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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 1

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MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
March 18	19	20	21	22
- NAPLAN	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am - 8:45am - NAPLAN	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am - 8:45am - Breakfast Club 8:15am - 8:30am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:00 -11:00am - NAPLAN	- Breakfast Club 8:15am - 8:30am - NAPLAN - Harmony Day	- Walk to School 8am - Assembly 2:40pm - Fun Run/ Cross Country
25	26	27	28	29
	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am - 8:45am	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am - 8:45am - Breakfast Club 8:15am - 8:30am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:00 -11:00am - Last day of Term 1 3:20pm dismissal	- Staff Planning Day - Student Free Day	- Good Friday

SCHOOL CALENDAR -

TERM 2				
MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
April 15	16	17	18	19
- First day of Term 2	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am – 8:45am	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am - 8:45am - Breakfast Club 8:15am - 8:30am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:00 -11:00am	- Breakfast Club 8:15am - 8:30am	- Walk to School 8am - State Swimming
22	23	24	25	26
	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am - 8:45am	- Fitness Fanatics 8:15am - 8:45am - Breakfast Club 8:15am - 8:30am - Play2Learn Playgroup 9:00 -11:00am	- Anzac Day Public Holiday	- Walk to School 8am - Assembly 2:40pm

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

NAPLAN

Congratulations and top job to our Year 3 and 5 students who are almost finished with the NAPLAN testing. It has been really positive to observe students persistence and resilience in these tests, giving their very best efforts and taking it in their strides. Top job kids!

Parent Feedback Catch Up

We are seeking your feedback to make our great school even greater! We are holding a casual catch up at Aroma on Tuesday 26th March 9-10AM to gather your insights into what is working well at LPS and where we should be focusing our attention. We will be seeking feedback across the following areas:

- Community Engagement
- Communication
- Student Learning and Wellbeing

Please come and share your ideas and receive a complimentary hot drink for your troubles. If you are unable to attend, please email us your feedback anyway to: lucknow.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Student Learning

Our school is continuing to focus on improving our Writing in 2024. We continue this focus again to consolidate our learning and are currently working on the 'Sentence Fluency' trait. 'Sentence Fluency' is all about carefully and creatively constructing sentences for maximum impact. Students have been reconstructing basic sentences and giving them more flair. In the last newsletter I set a challenge of writing about 'water'. Check out some of our local LPS authors on the next page.

Happy learning everyone, have a great week!

Carly Miller - Principal

NAPLAN

I have been fortunate enough to see the Grade 3 and 5 students in action this week whilst they have been completing their NAPLAN testing. These classrooms have been a buzz whilst students have been giving everything their best shot and making us all extremely proud.

NAPLAN is a series of four different tests, Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy. These tests are completed over a two-week period and are undertaken nation wide to measure individual students as well as provide us with schoolwide data. We are able to see what we are doing well as a school as well as identify areas we need to further improve.

Emily Forbes - Assistant Principal

GROWTH MINDSET

What is a growth mindset?

Have you heard your child using the words red brain, green brain, fixed mindset or growth mindset and wondered what they are talking about?

These words form part of our Learn to Learn @ Lucknow program and are to do with developing a growth mindset. At Lucknow, we strive for all learners to have a go, take risks with their learning, learn from their mistakes and approach challenging tasks with a positive attitude. To do all of these things the students need to have a growth mindset which is the same as a green brain.

We spend time at the beginning of the year exploring the difference between a growth mindset (green brain) and a fixed mindset (red brain) and then continually refer to this throughout the year.

So what is the difference between the two?

Fixed	vs	Growh
ability is static		ability is developed
avoids challenges	3	embraces challenges
gives up easily	4	persists in obstacles
sees effort as fruitless	4	sees effort as necessary
ignores useful criticism	0	learns from criticism
threatened by others		inspired by others' success

If you would like to find out more about the growth mindset follow the following link – https://www.mindsetkit.org/growth-mindset-parents

Emily Forbes - Assistant Principal

Pelting down from above, as it touches your skin, instantly you feel relaxed. Water, flowing, drifting, raging. Waves like the sea, graceful like a calm lake. Clear shallow waters from below. Water is mysterious, you never know where it goes or where it could take you. Tranquil, trickling, twirling. Water is life and life is beautiful.

