



Laurimar Link 2019

NUMBER 7

DATES TO REMEMBER: 2019

TERM TWO



Monday 20th May

LPS Open Day and Evening

Tuesday 21st May

Grandparents Day

Grade 1 and Grade 2 - Swimming

Friday 24th May

Prep 2020 Familiarisation 2.30-3.30pm

Tuesday 28th May

District Cross Country

Grade 1 and Grade 2 - Swimming

Thursday 30th May

Year 1 Hands on Science Incursion

Friday 31st May

Prep 2020 Familiarisation 2.30-3.30pm

Monday 3rd June

Year 5 Space Excursion (5A & 5C)

Prep Hands on Science Incursion

Tuesday 4th June

Year 6 Incursion—LPS Grand Prix

Year 5 Space Excursion (5D & 5F)

Wednesday 5th June

Division Cross Country

Thursday 6th June

Year 5 Space Excursion 5B & 5E)

Friday 7th June

Prep 2020 Familiarisation 2.30-3.30pm

Monday 10th June

QUEENS BIRTHDAY—Public Holiday

Tuesday 11th June

CURRICULUM DAY—Student FREE Day

Thursday 13th June

Year 2 Mad About Science Incursion

Friday 14th June

Year 4 Fizzics Science Incursion

Principal's Report

Congratulations to our year 3 and 5 superstar students for the way in which they went about completing the 2019 NAPLAN tests across the required areas for Literacy and numeracy. Each student came with a strong focus across the 3 days and gave it their absolute best effort and that's all anyone can ask. Many thanks to our teachers and Mrs Deb Purser for overseeing the process. We look forward with much anticipation to the positive results next Term.

Education Week @ Laurimar Primary School

Each year, all schools across the Education State provide opportunities to showcase all the wonderful features and programs to their communities during Education week.

At Laurimar Primary School we will be holding the following events;

Monday 20th May; Open Day with tours and activities throughout the day
6.30-7.30pm: Open Evening: Full STEAM Ahead highlighting our engaging STEM program through a number of science experiments, technology activities and mathematical challenges.

Come down and join in the fun and celebrate with us all that LPS has to offer. There will also be a sausage sizzle on the night.

Tuesday 21st May: Grandparents and Special Visitors Morning. In what is always truly a special day on our calendar, we look forward to an exciting morning with so many special visitors joining our 1000 students for a special morning that includes activities in the classroom, morning tea and an assembly.

To celebrate Education Week, I have included some information on numeracy.

Focus on Numeracy: Busting Common Mathematical Myths

Most mathematics does not make sense to me

Unfortunately, a lot of 'school mathematics' was often taught without meaning. It is difficult for students to make sense of it. It may be that your own experience of mathematics has been limited to 'school mathematics'. You may rely on procedures and rules that you cannot readily apply to everyday contexts.

In today's classrooms, we emphasise learning mathematics with understanding rather than remembering rules and procedures which may not 'make sense'. Mathematics makes sense when taught with an emphasis on developing deep understanding.



Principal's Report

2019 Premiers Reading Challenge

Over the coming days we will launch the very popular Premiers Reading Challenge for 2019. A large focus at LPS is students developing a love of reading and the challenge helps to reinforce this.

Please see your class DoJo communication platform for registration details. We look forward to all boys and girls joining the challenge and reading many magical books during this period.

Big Group Hug

At LPS, we are constantly looking at ways for our large school to work together and support our community. On Monday, we will launch 'Big Group Hug' which is a wonderful organisation that helps victims of domestic violence or people in need.

At assembly you will see 2 Blue Boxes where you can donate specific items that supports this wonderful cause. There will be a very soft launch of the program and you can find the donation boxes in the front foyer of the school to place the items that are specifically listed on the box.

Our year 5/6 students will be part of the warehouse team in Bundoora once per term helping to sort the items into the relevant categories. We look forward to our entire community getting behind this wonderful cause in their own way.

Whittlesea Lodge

One of the highlights for our year 5/6 students is their regular visits to Whittlesea Lodge. Our students are coming back inspired through their conversations, singing, performances and simply spending time with the elderly at the this inspiring place. Such a fabulous opportunity for the boys and girls and we look forward to this strong partnership for many years to come.

Federal Election Day

Tomorrow morning our school becomes a Federal Election Polling Booth centre. Our parents and staff will be running an Election Day BBQ as you head into vote or if you would prefer also available after you vote. Please support the school and buy a sausage and a drink on what will be perfect autumn conditions.

Have a terrific couple of weeks as we head towards winter together and we look forward to seeing you at all our planned events during Education Week next week.

Work Experience

This week we were pleased to welcome back two of our very first original pioneer Preps from 2009. Logan and Maddie completed their work experience with us, and we are very proud to see their personal growth and commitment to their education.

