



LPS News

6th February, 2018

EVERY
DAY
COUNTS
Primary school attendance

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



welcome

Despite the high temperature on Wednesday, it's pleasing to report to our community, the extremely smooth start to the school year. With an enrolment of **655 students**, (*contrary to The Stars Newspaper report*) the largest number we have ever had, books were unpacked, welcomes and introductions exchanged and lessons readily commenced! Thanks go to the staff who worked so hard over their holidays to ensure such a smooth start to the year. The classrooms were organised, colourful and welcoming!

The efforts of the children themselves, assisted by their parents, must also be acknowledged. The manner in which they commenced the 2019 school year is commendable. Our cohort of 94 preps settled extremely well into their first year of school! With photos taken by accompanying parents and grandparents, final hugs were exchanged and the children soon became absorbed in their classroom activities. The collage of photographs on the following pages has captured the excitement and engagement of our first day!

Facilities Update – Shade Structures

As you would have noticed our two shade structures were installed over the holidays. They will, no doubt, prove to be valuable additions to our facilities and enhance our status as a SunSmart school.

Parents are reminded that, as a SunSmart school, all children are expected to wear a wide brimmed school hat when outside at recess and lunchtimes, and during their health and physical education lessons.

Introducing our School Captains for 2019

Congratulations to our 2019 School Captains, Ruby Kuhne, Taine Lowe, Xavier Bruning and Anna Rowe. Our school captains and other school leaders had their badges presented to them at our assembly last Friday by Dr Jan Fletcher who is a past student of Leongatha Primary School. We wish our school leaders all the best in their important role of leading our school.

Curriculum Day this Friday the 8th of February.

This Friday our teachers will be having a joint Curriculum Day with the Mirboo North Primary School teachers. We have been very fortunate to have been able to organise for Professor Misty Andoniou to present to our staff. Misty is a highly sort after presenter in the area of Literacy and we are extremely excited to be hearing Misty's message on the teaching of Literacy.

The following Monday the 11th our School Improvement Team will be working closely with Misty to look at our schools Literacy Curriculum and how we can further improve it.

Dot Coghlan
Principal

BE A LEARNER
BE RESPECTFUL
BE RESILIENT

INTRODUCING OUR 2019 LPS SCHOOL CAPTAINS



Taine, Anna, Ruby, Xavier

OUR NEW SHADE STRUCTURES



STAFF CAR PARK AT SCHOOL DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES



Please be aware that the staff car park, as signed should **NOT** be used for regular morning and afternoon pick up and drop off. We understand this can be inconvenient and the parking situation is not ideal, however we must keep the safety of our children as our first priority.

You may park in Horn Street, at the front of the school, Nerrena Road or next to the Secondary School Gym or the gravel carpark at the front of the bus loop.

It is our first priority at our school that children are safe therefore we ask you NOT to enter the staff carpark at the front of the office or at the side of Mesley Hall. We would hate for one of our children to be hit by a car and this has nearly happened already on a number of occasions. We are witnessing many students being dropped in the carpark along with many parents driving through the carpark way too fast. This is a real safety concern and WE MUST KEEP THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN AS OUR FIRST PRIORITY! Thank you for supporting the safety of our children.



2019 SCHOOL LEADERS



Language Assistants
Tim Hibberson, Eleanor Pedlow



Library Assistants
*Jeremy Ward, Kelsey Fisher,
Daisy Lawson-Hendry*



Sustainability Leaders
Sam Holt, Tarryn Haig



Performing Arts Captains
Alanah Grist, Ayanna Cashmore,



Visual Arts Captains
Katie Geary, Teagan Elliot



IT Captains
Brandyn Clifford, Luke Webster



Strzelecki House Captains
*Campbell Reid, Archie Fixter
Sage Pettigrove, Mackenna Anderson*



Herrald House Captains
*Fletcher McLennan, Krystal Arnason,
Sari Hickey, Zac Langstaff*



Wightman House Captains
*Alice Hutchinson, Sage Deenan,
Isaac Bolge, Jhett Brown*



Johnston House Captains
*Steele Challis, Connor Richards
Leila Houston, Amber Rickard*

DREPS FIRST DAY



School Council Members say:



On behalf of the Leongatha Primary School Council we'd like to welcome all new and returning families to the 2019 school year. Congratulations on being part of a very diverse, exciting, dynamic, vibrant school community! Our school community is vibrant because the teachers, administration, students and parents are wholeheartedly committed to making it an amazing place to be.

