

Term 3
Week 4
2024

NEWSLETTER

Lightning Reef
PRIMARY SCHOOL



RESPECT
RESPONSIBILITY
KINDNESS
PERSISTENCE



UPCOMING DATES:

Thursday Aug 15th

School Council 9.15 am

Monday Aug 19th

Book Week parade

9 am– 9.30

Monday August 26th

Prep Excursion– Our local
community of Eaglehawk

Wednesday Sept 11th

Whole School Caneball
exhibition

Thursday Sept 12th

Year 1&2 Melbourne Zoo
Excursion

Thursday Sept 12th

Prep Stay and Play Camp
3:15-4.:45 pm

Thursday Sept 19th

School Council 9.15 am

Friday Sept 20th

Footy Colours Day to
celebrate end of term.

From the Principal :

Both Mrs Johnstone and I were so grateful for the lovely cards and thoughts we received last Friday for Principal's Day. The staff were very generous in putting on a special morning tea, then at Assembly the children presented us with so many cards that we needed tubs to carry them back to the office! Thankyou everybody.

PARENT OPINION SURVEY

A reminder to complete the school is conducting the annual Parent / Caregiver / Guardian Opinion Survey offered by the Department of Education and is seeking your feedback. The survey is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of families' perceptions of school climate, student behavior, and student engagement. Although the survey is optional, we encourage and appreciate your participation. The Survey will be open online until Friday 30 August 2024. A compass message has been sent with the pin for you to access the survey. The survey only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in English and 10 other languages including Karen and Vietnamese. Please reach out to RoDy, Sha or the school directly for survey guides in your language. We will again give a chocolate frog to every student whose parent completes the survey and we will raffle a prize.

Principal news continued....

TAG ON

Every student in the school has been provided with a 'tag on' tag.

What is Tag On?

- Tag On is a kiosk (small machine) with a touch screen and tags.
- Students are provided with their own tag, which they use each day to 'tag on' at the kiosk.
- As students arrive at school, they 'tag on' at the kiosk and use the touch screen to select how they travelled to school: walk, ride, car or public transport.
- Each time your child tags on they earn Individual and House points.
- The Tag On program helps schools collect information on how students are travelling to school.
- As an incentive, the house with the most points at the end of the term will take part in a fun reward!
- Students can only 'tag on' between 8:30am – 8:55am when the bell goes. This promotes arriving on time to school.



Remember Part Way is OK – to create a safer environment for children outside the school gates, try to park in the streets around the school and walk, ride or scoot the rest of the way.

We are introducing this system as part of our involvement in the Department of Transport and Planning's Safe Routes to School Program, delivered by the City of Greater Bendigo.

We can't wait for our students to participate. Through initiatives such as this, we are hoping to create a safer environment for students outside the school gates. Having less cars around the school keeps students safer.

If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to myself at school.

In partnership with Lightning Reef Primary School, City of Grater Bendigo, Department of Transport and Planning and Tag On.

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SUPPORTING COMMUNITY

YOU ARE INVITED!

Face painting by BKYN

Join us in celebrating

Karen Traditional Wrist Tying Ceremony

Date: 24/08/2024
Time: 9:30 AM -12:30 PM
Location: Bendigo Neighbourhood Hub
Address: 155 Crook St, Strathdale Vic 3550

The Karen Wrist Tying Ceremony is on Saturday the 24th August. If you are able to come along, please do. There will be dancing, a fashion parade, free lunch and the wrist tying ceremony. Some of our students will be performing too!
More information is on the second photo.
Mrs Tonzing



Thank you to everyone who came to support our SWPBS Dojo Bolt reward! If you have any ideas for future celebrations, please let us know by commenting, seeing myself or a staff member in person or sending a text to my work phone: 0466 123 961 or your classroom teachers. We love acknowledging the student's demonstration of our school values: RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, KINDNESS and PERSISTANCE through our SWPBS (school wide positive behaviour support) Dojo points. Thanks again!

Father's Day Celebrations

As we no longer have a Parents and Friends Club this means there will be no Father's Day Stall. However, as a school we would like to celebrate the day, as we did for Mother's Day. Students will also be creating a gift within the classroom for their special person.

Ms G

A decorative graphic for Father's Day. It features a central banner with the text "Father's DAY" in a blue, cursive font. The banner is surrounded by several stylized hearts in shades of blue, purple, and green. The background is white with green and blue accents.

Father's
DAY

Come along to celebrate by sharing a muffin with a special person in your life.

Date: Friday 30th August

Time: 8:30am - 8:55am (bell time)

RSVP by Friday the 23rd of August who your child will be sharing their muffin with.

To RSVP, please contact your child's classroom teacher via text, Dojo or in person.

