



# LPS NEWS

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### WELL DONE AWARDS

Anika Edwards 0A  
Tyler Hulshof 0EB  
Remy Turner 0R  
Livia Winkler 0H

Darcy Stewart-Williams 1M  
Mikayla Richards 1M  
Patrick Pearce 1BH  
Tyson Tumino 1H  
Tyson Lund 1S

Danay Grabham-Andrews 2J  
Emily Webb 2S  
Ethan Langstaff 2E  
Alan Donchi 2H

Josh Popple 3B  
Blake Smith 3D  
Jacob Tumino 3H  
Duke Stewart-Williams 3L  
Lucy Heber 3L  
Imogen Foster 3T  
Mitchell Landry 3T

Holly Dennehy 5S  
Bodhi Abernethy 5M  
Eva Barrett 5M

### UNIFORM

The uniform is now available to purchase online from Buxwear Here is the link to their website

<http://shop.buxwear.com.au>

**CURRICULUM  
DAYS 2017**  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June  
Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> August  
Mon 6<sup>th</sup> November

### PARENT -TEACHER-STUDENT INTERVIEWS

At Leongatha Primary School we believe that learning is a partnership with student, teacher and parent and therefore we would like our students to be active participants in their interviews.

It is a wonderful opportunity for the students to talk about their goals and empower them to explain what they are doing in the classroom.

Our Parent, Teacher and Student Interviews will be held on -

**Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> February from  
3.30pm - 7.30pm**

**Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> February from  
3.30pm – 5:00pm**

Interview times are ten minutes duration, and will be held in the students classroom, please be prompt. Specialist teachers are also available to be booked on both days.

**Bookings for the interviews are now available on Compass.**

#### *Instructions to book Parent Teacher Student Interviews*

To book in for Parent Teacher Student Interviews on Compass.

Use the web browser link **NOT** the App.

1 - Log into your account using your family username and password.

2 - Choose Book Parent Teacher Interviews'

3 - Select the time you wish to make the booking, click drop down arrow and select teacher you wish to book and click 'Update'. Note - If the teacher you want is not an option it is because they are not available at that time.

4 - Repeat the process for each child.

### BREAKFAST IS IMPORTANT



Breakfast helps improve mental performance and concentration during morning activities. Children who skip

breakfast will be more sluggish, less attentive, and have less energy to carry out their morning tasks. It is important that children have a drink as well with breakfast eg, water, orange juice or milk so they don't become dehydrated. Teachers observe that children who come to school hungry and thirsty experience more learning difficulties compared to well-nourished children. Studies show that breakfast eaters perform much better in their school work and show extra energy in sports and other physical activities.

### LOST PROPERTY-NAMING BELONGINGS

The beginning of the new school year/term is a great time to check that all your child's jumpers, hats, lunch boxes, etc are clearly named.

A reminder that there are 2 lost property tubs to check for your child's items.

One is in Building A between the Preps and Grade 1s and the other is at the end of Building B, near the Grade 3 rooms.

Clearly named items will be returned to your child and un-named, unclaimed items will be donated to op. shops at the end of each term.

Parents and children are encouraged to check for lost items during the term.

### UNITING CARE – AFTER SCHOOL CARE

**Positions available every  
day**

Phone 5662 5150 or email:-

[ucgipps.org.au](mailto:ucgipps.org.au)

Mobile Number – 0466 480 712

**LPS values Tolerance and Understanding, Respect, Responsibility, Excellence, Inclusion,  
Honesty, Care and Trust.**

## WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS- VOLUNTEERS IN SCHOOLS

Involvement in schools by parents and carers helps children achieve the best possible learning outcomes. You can participate in school life, both formally and informally, through school councils, parent clubs and volunteering.

Government schools have volunteer programs where parents can directly participate in school activities. These opportunities cover things like helping in the school canteen, helping with school excursions and school events; assistance with reading and maths programs; and participation in environment committees and cultural groups.

If you are interested in volunteering you are asked to apply for a Working with Children (WWC) check, which helps to keep children safe by preventing those who pose a risk to the safety of children from working with them in paid or volunteer work. For more information about the WWC check, see: [Working with Children](#)  
Applications for WWC can be made online at <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au> or at the local post office. Volunteer checks are free of charge.

## ANAPHYLAXIS - Information

The school won't ban certain types of foods (eg: nuts) as it is not practicable to do so, and is not a strategy recommended by the Department of Education or the Royal Children's Hospital. However, the school will request that parents do not send those items to school if at all possible; that the canteen eliminate or reduce the likelihood of such allergens, and the school will reinforce the rules about not sharing food, and not eating foods that parents have not provided or consented to.

## BOOK CLUB DUE

### Issue One

Due Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February

Reminder –

This year parents will only be able to pay by Credit Card online NOT by phone. Orders with cash may still be sent to school as normal

## Chinese Whispers From Pei Lǎoshī

Hello, Nǐ hǎo (你好) to all new and old LPS community members! It's 2017, Year of the Rooster!



As you know, children are learning basic Mandarin Chinese language and culture at school. This year, all students will have one 45 min session each week; it's not much, so they need practise outside of the Chinese classroom. Adults in the family (that's you!) and siblings can all join in to make the learning sink in better! Ask your child what day they have Chinese lesson and follow up with asking, 'what did you learn in Chinese today, can you teach me?' I've had reports of some very interesting dinnertime conversations/family lessons...



