

LUCKNOW BELL

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Students and staff at Lucknow Primary School acknowledge the Gunai Kurnai people of the Brabuwooloong land in which our school stands. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.



SCHOOL CALENDAR –Term 3 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JULY 28	29	30	31	AUGUST 1
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:15 -11:00am - Regional Winter Sports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walk to School 8am - Open Morning for Prep 2026 families 9:00am-10:00am - Assembly 2:40pm
4	5	6	7	8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tim Bull visiting Gr 6's at 11:30am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ICAS (Digital Tech) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am - Run Stars 8:15-8:45am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:15 -11:00am - ICAS (Writing) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walk to School 8am - Run Stars 8:15-8:45am - Preps 100 Days of School
11	12	13	14	15
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - District Athletics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ICAS (English) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am - Run Stars 8:15-8:45am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:15 - 11:00am - JSC Pyjama Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walk to School 8am - Run Stars 8:15-8:45am - Assembly 2:40pm - Book Week Dress Up Day
18	19	20	21	22
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ICAS (Science & Spelling Bee) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gr 6 Camp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am - Run Stars 8:15-8:45am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:15 -11:00am - Gr 6 Camp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Breakfast Club 8:15am – 8:30am - Gr 6 Camp - Come & Play Prep 2026 Afternoon 3:30-4:30pm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walk to School 8am - Run Stars 8:15-8:45am - Gr 6 Camp

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Welcome Back to Term 3! Term 3 is often called the '*learning term*' – it's a time when we see amazing growth in student learning, and we can't wait to see what our students achieve over the coming months!

A warm welcome to our new students **Bodhi (PMG), Chanel (PVG), Chloe (3CT), Aiden (34M), Akyras (34B), and Christian (45W)**. We're so excited to have you join our Lucknow Primary School community – we hope you love it here as much as we do!

Spelling Bee Success!

It was an absolute privilege to watch our Year 5 and 6 representatives take part in the recent Lucknow Spelling Bee. Every student showed incredible bravery and confidence as they stood before the audience and tackled some very tricky words – you should all be extremely proud of yourselves!

A huge congratulations to Bonnie (5CM), Jimmy (56I), Bennett (56I), and Violet (6CM) who will now represent Lucknow Primary School at the district Vic Spell event in Paynesville in the coming weeks. We wish you the very best of luck!

2026 Enrolments

It is hard to believe it is already that time of year where we start planning for our 2026 classes!

For families looking to enrol their child in Prep for 2026, we are excited to be holding our **second Open Morning this Friday, 1st August, from 9:00–10:00am**.

If you know friends or family who are considering enrolling, please share this date with them. If they can't make it, they are welcome to contact our office to arrange a tour at a time that suits.

PJ Day – Snuggle up with a Book!

Our Junior School Council is raising funds to support the homeless and is excited to announce a **PJ Day on Wednesday, 13th August**.

The theme is '**Snuggle up with a Book**' – so come dressed in your favourite weather-appropriate pyjamas and make sure to wear suitable footwear.

Students are asked to bring along a **gold coin donation** to help support this great cause.

School Values

At LPS our school values are 'Respect', 'Inclusiveness' and 'Resilience'. This term we are highlighting and exploring our values with a specific focus value – where students learn about demonstrating the behaviours and attitudes attributed to this value. This week's focus value is RESPECT:

- We show respect and care for people, belongings and our environment.
- We solve problems in a caring and thoughtful way.
- We will listen to our peers and staff members when they are talking and follow instructions appropriately.

Student Learning

Our current whole-school Writing Trait focus is Word Choice. This is all about picking just the right words to make writing pop – words that are colourful, fresh, and snappy, helping the reader clearly see and feel the author's ideas.

Our senior students have been working hard on persuasive writing in class, so this fortnight's challenge is to write a persuasive piece about something you'd like to see changed at our school.

I can't wait to read your clever ideas and share some of your work in the next newsletter – so get writing, kiddos!

Happy learning, everyone!

Carly Miller - Principal

SPELLING BEE

Congratulations to Jimmy and Bonnie from Grade 5 and Bennett and Violet from Grade 6, who will be representing Lucknow Primary School at the District Vic Spell Finals at Paynesville Primary School on Monday 25th August.

We wish you the best of luck!

Congratulations to all students who competed in the Lucknow Spelling Bee on Monday and Tuesday this week.



SPORTS NEWS

2025 Melbourne Stars Regional Roadshow

The **Melbourne Stars** (T20 Cricket team) will be heading across Regional Victoria to encourage people to play cricket and get around the Stars for the upcoming cricket season.

They are planning to visit Bairnsdale on Wednesday August 27th at 1:00pm for a 1-hour session, with players from the **Melbourne Stars Squad** and provide giveaways for students. The plan would be for Lucknow PS and one other school to gather at the Bairnsdale City Oval to engage in the clinic. Their preference is for Grade 3 & 4 students so they will be given first priority. Students in these classes have been given a form to complete and return so we can see how many of those students are interested initially. It is a fantastic opportunity for the kids to meet a couple of the Melbourne Stars players.

District Athletics Team Training

Training will be offered for those students who have made it into the Lucknow PS Athletics team commencing from this week. The team sheet has been posted on the Lucknow PS 'UEducateUs' Announcements page.