We encourage and invite all parents, guardians and family members to be involved in our school community in any way that you can. There are many volunteer opportunities big and small from participating in excursions and reading in the classroom to helping in the garden, working bees, as well as helping out at Special Events and participating in Fundraising, and so much more. Your help is much appreciated and the school community is enriched by each and every volunteer's time, energy and enthusiasm!

Looking forward to fantastic year!

Andrea Clifford
School Council President



2019 LPS NEWSLETTER –
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SUNSMART POLICY
Students must wear their hats in 1st and 4th Term

CURRICULUM DAY - Pupil Free Day this
Friday 8th February

PERFORMING ARTS

Our new preps have visited the Performing Arts room this week and have been reading music and playing Boomwhackers already! Mrs Stein was so impressed she invited the grade 6 students to come and listen!



Hudson, Pollyanna, Kayla, Archer, Ada, Olivia, and Ella



PROTECT



CHILD SAFE STANDARD

Leongatha Primary is committed to child safety. As a community we want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. There is zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We meet our legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Leongatha Primary is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early, and removing and reducing these risks. We have robust human resources and recruitment practices for all staff and volunteers. Our school is committed to regularly training and educating our staff and volunteers on child abuse risks. As a community we support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children, the cultural safety of children from a culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability. Leongatha Primary has specific policies, procedures and training in places that support our leadership team, staff and volunteers to achieve these commitments.

At Leongatha Primary:

- Everyone connected to our school can help children be safe.
- We have zero tolerance for any abuse of children.
- We already have policies and processes in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children. These are being strengthened to ensure a zero tolerance approach to child abuse. As policies are ratified at school council, they will be made available to you through the newsletter and on our web page.
- Attached is our commitment to Child Safe Policy
- There will be clear boundaries about how adults in our school community may interact with the children here set out in our school's Child Safe Code of Conduct. This will be made available when school council ratifies it at school council.



CHILD SAFE STANDARD

Leongatha Primary School is committed to safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. This will be the primary focus of our care and decision-making.

Leongatha Primary School has zero tolerance for child abuse.

Leongatha Primary School is committed to providing a child safe environment where children and young people are safe and feel safe, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Particular attention will be paid to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children and children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, as well as the safety of children with a disability.

Every person involved in Leongatha Primary School has a responsibility to understand the important and specific role he/she plays individually and collectively to ensure that the wellbeing and safety of all children and young people is at the forefront of all they do and every decision they make.

"In its planning, decision-making and operations *Leongatha Primary School* will

1. Take a preventative, proactive and participatory approach to child safety;
2. Value and empower children to participate in decisions which affect their lives;
3. Foster a culture of openness that supports all persons to safely disclose risks of harm to children
4. Respect diversity in cultures and child rearing practices while keeping child safety paramount;
5. Provide written guidance on appropriate conduct and behaviour towards children;
6. Engage only the most suitable people to work with children and have high quality staff and volunteer supervision and professional development;
7. Ensure children know who to talk with if they are worried or are feeling unsafe, and that they are comfortable and encouraged to raise such issues;
8. Report suspected abuse, neglect or mistreatment promptly to the appropriate authorities;
9. Share information appropriately and lawfully with other organisations where the safety and wellbeing of children is at risk; and
10. Value the input of and communicate regularly with families and carers."

PUBLICATION OF STUDENT WORK and/or PHOTOS

At Leongatha Primary School we celebrate the efforts of our students by mentioning their participation in school events and their achievements in our school newsletter and local media. Occasionally photographs of the students are included. We also use photographs of students in our school magazine along with examples of their work. Photographs of some students are on our school intranet site. This site is protected and can only be accessed by school students and staff.