Reading awards



Learning Awards Week 3

Room	Name	Reason
5	Mariam	For improving her writing skills by using capital letters and full stops.
8	Ro Ku	For improving his reading skills by rereading when words don't look right or make sense
7	Savannah	For improving her writing by increasing the amount she is writing each day.
2	Selene	For improving her Writing skills by completing her planning before writing her literary retell.
10	Alexander	for improving his reading skills by using text evidence to support his opinions
9	Johnatha	for improving his research skills by trying hard to learn about Antarctica
Art	Allen	For improving their Art skills by creating his own version of Ronnie Tjampitjinpa's artwork.
PE	Htee Moo	For improving her chest marking skills by getting her arms into a great position and hugging the footy.



Values Awards

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5	Tyson	For demonstrating whole body listening by focusing and moving away from distractions.
8	Drazic	For demonstrating persistence by trying hard with his writing
7	Rachel	For demonstrating persistence by working through and solving the Maths tasks.
3	Ma San Win	For demonstrating Persistence even when things are hard.
2	Seth	Demonstrating Responsibility by making good choices when sitting on the floor to ensure he remains focused.
10	Emily	for demonstrating persistence when solving difficult words when reading
9	Willow	for demonstrating responsibility by being a great helper
Art	Justin	For demonstrating Kindness by sharing equipment in Art and working well with others.
PE	Ma San Kyi	For demonstrating persistence by always making an attempt to further better her skills in PE.
Drama	Gary	For demonstrating responsibility by participating in all miming activities enthusiastically.



Learning Awards

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Room	Name	Reason
5	Chase	For improving his writing skills by completing one sentence by himself.
8	Euphie	For improving their division skills by successfully understanding the link between division and multiplication.
7	Evie	For improving her writing skills by adding in more detail to her sentences.
3	Noah	For improving his concentration skills by ignoring those around him and give his full attention to all learning tasks.
2	Emily	For improving their Reading skills by using the chunking strategy to work out challenging words.
10	Marlie	for improving her writing skills by adding more detail to her paragraphs
9	Nathan	for improving his writing skills by trying his best with his writing moderation task
PE	John Law	For improving their football skills by successfully bouncing an Aussie Rules footy while moving around the gym.
Drama	Ophelena	For improving their body language skills by using expressive movements in a tableau.



Values Awards

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Room	Name	Reason
5	Bryan	For demonstrating right choices by always keeping his hands and feet to himself.
8	Dylan	For demonstrating responsibility by listening attentively in class so he gets the most out of each lesson.
7	Seth	For demonstrating kindness by inviting others to play his game.
3	Tha Gay Su	For demonstrating respect by cleaning up our classroom without having to be asked
2	Tanara	Demonstrating Respect by always listening to others and contributing to class discussions.
10	Riley-Jack	for demonstrating responsibility by making good choices for learning
9	Eh Moo	for demonstrating persistence by trying new things at Lightning Reef PS
PE	Ellie	For demonstrating persistence by trying her best in PE even though she's got an arm injury.
Drama	Tahlia	For demonstrating kindness by including and encouraging her peers in a small group.





Save the date: Monday 19th August

Dress up as your favourite book character

Families welcome to view/join our parade at

9am, followed by activities in your children's

classroom (more information to come).

Foundation Enrolment Information 2025

The Foundation Enrolment Information 2025 booklet has been produced by the **Government, Independent and Catholic School Sectors** across the City of Greater Bendigo. Schools have provided details of Education Week activities, Open Days and Transition sessions for families of children commencing school in 2025.

It is most important that all children commencing school in 2025 participate in their enrolled school's Foundation Transition Program.

At this time of the year, parents are encouraged to contact schools to discuss the prospective enrolment of their preschool aged children for the 2025 school year.

Please take advantage of the various special events and activities which are outlined in the Foundation Enrolment Information booklet. If further information is required, do not hesitate to contact individual schools.



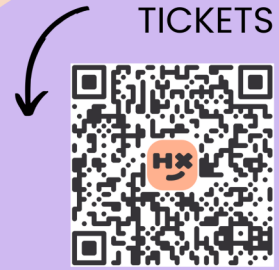
Enrolments for all government schools
open from **Monday 15th April**
until **Friday 26th July**

Scan the code to
view the **Foundation
Enrolment Information
booklet online**



For further information visit www.vic.gov.au/enrolling-foundation-prep

MORE INFO
& BOOK
TICKETS



BENDIGO

BIRTH & BABY EXPO

SUNDAY
OCT 27TH 2024

STRATHDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE

10 AM - 3 PM

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know you needed.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to those students who had a birthday in the last fortnight.

Nice, Mariam, Jaxsyn, Kayleigh, Parker, Taj, Jett, Roger, Arrianna & Lillie-Rose.



REMINDER

Please remember smoking is banned within four metres of an entrance to all Victorian Schools and within the school grounds, this includes our shared entrance and the bus stop



Lost property

Please remember to check lost property regularly. It is located just inside our foyer entrance.

