

Newsletter – 18th March 2026

next week:

Monday 23rd March

NAPLAN last day

Kinect2Dance

Tuesday 24th March

Kinect2Dance

Wednesday 25th March

Kinect2Dance

Thursday 26th March

School Photos 9am start

Kinect2Dance

Friday 27th March

Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45

Kinect2Dance

Gr 56 Bowls in Bairnsdale –
selected students

Gr 56 Sailing 9:15am – 2pm

**Assembly 2:30pm for
Kinect2Dance
performance**

coming up:

This Friday 20th March

**Ride 2 School Day 7:30am
@ Apex Park**

**P – 2 Dog Incursion
11:30am – 1pm**

Assembly 2:45pm

Monday 30th March

**Grade 5 depart for
Melbourne Camp**

reminders:

Check Compass for student
activity consent.

Blue parent approval notes
need to be returned ASAP

Friday 20th March Ride to School Day



**Ride to school
day**

Arrive at 7:30- we
leave at 7:45

Meet at apex
park

There will be a
BBQ breakfast at
school

March 20th



If you have any questions, please see
Mr Boyd in 5/6B

This Friday 20th March, meet at Apex Park at 7:30am and walking to school at 7:45am. Enjoy a healthy BBQ breakfast on arrival at school.

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Principal's Report

Upcoming Industrial Action: Many of you may have read about the upcoming industrial action schedule for Tuesday 24th March, by the AEU, as part of the ongoing pay dispute. Currently each AEU member employed at LEPS is determining whether they will stop work on Tuesday or not. Staff must inform me before 5pm on Friday 20th March, if they intend to be away on this day. From there we will then make the necessary arrangements for our students, including informing families of any changes. I apologise for the late notice, but there is an official process we must follow, which is guided and determined by the Education Department.

Annual report: Next week our 2025 Annual report will be presented to School Council as part of our AGM. The report will be available online but clearly highlights the great success we have had across our literacy and numeracy programs. These programs, now running for several years, provide individualised programs for every child catered to their own individual level. These programs clearly highlight the annual goals we set out to achieve for our 4 year targets, including:

How we support each individual child and the ability to cater for so many of their individual needs, outside the traditional learning aspect.

The strong instructional model we have implemented in Reading, Writing and Numeracy.

The ability to cater for targeted individual needs and goal setting, with constant conferring and numeracy pathways. Additional health and wellbeing support for every child, particularly through the implantation of the Berry Street model.

NAPLAN: This week our Grade 3 and 5 students completed a series of assessments as part of the NAPLAN process. While there were a few issues to overcome with the technical system, particularly at the start when every student was attempting to accessing the writing, our students overcame these challenges to perform incredibly well. Watching our students complete the assessments, reinforced how proud we are of our students and what they have achieved. All students showed a commitment to the task, with each of them clearly showing improvement since the beginning of the year. Results will be available later in the year, as we compare against similar schools across the state, and use these results to determine how we can best support our students in their learning.

Easter Raffle: Thank you to those families who have donated to our Easter raffle. A reminder that donations can be accepted at the office at any time. The Easter Raffle will take place on the last day of Term 1 at our school assembly.

Ride to School is Back: This Friday March 20th at 7:30am, we will be meeting at Apex Park to ride to school from 7:45am. Students will also have the opportunity to use their bikes or scooters at school on Friday, so I would encourage as many students as possible to ride to school and don't forget your helmet!! A big breakfast will also be provided from our breakfast club on the morning before school.

Final Day of Term 1: A reminder to parents that Wednesday 1st April will be our final day of Term 1, (Thursday 2nd April is a Pupil free day). Assembly will commence at 1:15pm and school will finish at 2:15pm.

Term 2 begins on Monday 20th April.

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Last week

Monday 9/3	Public Holiday
Tuesday 10/3	87.05%
Wednesday 11/3	84.97%
Thursday 12/3	83.94%
Friday 13/3	81.87%

Simon Prior



Pupils of the Week - Congratulations:

Charlotte Cooke – Charlotte always shows care to the others in our class. She makes sure everyone feels included. She makes our classroom a happy place!

Kobe Hobbs – For valuing others and engaging them to join in, then valuing their participation!

Xavier Pompei – Xavier, you consistently show belonging in the way you care for all the people in our class. Thank you for looking after us!

Ryder Pitt – For helping and encouraging others during reading groups and always allowing people to join in activities. Fantastic job, Ryder!

Milly Comber-Tidswell – You consistently show belonging each and every day, helping out your friends and staff with anything, without being asked!

Aria Kirk – For always showing kindness to others and making sure everyone feels included and heard during class activities. Thank you for always being kind and caring, Aria!

Harry Clough – Harry is always caring towards others and includes children when they are alone. He works hard and encourages others too!

Dwine Rigor – For always being kind and helpful in class. Thank you for all of your help!

