



Laurimar Link 2018

NUMBER 3

FRIDAY 2 MARCH 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER:

TERM ONE

Monday 5th March

Year 6 Excursion Shrine of Remembrance

Wednesday 7th March

School Photo Day

Monday 12th March

Labour Day

Tuesday 13th March

Year 2 Discover Doreen Excursion

Thursday 15th March

Cultural Day

Monday 19th March

Prep—Year 2 Playground Craze Incursion

Thursday 22nd March

Ride to School

Friday 23rd March

Visit from Piggy (Bendigo Bank)

Monday 26th March

Young Leaders Day

Wednesday 28th March

Last Day of Term 1. Assembly and Easter Bonnet Parade
1.30pm School Ends 2.30pm.

Thursday 29th March

Pupil Free Day

Monday 16th April

Start of Term 2

Thursday 24 May

Grandparents Day

Principal's Report

Respecting our Schools and Workplace

In recent times, you would be aware of the publicity around respect for education, our schools, Principals and their staff. There seems to be an increase in the amount of occasions where parents demonstrate a high level of disrespect to education, their schools and the teaching professionals that run our schools. People need to be reminded that our school is a workplace and home to 120 employees and that all people need to be treated with a level of respect and dignity.

Appropriate modes of face to face communication on a regular basis appear to be diminishing. At Laurimar Primary School, we believe our community is better than this and we ask that if there is an issue that needs to be discussed regarding our students, please refer to the appropriate channels of communication to work effectively to reach a solution that best supports your child. We have wonderful success when given the opportunity to work through any concerns with our brilliant families.

Please click on the link below that highlights some of the problems facing our schools, reflect on how we can be more effective in this space and feel free to discuss as a family and with your teachers or members of school leadership.

https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=10155332749898441&id=107787018440

2018 Premiers Reading Challenge

In 2018, our continued strong focus on literacy and numeracy is evident with a suite of effective resources and strategies to support learning being made available to our students and families on a regular basis. We continue to embed our CAFÉ Reading program, VOICES writing, the new Sound Waves Spelling Program and current numeracy practices through a consistent 15 hours per week of quality teaching and learning.

Every year at LPS, we strongly encourage and fully support all of our students to participate in the Premiers Reading Challenge. Each and every book that a child reads continues to build their knowledge, wonderment, fluency in reading, vocabulary and comprehension.

2018 challenge Ambassador James Hart encourages our students to register;

Bringing the majesty and intrigue of a good adventure is at the centre of the annual Premiers' Reading Challenge in which students set the goal of enjoying between 15 and 40 books depending on their age.

'Kids will always want to be on an adventure,' says James Hart – acclaimed children's book illustrator, adding his iconic characters to the Victorian Premiers'

Principal's Report

2018 Premiers Reading Challenge

This year, the Challenge theme is quite literally, *Adventure on Every Page*. Hart connects with the theme; 'Kids still want to be taken on a journey, to be taken to different worlds.'

Based in Melbourne, Hart's creations bring visual life to titles including the *Mr Bambuckle's Remarekables* series, *Cosentino* and the alliterative *Eratically Epic!*

'Growing up in the '80s was a time where there was lots of amazing cartoons, like *He Man* and *Transformers*, that have all blended into my joy of creating characters and drawing.' James sees comics and cartoons as having a huge influence on his illustration style.

Since the Challenge began 14 years ago, Victorian children have read more than 45 million books– that's enough to fill nearly 11 Olympic swimming pools.

This year children across Victoria will read at least another 4 million books, with more than 150 new titles added to the official book list.

We are excited and optimistic that our students at LPS could read a record number of books during the 2018 challenge.

District Swimming

On behalf our entire school community, I want to congratulate our dedicated swimming team who proudly represented Laurimar Primary School at the District Swim Carnival held at Watermarc in Greensborough on Tuesday. Mrs Coloe informs me that at the conclusion of the individual events, we were holding 4th position only to slip back after the relays. We are all very appreciative of your swimming efforts and congratulate all swimmers for their performance.

School Uniform

At the commencement of the 2018 school year, our students certainly 'came out the blocks' with exemplary wearing of the school uniform. I'm sure we would all agree that our new range to mark our 10th year celebrations of polo's, shorts with logos', new jackets, Yr 6 windcheaters and raincoats look absolutely stunning.

To complete the uniform appearance we must be vigilant with our socks and shoes. Plain black or white socks and shoes that are majority black or white with NO fluoro laces are the only acceptable choices. We appreciate everyone's support in having our students displaying exemplar uniform practices.

