

# Lakemba Link

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## Term 3 – Week 10

### Important Dates

Monday	First Day of Term 4 for
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Staff and Students
Friday	
18 <sup>th</sup> October	P&C Meeting
Thursday	International Day
24 <sup>th</sup> October	,
Thursday 31st October	Leapfrogs
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Kindergarten 2020
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Transition
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	ITCHSHIOT
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	
, to	Swimming Scheme
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Year 2 to Year 6 students
Friday	
	P&C Meeting
15 <sup>th</sup> November	
Wednesday	School Picnic
4 <sup>th</sup> December	
Monday	Stage 3 Luna Park
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Sluge S Lond I dik
Friday	Descentation Dans
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Presentation Day
Tuesday	
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 6 Farewell
	Last Day of Sobool for
Wednesday	Last Day of School for
18 <sup>th</sup> December	2019

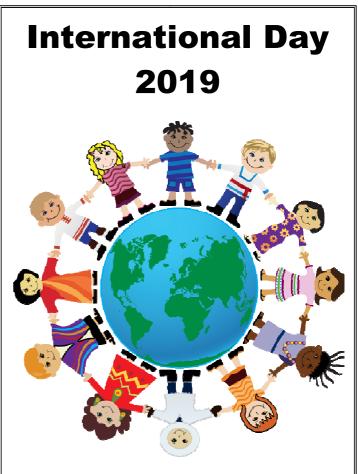
Dear Parents and Carers,

Sooooo..... we got there! Term 3 is officially over. And what a term it has been.

The largest project for the school for Term 3 was External Validation (EV). The process of EV has been explained in previous newsletters. The culmination of our assessment of our work was when we presented and discussed our submission with two Principals who were appointed by the Department of Education. Their visit began with some of our senior students guiding them on a tour of our school. The students were amazing and provided great insights into the learning that takes place at Lakemba. Following the tour the Principals met with the EV team (Mrs Alki, Ms Rothwell, Mrs Zerika, Ms Edwards, Ms Sleiman, Mrs Brennan, Mrs Houtris, Ms Adhami, Ms Harding, Ms Kergis, Mr Polychroni, Ms Vavitsas) from Lakemba. While the whole process of EV was a huge amount of work for the school it was an extremely rewarding process for us. We were able to reflect closely on what we do, why we do it and gather evidence of our practice to prove the impact of our work. It was very rewarding to know that the two Principals agreed with our assessment and congratulated us on the fabulous work we do. Thank you to the EV team and the whole school and community who supported us to research, compile and present our submission.

The spring holidays are now here. Enjoy your time away from school. Take the time to reset and recharge ready for Term 4. Stay safe!

Kind regards, Jann Price



# Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Help us celebrate our fantastic multicultural community! *Student Performances* Don't miss out on the delicious multicultural feast!

#### Camp

Last week twenty five of our Stage 3 students accompanied by Ms Sleiman and Mr Polychroni joined students and teachers from Belmore South, Belmore North and Hampden Park Public Schools at the Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens. The students and teachers had a fantastic time challenging themselves and taking safe risks as they took part in activities such as Lost World (fun in the mud), the giant swing, raft building and rock climbing. Thank you to the teachers who gave up their time to support and encourage our students to develop their self confidence and independent living skills. Thank you to our families who allowed their children to take part. It's time to start saving for the 2020 camp! If you start putting just one dollar a day aside now you will have enough money to pay from camp next year.

### Staff

On Friday we farewelled Ms Harding as she takes up her new position as Assistant Principal at Punchbowl Public School.

We are currently waiting for the Department of Education to appoint a teacher to the class and will let you know as soon as possible of the organisation.

### 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

### **School Improvements**

We are excited by the new look of our school following the installation of new signage and stair decorations. Each class chose a favourite book and growth mindset quote which have been made into stair signs that have been installed around our school. The stairs in Block A teach multiplication and division facts.





### **Swimming Scheme**

The annual swimming scheme is booked for Weeks 5 and 6 next term –  $11^{th}$  November 11 to  $22^{nd}$  November. Students in Year 2 to Year 6 are able to attend. A note about theme will be sent home in the first week of next term.

### **Fire Safety**

Matches and fire are not toys! It is important that children understand the devastating impact fire can have on themselves, their homes and their environment. Children should not play with matches or be allowed to use matches without the direct supervision of an adult. Teach your children to:

### Stop.



Get outside and stay outside

#### Enrolment

Do you have a child who turns 5 years of age on or before 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2020? If your answer is yes – it is time to enrol them in school for 2020;

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.

### Kinder 2020 Enrolment and Leapfrogs



If your child is turning 5 before the 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

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 31<sup>st</sup> October (Orientation) Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November (Graduation)

## **P&C** Meeting

9.15am Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October

Have a coffee and chat!

Everybody welcome!

### 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 19<sup>th</sup>December and Friday 20<sup>th</sup>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 19<sup>th</sup> December and Friday 20<sup>th</sup>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.

### School as Community Centre News

At the end of a very busy term – phew!! We hope everyone enjoys the Spring holidays and takes the time to visit some new places and give your children new experiences.

Best wishes to all the Hindu families who will be celebrating Durga Puja during the holidays. Enjoy this special time with family and friends.

Programs at the Community Centre start again from Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> October. <u>There will be NO Toddler group or</u> <u>My Time on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October</u>.

### Some Holiday Ideas:

The Art Gallery of NSW has some FREE activities for kids – called FoFum Fiesta. Check at this address.<u>https://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au/programs/fo-fum-fiesta/</u>Take a train to St James Station and the Art Gallery is a short walk from there. Free entry!

Sydney Olympic Park is a great place to visit for a picnic and there are a range of school holiday activities as well. Don't forget the children's art exhibition will be on throughout the holidays at the Armoury in the Park as well – you can see Lakemba's entries!

Why not catch a train to Circular Quay and walk round to the Opera House. Look at the buskers on the way, and take a picnic to the Botanical Gardens. See how many different types of boats there are on the harbour. A fun day out for the cost of a train fare.

### NEXT TERM:

<u>EYE TESTING</u>: 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 next term.

**Tuning into Kids in Urdu** – 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 freeprogram for parents at the Centre. Childcare provided. Starts <u>Tuesday22<sup>nd</sup> October 12.30-2.30</u> for 5 weeks. Enrol now with Wendi or Madeleine. 9759 4061.

**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. Start Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October -10.00-12.00 each week. Child support provided as well.

**Financial Help, Food Relief & Household Goods:** are available in a number of locations nearby. Many families are struggling so it is OK to get some help when you need it. \* Canterbury City Community Centre 130 Railway Parade Tel: 9750 9344 Food parcels available – ring for an appointment.

\*The Salvos Assessment Line 1300 311 278.Food vouchers, EAPA & Telstra vouchers. \*Mama Penny, Belmore Youth Resource Centre Redman Parade Belmore, Fridays 9.30-11.30. Fresh fruit, vegetables, toiletries plus help with household goods.



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

# **KINDERGARTEN NEWS**

A newsletter brought to you by Early Stage 1

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### Top stories in this newsletter









100 Days at School!

the Powerhouse!

I Fun with Learning!

Book Week Parade

### 100 Days of Kindergarten!



We celebrated 100 Days at school! We made hats,

performed in a concert and had great fun!

### Powerhouse Excursion!



### This was our first

excursion and we.....

- Flew to the Moon
- Saw the Wiggles
- Played
- Loved every minute of it!

### Our Learning !





We love to learn in different ways!

### **Book Week Fun!**



We dressed up as our favourite storybook character and walked in the parade.