You can help your child (and yourself) to review our lessons and even skip ahead, by hopping onto Youtube and subscribing to 'Pei Laoshi's Chinese Tube.' Students in

Grades 3-6 have access to this content on the school's Drive, too. All the language basics are there and I try to update content whenever I get a chance. I'm happy for students and parents to make requests 😊. Check out my latest video to learn how to say 'Happy New Year!' and 'Year of the Rooster.'

## ABSENCE

### It is not Okay to be Away.

The Department of Education requires parents to provide written explanation for the absence of any child. We would appreciate your support in developing good habits of punctuality and regular attendance in your child/ren. We need to work together to ensure that your child gains maximum benefit from the curriculum presented at school.

If an occasion occurs when you need to take your child early from school, please complete a "sign out" slip at the general office and present it to the class teacher when collecting the child.

NB: If a person other than a parent is calling for your child, the school needs to be notified in advance.

In the event your child is late or absent it is a Department of Education requirement that an explanation is required. Our Compass system provides the facility for parents to approve and explain student absences. If you are unable to process the absence on compass a written note must be provided to the office. The note must include the child's name, date of absence, and a reason.

**LPS BREAKFAST CLUB  
EVERY WEDNESDAY  
MORNING  
from 8:10am  
IN THE CANTEEN AREA  
ALL WELCOME**

**Mowing Contract  
Leongatha Primary School**

Mowing Contractors are invited to tender for the mowing contract at Leongatha PS. The contract will involve mowing and edges for the Primary School section of the Leongatha Education Precinct site for the next 12 months.

Contractors will need to supply their own equipment and have their own insurance. School visits will be available on Friday 17/2/2017 and quotes need to be delivered to the school by Friday 24/2/2017.

For full tender details please contact the Leongatha PS Office on 5667 4600.

**CANTEEN ROSTER FRIDAY – TERM 1**

**February**

10<sup>th</sup> Danielle Elkin  
17<sup>th</sup> Tina Allen – Kate Dean  
24<sup>th</sup> Fabio Dal Pozzo

**March**

3<sup>rd</sup> Mel Heber – Sarah Norman  
10<sup>th</sup> Mel Heber – Carmen Olm  
17<sup>th</sup> Phil Munro – Janine Lowe  
24<sup>th</sup> Viv Scott – Katrina Lawson  
31<sup>st</sup> Tori Martin – Gaynor Greenaway

**More helpers required**

If could spare a few hours once a term on a Friday please contact Kerrie in the canteen

**COMING EVENTS - 2017**

**FEBRUARY**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Interviews  
3:30 – 7:30pm  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher Interviews  
3:30 – 5:30pm  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Senior School - Swimming  
Carnival – Mirboo North  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> District Swimming  
Carnival – Korumburra

**MARCH**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Swimming –  
Korumburra  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Grade 2 Botanical Gardens  
Excursion – Cranbourne  
Regional Swimming - Sale  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> Grade 6 Camp – Wilsons  
Prom  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Grade 3 Camp – Cowes  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Senior School House Aths  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> China 2017 Trip  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> End of Term 1

**APRIL**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> First day Term 2  
School Photos Day  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> State Swimming MSAC

**Let's Go SURFING**  
with the Disabled Surfers Association of Australia for a day of fun by the surf.  
SEE WHAT WE DO: [www.dsa.org.au](http://www.dsa.org.au)  
WEBSITE: [www.dsa.org.au](http://www.dsa.org.au)  
**Saturday 11th February**  
11am – 2pm  
The registration is on the beach opposite of 10am  
**Inverloch Surf Beach**  
- Volunteers needed - Could you help us? -  
Anyone can VOLUNTEER at a DSA SURFING event. We have both water & land.  
Disabilities for you to get involved with, to help assist people with a disability to  
have a safe surfing experience. No surfing experience is required!  
**NO REGISTRATION**  
Please come and help 'Put some Smiles on dial' on the beach  
ENQUIRIES: STUART: 0411 478 478 | JOCKE: 0428 466 050  
EMAIL: [redacted]  
FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK for all event details and updates



# FREE DENTAL TREATMENT Available to ALL CHILDREN



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Children Dental Benefits Scheme accepted.

### Clinic Times:

Monday – Thursday 8.15am – 4.00pm

Friday 8.15am – 1.00pm

## JOIN OUR CLUB



South Gippsland  
Miners Baseball Club

### COME AND TRY

**FRIDAY 24TH FEB**



Our season starts in APRIL 2017  
and we are calling all players to  
CONTACT US NOW.

**COME AND TRY DAY  
FRIDAY 24/2/17 AT**

our home ground

Leongatha Secondary college/  
Federation Training oval, (Imperial  
cricket ground)

Nerrina Rd, Leongatha

JUNIORS U10 – U16

FROM 4PM TO 5.15

&

SENIORS

FROM 5.30PM TO 6.45

CLUB MEETING TO FOLLOW  
ALL WELCOME

South Gippsland Miners A Grade, B Grade and our undefeated U13 team  
are proud to invite all FUTURE PLAYERS, supporters and anyone interest-  
ed in Baseball to come and join our club. Check us out on Facebook, or  
email your interest today. All are welcome and we invite anyone inter-  
ested in joining our club to visit our website at Facebook page and say  
Hi... Hello! For more information please contact Cal Knox—Vice Presi-  
dent on 0419528862

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