On the school website www.leongathaps.vic.edu.au there may be images of individual students and group photographs. The purpose of our school website is to promote the quality education that takes place at our school and to allow parents and the community another avenue through which to connect to our student's learning.

Students named work, and/or their named photograph are often included in our school newsletter or magazine, local and State newspapers.

We are currently updating our records. **If you DO NOT wish for your child to have their work and/or photos published on any of the school publications, website, facebook, local newspapers please contact the school office either by telephone (03) 5667 4600 or email leongatha.ps@edumail.vic.gov.au**

Thankyou for your assistance.

PARENT/STUDENT DETAILS

Do we have your correct details?

From time to time it is necessary for us to contact parents. For example, your child is sick, your child is hurt, your child's teacher would like to discuss your child's education, there are activities, excursions, camps etc, school reports.

Compass only allows you to update your mobile and email address. All other details need to be made by the school. It is important for this information to be current as we refer to it not only to contact parents in an emergency, but also to communicate to you via COMPASS.

Please, if you have changed any of the following details email lblain@leongathaps.vic.edu.au or phone the school office 5667 4600 so our records can be updated:-

Home phone numbers
Mobile phone numbers
Work phone numbers
Emergency contact Names and phone numbers
Home address
Email address

Volunteers/Parent Helpers – WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

At Leongatha Primary School we love having parents and grandparents, volunteers help out around our school. Many programs need volunteer helpers. There are several ways you can volunteer your assistance.

Assistance in the classroom
PMP
School Fundraising
School Council
Excursions
Camps
LAP (PALs Program)
Canteen
Sports days
Working Bees

Before you are able to help at school you are required to hold a current Working with Children (WWC) Check.

If you are interested in volunteering you are asked to apply for a Working with Children (WWC) check, if you already hold a current card you must provide the school with a copy. If you nominate the school when applying you do not need to provide a copy the Department of Justice will send a letter to the school which includes a copy of your card. If you have not nominated the school at the application process you must provide the school office with a copy of your card. If you are unsure please check we have a register of all volunteers with current Working with Children checks.

For more information about the WWC check, see: [Working with Children](http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au)

Applications for WWC can be made online at <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au>. Volunteer checks are free of charge.

COMING EVENTS – 2019

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 6 th	Grade 6 Parent Information Evening, Staff room 6:00 – 7:00pm
Friday 8 th	Curriculum Day – No school for students
Wednesday 13 th	Senior School House Swimming Carnival – Mirboo North Swimming Pool
Tuesday 19 th	Parent Teacher Interviews 3-6pm
Wednesday 20 th	Parent Teacher Interviews 3-6pm
Wednesday 20 th	No School for Preps
Friday 22 nd	District Swimming
Wednesday 27 th	No school for preps

MARCH

Friday 1 st	Clean Up Australia – Schools Day
Friday 1 st	Division Swimming
Tuesday 5 th - 8 th	Grade 6 Wilson's Prom Camp
Wednesday 6 th	No school for Preps
Thursday 7 th	Grade 4 Moonlit Sanctuary excursion – Mornington Peninsula
Monday 11 th	Labour Day Public Holiday – School closed
Wednesday 13 th	No school for Preps
Thursday 14 th	Region Swimming
Monday 18 th	Preps start full week of school
Wednesday 20-22 nd	Grade 3 Cowes Camp
Thursday 28 th	Senior School Athletics
Friday 29 th	Chinese New Year Celebrations

APRIL

Friday 5 th	End of Term 1
Tuesday 23 rd	Term 2 Begins

BOOK CLUB ISSUE 1



**DUE
WEDNESDAY 13th FEB**

CANTEEN DUTY – FRIDAY

February

15 th	Tori Martin
22 nd	Joel Langstaff – Helen Dowel

March

1 st	Phil Munro – Gaynor Greenaway
8 th	Prue Holt – Mel Cameron
15 th	Danielle Elkin – Rebecca Cooke
22 nd	Sarah Norman – Janine Lowe
29 th	Ron Hanily – Kirsty Bolge

More helpers required if you can spare 3 hours on a Friday once a term. Team up with a friend. Please contact Kerrie in the Canteen.

