



Lakemba Link

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Term 4 – Week 2

Important Dates

Thursday 24 th October	International Day
Thursday 31 st October	Leapfrogs
Thursday 7 th November	Kindergarten 2020
Thursday 14 th November	Transition
Thursday 21 st November	
Monday 11 th November to Friday 22 nd November	Swimming Scheme Year 2 to Year 6 students
Friday 15 th November	P&C Meeting
Wednesday 4 th December	School Picnic
Monday 9 th December	Stage 3 Luna Park
Friday 13 th December	Presentation Day
Tuesday 17 th December	Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday 18 th December	Last Day of School for 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back to Term 4 – the last term for 2019. I hope you all had the opportunity to rest and recuperate ready for a busy, fun filled term.

During the holidays the old vinyl doors between classrooms in Block A were replaced with modern, fabric covered, folding doors. These doors not only make the rooms more sound proof they also provide valuable display space for the teachers and students. The roof on Block C and the SaCC were also completed.

This week is a very exciting week for our community as we celebrate International Day on Thursday. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Kind regards,
Jann Price

Staff

Lakemba Public School currently has five classroom teacher positions and two Assistant Principal positions that will be filled ready for the beginning of 2020. The classroom positions include a Teacher Librarian (Mrs Latimer's position) and a Learning and Support Teacher (LaST – Mrs Longo's position).

I am currently forming panels so that the jobs can be advertised, interviews held and decisions made.

Enrolment of Siblings

Lakemba Public School only enrolls students who live in the school's enrolment area as designated by the Department of Education. Students, including siblings of already enrolled students, may not be eligible to enrol at Lakemba Public School if the family has moved out of the school's enrolment area. If this applies to you please see the Principal immediately.

International Day 2019



Thursday 24th October

Help us celebrate
our fantastic
multicultural community!

*Student Performances begin at
11am.*

**Don't miss out on the delicious
multicultural feast!**

Tell Them From Me Parent Survey

Parents we need to know your thoughts about our school. Please complete the annual *Tell Them From Me* survey online by following the link below.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/2pwp6>

The survey closes on Friday 25th October.

Kinder 2020 Enrolment and Leapfrogs



When you have completed the form and have all the supporting documents we will be happy to accept the application.

Please remember that we only accept students who live within the area for Lakemba Public School. We do not have the classrooms or playground room to enrol out of area students.

Students who have been enrolled are eligible to attend our five week Leapfrog program in Term 4. At this program the children work with the 2019 Kindergarten teachers while parents attend workshops specially designed to assist the transition of your child into 'big school'.

Parents of children must stay for the meetings.

No child can be left at the school and picked up later.

We would really appreciate it if you could inform other families who have children ready to start school.

2020 Orientation and Leapfrogs Dates

Thursday 31st October (Orientation)

Thursday 7th November

Thursday 14th November

Thursday 21st November (Graduation)

State Athletics

Congratulations to Serie, Min and Khalil who completed in the State Athletics Competition last week. The boys were great examples of our school values of respect, cooperation and responsibility. They should be proud of the way they represented themselves, their families and our school.

Term 4 Staff Development Days

The last two days of each year are called School Development Days (SDDs). These are pupil free. This year the SDDs are scheduled for Thursday 19th December and Friday 20th December. While these days are crucial for staff development, they are not at an optimal time of year to put learning into practice.

Approval to complete 4 x 3 hour sessions of professional learning throughout the year rather than the two full days at the end of the year was given by the P&C earlier this year. I'd like to thank our staff and P & C who are in full support of this initiative to achieve the best outcomes for our children.

As a result of this variation to the SDDs, there will be no teaching staff at school on Thursday 19th December and Friday 20th December. While these are pupil free days

anyway, we are required to inform our community that pupils are not able to attend on these days.

SALE!

Lakemba Public School Uniform

15% Off

From 31st October to
14th November 2019

AT

SAOUMA'S SCHOOL WEAR

SHOP 2/200 THE BOULEVARDE, PUNCHBOWL 2196 (02)
9750 3276

Selective High School Test

Year 5 students are eligible to apply for Selective High School placement in 2021. All applications must be done online via the link below. Applications close at 10pm on 11th November. The test will take place on 12th March next year.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7/application-process>

Swimming Scheme

The annual swimming scheme is booked for Weeks 5 and 6 this term – 11th November 11 to 22nd November. Students in Year 2 to Year 6 are able to attend.

The students are organised into three groups which are filling quickly. All money and notes for Swimming Scheme must go to the office.



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at our school?



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School as Community Centre News

Welcome back from the holidays! Hope you relaxed with your kids and had some fun. Don't forget, NOW is the time to make sure you have completed enrolment for any little ones starting school next year as Leapfrogs starts next week!

THIS TERM:

EYE TESTING: Is your child starting school next year? If they are not in childcare or pre-school, come and see Wendi or Madeleine about organising a free Vision Test for them. Testing will be on the 7th and 14th November – by appointment only.

Mum2Mum English class Thursdays 12.30-2.30 – this friendly class welcomes new people and will help you develop confidence to speak English. Children included. Come and try!

Tuning into Kids in Urdu Tuesdays 12.30-2.30 for 5 weeks. – Want to share ideas to help your kids understand and control their emotions? Do you want your family life to be more enjoyable? Then come along to this free program for parents at the Centre. Childcare provided. It is not too late to join this program which started this week. Enrol now with Wendi or Madeleine. 9759 4061

Self – Care for Rohingya women Fridays 9.30-11.00. New members also welcome in this group. This term there will be gentle yoga, other ideas to de-stress and some healthy cooking too. All Rohingya women welcome.

Start Strong Parenting Workshops – Especially for parents of children under 5 years, these 8 sessions will be all about the early development of your children's brains and how you can help their development to be on track. Starts this Wednesday 23rd October -10.00-12.00 each week. Child support provided as well.



All the information about community programs are posted on our Facebook page.

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/LakembaSaCC/>

Ring Wendi or Madeleine on 9759 4061 for more information about any programs.

A Trip to Flower Power and the LPS Gardens

By: Zahid Shauab and Simra Mubeen

During the school holidays on Thursday 3rd October 2019, Zahid (member of the Gardening Team), Mrs Houdalakis and Mrs Zreika attended the free gardening class at Flower Power Enfield to learn interesting facts about bees and see various fruit and vegetables.

The Year 6 Environment and Gardening teams have been working together with Ms Houdalakis and Mrs Zreika this year to plant various plants in the school's vegetable gardens and bush tucker garden. The students have been watering our gardens every week and have also been involved in weeding, planting and many more projects. The Gardening team have also sold a range of herbs and vegetables they have grown to the local community!



When Zahid arrived at the Flower Power store, the group of children he was with went on a tour around the store and learnt about different types of plants.

So many facts were shared such as:

1. Lime fingers are one example of citrus fruits. They require full sunshine. They come in a range of different flavours and colours.
2. Apple trees are deciduous.
3. Coffee is a bean or fruit that grows on trees.
4. Avocadoes nectarines and peaches are stone fruit.

While at the store, we were also given the wonderful opportunity to plant our a petunia, lettuce or chives.