Best Wishes,
Jason McBean



Assistant Principal's Report

NAPLAN

Wow what a busy week it has been with all things 'Laurimar' happening and NAPLAN Testing for years 3 and 5 being completed as well.

Congratulations to all students for their work and effort with these tests and to our teachers for preparing our students so well.

We look forward to receiving our NAPLAN results in late August, early September.

SPELLING @ LPS

At Laurimar Primary School our teaching of spelling is based on Sound Waves. The Sound Waves synthetic phonics approach focuses on the process of synthesising (i.e. taking small parts and putting them together to form a whole). It uses a sound-to-letter strategy which acknowledges that sounds can be represented more than one way in written form. This approach focuses first on phonemes – the basic units of sound. It then explores the letters that represent these sounds and how they can be put together to form written words. Systematic, synthetic phonics is a proven way to teach spelling.

Successful spelling also relies on understanding that words can be constructed from meaningful parts such as pre-fixes, suffixes and Greek and Latin roots. We explicitly teach students the meaning and spelling of these word parts, which allows them to read and spell complex words correctly.

Find below our Sound Waves foci for the next two weeks for each year level. There are great activities that you can do at home to support your child in developing these vital understandings they are learning in their classroom. Some of these are finding objects that begin with these phonemes, segmenting words with the phonemes into the individual sounds that make the word and completing the related activities on the Sound Waves online site. Your child has the password needed for this.

PREP SOUND WAVES FOCUS

Over the next two weeks students in Prep will be investigating:

Week beginning May 20

Week beginning May 27



Assistant Principal's Report

YEAR 1 TO 6 SOUND WAVES FOCUS

Over the next two weeks students in years 1 to 6 will be investigating:

Week beginning May 20



Week beginning May 27

Students will be completing their Semester 2 Spelling Diagnostic session.

Deb Purser

Assistant Principal

FULL S.T.E.A.M AHEAD

With learning at Laurimar Primary School!

MONDAY 20th MAY 6:30 - 7:30pm



The LPS Open Night will highlight the amazing opportunities that are on offer in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Mathematics along with other amazing extra curricular opportunities!

**CHANCE
TO WIN
PRIZES!**

**FUN FOR
THE WHOLE
FAMILY**

**TEST YOUR
S.T.E.A.M
SKILLS**



SCHOOL TOURS ALSO RUNNING ON THE NIGHT.

PREP 2020 Enrolments

Prep Enrolments for 2020 are now open. Please ensure you have enrolled your child for Prep 2020. Our Prep Familiarisation sessions "Get to Know the School" for 2020 commenced today Friday 17th May 2019. Our future Prep children enjoyed listening to story time. We look forward to some fun in the Art & Music room next Friday 24th May. If you haven't booked your child into the "Get to Know the School" please contact Sue in the Office on (03) 9717 7100.

GET TO KNOW LAURIMAR PRIMARY SCHOOL

May 24th Friday

ART & MUSIC 2.30pm-3.30pm

May 31st Friday

GAMES AND SPORT 2.30pm-3.30pm

June 7th Friday

LIVE PERFORMANCE 2.30pm-3.30pm



ENROLMENTS

NOW OPEN

FOR PREP 2020

SECURE YOUR PLACE FOR 2020

ph: 9717 7100 @: enrolments@laurimarps.com

Lunch time Clubs

CLUBS - TERM 2

The LPS clubs program is once again in action during our break times. Please have a look at the following clubs currently being offered and have a conversation with your child about whether they might like to give one a go. *Please note: Each Club has a target grade level. Some are walk up (anyone can attend on any given day) and some required a sign up and commitment from the same students each week.*

CHINESE CULTURAL CLUB - Run by Miss Wang on a Wednesday during lunchtime (library). Open to any students, from any grade, who want to be immersed in the Chinese culture and further develop their language skills.

DANCE CLUB - Run by Miss Mitrevski on a Friday during lunchtime (room 8). Open to any students from Grades 1-4 who want to come along for a dance!

WALKING CLUB - Run by Miss Convery and Mrs Purser on a Thursday during lunchtime (meet at the office). Open to any Grade 5/6 students who are interested in going for a 'walk and talk'.

ART CLUB - Run by Miss Duncan on a Thursday during lunchtime (Art room). Open to Grade 4, 5 and 6 students who would like to put more time into their art work, assist with production props, complete extension tasks or help manage the art room.

AFL SUPERCOACH CLUB - Run by Mr Brown on a Friday during lunchtime (room 43). This club is for the Grade 5/6 students who signed up at the beginning of the football season for a bit of friendly competition.

GARDENING CLUB - Run by Mr K throughout the week (room 41-42). This club is for the Grade 5/6 student leadership team and selected Grade 3/4 students. This club keeps our school yard looking amazing!