Road Safety

Keeping our students safe as they walk, ride or scoot to school is of the highest priority. Publicity around reducing speeds and people adhering to these is critical to ensure the ongoing safety of all our students. Please help to ensure that you are all doing your part and we work as one to protect the safety and future of our precious little people. It is okay if the speed limit says 40(KM/H) around our school zones to reduce and drive at 20-30km / hour. The research and statistics with road trauma is compelling that injuries sustained when speed is under 40 are significantly reduced. We hope that we would never have to look at this space when discussing speeds and our student's safety. Thanks for your support and diligence in this space and for playing your part with road safety and etiquette around our school.

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Bendigo Bank and Piggy

As you would be aware, good banking habits can start at a young age and there is no better way than to start this through our School Banking Program. Our good friends at Bendigo Bank have wonderful strategies and programs to support children and their saving and understandings around budgets. Bendigo Bank's jovial character, Piggy, will be on sight on March 2nd to help students launch their banking careers. We look forward to seeing Piggy engaging with our students and school.

Enrolments Prep 2019 Now Open

Enrolments are now open for Prep 2019. Enrolment packs are available and can be collected from the office. We will be conducting school tours on Mondays 2.30-3.30pm, Tuesdays 9.30-10.30 and Thursdays 9.30-10.30. To organise a school tour please contact the office.



2018/2019 School Council

Over the past two weeks, nominations for school council have been received for the upcoming 2018/19 School Council year. As the number of nominations exceeded the number of vacant positions, we will now conduct a School Council ballot. Please read the relevant paperwork regarding this process/ timeline and be sure to get your votes in by the close of business on March 13th.

It is so pleasing to see a high number of very interested parents who are invested in their child's school and to help support and make our great school an even better and stronger place to be.

Let us all aim for a strong finish to a successful Term 1 where we work hard together to maintain our focus, composure and reach our goals with student learning and behaviour. I look forward to seeing you all around our school.

Best wishes,

Jason McBean

Assistant Principal's Report

Curriculum @LPS

Our Online Resources

At Laurimar Primary School we subscribe to a variety of amazing online programs to support our students with their learning. We use Mathletics, Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress, World Book Online, Sound Waves Online, Big Universe and Epic. While these programs are used in the classroom, they can all be accessed at home using the passwords your child has in their school diary. **This is a great way to support and extend your child with their learning and strengthen the home school partnership.** Below is a summary of each program to give you an idea of what the program includes and the types of activities you could work on with your child at home.

MATHLETICS

Mathletics as the name suggests is an online learning resource to support maths learning from Kindergarten in to secondary school. It includes a full set of curriculum-aligned activities covering all topics and themes of maths covered throughout primary school and beyond. All activities are automatically marked, with learners receiving clear feedback on their progress. Mathletics Live provides learners with the opportunity to test their skills in a live online maths game, competing against others from right across the world! The Curriculum content is supported by interactive tutorials to both support students who need further explanation or practice of a concept or skill and it also explains concepts and skills not yet taught to those who would like to extend their learning.

READING EGGS AND EGGSRESS

ABC Reading Eggs and Reading Eggspress are designed to build children's skills in reading, comprehension, spelling, vocabulary, handwriting and grammar. The programs include activities for children from pre reading level to 13 years of age. Reading Eggs caters for Kindergarten to Year two and Reading Eggspress caters for Year 3 on. The online reading programs use simple navigation to allow direct access to all learning areas, and are computer, iPad and tablet friendly. Children can read books, complete activities and lessons, based on the books, compete against other students and earn rewards to improve their skills etc.

WORLD BOOK ONLINE

World Book Online is one of our newest programs and is a fantastic resource. It has a variety of different sections that the students can use to support their learning. World Book covers a vast number of subject areas and the text is at a level that students from as young as 7 years old can understand and read independently. It provides us with a strong reliable information source and it is a fun way to introduce computer research skills to students.

When you log on you can access Early World of Learning, Kids, Student, Timelines and eBooks by clicking on the tabs. In each of these sections there are a variety of resources such as books, news articles, activities, games and videos that the students can access.

Assistant Principal's Report

SOUND WAVES ONLINE

As previously mentioned, Sound Waves Spelling has an online component which supports the phoneme unit that we investigate across the school each week. There are many activities that you and your child can do together or that your child can do independently to further consolidate their spelling learning. Some of these activities are Sound boxes, chants and action clips, interactive games and words to learn that relate to the phoneme. See below for the Sound Waves phonemes we will be focusing on over the next two weeks.

