



LPS News

10th May, 2018

EVERY
DAY
COUNTS
Primary school attendance

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Happy Mother's Day to all our wonderful mothers and grandmothers for this weekend. We hope that you have a lovely day and get all the love and attention that you deserve. Thank you to Michelle Boyle for organising and running our Mother's Day stall, we really appreciate all your effort.

WOORABINDA CAMP:

Our grade 4s are having a fantastic time at Woorabinda Camp. The teachers have said that the children have been so busy during the day with all the wonderful outdoor activities like canoeing, zipwire, archery, rope climbing that when it comes to bed time they have gone straight to sleep as they are so worn out. I've been told that their behaviour has been great and the staff at Woorabinda have been very impressed with their respectful nature and great resilience.

Dot Coghlan - Principal



TEAM VIC SELECTION



Congratulations to the following grade 6 students, Zavier Lamers, Will Brown, Ashlyn Matheson, Molly Heber, Rem Dal Pozzo and Gerad Bashaw who were nominated to take part in Team Vic selections in Traralgon last week.

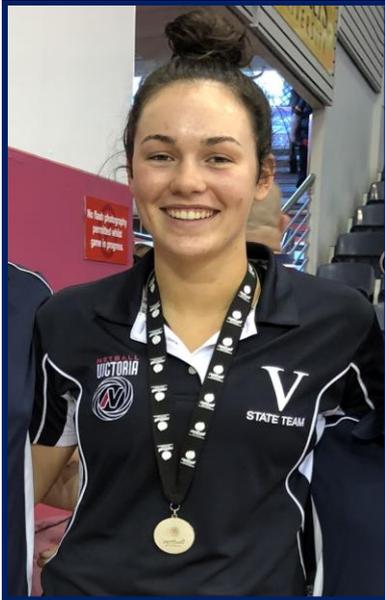
These students competed in a gruelling 2 hour selection process against students across the Gippsland region and are to be congratulated on being recognised for their talents. The students reported that it was "physical, tough, challenging and exhausting but it was good and lots of fun".

Congratulations to Molly Heber and Will Brown who were successful in being chosen from Gippsland to move through to the next stage of the selection process. Molly will compete for a spot in the Victorian schools Under 12 netball team and Will in the Victorian Under 12 schoolboys football team, with a number of elimination rounds still to take place before the final teams are announced.

Good luck Molly and Will.

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TAYLAH BROWN MAKES AUSTRALIAN TEAM



It is always exciting to hear of our past student's successes. We are thrilled to hear that Taylah Brown who came to Leongatha Primary School has been selected in the 2018 National Squad. Taylah will be going to Canberra to train for the Australian team. Congratulations Taylah on your great success.



WELCOME TO LPS MISS ROSE & MR PINKERTON

Leongatha Primary School welcomes two new teachers to our staff. Oriel Rose will be the new teacher in Grade 6 replacing Michelle Hughes who is on maternity leave and Gay Higgins who is retiring. Jarrod Pinkerton is the new teacher in Grade 4 replacing Abby Davison who will be leaving on maternity leave.



I am originally from Queensland and I have taught for around 3 and a half years in Queensland primary schools. During that time I mostly taught Year Two and Year Six and spent some time as a Science Specialist teacher. Over the years I have also worked on various Education and Psychology research projects with a focus on children's education, well-being and their aspirations. Recently, I have been working on a research project called *HealthNuts* at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne. This project has involved working with ten years olds where they have undergone a series of allergy health checks.

I have been keen to return to teaching in Victoria and I am delighted that I have been invited to teach at Leongatha Primary School. I have already spent a couple of days getting to know the students, school and staff and I have never met such a friendly and supportive group of children and adults. I am very much looking forward to getting to know everyone further and to start working with the amazing students in 6MG.



Ni hao LPS!

After growing up in the Gippsland hills, moving to the city to study business and education, it is so lovely to finally call Leongatha home again. I am overjoyed to be a part of the LPS family and would like to give all students and staff a giant thank you for the warm welcome.

Pink fact:

I am extremely passionate about all things food – growing it, cooking it, eating it and talking about it.

Some have compared me to Michael Jordan, on the basketball court.

I Love my Bull Arab rescue dog, Indi (picture)

I'm a self proclaimed film buff

I have never lost a dance off (including the floss).

I'm remarkably good at doppelgängers (lookalikes).

I think all LPS students are legendary.



Holly McRae 2J

Getting along well with others. Persisting during our reading, writing and maths sessions.
Always being respectful to others.



Ben Hall 2H

For being a respectful and caring member of the classroom.

