Term 3 Week 5

NEWSLETTER

Lightning Reef
PRIMARY SCHOOL



RESPECT
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UPCOMING DATES

Monday August 14th
Student Led conferences

Friday August 18th

National day of action against bullying

Friday August 25th

Book Week Dress Up Parade

Thursday August 31st

Prep Excursion to Ballarat Wildlife Park

Friday September 1st

Year 5/6 Great Stupa Excursion

Friday September 15th

Sports Colours Day

End of Term 3—2:15 Dismissal

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From the Principal

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

I had a wonderful time during my Long Service Leave, holidaying in the NT and top end, and it's beautiful hot weather. I saw lots of crocodiles in both Kakadu and Litchfield National parks, but for me, attending the Darwin War Museum and Cyclone Tracy exhibition was so moving. I wasn't aware that war came to Australian shores for almost 2 years, and will share my experience with the students as we explore Remembrance Day.

2023 PARENT/CAREGIVER/GUARDIAN OPINION SURVEY

The school provided a letter via Compass on Monday with the logon code and website for families to complete the survey. All families are invited to participate in the survey. Only one family member needs to complete the survey.

The survey will be open from Monday 7 August to Friday 8 September 2023. The survey is conducted online, only takes 20 minutes to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the survey period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets, or smartphones.

The results will be shared through annual reporting and via the newsletter.

I will purchase the chocolate frogs over the weekend to give to the students who have completed the survey, so I ask parents/carers to let me know via Compass or Dojo when you have completed the survey and I will give your child/ren their chocolate thankyou! We also will place all students who complete the survey into a draw for a scooter.

Please speak with me if you would like more information. Thanks to the 26 families who have already completed the survey!

From the Principal

SUNSMART - HATS

It is now time that students need to be wearing hats outside again. The school needs to support the use of sun protection measures when the UV index levels are 3 or higher. This usually occurs on September 1st but due to the high UV Index rate this date has changed to 15th August. Students without a hat will need to play under the shade sails in the courtyard. Hats can be purchased from Lowes or a Navy Blue Bucket/wide brim is fine.

FATHER'S DAY STALL

Our Father's Day stall for our students will be held on Friday, 1 September. Our Fundraising group will be coordinating the setting up and selling of the gifts to our students. Gifts generally range from \$1 to \$10 and similarly to previous years, our students may have the chance to purchase more than one gift. If any parent would like to assist with helping to sell Father's Day gifts, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

2023 Enrolments

We are into the business of planning for the 2024 school year, and a major part of this work is determining our enrolment numbers for next year. If you are planning on enrolling your child/ children, or you know of somebody who is planning to enrol could you ask them to contact us at school as soon as possible please.

Book Week

Book Character dress up day - Friday, 25th of August. Lightning Reef is excited to be celebrating Book Week once again this year. Students can come to school dressed as their favourite book character. We will begin the day with a whole school parade at 9.10am. Parent are very welcome to attend.

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Student-led Conferences

It was wonderful to see so many of our parents, carers and students attending our Student-led Conferences on Monday. 85% of our parents and carers attended which was fantastic. These conferences gave parents, carers and teachers the opportunity to discuss and set goals as well as Semester 2 reports. The feedback from both staff, parents/carers and students was very positive.

Lost Property

As is often the case, colder weather means we get an increase in lost property. Items that are labelled will be returned to students. Please ensure all items are clearly named. Parents are welcome to come and look through lost property at the office.

From the Principal

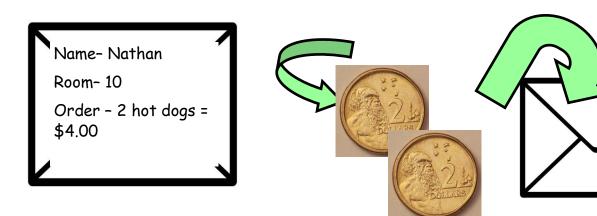
MILO & MARSHMALLOW'S FUNDRAISER

What a huge success our Year 5 fundraiser has been so far.! Ms G and the Year 5's have been very busy making around 70 warm drinks each Friday. So far, we have raised just over \$300 to subsidise the 2024 Yr 6 tops.

SPORTS TEAM COLOURS DAY

On the last day of Term, the SLC will have another fundraiser with a Gold Coin donation. Students can come in their team colours, whether it be the Mighty Magpies, Matilda's Green and Gold, or your local netball or cricket club t shirts. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

To assist the fundraising effort, we will hold a Special Lunch Day on Friday, 15th September. Students can purchase a Hot Dog in a bun for \$2.00 each.









Have a lovely weekend,

Jo Ryan

Principal





Classroom News-Room 4

Room 4 have been working very hard with their weekly SMART spelling sentences and can you believe we have already completed 22 sentences??

This week our focus is the digraph 'ch' and below is our sentence. Can you spot the two words that have 'ch' in them?

We were at the beach and then we went to eat lunch.



Here are some beach jokes for you to enjoy with your family

Why is the beach friendly? Because it *waves*.

Is the beach confident? It's 100% shore.

Who won the race between the sand and the sea? Neither, they tide.

Why did the police get called to the beach?

There was something *fishy* going on

Classroom News-Room 10



Passions and Pathways



Classroom News-Karen Language

Caneball





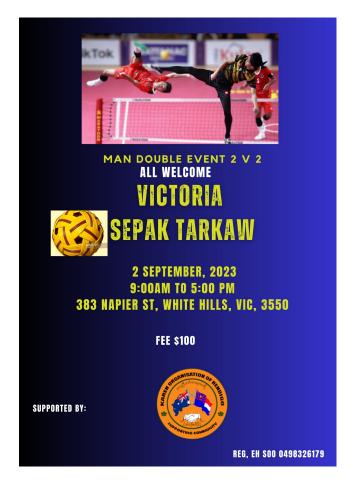
On Wednesday we welcomed Weeroona College students, Eh Soo and Mrs Barker to our school for a demonstration of Caneball. It was wonderful to welcome back three of our former students. Caneball (otherwise known as 'Chilo') is a South East Asian team sport that is a cross between soccer and volleyball. There are 3 players to a side and each team can touch the ball a maximum of 3 times before sending it over the net. The caneball is made of hard plastic and can on struck by the foot, knee or head. Years 3-6 students participated in a clinic with Eh Soo and the players to practise Caneball skills.