Bodhi Gannon – Bodhi always shows how proud he is of LEPS. Keep the positive attitude going!

Jonah Tyter – You arrive at school each day with a smile, ready to support your teachers and peers. Within our classroom you show kindness and empathy, always making sure your classmates feel like part of the group, and noticing when someone needs support. Thanks for being you!

Phys Ed Award – Monica Orr – Monica consistently shows belonging in Physical Education. She joins in all activities and encourages others to also. Thanks for listening to whoever is speaking and valuing what they say. Keep it up superstar!

Respectful Relationships Award – Akayesha Dowie – You consistently check in on those around you and your kindness always shines through. Keep being a superstar!★

STEM Award – Marlow Trainer - Marlow was outstanding in STEM, using Canva to create a poster about compost. She was able to help others have success showing amazing kindness to all. Well done!

Visual Arts Award – Peyton McDonnell – For always listening respectfully, helping others and looking after the equipment we use. Thank you!

3-4 C BELONGING

DURING CLASS DISCUSSION WE CAME UP WITH THESE DEFINITIONS FOR BELONGING;

BEING KIND TO SHOW OTHERS THEY BELONG .

BEING KIND AND HELPFUL TO INCLUDE OTHER PEOPLE AND TO HELP PEOPLE WHO NEED IT.



INCLUDING ONE ANOTHER. SHARING AND WEARING OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOWS BELONGING.



MAKING SURE YOU WEAR SCHOOL UNIFORM

BELONGING IS CARING FOR THE EQUIPMENT.

BELONGING IS LISTENING TO WHAT OTHER PEOPLE HAVE TO SAY!

SAYING, "GOOD JOB" SHOWS PEOPLE THEY BELONG.

BELONGING IS WORKING AS A TEAM



GIPPSLAND SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY

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Lakes Entrance Primary School Photo date : THURSDAY 26th MARCH 2026

Go to www.gippslandschoolphotography.com.au and click the order button

Enter access key: **S2GEG7XG**

Family photo orders must be placed by midday - 25th March

No family orders can be placed online after the cutoff date.



Easter

Easter Raffle



Easter

Our Easter Raffle will be held on Wednesday 1st April, at our Civic's Assembly.

Each book will contain 5 sheets of 2 tickets. (10 tickets)

You can purchase as many or as little as you like.

Each ticket is \$1

Each book is \$10.

Fill out your name and phone number on each ticket purchased.

Return the tickets to the school office before Friday 27th March.

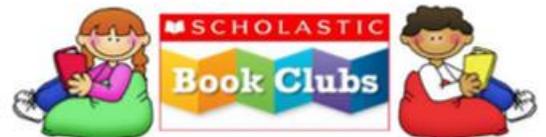
Donations

We are looking for donations to help make our Easter Raffle a success.

Please leave your Easter themed donations with the front office, before Friday 27th March 2026.

Thank you for your support

Book Club



Book Club orders 2026

Issue 3

Cut off date:
Monday 30th March.

Don't forget
to have your orders ready
before or on
the cut off date.



Regional Swimming

Last Thursday 12th March, Grade 5 student Ace, competed in the regional swimming trials in butterfly and breaststroke. While he didn't place amongst the tough competition, he achieved a massive PB for butterfly!

Your hard work and dedication to your sport is inspiring and we think you're amazing, Ace!



Building Demolition Begins

The building demolition started on Tuesday 17th March. It was a drizzly morning, but that didn't stop the workmen, or the students from enjoying watching, before the morning bell went.



Grade 6 Bowls

Shout out to Mike, Gary and Boyd from the Lakes Entrance Bowls Club who have given their time weekly to teach our Grade 6s the skills of lawn bowls. The kids have loved the lessons and are working towards putting together some teams for an inter school competition!



EAST GIPPSLAND
SHIRE LIBRARIES

FREE | BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

After School Easter Craft

Decorate Your Own Egg Cup

AGES 5-12



Hop into your local library this Easter!

Come ready to listen to a story and get creative by decorating your very own wooden egg cup!



Libraries
Change Lives

Bairnsdale Library
Monday 30 March
3.45 pm – 4.45 pm

Lakes Entrance Service Centre
Monday 30 March
3.45 pm – 4.45 pm

Mallacoota Service Centre
Thursday 2 April
3.45 pm – 4.45 pm

Orbost Service Centre
Tuesday 31 March
3.45 pm – 4.45 pm

Omeo Service Centre
Monday 30 March
3.30 pm – 4.30 pm

Paynesville Service Centre
Tuesday 31 March
3.45 pm – 4.45 pm

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Scan the QR code



SNAAP

SPECIAL NEEDS AQUATIC AWARENESS PROGRAM

SLSLE is running our second SNAAP session! A water safety program ran for people of any age or ability.

Surf Life Saving Lakes Entrance, March 22nd 11am-1pm

Come on down to learn about key water safety messages, and get hands on experience in and around the water.

Sign up now!



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