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

PIANO LESSONS – LPS
Weekly Lessons
All Ages
\$18 per half hour
Contact Sarah for more information
0499 802 340

LEONGATHA KNIGHTS REGISTRATION NIGHT

DATE: February 15th
TIME :6:00pm until late.

Mary MacKillop College
Horn Street, Leongatha.

Come and meet our
2019 coaches, discover more
about our club, enjoy a free
BBQ and of course play
some soccer!



MEENIYAN JUNIOR BASKETBALL

Meeniyon Junior Basketball would like to invite any new players 7 - 17 years to come join our competition. Section 2 & 3, from 4.00pm Friday nights, Section 4 - Wednesday nights. Season starts Friday 15th February. Could all new players or any players **not** playing or unavailable 1st game please contact Kim 0427346048 or Darlene 0417640035. 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 Fri 8th Feb, late names will not be accepted. Teams & times for Section 2, 3 & 4 will be published in the Star news paper on Tuesday 12th Feb & on our Website/facebook page. 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.(Previous players should be already registered)** Website - Meeniyon Basketball Association (foxsportspulse), click onto the link under "Register for Meeniyon Junior 2019 Season". Any queries please contact us

At LPS we are aiming to achieve several recycling targets by the beginning of 2019, including auditing our waste, paper recycling, composting and soft plastics recycling.

We have introduced a mobile phone recycling box. This box is located in the LPS Office.

The program (mobilemuster.com.au) accepts the following items for recycling: all brands of mobile phones and their batteries, chargers, accessories and mobile wireless broadband devices.

We encourage staff, students and parents to make full use of this facility!



Singing and Guitar
Lessons
with

Britt Lewis

- NIDA graduate with Diploma in Musical Theatre

- Extensive professional performance experience in Australia and internationally

- 8 years of teaching experience in singing and drama

- Experience taking HSC masterclasses in performance skills and rehearsal practice

- Working With Children Check



For more information contact Britt:
brittlerinlewis@gmail.com

LEONGATHA BASKETBALL

2019 Autumn Season

The CLOSING date for registrations is the 3rd of February.

If you have not registered yet please do so, as this makes it easier for the committee to make teams and release the upcoming season fixtures.

Under 10,12 and 14 GIRLS & Senior MENS will play on a MONDAY.
*We are also looking to run an Under 16 BOYS competition Mondays.

Under 10,12 and 14 BOYS & 17 and Under GIRLS will play on a TUESDAY NIGHT.
Senior WOMENS will play on a TUESDAY NIGHT.

Our intention is to run an Under 19 BOYS competition (depending on numbers) will play on a WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

This is all subject to player numbers and also court availability at SPLASH.

To register for the JUNIOR competition.

<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?alD=5680&pKey=3ff82f8b37a6a606fa3d06367f9f40c8&formID=54509>

Or Google 'Leongatha Basketball Registration' and follow the SportsTG link

To REGISTER a SENIOR TEAM please use the below registration link.
<https://membership.sportstg.com/regofrm.cgi?formID=64798>

Key Dates to remember: Season Starts 11th/12th Feb.

No PLAY LABOUR DAY (11th and 12th MARCH) School Holidays and ANZAC day break 8th till 23rd APRIL.

GRAND FINAL **SUNDAY** 2nd JUNE

Any questions with registration please contact Joel Langstaff at
leongatha.basketball@gmail.com
or call 0419623766



Learner Program 2019

Commencing late February
Tuesday afternoons

\$30 per term includes weekly lesson,
use of an instrument, music,
music stand, band t-shirt
Places are limited Grade 3 and above

Want to learn the drums?