Jeramiah Mills-Cutts PH, Oliver Bolge PR, Callum Hackett PP, Nicholas Benton PD, Nathan Trezise PD.

Charlie Bickel 2G, Jack Guy 2S, Archie Hulshof 2P.

Mia Yates 3B, Yuthil Ratnaike 3H, Cohen Harrison 3L, Georgia Hutchinson 3T.

Alyssa Dimo 4L, Brianna Kelly 4E.

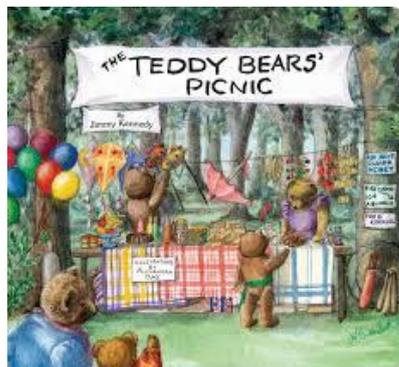
Zac Carruthers 5S, Teagan Elliot 5S, Amber Checkley 5M, Kelsey Fisher 5M, Rhett Collins 5X.

Phoebe Collins 6MG, Scott Ward 6E, Holly Rip 6E, Hannah Richards 6R, Mya Smith 6R, Kohdi Hobbs 6H, Sienna Goldsmith 6H

PREP'S TEDDY BEARS PICNIC



On Monday 7th of May the Prep children travelled to Mossvale Park for their Annual Teddy Bear's Picnic as we have been learning about Autumn and different types of leaves. Mossvale provided us with the perfect location for exploring deciduous and evergreen leaves, hunting for Teddy Bears and enjoying a picnic lunch with our families. A big thank you to everyone who came. We all enjoyed celebrating the day with our special teddies.



