

# Newsletter

## Lindenow South Primary School



Newsletter #12  
Term 3, 8/09/2025

### Upcoming Calendar Dates

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Newsletter
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	MARC Van visits
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> September	Footy Colours Day
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Local Police Visit
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	Assembly 3pm-3:15pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	School Council Meeting
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Final Day of Term 3 - 2:15pm finish - BBQ for students

### Assistant Principal Report

A very special Happy Father's Day to all our dads and father figures. We hope you enjoyed a lovely weekend, were suitably spoilt, and enjoyed the treats our students made with love just for you.

As we head into the final weeks of term, I would like to let our community know that I will be taking Long Service Leave from Thursday 12th September through to the end of term. I am off to see my eldest daughter all the way over in Western Australia.

We still have some exciting events coming up before the holidays. On **Friday 12th September** we will celebrate **Footy Colours Day**. Students are encouraged to come dressed in their favourite team colours and will enjoy a special lunch of party pies, a milkshake, and popcorn. At lunchtime, footballs will be out for a kick around with Troy (Thank you, Troy!).

On **Tuesday 16th September**, we will welcome members of our **local police force** who will be visiting to talk to students about **online safety and personal wellbeing**.

I would also like to congratulate our students and staff on a very successful fire drill this week. The whole school evacuated and assembled safely in a total of just 7 minutes — well done to everyone for a calm and efficient effort.

Thank you for your continued support of our school community. I look forward to hearing about these wonderful events and the positive experiences they will bring our students.

Kind Regards,  
Stephanie Hoekstra  
Assistant Principal

## **Troy and Roxy's Birthday**

### **Date: Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August**

We helped Troy celebrate his birthday last Thursday with some delicious chocolate cake. We thank him for all that he does around our school — from looking after the grounds, driving our bus, and helping with maintenance, to supporting our kitchen garden program. We truly appreciate you, Troy!

Roxy also celebrated her birthday on Thursday (7<sup>th</sup>), sharing some delicious cakes with the school and special treats with her class. We hope you had a wonderful day, Roxy!



## **Assembly Awards**

### **Date: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

A big congratulations to Troy, Roxy and Mrs Perry on receiving your awards this week. It is wonderful to see our students recognising the hard work of our staff. Well done to Bodhi for achieving 75 nights of reading and completing your orange, green and blue words. Congratulations also to Laken for achieving her pink and purple words – learning in leaps and bounds! Finally, a huge well done to Luca for your persistence in achieving your golden words. We are so proud of you all!



## Kitchen Garden Program

### Date: Friday 5th September (Seniors)

We had a very busy Friday in our Kitchen Garden program, making Father's Day cards and gifts, as well as cooking some delicious treats.



## Kitchen Garden Program

### Date: Friday 5th September (Juniors)

The juniors also made cards, gifts and cooked, as well as planting seeds in their very own new garden near the front of the school. We look forward to watching it grow and seeing the colours bloom over the coming weeks.



## Breakfast Club –

Our program now runs **Wednesday to Friday from 8:30–8:50am.**

Please note that **Monday is still the only day** students can bring lunches to be heated. Thank you for your support in helping us keep things running smoothly!

## Lindenow South Primary School Student Wellbeing & Learner Diversity

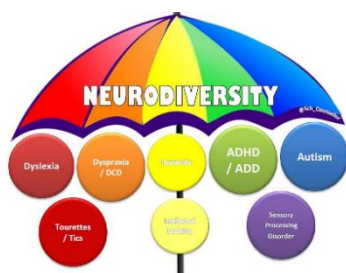
### Parent Learning Series: Supporting Our Children

Each week we'll explore a different topic together to support our children in learning and life. Over the coming weeks we'll be looking at **neurodiversity**, **anxiety**, **screen time**, and practical strategies to help our children thrive.

- This week, we continue with looking at **Embracing Neurodiversity**. In the following weeks, we'll explore:
- **Why it's Important to Embrace Neurodiversity**
- **How to Embrace Neurodiversity in Family Life**
- **How to Embrace Neurodiversity in the Community**
- **How Schools Can Embrace Neurodiversity**

After this, we'll move into a focus on **anxiety** and then **screen time**, unpacking each topic in small, practical ways.

We look forward to learning together and sharing ideas that can make a real difference for our children.



### Embracing Neurodiversity

**Embracing neurodiversity** means accepting, including, celebrating, and supporting neurodivergent children. Their differences are a natural part of human variation and do not need to be “fixed” or changed.

Embracing neurodiversity involves:

- Recognising that neurodivergent children may approach tasks and activities differently from neurotypical children.
- Adapting tasks and activities so neurodivergent children can fully participate.
- Valuing and building on the strengths and skills neurodivergent children are proud of.
- Supporting neurodivergent children to develop strategies for everyday tasks and activities that work naturally for them.
- Accepting behaviours such as stimming, as long as they do not interfere with daily life.
- Ensuring schools, sports clubs, social groups, and community organisations are inclusive and supportive of neurodivergent children.

Neurodivergent children can be affected by environmental factors like noise, light, and the expectations of others. It is not the responsibility of the child to change; instead, environments and expectations should adapt to better include and celebrate their differences.



# Want something to do on the holidays?



**Community day**

Our Safe Place  
**YOOWINNA WURNALUNG ABORIGINAL**  
Healing Service

Everyone's Welcome!

**Tuesday, Sept 30th!**  
**11 AM - 3 PM**  
*transport provided*


*Coming together Enjoy food & fun games for the whole community*

**UWAHS - Nicholson Farm**  
lot 107 Hazeldene Crescent Nicholson, Vic 3875





**FREE EVENT!**  
**BOOK AN Adventure**



**Children's Book Party**

Local Children's Authors  
James Hart Illustrator

**Storytime**  
**Competitions**  
**Birthday cake**  
**Treat bags**  
**Calligraphy with Danny!**  
**Raffle & more!**

  
  
James Hart Illustrator

  
CBCA Gippsland Region

  
THE CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA  
SINCE 1945 — YOUR CONNECTION TO STORY

**Dress up as your favourite book character and join our dress up parade!**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**  
**10-12.30pm**  
Scan QR code for bookings

  
**SCHOOLWORKS**  
SUPPLIES

**147 Macleod St, Bairnsdale VIC (Next to EG Water)**