We are taking expressions of interest
from children who may wish to
learn drums with the aim of
forming a Drum Corps

Contact the band to secure your place
sgsbb@outlook.com
or find us on Facebook

LEONGATHA PRIMARY SCHOOL CANTEEN PRICE LIST

HOT FOOD

PLAIN BEEF PIE	3.50
PASTIE	3.50
SAUSAGE ROLL	2.40
PARTY PIE	1.40
APPLE PIE	2.20
HOT DOG	2.70
PIZZAS - SUPREME	3.20
PIZZAS -- HAWAIIAN	3.20
CHICKEN NUGGETS	0.60
LASAGNE	5.50
CORN ON THE COB	1.50



MILK

	SMALL CUP	LARGE CUP
MILO	2.50	3.50
CHOCOLATE	2.50	3.50
STRAWBERRY	2.50	3.50
CARAMEL	2.50	3.50
PLAIN MILK	2.10	3.00
<u>NIPPY'S MILK 250ml</u>		
CHOCOLATE		2.00
STRAWBERRY		2.00
ICED COFFEE		2.00
HONEYCOMB		

SANDWICHES

		<u>ROLLS</u>
HAM & SALAD	3.50	3.70
EGG & SALAD	3.50	3.70
SALAD	3.30	3.50
HAM, CHEESE & PINEAPPLE	3.10	3.30
HAM & PINEAPPLE	3.00	3.20
EGG	2.80	3.00
CHEESE & PINEAPPLE	2.80	3.00
CARROT & PINEAPPLE	2.80	3.00
CHEESE & LETTUCE	2.80	3.00
CHEESE & VEGEMITE	2.80	3.00
HAM	2.90	3.10
CHEESE	2.60	2.80
VEGEMITE	2.50	2.80
HAM & CHEESE	3.00	3.20
EGG & LETTUCE	3.00	3.20

(wholemeal bread and 'Salada' biscuits available if requested)

PRIMA FRUIT DRINK 250ml

ORANGE	1.60
ORANGE & MANGO	1.60
TROPICAL	1.60
WATER 600ml	1.60
<u>JUST JUICE 100% 200ml</u>	
PURE APPLE	1.70
PURE ORANGE	1.70
<u>WATER 640ml</u>	
	2.00



FRUIT

FRUIT IN SEASON	0.80
QUARTERS FROZEN ORANGES (Term 1 & 4 only)	0.20

YOGHURT

STRAWBERRY	2.00
FRUIT SALAD	2.00

BARS

SUN FRUITS (MAX 50 cents)	0.05
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PLAY LUNCH

DONUTS	1.00
SMALL CUP MILK (unflavoured)	2.50
SALADA BISCUITS	1.20
POPCORN	0.60
PIECE OF FRUIT	0.60
SLICE OF CHEESE	0.80
	0.50



HOT ROLLS

HAM	3.00
CHEESE	2.50
CHEESE & TOMATO	2.70
HAM & PINEAPPLE	3.20
HAM, CHEESE & TOMATO	3.40
HAM & TOMATO	3.20
HAM & CHEESE	3.20
HAM, CHEESE & PINEAPPLE	3.40



ALL SANDWICHES & ROLLS ARE AVAILABLE WITH SALT & PEPPER, PICKLES & SALAD DRESSING ON REQUEST.

JAM DOUGHNUTS	1.00
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<u>SALADS</u> - SMALL	5.50
- LARGE	7.00

<u>ICY POLES</u> - CHOC BAR	1.50
- SPLIT	1.50
- BULLA Icy pole	1.00

<u>ENVELOPES</u> (pack of 10)	1.60
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Small envelopes are available for purchase at canteen for the use of ordering lunches

<u>JELLY</u> - SMALL	0.80
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SUSHI - Thursday Only - orders placed Wednesday

Salmon California	2.90
Teriyaki Chicken	2.90
Chicken Schnitzel	2.90
Tuna, Mayo & Corn	2.90
Spicy Tuna	2.90
Crab Stick California	2.90
Vegetable Salad	2.90
Avocado	2.90

PLAY LUNCH ITEMS DO NOT HAVE TO BE ORDERED, CHILDREN BUY THESE ITEMS FROM THE CANTEEN AT MORNING PLAY TIME.

IF YOUR CHILD REQUIRES A SPECIAL MENU, FOR ANY REASON, IT WILL BE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST FROM MANAGERESS.