First Aid



We are approaching peak influenza season and now is the ideal time to organise vaccinations for yourself and your children. Please see your GP for further information on this years influenza vaccination.

We would greatly appreciate if all families could keep in mind the following information:

1. If your child has cold or flu-like symptoms please seek medical attention, limit contact with others and stay at home until symptoms have passed.

Good general hygiene remains the best defence against infection. Please encourage your child to regularly wash their hands using soap and cover their nose and mouth if sneezing and coughing.

Please find below some further information on hand washing

Washing hands with soap and water is one of the most effective ways to reduce infectious diseases such as gastro or the flu.

There are many ways you can help your child stay healthy at home and at school. Go to the Better Health Channel for information and resources to help your child understand the importance of hand hygiene and how they can become a 'Soapy Hero', <https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/soapy-hero>



Protect yourself and your family

Cover your cough and sneeze



1 **COVER** your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.

2

Put your used tissue in the rubbish **BIN**.



3 If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, **NOT YOUR HANDS**.

4

WASH your hands with soap and running water. Dry your hands thoroughly with a disposable paper towel.



Stay germ free and healthy

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Sports Corner

Congratulations to Molly W for her amazing achievement last month at the State Swimming Titles. We are so proud of your efforts and achieving a 1st and 2nd at the State Swimming Championship. Well done





Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and Laurimar Primary School is excited to be participating.

The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to Year 10 in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books by 6 September 2019.

Children from Prep to Year 2 are encouraged to read or 'experience' 30 books with their parents and teachers. Children from Year 3 to Year 10 are challenged to read 15 books.

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

To read the Premier's letter to parents, view the booklists and for more information about the Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge, visit: www.education.vic.gov.au/prc



Legend of the Month—April

| Class | Name |
|--------|-----------------------|
| Prep A | Evie E |
| Prep B | Ava L |
| Prep C | Mason G |
| Prep D | |
| Prep E | Indianna B |
| Prep F | Pandora B |
| Prep G | Sienna M |
| Prep H | Charlotte R |
| 1A | Katelyn D |
| 1B | Ami S |
| 1C | Zach S |
| 1D | Levi P |
| 1E | Julia K |
| 1F | Holly G |
| 2A | Faith D |
| 2B | Jack S |
| 2C | Jacob C |
| 2D | Emma R |
| 2E | Abby E |
| 2F | Abbey F |
| 3A | Tillie D |
| 3B | Maggie K |
| 3C | Lily M |
| 3D | Xavier D Timothy W |
| 3E | Mitchell W |
| 3F | Bailey O |

| Class | Name |
|--------------------|-----------|
| 4A | Kiara M |
| 4B | Emma S |
| 4C | Chloe S |
| 4D | Jordan B |
| 4E | Taj M |
| 4F | Mikayla S |
| 5A | |
| 5B | Brodie R |
| 5C | Lily B |
| 5D | Natalie J |
| 5E | Jaxon K |
| 5F | Matthew M |
| 6A | Bay S |
| 6B | Tess G |
| 6C | Lucas G |
| 6D | Jerimah P |
| 6E | Zak O |
| Reading Enrichment | |
| STRIVE | Lucas A |
| PE | Anthi K |
| SEL | Bailey A |
| STEM | Evan M |
| Music /Art | Loukas H |
| OSHC | |

Student of the Week—13 May

| Class | Name |
|--------|-------------|
| Prep A | Ryder H |
| Prep B | Nate H |
| Prep C | Willow H |
| Prep D | Jack A |
| Prep E | |
| Prep F | Bailey G |
| Prep G | Leo J |
| Prep H | Sonath D |
| 1A | Hamish W |
| 1B | Axel P |
| 1C | Sehaj S |
| 1D | Noah H |
| 1E | James A |
| 1F | Charlotte B |
| 2A | Ethan F |
| 2B | Chloe M |
| 2C | Noah A |
| 2D | |
| 2E | Kaitlyn K |
| 2F | Helena B |
| 3A | Joshua A |
| 3B | Georgi W |
| 3C | Mason P |
| 3D | Jevindu W |
| 3E | Cooper M |
| 3F | Charlee M |

| Class | Name |
|--------------------|------------|
| 4A | Pereze R |
| 4B | Cayden F |
| 4C | Kayla M |
| 4D | Dhanush D |
| 4E | Isabella A |
| 4F | Lachlan H |
| 5A | |
| 5B | Simone M |
| 5C | |
| 5D | Shaza M |
| 5E | Mia M |
| 5F | Saskia C |
| 6A | Chase H |
| 6B | |
| 6C | Stefan K |
| 6D | |
| 6E | |
| Reading Enrichment | Tyler R |
| Chinese | Pandora B |
| PE | |
| SEL | Ryder P |
| STEM | Eva D |
| Music /Art | Chloe E |
| OSHC | Willow R |



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