SOUND WAVES

Our spelling focuses for the next two weeks are:



e as in egg



d as in duck

Deb Purser

Assistant Principal

School Photos



Dear Parents and Students,

Photo day is fast approaching! School photo order envelopes have been handed out to every student. It is important to follow the order instructions on your personalised envelopes.

Ordering:

Payment Options include Cash or Online

TO ORDER WITH CASH

- On your envelope please select which package you would like to purchase & enclose CORRECT MONEY in your child's envelope
- Please include correct money as there is NO CHANGE AVAILABLE on or after photo day

TO ORDER ONLINE

- Using your child's SHOOTKEY login to www.msp.com.au and click **ORDER ONLINE**. Following the on screen prompts you may select your chosen package and make payment
- You will receive an email once the order is complete. Please record your child's **Reference Number** on their envelope
- The online ordering system closes at midnight of photo day

Packages available:



Sibling Photos:

FAMILY PHOTO SLIPS ARE ATTACHED TO YOUR ELDEST CHILD'S PHOTO ENVELOPE

- Please leave the slip attached to your envelope and follow listed instructions
- Pay Online using the family **SHOOTKEY**
OR pay by cash in your eldest child's **GREEN** envelope
- Please note Family Photo's are taken **LANDSCAPE**
- Spare Family Slips are available at the school office if you did not receive one
- **Failure to present this slip on photo day correctly filled out, may result in your Family Photo NOT being taken **

WOULD YOU LIKE A FAMILY PHOTO?
DO NOT PUT THIS SLIP INSIDE ANY OTHER ENVELOPE

ShootKey:@key

Order Ref: _____

Please follow the instructions below:

1. Select your package by ticking the box
2. Fill in your family details
3. Pay Online using the SHOOTKEY above and record your reference number. If you do not have your reference number, please fill in the box below with your child's SHOOTKEY and the photographer on photo day

Family Name: _____ Father's Name: _____
Class: _____ Phone: _____

Tips on Ordering:

- Every student must present their own envelope to the Photographer on photo day regardless of payment method
- Don't seal envelopes inside each other
- Please contact us if you have any further questions

Intervention

Reading Intervention

The Grade 1s have been working so hard during their reading sessions this week! These outstanding students have been showing such enthusiasm for their reading and should be commended for trying their very best!

This week we have been focussing on Magic Words and playing lots of word games to support their learning; such as snap, memory and magnetic letters.

We have been working on reading strategies such as 'back up and reread' and 'sound out the word' to assist our reading. Ask us about these strategies and we will explain them to you!



Writing Intervention

The 2018 students have made a fantastic start to the term. It has been an absolute pleasure to welcome back some old faces, but also meet a whole lot of new ones.

Our Grade 3 writers are adopting the stylistic features of Piven's **'My Best Friend is as Sharp as a Pencil'** to write their own simile filled narratives about their classrooms.

Our Grade 5 writers are busy arguing the pros and cons of various debates, only they are improving the sophistication of their arguments by appealing to society's key values of education, ethics, money, health and the environment.

Our Grade 5 Mathematicians are busy working with ratios. They are solving complex ratios where they are converting ratios from decimals, to words and fractions.

Our Grade 3 students are busy unpacking the problem solving strategy **'Making Organised Lists'**. They have been using this strategy to solve logic problems such as: *How many different totals can be rolled with two dice?*

Our Grade 3 'Mini-scientists' have investigated the delicate structures of the hand and built their own replicas, using string, straws and rubber gloves. Our next investigation takes the students into the inner layers of the Earth where lava begins to form. They will be building model volcanoes, which *hopefully* erupt.

Swimming

30 students proudly represented Laurimar on Tuesday at the Diamond Valley District Swimming Carnival. We had a great day with all students swimming their best and supporting one another during their races. Congratulations to Mitchell S placing 3rd in Backstroke, Kai W also 3rd in Backstroke, Logan O 2nd in Backstroke and Ali M 1st in Freestyle and Breaststroke and our boys 9/10year old Freestyle relay who placed 4th.

We wish Ali M and Logan O all the very best next Tuesday at Division swimming. Well done to each and every student on their gallant efforts on the day!!!



Laurimar Primary School's Cultural Day is coming around again! This exciting event will be held on Thursday the 15th of March. Cultural Day is an important event in the school's calendar. It is a day for us all to come together to celebrate the cultural diversity here at Laurimar Primary School and to help our students learn about our world. Our students are global citizens in an increasingly interconnected and multicultural world, and Laurimar Primary School's Cultural Day supports this. The day also complements our Chinese Language program.