All students were amazed at the skills of the players, especially when they performed the 'bicycle' – kicking the ball over the net whilst flipping! A big thank you to Eh Soo and Mrs Barker for bringing their students along. Check out the flyer in this newsletter with information on the professional Caneball tournament that will be held at Weeroona College. Everyone is welcome to come and watch!



Upcoming Events







Assembly Awards—Week 5

Lightning Learner Award			
Room	Name	Reason	
4	Jaxsyn	For working hard to write his name independently without any assistance	
5	Isabella	For recording her thinking during maths lessons.	
7	Drazic	For using adjectives in his sentence to describe a character independently.	
8	Htee Moo	For always trying her best in reading groups.	
2	Issabella	Demonstrating some great editing skills with her argumentative writing.	
3	Tak	trying hard with division tasks	
9	Johnatha	for his brilliant writing structure when writing his information report	
10	Ilyssa	for her hard work and persistence in working towards achieving her math goal	
Art	Jemma	For precise super Sonic speed completing her weaving project!	
PE	Declan	Explaining what an infringement is in team sports	
Music/Drama	Jaxon	For demonstrating excellent body language in an improvised skit.	
LOTE	Theo	For demonstrating the correct pronunciation of Karen words to his class.	

Let's Just Do It Award				
Room	Name	Reason		
4	Eh K' Lu	For being responsible for our classroom and being willing to help keep it clean.		
5	Seth	For being responsible for his belonging each day.		
7	Lucas	For always having a ready to learn attitude		
8	Jet	For attempting all tasks and having a great day on Monday.		
2	Riley	Making some good choices in the playground.		
3	Tyson	trying hard to be a kind friend.		
9	Willow	for encouraging others during Bike Ed.		
10	Sasha	for always trying her best		
Art	Everleigh	For challenging herself to make interesting prints onto her artwork.		
PE	Drazic	For demonstrating resilience when learning a new skill or technique in PE.		
Music/Drama	Samantha	For showing confidence when performing a skit to the class.		
LOTE	Eloise	For showing persistence when pronouncing new Karen words and phrases.		

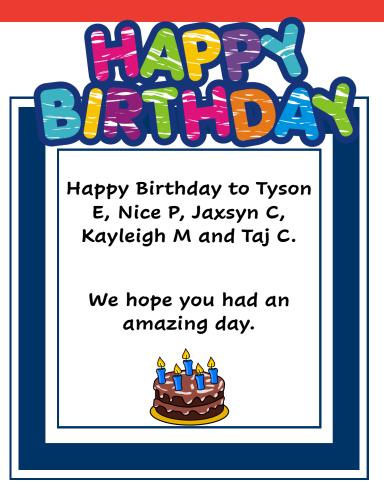


Assembly Awards—Week 6

Lightning Learner Award				
Room	Name	Reason		
4	Evie	Using her SMART Spelling Sound Chart to write new words		
5	Jaycee	Re-reading her writing to ensure it makes sense.		
7	Izzy	Showing how she can use arrays & repeated addition when umltiplying.		
8	Lan Poung Sue	Using the spelling charts to help her during writing		
2	Himani	Showing an improvement in her understanding of division.		
3	Tha Gay Su	Great progress in counting in English during Maths assessment		
3	Emily	Trying hard with her reading tasks		
9	Zahlea	Working hard with division strategies during numeracy		
10	Anneaka	for working hard to comprehend what she is reading		
Art	Jaxon	Showing patience and determination to complete his weaving task.		
PE	Jonas	Demonstrating a strong knowledge of the skills & rules to play football.		
Music/Drama	Willow	Using "dramatic" & descriptive language when reflecting on a performance		
LOTE	Ricky	Pronouncing Karen wrds and phrases fluently.		

Let's Just Do It Award				
Room	Name	Reason		
4	Skye	Having a positive attitude towards her learning!		
5	Tommy	Being his best by following instructions the first time!		
7	Ryan	Offering assistance to others when they don't understand a task		
8	Kwar Lae Lae	Always showing patience & kindness to his classmates.		
2	Ro May Htoo	Taking responsibility for his learning and having a go at challenging work		
3	Matilda	Being a kind friend		
9	Jonas	Being resilient during Bike Ed sessions		
10	Billie	Being a helpful member of Room 10!		
Art	Marlie	Always acting respectfully and politely.		
PE	Lan Poung Sue	Being an excellent team member in group games		
Music/Drama	Ella	Demonstrating confidence when performing a tableau		
LOTE	Annaka	Being an enthusiastic learner in Karen classes		









Bunjil Basketball Club Inco

Hi Everyone,

Are you looking for a fun sport for Summer that's indoors?

Bunjil Basketball Club are looking for players for the upcoming summer competition.

We welcome all levels, especially beginner players.

All you need to do is bring a smile!

Girls & Boys Primary:

Under 10's (born 2015,2016) Under 12's (born 2013,2014)

Under 14's (born 2011,2012)

Girls & Boys Secondary:

Under 16's (born 2010,2009) Under 18's (born 2007,2008)

Adults

Women (Wednesday Competition)

Men (Monday Competition)

For more information contact Amanda on 0429 944 457.

