

Lakemba Link

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Important Dates

Monday 25 th November	Year 6 High School Transition Day, Belmore South Public School
Thursday 28 th November Friday 29 th November	2020 Student Elections "No Excuse 4 Abuse" Breakfast @8:30 and Assembly
Tuesday 3 rd December	Year 6 High School Orientation Day
Wednesday 4 th December	School Picnic
Monday 9 th December	Stage 3 Luna Park
Wednesday 11 th December	Talent Quest
Friday 13 th December	Presentation Day
Tuesday 17 th December Wednesday 18 th December	Year 6 Farewell Last Day of School for 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Mrs Price has been on a much deserved break, so I have been the Relieving Principal over the last two weeks.

Lakemba Public School is a busy place, where teaching and learning is an adventure and our students are engaged in what they are doing. Our school provides an inclusive environment, where our student's outcomes, achievements and wellbeing are of the highest priority. Every student is known, valued and cared for and our community are involved in the life of the school. This is reflected in everything we do.

Kind regards, Lisa Rothwell



Another quick and convenient way to keep up to date with what is happening at our school.

Swimming Scheme

Swimming scheme was held over the last two weeks. Unfortunately it was disrupted by the smoke haze caused by the bushfires that have been burning across New South Wales. Our swimmers are to be congratulated for their co-operation and resilience during this time. When swimming was cancelled at the last minute, they accepted this without complaint and demonstrated their maturity by quickly adjusting to the situation. Thank you to Ms Kergis and Mr Giovas for leading our team of teachers and SSLO's. They were Miss Cheaib, Mr Sislian, Miss Cooper, Mrs Ghantous, Miss Hardman, Mr Polychroni, Mrs Tsilimos, Mrs Brusic, Mrs Letsios and Mrs Velestagui.

Term 4 – Week 6



Picture Book Month

We have been reading, sharing and celebrating Picture Books this month. **Students** have been speaking about their favourite book in "Speakers Corner". **Teachers** have been volunteering to read picture books at recess. **Every Stage** on a Monday has been involved in

reading picture books and then participating in activities based on them.

Special thanks to Mrs Zreika, Miss Hardman and Mrs Houdalakis



Leapfrogs Graduation

Our newest Lakemba Learners graduated from Leapfrogs on Thursday! **Thank you** to the wonderful Kindergarten team of Mrs Houdalakis, Mrs Houtris, Mrs Vavitsis and Miss Osseili for making this program a complete success!







Kinder 2020 Enrolment



If your child is turning 5 before the 31st July 2020 they are eligible to be enrolled in Kindergarten next year. Please come to the office and get an Application to Enrol.

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.



Koori Art Expressions "Voice, Treaty, Truth"

The launch of the Koori Art "Truth, Treaty and Voice" art expression exhibition took place at the Maritime Museum on Wednesday 20th November. Connie Karagiannis, Shen Yen and Raisa Halim were among 77 students from across the state who exhibited their work. Dr Sylvia Corish, who is the Executive Director for School Performance and a former Lakemba Public School Principal opened the exhibition. Thank you to Mrs Alki and Ms Kergis who worked with our students and to Miss Cheaib and Mrs Vavitsis who also attended the exhibition.

Child Protection

Parents are not allowed to speak to other children in the

playground. This is a child protection issue for the child and the parent. If you have a problem you must speak to the child's teacher before speaking to the Principal. Often the issues can be resolved before there is a need to speak to the Principal. It is also important that you question your child carefully about their involvement in the issue.

Enrolment

From the beginning of Term 4 the Department of Education's updated Enrolment Policy will come into action. It will affect some families. Lakemba Public School does not enrol students who do not live in our intake area. The new policy may mean that we are not able to enrol the younger brothers and sisters of students who already attend Lakemba Public School if you have moved since enrolling your first child. It is very important that if you think you are in this position you make an appointment to speak to Mrs Price immediately so she can explain what this means for your family. Each family's situation is different and must be viewed on an individual basis.



Lakemba Public School is a Crunch and Sip school. For five to ten minutes between recess and lunch each class takes a short break to have some fruit or veg and a drink lesson break in which they focus on other areas of the curriculum such as healthy eating or where the fruit and veg comes from. We appreciate parents and carers assisting by providing a fruit or veg snack and water for Crunch and Sip.



P&C Meeting

9.15am Friday 29th November

> Have a coffee and chat! Everybody welcome!

Kindergarten Excursion to Featherdale Wildlife Park

Kindergarten visited Featherdale Wildlife Park and loved every minute of it. They saw lots of animals and got to pat some of them.



School as Community Centre News

<u>EYE TESTING</u>: Is your child starting school next year? If they are not in childcare or pre-school, come and see Madeleine about organising a free Vision Test for them. Testing will be by appointment only on 12th December.