By Aster 5FW

Water is spectacular! You can use it for a lot of things. You drink water, you swim and bath in water. Water is everywhere you go. Fun fact, did you know your brain is full of water? Hydration is important too. To get hydrated you need water. . It can be different temperatures, hot, cold or warm. Clouds absorb water. When clouds absorb water, it gets full and rains. When it rains water come out of the clouds! Without water we would not be healthy. Water helps us live. Water also helps plants grow. Some water is clean but some water is dirty. Water can be used for all kinds of things, it can be used for getting baptised, drinking and more! Some animals, mammals, or amphibians live in water too. Water can be a source of energy. By Amara 3EB

Water...

By LPS Authors

From the surface of the ocean floor. The water consumes, the surface is baby blue, just like the sky. When the rain falls, water reunites with the ocean. Which is as clear as glass – when you look into it, you see another world full of life. The sky will paint it with blue, just like the tears of the sky. Coming, rolling, falling again and again... until it ends.

By Ashlee 5DC

As the water rushes around me, the small waves are enough to topple me over. The current pulling me forward could take me anywhere. The water, crystal clear with a hint of sea green, drizzles down my body like a tear slipping down my check. The source of life is thirst quenching, I want to take a sip. The frothy concoction rains down my hands and slips through the creases between my fingers.

By Raiven 6LS

Water is a calm thing. Water can be used for lots of things like bubbles, used to play with and it keeps us alive. It can also be used for washing things and it helps beautiful flowers grow. Water can turn into ice when it is winter, water is everywhere. It is very popular. Water is beautiful.

By Nash 1CW

Water can be found almost everywhere. Water could just be falling from the sky in a beautiful gloomy day making a perfect rainbow. After it finishes raining there might be little drops of water glistering on the grass. Water could just be a relaxing sound falling from a waterfall or even just on the roof. Water is usually just a nice refreshing drink after a hard sports game.

By Paige 4AG

Rain drops drip like soft bubbles from the shimmering clouds. It makes ducks feel excited and birds feel grumpy. Bees get frightened and the rain makes me feel calm.

By Charlotte 1CW

Fresh water is very precious so don't waste it, use it. If you waste water you have to pay for it. Also, when I say 'water', I mean fresh water that you drink and bath in. You don't waste that but some people do, which is very sad. I don't waste water so you shouldn't. By Sophia 3ER

Water is wavy, water is light. In the sun it glimmers and shines. It's fun to play in, good to drink - it's everywhere and any where, even in clouds. We need water to survive. so thank you water. It's here to stay so 'hip, hip hooray' for water day. By Millie 2LB

NUMERACY LEADER'S REPORTS

Numeracy Leaders Report

Last week we (2 of your Numeracy Leaders) played Snakes and Ladders with the Juniors, Prep and Grade 1's.

Just like Maths, the drawing of the Snakes and Ladders was both fun and challenging! The challenging part was that the chalk was small and kept breaking. Plus, we were COVERED in chalk dust by the end!

We had lots of enthusiastic kids wanting to play and we are looking forward to doing it every Friday from now, starting with the juniors. We also hope to incorporate Hopscotch, Giant Chess, and lots more! We hope to encourage making mistakes and seeing trial and error from each participant.

Hope to see you there! Analeigh and Raiven







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GRADE 6 NEWS

The Grade 6 team started a maths investigation this week "The Great Fruit Can Debate". Each class were provided with 6 different brand cans of fruit salad to investigate. They devised questions to investigate and will be looking at the data collected over the next week, with a focus on working out the fractions, decimals and percentages with the results of the questions.

Students were really engaged in our first session. Already a lot of different mathematical concepts and problem solving has been happening!







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ART NEWS





FUN RUN FUNDRAISER/CROSS COUNTRY

We are so excited about hosting our Fun Run Fundraiser, in conjunction with our Cross Country, on Friday the 22nd of March. The day's focus is on fun and fitness with the added benefit of raising funds for our school. The more money we raise, the more that will be going towards our wonderful school and some amazing projects that all students can enjoy. REMEMBER THIS IS THE LAST WEEK FOR FUNDRAISING!