Important information for parents regarding Cultural Day:

- We want to thank the Laurimar Primary School families and friends for their enthusiasm and support of this day, with \$10 per student from the term planner going towards performances, and material. If you have not yet returned the Term Planner, please do so ASAP so we can finalise and confirm the arrangements for the day.



Cultural Day



CULTURAL DAY LUNCH Thursday 15TH of March

Dear Parents,

On Thursday the 15th of March we are having a Cultural day themed lunch

CULTURAL DAY LUNCH ORDERS ARE OPTIONAL

Some of the menu items available;



- Australia - Snag in bread/Traveller Meat Pie
 - America - Hotdog
 - China - Fried Rice
 - Japan - Sushi
- France - Ham & Cheese Croissant



- Drinks - Apple or Orange Juice or a Chocolate or Strawberry Big M

Pricing is available on Munch Monitor through the SCHOOL SHOP section

Orders close Friday 9th March at 3:30pm

******(public holiday - no school on Monday 12th march)

Go to www.munchmonitor.com click on the "School Shop" icon to order the Cultural Day Lunch, please ensure you follow ALL steps to get confirmation of you order via EMAIL.

How do I set up an online account?

It's quick & easy!

- go to www.munchmonitor.com
- enter Username: laurimarps
- enter Password: munch3754
- click Login
- click Sign up

****NO LATE ORDERS CAN BE ACCEPTED DUE TO OUTSIDE CATERING DEADLINES**

Easter Hamper



A message from our student community group and fundraising team:

Next week we will be sending home a notice for this years annual Easter Hamper Raffle. The winners will be drawn on Wednesday 21st March, at our final Term 1 Assembly at 1.30pm.

Each child is asked if they could kindly donate one item for their grade's hamper.
Examples- Small Easter toys, books, Easter Eggs etc.

Each child will be given a sheet containing 12 raffle tickets. With every 10 \$1.00 tickets sold you will receive 2 tickets free. The child's name must be placed on ALL purchased tickets

We are also having a whole school raffle with the prize of a 10kg block of chocolate. Tickets are \$1.00 each and this raffle is separate to the class hamper raffle.

Thank you for your continued support.



Year 7 Transition

Our Year 6 students have settled in as our leaders of Laurimar Primary School. We are very proud of them all. It is now time to look towards their new chapter to high school. Where would your son or daughter wish to attend?

For parents of both Grade 5 and Grade 6 students, there are many Open Days provided by the following schools to help you with your important decision. Please find below the list of Open Days that have been provided by our many high schools in the area.

- **Montmorency Secondary College** Feb - Apr 9.15am-11am
(booking only)
- **St Helena Secondary College** 21st Feb - 25th April
- **Gilson College** 7th Mar 7pm
- **Ivanhoe Grammar** 14th Mar 5pm
(Plenty Campus, Mernda)
- **Plenty Valley Christian College** 17th Mar 10am-12pm

- **Mernda Central P-12 College** 21st Mar 6.30pm
- **Marymede College** 25th Mar 11am-2pm
- **Assumption College** 27th Mar 4pm-7pm
- **Hazel Glen College** Sat 21st April 9am-1pm
Wed 02 May Y7 Info night 7pm
- **Diamond Valley College** 26th Apr 6pm-7.30pm and 27th April 9.15am-11.15am
- **Greensborough College** 27th April 7pm
- **Whittlesea Secondary College** 5th May all day
- **Kilmore International School** 29th May 6.30pm
- **St Monica's College** 29th May 6.30pm
(Please ring College to confirm your tour.)

Week 1 - Term 2 Transition packs to be distributed to all parents/carers of year 6 students.

Kim Ferguson



MONTMORENCY
SECONDARY COLLEGE



Whittlesea
SECONDARY COLLEGE



Year 7 Transition



DIAMOND VALLEY COLLEGE

Information Evening *Thursday 26th April 2018*
6:00pm till 7:30pm



Diamond Valley College invites you to explore the many opportunities we have to offer your child, whilst supporting and challenging them throughout their secondary schooling to achieve their goals. To meet our College Principal, hear from the Junior Sub School Team, and see our facilities, please join us at our:

Information Evening
Thursday 26th April
6.00pm to 7.30pm

To see our school in action, please join us at our:

Open Day
Friday 27th April
Tours depart at 9.15am & 11.15am

Bookings can be made on 9438 1411. Can't make it? Call to make an alternative tour time.