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

Self – Care for Rohingya women <u>Fridays 9.30-11.00.</u> New members also welcome in this group. This term there will be gentle yoga, other ideas to de-tension. 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. Wednesdays -10.00-12.00 each week. Child support provided as well. Future sessions are about your child's language development, behaviour and the benefits of pre-school. See Madeleine at the Centre if you are interested to join.

MY Time: This group is for parents or others who are caring for children with a disability. It is a friendly group – the aim is to support you, give you a break and the opportunity to share with others in a similar situation. <u>Mondays 12.30-2.30</u>. Participants have excursions and special events as well – coming up next week: a special Variety show in Darling Harbour. Come and talk to Rosaria on Mondays to find out more.

Homework Club: This started in the Centre last Thursday and was very popular with the children attending. Many thanks to the great volunteers assisting this program. If you would like to Volunteer, please see Madeleine.

Wendi will be on holidays until the end of the year. All the Centre programs will operate as normal and Madeleine will be here on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

All the information about community programs are posted on our Facebook page. Go to https://www.facebook.com/LakembaSaCC/

Parent Art with Mrs Alki

Our parents met last Friday and created beautiful poppies which were placed in our Remembrance Day Garden.







<u>What's happening in Stage 2?</u>



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English

This term Stage 2 have been developing their skills on the different types of poetry including Limericks, Haiku, cinquain and narrative poetry. They have participated in educational learning experiences and group work focusing on all areas of poetry such as alliteration, onomatopoeia, word

> play, imagery, storytelling and more. Stage 2 have consolidated their learning by drafting, editing, revising and finally publishing their poems.



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Mathematics

This term Stage 2 have been learning about whole number, addition and subtraction, volume and capacity and time. They have participated in hands on learning experiences where they explored addition and subtraction in terms of money and discussed how it related to real life experiences. Students have built objects to demonstrate capacity, and

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Acrostic Poetry

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have investigated time, elapsed time and timetables. Stage 2 have participated in Mathematics lessons both inside the classroom as well as in our outdoor classroom.

Geography

This term Stage 2 have been learning about '*Our Island Home*.' Students have engaged in the connections of the Geographical world and have learnt about different environments, climate zones and natural vegetation. They have also learnt about Australia's neighbouring countries and the changes caused by adding and removing heat, and heat conductivity. Students have also been able to identify connections between themselves and other people, places and environments in their lives. They have located Australia's neighbouring countries and contributed to conversations about what life may be like in these places. Students will continue to build on their understanding of the geography of Australia and its position in the world, as they navigate information technology and cartographic tools and resources throughout the term. Students will also be collaborating in groups to consider the location, climate and values of their own artificial island nation that they will create during the unit.

PDH - Child Protection

As part of the PDH curriculum, Stage 2 students have been learning about child protection. Students have been learning to identify signals that their bodies make, and to acknowledge that the presence of these signals can support them to recognise and respond to unsafe situations. As part of this learning, students have discussed the role of community, family and friends in keeping them safe and how to seek assistance from these people effectively using the No! Go! Tell! Strategy. As part of this learning, students have been able to identify peers and trusted adults who care about their wellbeing and the strategies they can employ to establish and maintain different types of relationships. Within this learning students have also strengthened their attitudes and values related to equality, respect and responsibility.

PDH - Bounceback

This term students are learning to use humour to manage the stress and sad times and to think like a champ by challenging themselves to work hard and achieve their goals. The Bounce Back lessons that students are participating in provide them with opportunities to express their thoughts and feelings about aspects concerning them or to listen to the ideas of their peers. Students are also learning to take risks in their learning and to never give up on their goals.



PE - Sport



Stage 2 are continuing stage competitions and this term students are competing in the sport of cricket. Students are learning the rules of cricket and how to play the game. Students are developing a variety of skills including bowling, batting and fielding. The competitive sport motivates students to learn the play the game, be a team player and develops their confidence as they recognise their strengths.

Students are also participating in rotational activities that involves the development of their gross motor skills

which gives them energy that assists them to focus on their learning in class.

Creative Arts - Visual Art

This term students will be focusing on creating artwork that is linked to 'Our Island Home' theme in Geography. They have been identifying the natural and local environment, using this as inspiration in creating their own colour pieces based on the gum tree blossoms. Students have been experimenting with shape, colour and using various materials such as oil pastels and acrylic paint to create these masterpieces. Students have been focusing on Pablo Picasso as an influence in creating abstract portraits. It has been great to see the high amount of creativity evident when the students are engaging with art this term. There are certainly some talented artists in our midst that have demonstrated excellent awareness of colour combinations and control in drawing lines and shapes. Students will now move into creating island based landscape pieces. Keep up the good work stage 2!