WELCOME BACK

It always amazes me how quickly the students at Leongatha Primary School settle back into learning. If you walk through the classrooms now it would seem that the students had never had a break. The best part was seeing so many happy and smiling faces on the first day of school as they met up with their friends and teachers ready for an exciting new year.

Over the holidays you may have noticed the building works have been completed. A special thanks to Morgan Fisher and Len Buckland for the fantastic paint job they did on Building B, which now looks so good blending in with our new buildings.

Equally exciting is our new office area next door to the Secondary College office. We share an entrance to our offices, turn right for the Secondary College and left for LPS. If you get a moment drop in and see our new facilities.

Rob Higgins

UNIFORM

Our Chaplain, Paul Brailey is asking for any unwanted or outgrown LPS uniforms, especially the larger sizes. If you can help out please drop them at the LPS office.

HOAX PHONE CALLS

I am writing to reassure you in light of the recent hoax threatening phone calls to Victorian schools in the last few days.

Our school has not received such a call but I wanted to inform you that, like all schools, we have an emergency management plan in place for situations like this, and we practise it throughout the year. We will be having a practice in the near future for our students, in particular those new enrolments and our Preps.

We will inform you by Compass and Facebook when these drills have been conducted. Those schools which did receive a threatening call enacted their emergency management plans and they worked well.

The safety and wellbeing of our students is always our top priority. If you have any questions please contact me.

Kind Regards,

Rob Higgins

GETTING TO SCHOOL ON TIME

School starts at 8.55am and it is extremely important that your child is at school on time. When children come in late they miss the important instructions and tuning in at the start of the day.

CURRICULUM DAYS 2016

Tuesday 15th March
Friday 17th June
Monday 31st October

WELL DONE AWARD

NO AWARDS

UNIFORM

The uniform is now available to purchase online from Buxwear
Here is the link to their website
http://shop.buxwear.com.au

BOOK CLUB DUE
Friday Feb 12th

VACANCIES FOR AFTER UNITING CARE AFTER SCHOOL CARE – Held in the LPS Gym
Wednesday – 2
Thursday – 1
Friday – 1
Phone Uniting Care 5662 5150

LPS values Tolerance and Understanding, Respect, Responsibility, Excellence, Inclusion, Honesty, Care and Trust.
Leongatha Primary School has been running a very successful LAP program (Learning Assistance Program) for a number of years which many children have benefited from.

If you love working with children, seeing them progress with their learning then this volunteer role might be for you.

Leongatha Primary staff are seeking volunteers to help do some one-on-one or small group learning with students who need that extra bit of assistance with their Literacy skills. Our LAP program needs you.

You will be asked to work with a student on basic English skills, like learning and revising sight words and reading. All instruction, games and resources will be provided by the teacher of the student - no preparation work is required. You do not need any specific training in these areas, but just need to be a willing volunteer who is eager to work with students and learn how to assist them with their learning. You will be working with a student from either Prep - Grade 6.

The volunteer can be a parent, grandparent or family friend. The only requirement is that you have a Working with Children Check. If you would like to know more about the LAP Program, please contact Dot Coghlan or Maisie Horvath at Leongatha Primary School on 56674600. It only takes 30 minutes once a week, we'd love to see you at our school.
COMING EVENTS - 2016

FEBRUARY
Friday 12th LPS Swimming Carnival
Mirboo North
Tuesday 16th Parent Teacher Interviews
3:30 – 7:30pm
Wednesday 17th Parent Teacher Interviews
3:30 – 5:00pm
Friday 26th District Swimming – Korumburra

MARCH
Friday 4th Division Swimming – Korumburra
Wednesday 9th – 11th Cowes Camp – Grade 3
Tuesday 15th Curriculum Day – No students at school
Thursday 17th Regional Swimming Sports –
Sale (Combined Primary and Secondary)
Tuesday 22nd Senior School House Athletics
Thursday 24th Last Day of Term One

APRIL
Monday 11th First day Term 2
Tuesday 12th School Photos
Tuesday 19th State Swimming MSAC

St Laurence Netball Club
Pre-Season Fitness Training will commence on Thursday 3rd March at Mary Mackillop College Netball Courts from 4pm-5pm with Ebony Best from Aim High Netball Clinics. Juniors aged 13/U, 15/U, 17/U and Senior Players are welcome. $5 per session. New players welcomed.
Enquiries: Angelique Dunlevie 0438 166 124
Email: stlaurence@gmail.com

MEENIYAN JUNIOR BASKETBALL
Meeniyan Junior Basketball would like to invite any new players 7 - 17 years to come join our competition.
Section 2 & 3, from 3.45pm Friday nights, Section 4 - Wednesday nights. Season starts Friday 19th February. Could all new players or any players not playing or unavailable 1st game please contact Kim 0427346048/56636252 or Darlene 0417640035/56640035. If you played last season you will be automatically put into a team, unless you have already advised us otherwise. Names must be in by Friday 11th Feb, late names will not be accepted.
Teams & times for Section 2, 3 & 4 will be published in the Star newspaper on Tuesday 16th Feb, on our Facebook page & Website. Reminder: Fees are to be paid up front. Section 2 & 3 - $40, Section 4 - $50. Registration must be paid online prior to the first game, unless paid in July or at another Association. Website - Meeniyan Basketball Association (foxsportspulse). Any queries please contact us.
COME PLAY NETBALL
NO TRYOUTS – EVERYONE GETS A GAME

Registration: Friday 26th February from 5.30 to 6.30pm
@ LDNA netball courts behind the Leongatha velodrome

We welcome every age and ability from U11 (boys & girls), U13 (boys & girls), U15 (boys & girls), U17/C, B, A Grade

All games played in the same place so no travelling! For more information or if you can’t get to our registration please contact Julia Lomas from Mt Eccles Netball Club on 0459 191 695

AUTUMN SEASON

LEONGATHA BASKETBALL ASSOC.

Senior Men
Monday 8th February 2016

Juniors & Senior Women
Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th February 2016
Entries close for Juniors & Senior Women: Feb 7th 2016

Monday nights: Girls U10’s, 12’s & 14’s. Boys U17’s & Senior Men
Tuesday nights: Boys U10’s, 12’s & 14’s. Girls U17’s & Women

Children must be 7 years prior to commencement of season.

All registrations online at
www.leongathabasketball.com.au
Senior Team entry forms available at:
www.leongathabasketball.com.au

Enquiries: Morgan Fisher on: 0473 623 171