Training will be at lunchtimes (1.45-2.10pm) and will on the following days:

Monday:	Hurdles
Tuesday:	N/A
Wednesday:	Long jump & Triple jump
Thursday:	High jump
Friday:	Shot put & Discus

"Active Allstars" program

An exciting opportunity for students to engage in regular weekly fitness activities will commence from next week. Initially, it will begin with 'RunStars' on Wednesday and Friday mornings (8.15-8.45am) at the top gate of the school near the carpark of Lucknow Park.

The emphasis will be on improving student fitness levels through middle distance running training sessions.

SSV State Cross Country

Last Thursday 24th July, Abby Telford (5CM) participated in the SSV State Cross Country Championships at Yarra Glen. Under quite trying circumstances with the muddy tricky course, Abby performed really well and came away finishing 83rd in the state for her age. On behalf of everyone at Lucknow PS, congratulations on a magnificent effort and result Abby!

Class	Student
PAS	<i>Eleanor and Owen for their amazing progress with Writing! It is so great to see the growth you are making both with your writing and your improved self-confidence. I love your smiles and pride in what you achieve - what great learners you both are!</i>
PEM	<i>Ashton, it's so wonderful to see you go out of your way to support your friends and show them how to do things. Your kindness and willingness to help others makes a big difference in our classroom. Keep being amazing!</i>
PMB	<i>Zane, you have come back to school with such a bubbly and outgoing nature. We have loved watching your confidence grow and it has been a delight to see you making fantastic choices in the classroom. Great work superstar!</i>
PVG	<i>Elliot and Clarity, what a great start to Term 3! Your writing has been fantastic, writing the sounds that you hear and your writing is making sense. Well done!</i>
1CW	<i>Reggie for a positive start to the term, you have been working hard to stay focused and complete all learning tasks. Keep up the fantastic work, Reggie!</i>
1ES	<i>Arlo, for a great start to Term 3! You always show enthusiasm for your learning and enjoy challenging yourself with new goals. Keep up the great work!</i>
1MW	<i>Leon, for his independence whilst doing his holiday writing and his use of resources around the classroom to help him. Keep up the great work Leon.</i>
12D	<i>Mia for her insightful contributions to class discussions. Keep up the great work Mia!</i>
2JS	<i>Charlie for his outstanding start to Term 3. Your focus and determination while completing all learning tasks make you an amazing role model to your classmates. Keep it up, I am so impressed!</i>
2MP	<i>Arlo for his kindness and care towards others—always helping when someone is hurt and making sure no one feels left out. You're a true champ!</i> <i>Zahli for her commitment to achieving her learning goals, especially in Reading. Keep it up Zahli!</i>
2NT	<i>Betty, you show respect to every member of our classroom. You're always willing to help others and consistently display kindness in everything you do. Your caring nature makes our class a better place! Keep being you.</i>
3AG	<i>Alistair for his shift in mindset this term. Alistair you have started this term with an amazing positive mindset towards your learning. You persistently see tasks through to the end and should be proud of your efforts!</i>
3CT	<i>Nayah for being persistent during problem solving in Maths.</i> <i>Dom for using classroom resources to help yourself during the time test.</i>
34B	<i>Larni and Ayden, you have both been wonderful role models by consistently showing our school values and doing your best. Your positive attitudes make a big difference in our classroom. Well done!</i>

34M	<i>Chloe, you can always be counted on to do your best in the classroom. You take pride in your work and work hard to finish your tasks. Your writing is always original and you are not afraid of being in the learning pit during Maths. You should be proud of your cheerful attitude. Well Done.</i>
34R	<i>Braxton for being an excellent role model for our grade 3's by continually offering to help them and showing them support when asked. Good job Braxton!</i>
4JW	<i>Camilla and Darby for setting a great example for their peers and for consistently demonstrating the school's values. Well done superstars!</i>
45W	<i>Dusty-Ray for being a very inclusive class member and for working really hard on deepening her confidence in Maths. Well done Dusty-Ray.</i>
5CM	<i>Tyler for his improved focus in writing activities, your writing pieces are well written and demonstrate great word choice. I can see how you are so proud of your writing as they are now always named!</i>
5DC	<i>Nate & Max for demonstrating outstanding effort and perseverance when solving percentage discount problems in Math, great job throwing yourself into the 'Learning Pit!'</i>
56I	<i>Ben for taking responsibility for your learning by making mature and thoughtful choices. Keep up the great work!</i>
6CM	<i>Tilly for amazing growth in teaching and a fantastic attitude to learning.</i>
6LS	<i>Winston for his contribution to Maths reasoning discussions and his resilience and awesome work in STEM and leaf plot maths sessions. Keep up the great work!</i>
6SF	<i>Lyler for her success in Maths last week, including showing plenty of improvement with her statistics and probability skills, and finding solutions in our game of 'Operation Switch' that others couldn't see!</i>
Principal's Award	<i>Alistair of 3AG for his tremendous start to the term. Your learning focus and determination is admirable. You should be very proud of yourself Al – Top job legend!</i>

DO YOU REALLY KNOW WHAT YOUR KIDS ARE DOING ONLINE?



Join us as we cover a range of topics surrounding online safety for your family. This session will encourage open conversations and opportunities to share tips and tricks from your own experiences.

Topics covered;

- Online safety basics and what to look out for
- Good online habits (how to build digital intelligence)
- How much time should my child spend online?
- How do I choose age-appropriate content?
- Is my child old enough for a smart phone?
- Preparing my child for social media and more.....

Children are welcome to attend.

Wednesday Aug 13th

5.30pm-7pm



Paynesville



Neighbourhood Centre
(Next to the library- enter from rear carpark)

FREE

Light refreshments provided



Bookings essential.
To register, contact PNC on
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