World's Greatest Shave

We have two amazing students who will be shaving their hair for the World's Greatest Shave. Please find below the links for both Jasper and Mason if you would like to donate.

Jasper

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/jaspergraham>



Mason

<https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registrant/FundraisingPage.aspx?Referrer=%26Referrer%3ddirect%252fnone&RegistrationID=698997>



Student of the Week—19th Feb 2018

Class	Student
Foundation A	Chloe C
Foundation B	Joshua H
Foundation C	
Foundation D	Emma B
Foundation E	Ami S
Foundation F	Zane S
Foundation G	Michale S
1A	Harper B
1B	Ethan H
1C	Piper J
1D	Olivia L
1E	Haley K
1F	Carlos V
2A	James F
2B	
2C	Tyler R
2D	Keanu M
2E	Layla H
2F	Ciera M
2G	Daniella B
3A	Max D
3B	Conor C
3C	Olivia M
3D	Cooper M
3E	Madison H
3F	Kayla A
4A	Elena V
4B	Jaxon F
4C	
4D	Brodie R
4E	Sarah Y
4F	Jayla W
4G	Isabelle W
5A	Justin B
5B	Samuel M
5C	Matilda S
5D	Aston C

5E	Cooper B
5F	Lillianna H
6A	
6B	Noah Y
6C	Mitchell S
	Noah J
6D	Jemma H
6E	Lakiesha M
6F	Kobe R
STEM	Olivia S
OSHC	Taj M
Extension	Millie V
The Arts	Riley O
Chinese	Aston C
Social & Emotional Learning	Oliver S
Physical Education	Brodie C



Student of the Week—26th Feb 2018

Class	Student
Foundation A	Ryder P
Foundation B	Joshua H
Foundation C	
Foundation D	
Foundation E	Darcy R
Foundation F	Nidhi C
Foundation G	Mikaliegh L
1A	Ashton H
1B	Charlotte E
1C	Aysha T
1D	Nikita B
1E	Pippa S
1F	Ruby B
2A	Grace T
	Tori M
2B	Charlee M
2C	Cooper M
2D	Honour W
2E	Jett A
2F	Vaughn T
2G	Christian K
3A	Isabella A
3B	Tanika M
3C	William H
3D	Tamara A
3E	Pereze R
3F	Emily H
4A	Jack G
4B	Charlie H
4C	Taelan C
4D	Ava M
4E	William C
4F	Kai P
4G	Filip S
5A	Lara M
5B	Yan M
5C	Asher W
5D	

5E	Lincoln C
5F	Willian V
6A	Rylee S
6B	Teancum M
6C	Max G
6D	Chelsea G
6E	Jai B
6F	All O
STEM	Angelina K
OSCH	Ellish O
	Sam M
Extension	Lucas H
The Arts	Sienna M
Chinese	
Social & Emotional Learning	Harper B
Physical Education	

School Banking

School Banking day: Tuesday

Doreen & Mernda
Community Bank® Branch
 Phone 9717 1433

(S33690) (03/11)




Bendigo Bank



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS ARE RETURNING TO LAURIMAR!

Do you have a child interested in music? Wanting or needing a creative outlet, but haven't found the right one yet? Or maybe your child has had a passion ignited from an introduction to instruments in classroom music?

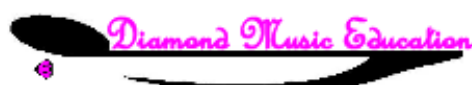
Diamond Music Education is bringing Instrumental Music Lessons back to Laurimar Primary School. Piano lessons are currently running on Wednesday afternoons, and guitar lessons on Thursday afternoons. We hope to expand the program to include singing and other instruments as the demand arises.

If you are interested, please fill out the below form and return it by email or to the school office. We are building this from the ground up, so your response is important to help us learn what is needed and when.

The below form can be used for enrolment, or expression of interest. When there is sufficient numbers available for an additional day/instrument, we will open that up and continue to expand as needed. Return emails should be sent to diamondmusiceducation@hotmail.com

Lesson fees are \$30 for a 30 minute lesson with fees payable up front at the beginning of each school term.

Anita da Silva
0420 311 614



ENROLLMENT OR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Student Name: _____

DOB: _____

Address: _____

Instrument: _____ Lesson day preference (Mon-Fri) _____

Parent name: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Previous
experience? _____

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