

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.



WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mr Huddy's Running Buddies 8:15-8:45am. Meet at the top gate near the Playground		- Breakfast Club in the Hall 8:15am – 8:45am - Mr Huddy's Running Buddies 8:15-8:45am. Meet at the top gate near the Playground	Breakfast Club in the Hall 8:15am – 8:30am	Walk to School 8am. Meet at the corner of Flinns Rd and the Highway or join along the way!

SCHOOL CALENDAR –Term 3 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
AUGUST 3	4	5	6	7
			- Prep 100 days of school Parade at 9:10am	- Assembly 2:40pm
10	11	12	13	14
	- Grade 6 Camp	- Grade 6 Camp	- Grade 6 Camp - Come & Play Prep 2027 Afternoon 3:30-4:30pm	- Grade 6 Camp
17	18	19	20	21
			- Come & Play Prep 2027 Afternoon 3:30-4:30pm - Spelling Bee at Bairnsdale West	- Commonwealth Games Incursion - Assembly 2:40pm
24	25	26	27	28
- Grade 5 Camp	- Grade 5 Camp - Somers Camp	- Grade 5 Camp - Somers Camp	- Grade 5 Camp - Somers Camp - Come & Play Prep 2027 Afternoon 3:30-4:30pm	- Somers Camp

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It has been another busy and productive fortnight at Lucknow Primary School, with students continuing to engage enthusiastically in their learning.

As we move through the term, I would also like to remind everyone of the importance of kindness. Kindness is one of the simplest yet most powerful ways we can make a positive difference to those around us. Whether it is including someone in a game, using respectful words, standing up for others, or simply offering a smile, these everyday actions help create the safe, welcoming and inclusive school community we all value. We encourage families to continue these conversations at home, reinforcing the importance of treating everyone with respect and compassion.

2027 Enrolments

We have been welcoming a lot of school tours through the office at the moment, with people getting organised for 2027.

Our 'Come and Play' sessions are coming up in the Prep rooms. These are a great way to help children meet staff, make new friends, and familiarise themselves with the Prep learning spaces. Our first session is next week, Thursday, August 13th from 3.30pm–4.30pm.

If you know friends or family who are considering enrolling in 2027, please encourage them to contact our office to arrange a tour at a time that suits.

Student Learning

It has been wonderful to observe our students' passion for writing! I have had many students from Prep to Grade 6 proudly sharing their writing with me – thank you for sharing!

Our current whole-school Writing Trait focus has now moved to **Ideas**. Ideas are the heart of great writing. Strong writers do not always settle for the first idea that comes to mind—they wonder, imagine, question and explore. We encourage all students to challenge themselves to think beyond the obvious and develop ideas that are interesting, original and full of detail.

This fortnight, I am setting the challenge for students to write about discovering a door that has never been opened before. Where is it? What is behind it? Why has it stayed closed for so long? Let's get creative... I can't wait to read your ideas and will be sharing them in the next newsletter – get writing, kiddos! Check out our LPS Authors' page in this edition of our newsletter!

Happy learning everyone!

Carly Miller – Principal

PARENT TEACHER CHATS

Due to the proposed industrial action on Wednesday 19th August, we have **postponed** interviews to Week 8. The new dates for Parent Teacher Interviews are **Monday 31st August and Wednesday 2nd Sept** from **3:40 pm–5:40 pm**. Some teachers may have slightly different availability.

Bookings will be available are now available via the uEducateUs app in coming weeks, and families are welcome to book with both classroom and specialist teachers.

These interviews are a valuable opportunity to celebrate the amazing growth your child has made so far this year, discuss current learning goals, and strengthen the partnership between home and school. We look forward to connecting with you and celebrating each student's learning and achievements.

As always, families are welcome to reach out at any time throughout the year - these interviews are simply another opportunity.

Tara Thomson - Assistant Principal

SMART WATCHES – Mobile Device Policy

We have noticed an increase in the number of students wearing smart watches to school (e.g. Apple Watch, KidsO'clock, Spacetalk).

