

Newsletter – 10th December 2025

next week:

Monday 15th December

Grade 6 Mountain Bike

Ride 9:30am – 3pm

Tuesday 16th December

Grade 5 Ride to Apex Park

9:30am – 12pm

Semester 2 Reports go home

Wednesday 17th December

Grade 6 Graduation Night

Thursday 18th December

Last Day of 2025

Civic's Assembly-12:30pm

Early Finish – 1:30pm

Friday 19th December

Pupil Free Day

coming up:

This Thursday 11th Dec

Gr 2 Sleepover

Thursday 5pm drop off

Friday 8am pick up

reminders:

Check Compass for Gr 5 Bike Ed consent and please return equipment request form.

Check Compass for Gr 6 Mountain Bike consent.

Important dates to remember:

Thursday 18th December

Last day for students.

Buses will not be running at 1:30pm for school pickups.

Please make alternative arrangements.

Tuesday 27th January 2026

Uniform Shop open 11:30am – 1:30pm

Wednesday 28th January 2026

Uniform Shop open 11:30am – 3:30pm

Thursday 29th January 2026

Students first day of school – 9am start

WE'RE HIRING!

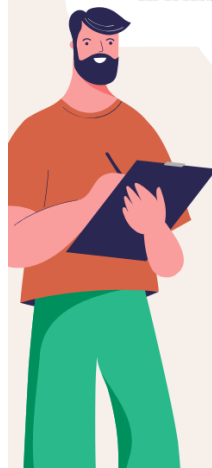
WE'RE LOOKING FOR AN OSHC
COORDINATOR TO JOIN OUR TEAM

APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

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Principal's Report

Teaching Structure for 2026

Last week we published the list of teachers for each area. This week we can now add our ES staff to the list, completing our staffing for 2026. While some changes may happen throughout the year, we are looking forward to a successful start to the year.

Prep:

Teachers: Jess Rowland – Georgia, Amelia

Grade 1/2:

Teachers: Lucinda Jakobi, Sam Barlow, Amanda Ware – Sharni, Annie, Lynda

Grade 3/4:

Teachers: Amber Castleman, Courteney Donaldson, Tammy Estcourt – Michelle, Donna, Sue

Grade 5/6:

Teachers: Jess McManus, Brett Boyd, Carly Simpson – Kellie, Elodie

Specialist teachers for the first semester

P.E. - Kelly Poynton

STEM – Mel Clifford

Art – Nat Bire

Respectful Relationships – Rachael Rebeiro

Mini lit- Lizzie

As you can see, we have added 2 new ES staff for 2026. Sharni Andrew and Elodie Ecomard will be joining the team in 2026, both have been part of transition this week as they settle into their new roles.

Final Assembly: A reminder to all parents that our final assembly will be on Thursday 18th December at 12:30pm, students will then be dismissed at 1:30pm.

Have a great week.

Simon Prior

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Last week

Monday 1/12	81.09%
Tuesday 2/12	80.60%
Wednesday 3/12	85.07%
Thursday 4/12	79.60%
Friday 5/12	80.10%

Pupils of the Week - Congratulations:

Reggie Boland - Reggie always listens to others and makes sure everyone has someone to play with. Keep shining bright Reggie!

Harry Clough - For consistently engaging with peers and classwork. He values his learning and those around him!

Levi Greig - For being able to work with all classmates, contributing his ideas and sharing his knowledge confidently and passionately!

Dusty Bourke - Dusty, you always start the day with a great big smile on your face. You greet everybody with such positivity and kindness. Thank you for making our classroom a brighter place, you make everyone feel they belong in 1/2C.

Aria Kirk - You are consistently helping others both in and out of the classroom. We are so glad we were able to have you in 34A this year.

Daejah-Rose Bunn - You are always treating others with kindness and respect. You look out for other people and make sure everyone feels included and has someone to play with. Thank you for being such a reliable friend in 3/4B. We are lucky to have you, Daejah!

Frankii Doyle - Thank you for your kindness Frankii! You show belonging with your caring nature, not only to your teacher, but to your classmates too!

Remi Perera - Remi has truly made others feel safe, supported and like they belong here at LEPS. Thank you for helping make our school wonderful!

Oscar Greig - It has been so nice seeing you include others throughout this term and being proud of your school. Well done!

Ryder Neilson - Well done on a positive transition to high school. You will achieve great things next year!

Drama Award - Asher Nairn - Asher we love your spirit and the fun you bring in Drama! You listen respectfully, follow instructions, and always include others. Well done!

Phys Ed Award - Dylan Nawrocki - Dylan is always cheering on and encouraging others during PE sessions. Thanks for being a bright light to others, keep on shining!

STEM Award – Akayesha Dowie – Thank you for showing kindness in our classroom, including others and making everyone feel welcome!

Visual Arts Award – Hayden Subin – Hayden is a caring classmate who encourages others, listens and is always keen to help out!

Belonging In 3/4C



How We Care

In 3/4C, belonging grows through the way we care for each other.

We listen, include everyone, and celebrate our differences. Our classroom is a safe space where students feel valued and supported.

By showing kindness, helping others, and working together, we create a community where everyone feels they belong.

Holidays

This holidays stay connected by including family with something your doing, play a game together, watch a movie, or simply thank someone who's always there when you need them.

Transition

Transition has begun this week, and we show belonging by recognising that change can feel exciting for some students and a little scary for others. Across L.E.P.S, our school community has shown strong values of care and connection. Students have helped and encouraged one another, welcomed new classmates and teachers, and made sure everyone feels valued. Through active listening, kindness, teamwork, and trying our best, we continue to build a supportive environment where everyone feels they belong.

Grade 3/4 Art

Grade 3/4 did a wonderful job of painting their self-portraits!



Grades 3/4 make Christmas cards for Fijian students

Last Wednesday 3rd December, students from Lakes Entrance Secondary College visited to make Christmas cards with our Grade 3/4 students. These Christmas cards are being sent to Fiji, with each student getting their own Fijian child to create a card for. We are so grateful to be part of this project, having our some of our own students who have come from Fiji! We can't wait for our reply cards in the new year!



Grade 1 Experience

Last Thursday 4th December, the Grade 1 students stayed at school until 5:30pm.

They went into the library and had ice cream and popcorn, while watching the movie Ice Age, laying on cushions and bean bags. At half time, they went to the playground and some played tag while others played on the monkey bars. It was brilliant watching them play with their friends.

They had pizza for dinner and ate lollies while watching the rest of the movie, until pick up time.





Lunch time 'Rubbish Heroes'

Our lunchtime rubbish hero this week is Talulah Comber-Tidswell, for not only collecting one bag, but three bags of rubbish during her lunch break.

Well done, Talulah, what a great way to show belonging and mutual respect towards our school.



FREE | BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL | AGES 5-12  **Christmas Craft**

After School Craft Activity



Join us for some Christmas fun!

Get into the holiday spirit with our After School Christmas Craft session at the library! This fun, festive workshop is perfect for kids to express their creativity while making a range of Christmas crafts.

Whether it's getting crafty or simply just listening to a Chrissy story there's something for everyone.

*Available crafts are assorted

**Lakes Entrance
Service Centre**
Tuesday 16 December
3.30 pm - 4.30 pm



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Keen to step into umpiring?



Lakes Entrance Netball Association is hosting an **Introduction to Umpiring** session on **7 February 2026**, led by Judi Buhagiar. Perfect for new umpires or anyone wanting to build confidence on the court.

 Lakes Entrance Netball Courts
 1pm – 4pm

Scan the QR code to register!

Kind regards,

Gisele Woods

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