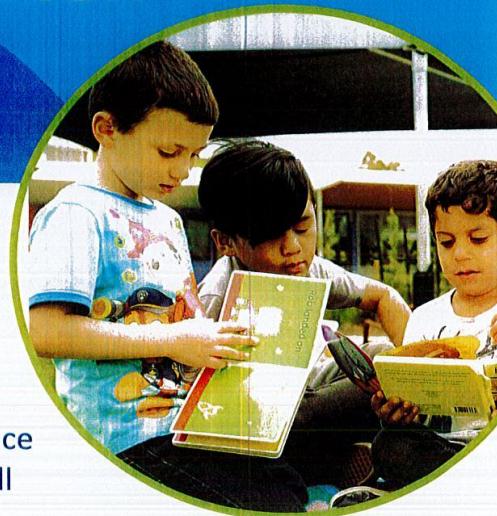
Money raised will go towards
JSC improvement projects in our school.

Have you applied for 4 year old kindergarten in 2020?



**City of
Whittlesea**

**Is your child turning 4 years of age
before 30 April 2020?**



Apply by Sunday 30 June 2019 to be considered in the first round of placement offers for attendance in 2020. Applications submitted after this date will be accepted and processed at a later date.

If your child currently attends a 3 year old kindergarten program, they do not automatically receive a place for 4 year old kindergarten.

Application forms available from:

- Council's website: www.whittlesea.vic.gov.au
- Kindergartens
- Maternal and Child Health Centres
- Whittlesea Community Connections at Pacific Epping
- City of Whittlesea Council Offices:
 - 25 Ferres Boulevard, South Morang
 - Westfield: Shop MM9, 1st Floor, 415 McDonalds Rd, Mill Park

For more information contact the City of Whittlesea:

Phone: 9217 2170 **Email:** keo@whittlesea.vic.gov.au

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**Lalor East Primary School 7 June 2019
 Coordinator Natalie 0411 899 910**

National Reconciliation Week

Last week at our outstanding OSHC, the children and I commemorated National Reconciliation Week. We have enjoyed reading our favourite dreamtime stories, we have painted absolutely stunning pictures using these books and we have decorated/coloured our favourite Australian animals, and we have made a fabulous welcome display using twig/branches from our school garden.

It was been a busy week playing our favourite games of memory, chess and hangman. Creating pen holders and other cool things using coloured icy-pole sticks, and Lego construction. We learnt about space using our magnetic planets, and also listened and danced to our favourite music. We are all rock stars!

To register and book your child in our program, visit www.campaustralia.com.au and use the school finder on our homepage to search for your school. To secure a spot for your child, we always recommend making your bookings in advance. Your first session is free for new families!



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