Please be aware that any wearable device that can connect to a mobile phone (when within range) or has its own cellular/mobile network capability is covered by the school's Mobile Device Policy.

If your child needs to bring this type of device to school, they must follow the same requirements as mobile phones. This means the device must be handed in to the classroom teacher at the beginning of the day and collected at the end of the school day.

Thank you for your support.

LPS Mobile Device Policy



AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY:

- *Your mobile device must be turned off and be in your bag on school grounds.
- *You must give your device to your classroom teacher. It will be locked securely in a cupboard.

AT THE END OF THE DAY

- *Your teacher will return your device to you once the bell has gone. You must put it in your school bag.
- *You must not remove the device from your school bag until you have left the school grounds.



IF YOU ARE FOUND TO NOT BE FOLLOWING THE ABOVE:

- * Mobile device will be confiscated and taken to the office.
- * An appointment with the Principal will be required to have the device returned.

PREP 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL

On Thursday 6th August, our Foundation classes (PNT, PMB, PAS and P1G- including Grade Ones in this class) will be celebrating 100 Days of School!

The students will proudly parade around the school at 9:10am, wearing their decorated 100 Days T-shirts and capes. Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us for the parade and help celebrate this special milestone with our Foundation students.

To finish the celebrations, each Foundation class will enjoy a 100 Days of School party. Families are kindly asked to send a plate of food to share with their child's class.

We can't wait to celebrate 100 wonderful days of learning, growing and having fun!



CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK® 2026

In Partnership With THE CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA **LIVE!**

SOMETHING SPECIAL

by Craig Christie

Children's Book Week® 2026 theme: **SYMPHONY OF STORIES**

Program Overview

It was the school project Shelly had been dreaming of! She was sure she'd come up with **SOMETHING SPECIAL** and surprise everyone with an original song she knew would be a winner! But things get complicated when she's paired with her new neighbour Tom, who has just moved in next door — and into her class! Dragging the unwilling Tom along, Shelly begins her attempt to create **SOMETHING SPECIAL**, despite the fact that **he** has as little interest in **music** as **she** has in the **books** he always carries around. They'll have to learn a lot about each other if they're going to have any chance of achieving a happy outcome that they can both be part of...

Celebrate **Children's Book Week® 2026** with a brand new interactive musical adventure which explores the **2026 Children's Book Week® theme Symphony of Stories** and brought to schools across Australia by Perform Education in partnership with The Children's Book Council of Australia.

By bringing to life a selection of the 2026 CBCA Shortlisted books in a story about **creativity, perseverance, kindness** and the importance of **not 'judging a book by its cover'**, **SOMETHING SPECIAL** is a fun-filled and interactive literacy experience created to engage students and leave everyone cheering for an encore.

Quick Information 2026

Children's Book Week® dates:
Saturday 22nd Aug - Friday 28th Aug, 2026

LIVE Tour Dates:
Monday 3rd Aug - Friday 11th Sep, 2026

Available:
NSW, VIC, QLD, SA, WA, ACT

Suitability:
Junior version - Years F-2
General version - Grades Mixed
Senior version - Years 5-6

Duration:
Junior - 40 mins + discussion time
General/Senior - 50 mins + discussion time

Location:
Live, in your school!

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Absolutely OUTSTANDING. Both our students and our staff were **TOTALLY engaged from beginning to end. One of the most memorable performances I have seen in my whole teaching career! (40 years +).**
St Anthony's Catholic Primary School, NSW

Thoroughly engaging and entertaining. What a way to celebrate book week by bringing a story to life!
St William's Primary School, QLD

A really amazing way to engage students of all abilities in literacy, to motivate them and to inspire them.
Quinns Baptist College, WA

It was great to see the books we had been reading come to life in different ways.
Sacred Heart School, VIC

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EDUCATION

KINDER BUDDIES

This semester, our Grade 3 students will be spending time with their kinder buddies as part of our Buddy Program. 3CW were the first to visit the Kinder 4 group at Lucknow Kindergarten, and it was wonderful to see the Grade 3 students playing alongside the younger children with such care, kindness and compassion.