Leongatha Primary School



Prep 2019

Parent Information Night

Wednesday 30th May 7.00pm

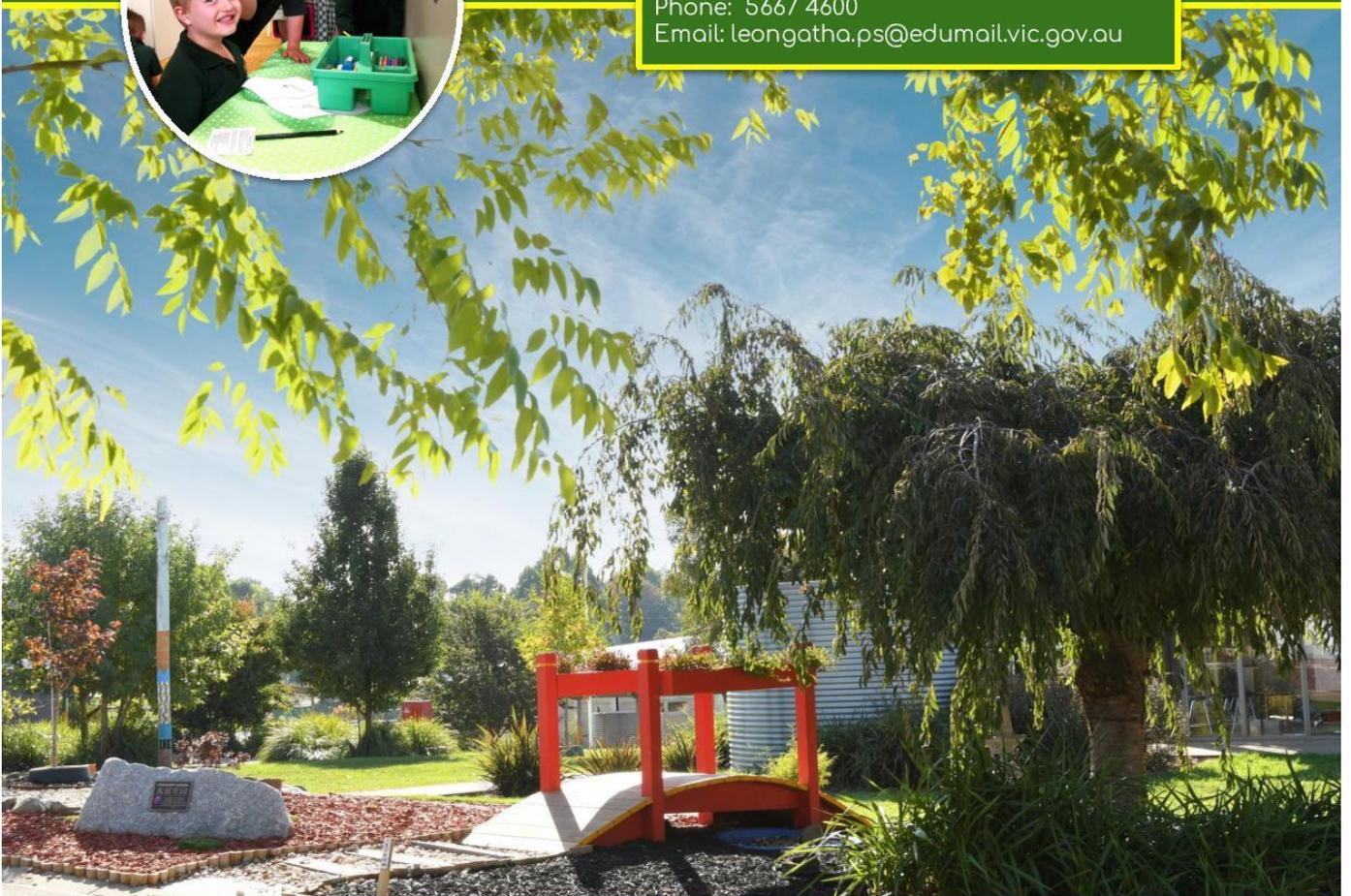
Prep Building



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Winter Sports

Last Friday, LPS hosted Inverloch Primary School in our second round of winter sports. Despite the wet and cold conditions the students had a great afternoon, displaying great enthusiasm and outstanding sportsmanship.

At the end of each week's round, our students come together to share their favourite moments. Here is our report from last week-

Football

Eva showed great tenacity and determination in her tackling of the opposition. Alli reported that everyone showed great sportsmanship which added to the enjoyment of the game. Tyson invented a new move he calls "eyeball", where the ball bounces on the ground and comes back and smacks you in the eye.

Volleyball

Volleyball got off to a slow start when Miss Holland discovered the Herrald captains had forgotten to get the poles out which were required to hold the net up. True to form, she had it sorted out quick smart and the game was up and running in no time. Tia liked that no one really cared about the score. Sienna M liked that the other team was very encouraging and that she was excited to finally get the ball over the net. Mr Eddy thought it was funny that Miss Holland almost got hit by the ball when she took a sip from her drink!

Netball

Julia said that despite the wet conditions with the ball being slippery, great sportsmanship from both teams was evident. Mrs McCluskey was particularly impressed with the way the boys played. Molly thought it was great to have some of the experienced players who could help others on the court with the rules and that there were opportunities for kids who were at the same level to be a bit more competitive playing on each other. Ava added that the encouragement shown by all of the players made for a very enjoyable afternoon.

Basketball

Joel played a great game, with the support from this awesome team, building up his confidence in dribbling the basketball down the court. Deklan played like LeBron James and Will showed his awesomeness in sharing the ball around and getting others involved in game.

Soccer

Lachie S enjoyed watching Kyran going for a goal, slipping over and managing to still score the goal while laying on the ground. Leah appreciated how everyone was included in the game, especially from the boys who play on weekends. Caelan noticed that everyone got possession of the ball at least once and didn't care that he lost his voice yelling out encouragement. Oscar liked that Invy were encouraging not only their players but our players as well.

T Ball

T ball was fun with the highlight being a magic slide to home base from Sophie Lester. Kohdi liked the support shown to people who didn't quite hit the ball off the tee the first time. Holly reported that people improved at not flinging the bat in their excitement to run. She also commented about the great sportsmanship.

Congratulations to all of our students who certainly made it a fun afternoon!





LPS China Tour 2019 Information Session

**Wednesday the 16th of May, from 6-7pm
LPS staffroom**

**Please contact Paris Buckley on 5667 4600 or
via pbuckley@leongathaps.vic.edu.au if you have any
questions prior to the meeting.**



NAPLAN

A reminder that The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed next week in grades 3 and 5. The students will sit these tests on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week.



IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY!

How many days of school has your child missed this semester?

0-6 days

This is *within normal range*. A child with this attendance rate is able to take full advantage of the teaching and learning opportunities available to them.

7-10 days

This attendance rate is below average. A child with this attendance rate could miss over one year of schooling between prep and Year 10.

11-20 days

This is a poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate days could miss out on up to two years of schooling between prep and Year 10.