These buddy visits are also a valuable part of the Kinder 4 students' transition to school. With their school visits beginning soon, spending time with the Grade 3 students helps them become more familiar and comfortable with school life. It also provides a great opportunity for the kinder students to ask questions and learn more about what to expect when they start school.



Once upon time it was very foggy morning and the fog was purple. I could not see anything. The fog was very thick and dark. I was feeling super doper scared. I didn't know which way home was.

I had a medium map, and I had a plate sized compass. I slowly followed the map and compass home. My compass was not moving a single bit. The sun went down and it got darker and I didn't have a torch. I got lost forever.

Bianca 1EG

Foggy mornings always comences,
When I stand outside the fog feels like a chill running up my spine. The farther I get the thicker it gets and the quicker it gets up my spine.

Fog is comanded to be in the area at dawn.

I walk through the fog, it feels like old giant rain clouds that ran out of water many years ago.

Eliza 5CM

'A Foggy Morning'

By LPS Authors

I stumble through the forest,
the fog is so thick I'm choking in it.

Rustle, rustle,

I look left, absolutely nothing,

I squint right,

bright yellow eyes,

looking up at me.

A chill shoots down my spine.

I run,

the fog is so thick,

I can only see a couple of meters ahead.

I trudge on,

I stop for a breath.

my legs,

every inch is scratched.

it's not behind me.

but I know deep down inside this is not the end

Elsie 45K.

We drive to school each morning
On misty roads with faintly coloured trees

Swishing grass on the foggy hills

Clouds all around in the morning light

It's hard to see the paddocks we pass

Filled with sheep, cows and frosty grass

Char 3SE

I looked out the window and then I could not see anything because it was such a foggy morning. At school we went out to recess and it was too foggy. We had to go inside. Then the school had to close because it was foggy. We went home. It was too cold outside because of the fog. The neighbours came to play. Then we relaxed.

Immy 1EG

Class	Student
PAS	<i>Anna for the absolutely amazing progress and growth she has been making with all her learning! You are zooming along and we love your growing confidence Anna!</i>
PMB	<i>Poet, we're so incredibly proud of your learning this term. You're so eager to learn and we have been so pleased to see you beginning to write sentences in your book. You should be so proud of yourself, superstar!</i>
PNT	<i>Charlotte, you consistently follow our classroom expectations, and your work is always presented to such a high standard. You take great care and pride in everything you do, and it truly shows in the wonderful progress you are making. You should be incredibly proud of yourself, keep up the fantastic work!</i>
P1G	<i>Matthew has been trying really hard in Maths, Spelling and Reading. We can see you having a go and we are so proud Matthew. Keep it up. Well done!</i> <i>Clarity is such a supportive and helpful member of P1G. We appreciate your positivity and kind words. Awesome work Clarity!</i>
1CB	<i>Noah and Eleanor for continuing to build their resilience when things get tricky.</i>
1EG	<i>Alirah and Rhylan for being brave and settling in so beautifully to 1EG. We are so lucky to have you!</i>
1MP	<i>Norah for working so hard with her sounds. You're doing some amazing learning Norah. Keep it up!</i>
12G	<i>Lottie & Logan for their focus and resilience during maths problem-solving.</i>
2DM	<i>Willow for brightening our classroom with her positive energy and kindness. You are always trying your best and I'm very impressed with your planet information report. Keep it up!</i> <i>Chance for being an inclusive friend and going out of his way to help others. You should be very proud of your efforts in the classroom and your growing independence. Keep it up!</i>
2FW	<i>All of 2FW for being so resilient and adaptable last week. I am very proud of you all!</i>
2MC	<i>Elsie for always being such a friendly and cheerful member of our class. Keep up the great work!</i>
3CT	<i>Zahli for applying the strategies you have learned in Math when working through your thinking. Your ability to use these strategies has helped you solve problems with confidence and independence. Keep up the great work!</i> <i>Isla for being resilient in Mathematics and applying a new strategy to check your working. Your persistence and willingness to try different approaches have helped you grow in confidence and accuracy. Keep up the fantastic effort!</i>
3CW	<i>Aurora for always persisting with problem solving in Maths and using efficient strategies to support your thinking. Keep up the great work!</i> <i>Courtney, it has been wonderful to see the progress you have made with your reading. You have developed a range of effective reading strategies that are helping you become a more confident reader. Keep up the fantastic work!</i>
3SE	<i>Jayce and Olivia for showing a positive attitude and respectful behaviour in class. Keep it up!</i>
34F	<i>Elijah for maintaining a positive attitude, including when receiving feedback. Keep it up Elijah!</i>

	<i>Ryka for helping others out when they need it, without being asked to. You are very kind and thoughtful Ryka!</i>
34R	<i>Amanda for doing a fantastic job following instructions and working hard. Great work Amanda.</i>
4EB	<i>Lexi and Hugo, you both consistently demonstrate all 3 of our school values, both within the classroom and out in the yard. You are fantastic role models and make our class such an enjoyable place to be! Well done.</i>
4YM	<i>Ivey your poetry is fabulous. You choose new and interesting words to paint beautiful pictures in the reader's mind. Well Done!</i>
45K	<i>Axle and Jackson for strong prose pieces. Well done!</i>
5CM	<i>Bernie for the powerful vocabulary he is using to write his emotive proses. NJ for sharing his efficient strategies clearly with the class when converting fractions.</i>
5JW	<i>Fletcher and Mischa for writing poems that are interesting, detailed and well-crafted. Keep up the awesome work.</i>
56I	<i>Evelyn for your mature attitude to learning and for consistently seeking feedback in Literacy to improve your writing and reading responses! Amazing work! Davron for your mature attitude to your learning and showing improved application to your work. Keep up the awesome work!</i>
6CM	<i>Zara and Penny for the effort they put into maths problem solving, working together to solve all the possibilities. Well done!</i>
6JC	<i>Lewis for his application and leadership in the classroom. Keep it up Lewis!</i>
6LS	<i>Jordan, you are always respectful and focused in class. You are a great role model, keep it up!</i>
Principal's Award	<i>Skylah of 1CB for demonstrating kindness and inclusiveness! You have gone above and beyond to make a new student feel welcome in our beautiful school community. Your caring actions have helped them feel safe, included and valued from the very beginning. Well done Skylah - You're a star!</i>

WINTER SPORTS

Regional Soccer

On Wednesday the 29th of July grade 5 and 6 boys represented Lucknow Primary School by competing in Sale playing soccer. On a cold and wintry day, the boys played against schools from across all of Gippsland, including schools from Phillip Island and Warragul.

The competition was of a very high standard with some outstanding goals scored across the day. Lucknow drew the first game 1-1, before losing the following three games. All of the players across the day were terrific sports and gave it their all.

Well done to our boys for trying their best and being such a great team.

Mr Webb



Regional Netball

Last Wednesday, our amazing Lucknow netball girls headed to Sale to compete in the Regional Winter Sports.

They started strong with a 24-4 win and they kept the lead in the second game to win 16-11. The third game was tough, having not had a break, and they went down 22-9. After a bye, they took to the court to see if they could win or draw to finish runners-up. Unfortunately, in the dying seconds, the girls lost by one goal. It was an awesome effort overall and we are very proud of their efforts and achievements!

Ms McQuitty



BOOK WEEK

Dress UP Day



Thursday September 3rd, 2026



Open a book and you will find,
Characters and settings of every kind!



Open a book and you can be,
Anything you dream or see!

Open a book and you can share,
The wondrous words you find in there!



This year, Lucknow will be celebrating
Book Week on Thursday September 3rd
with a Whole School Book Parade!

We encourage all students and staff to
dress as their favourite book character
and bring along the book on this day.



We can't wait to see all the amazing
characters!



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