20+ days

This is a very poor attendance rate. A child with this attendance rate could miss over two and a half years of schooling between prep and Year 10



SMILES DENTAL VAN ON SITE from 21st MAY

Leongatha Primary School is collaborating with Smiles Onsite to promote healthier, happier smiles at our school! This incredible service is being offered for FREE under the Federal Government's Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS), and comes along with the chance to grab some amazing prizes.

All students will be given a consent form to take home so that they can participate, and also so they can go in the draw to win prizes!!

How does it work?

The Child Dental Benefit Schedule grants all eligible parents with \$1000 worth of Medicare towards dental per child, over a two-year period. Eligible parents should receive a confirmation letter; however if you are still unsure, Smiles Onsite can check for you on completion of their consent form.

Can I make use of this service if I'm not eligible?

Of course! Smiles Onsite can do almost everything that your local dentist can do on board their state-of-the-art mobile clinic. If you would like them to see your child for a scale and clean, fillings, fissure seals etc., these services can be offered with NO GAP payable.

This service is a great opportunity to get kids into the habit of good oral hygiene, and we hope you're as excited about it as we are!

You can fill out the dental consent form for your son or daughter by inserting this link on the web browser -

<https://form.jotform.co/71720964845868>

If you have any further questions about this program or your eligibility, please contact Smiles Onsite directly on 1800 276 453.



- **Hard copies have been sent home, please return to LPS office asap**

CURRICULUM DAYS 2018
Friday 8th June
Friday 24th August
Monday 5th November

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

NO RIDING BIKES IN THE SCHOOL GROUND



CANTEEN ROSTER - TERM 2 FRIDAYS

May

11th Janine Lowe – Danielle Elkin
18th Joel Langstaff – Kasie Rump
25th Phil Munro – Sarah Norman

June

1st Helen Dowel – Viv Scott
8th CURRICULUM DAY – No School
15th Kirsty Bolge – Veronica Hanily
22nd
29th Kate Dean

Helpers still needed please

COMING EVENTS – 2018

MAY

Friday 11th Grade 6 winter sport – round 3
Tues 15-17th NAPLAN testing Grades 3&5
Friday 18th Grade 6 winter sport - round 4
Monday 21st SMILES Dental Van on-site
Wed 23rd Senior House Cross Country
Mon 21-25th Education Week
Friday 25th Grade 6 winter sport – round 5
Wed 30th Reptile Encounters Show – Junior School
2019 Prep Parents Information Session 6:30-7:30pm

JUNE

Friday 1st Lightning Premiership
Thursday 7th Division Cross Country – Stony Creek
Friday 8th Curriculum Day – No school
Monday 11th Queens Birthday Public Holiday – No school
Thursday 14th Regional Cross Country
Friday 15th Book Fair PAC – 1pm – 6pm
Thursday 21st Grade 6 Division winter Team Sports
Friday 29th End of Term 2 – early finish 2:00pm

JULY

Monday 16th Start of Term 3

UNITING CARE – AFTER SCHOOL CARE

After School Care available every day
Phone 5662 5150 or email:- ucgipps.org.au



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SOUTH GIPPSLAND

Central enrolment for four-year old Kindergarten

CLOSES 30 JUNE



Is your child ready for kindergarten in 2019?

To enrol your child in funded four-year-old Kindergarten for next year, you will need to **register now**. Kindergarten enrolment is centralised through South Gippsland Shire Council. Simply complete a single enrolment form and nominate your Kindergarten preferences. Enrolments must be lodged by 30 June.

You can enrol at www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment

For more information, please contact Shelley on 5662 9200 or visit www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment



LPS PIANO STUDENTS CONCERT
Thursday 28th June
1:00pm
Performing Arts Centre
EVERY ONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND

DEAR FAMILIES,

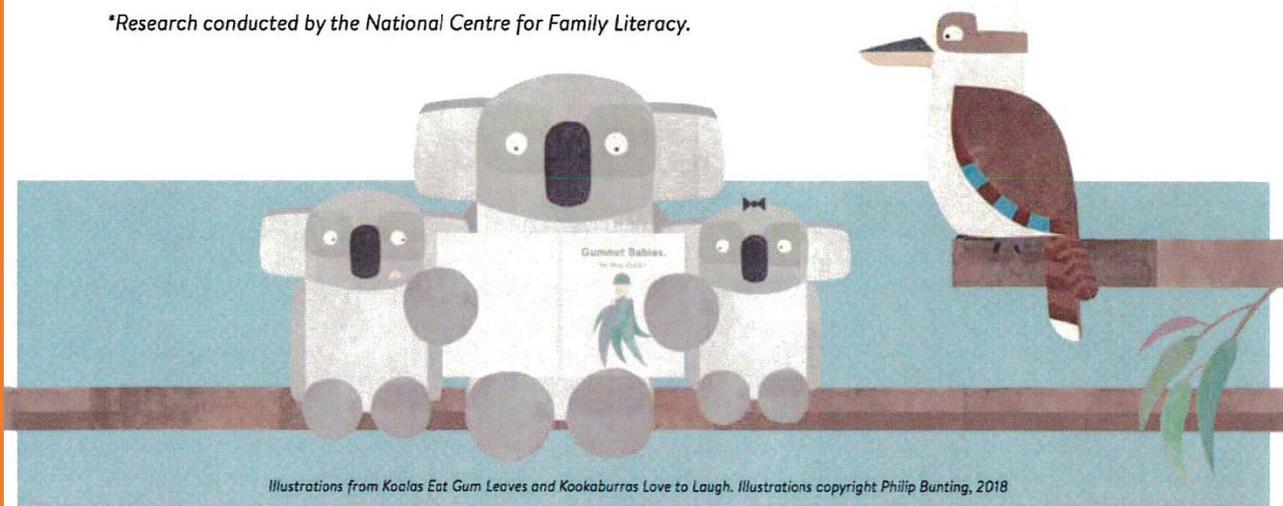
If we want children to read independently, they need to have easy access to a wide assortment of fiction and nonfiction books, choice in what they read, and time to practise reading. Given a good selection of books, all kids read more. And those who read more books get more practice and become better readers.

Research shows that children who read books for just 10 minutes a day perform better in school.*

Here are some great ways to get your child reading:

1. Set aside a reading time. Pick a reading time that is suitable for everyone. It might be before bedtime or even after homework.
2. Pick a reading place. It is important that everyone is comfortable so they can enjoy the book. Try reading in the living room, or maybe seated at the dinner table works best.
3. Read together. One person can read the book, or family members can take turns.
4. Visit your local library. Enjoy free resources such as books and read-aloud events.
5. Involve and engage everyone. Before reading, point to the book's title, author and illustrator. Ask listeners, 'What do you think the story is going to be about?' As you read, ask your family members what they think will happen next. And be sure to use exciting voices to engage listeners!
6. Fill your home with reading materials. Place books, magazines, newspapers, cookbooks and more throughout the house so your child is surrounded by things to read.
7. Get caught reading yourself. When your child sees you read, they will be inspired to read.
8. Have older siblings read to younger siblings. By reading to a younger sibling, the reader will gain confidence.
9. Start seasonal traditions. Pick a book to read every year when your child goes back to school. You can also read the same special book during a holiday.
10. Keep favourite books around. It can be comforting for a new reader to build confidence and fluency by practising when re-reading a favourite book.

**Research conducted by the National Centre for Family Literacy.*



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Parent resources

	<p>eSMART SCHOOLS www.esmartschools.org.au</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides a detailed overview of the eSmart Schools framework. • NEWS tab that celebrates achievements and implementation of eSmart Schools framework • Subscribe to our 'Becoming eSmart' newsletter (one/term) for the latest trends, research and events about cyber safety
	<p>eSMART DIGITAL LICENCE www.digitallicence.com.au</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online quiz-based challenge for children • Encourages discussion about digital citizenship, digital literacy and digital safety between parents and child/ren • Includes completing of 8 modules • Fantastic tool to use as a link between school and home
	<p>Office of the eSafety Commissioner www.esafety.gov.au</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal governing body aimed to provide education and information about online safety. • Reporting process for cyberbullying and/or inappropriate content. • Access webpage "Games, Apps and Social Networking"
	<p>iParent (eSafety Office) www.esafety.gov.au/education-resources/iparent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive resource providing guidance for using safety settings on your family's web devices • Offers strategies for keeping young people safe online • Download PDF 'Parents Guide to Online Safety'
	<p>Family Zone www.fzo.io/amf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set parameters around content, social media, screen time • Router and app based so it works in and out of the home • Subscribe to the Alannah & Madeline Foundation as a cyber expert to receive ongoing information on the latest apps, sites and trends, plus custom designed age-appropriate settings for your Family Zone account • \$89.00 up front cost for the router and monthly subscription fee starting from \$2.95
	<p>Common Sense Media www.commonsensemedia.org/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Not-for-profit focusing on children's media reviews and ratings, including apps, games, films etc. • Tips for parents, including main concerns • Family guides
	<p>Video Games www.videogames.org.au/</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expert advice and resources for parents on all things gaming • Includes FREE parenting guide • Information on gaming 'addiction'/ compulsion