This year we are using 'Mycause' as our fundraising platform. We are hoping to exceed the profit amount in 2023 and aim to raise over \$10,000! So far we have raised \$6320.00 and the class that has raised the most money so far is 1CW with \$955.00. Keep up the fantastic fundraising!

The class that raises the most money at the end of the fundraising event will receive a class party to the value of \$50.00. The top 5 fundraisers at Lucknow Primary School will receive a voucher of their choice from a local business valued at \$50.00.

To get started follow the link and event ID below -:

Event ID 5328

https://www.mycause.com.au/events/lucknowpsfunrunfundraiser

The 5, 6, 7 and 8 year olds will complete their cross country course from 9.00am to 10.30am. The 9, 10, 11 and 12 year olds will complete their course from 11.30am – 1.30pm.

Please note - Children's age groups are determined by the age they are turning by the end of 2024.

The first 6 children who cross the finish line in the 10, 11 and 12 year old age groups and the children who place 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the 9 year old age group will have the opportunity to represent the school at the Divisional Cross Country being held at Nagle College on Monday the 13th of May from 11.00am – 12.30pm.

Children will receive ribbons for placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their age groups and children will also receive house points for participating in the Cross Country.

Children will receive 30 points for placing 1st, 20 points for placing 2nd and 10 points for placing 3rd. All other children will receive 5 points for participating in the Cross Country.

Parents are more than welcome to attend on the day to encourage and support children as they run. On the day, children are encouraged to come dressed in their house colour and wear suitable shoes. They will also need a water bottle, hat and sunscreen.

If you have any questions about the Fun Run Fundraiser/Cross Country please contact Mrs Dooley at school. Happy Fundraising and thanks for supporting our school. We are looking forward to seeing you at the event.

Debbie Dooley - Super Excited Physical Education Coordinator

FITNESS FANATICS

Number of participants - Tuesday - No Fitness Fanatics (School Photos), Wednesday - 24, Tuesday - 14, Wednesday - 35

Distance ran and/or walked - Tuesday - No Fitness Fanatics (School Photos), Wednesday - 29km, Tuesday - 22.5km, Wednesday - 44.5km

New members of the 10km club - Hudson N, Ashleigh W, Tim R

New members of the 20km club - Oliver T

New members of the 30km club - Abby T

New members of the 40km club - Maya P

New members of the 60km club - Nanook P

New members of the 150km club - Ben C

New members of the 190km club - Nate P

Debbie Dooley - Fitness Fanatic

REGIONAL SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to our 10 talented swimmers who competed at the Regional Swimming Championships on Thursday the 14th of March at the Sale Outdoor Pool.

We were extremely proud of all the children's efforts and achievements on the day, especially considering the standard of competition at the event.

The results were as follows -:

9/10 y.o boys - Alfie M-S - Freestyle 7th, breaststroke 4th

9/10 y.o girls - Anna B - Breaststroke 2nd, Freestyle Relay 2nd

- Abby T Breaststroke 3rd, Freestyle Relay 2nd
- Elise B Freestyle Relay 2nd
- Camilla Freestyle Relay 2nd
- 11 y.o girls Florence M-S Freestyle 5th, Breaststroke 7th, Freestyle Relay 4th
 - Sophie B Freestyle Relay 4th
 - Tana B Freestyle Relay 4th
 - Kira W Freestyle Relay 4th

12 y.o girls – Jasmine T – Breaststroke 7th

At the Regional Swimming Championships children have to place 1st in order to qualify for the State Swimming Championships.

A big thank you to our wonderful parents who made the trip to Sale to encourage and support our champion swimmers and assist with transport. We are so lucky to have amazing parents like you at our school.

Debbie Dooley



LUCKNOW'S LEARNING LEGENDS

Week 7 & 8

Class	Charles to
Class	Student
PAS	Harry for the amazing effort he is making with his writing! He is doing a great job listening for and recording the sounds he can hear. Super job Harry, keep it up!
PFE	Leon for the amazing effort in your writing each time, you are using the sounds we are learning plus more! Keep up the fantastic work!
PGB	Georgia, we are so lucky to have Georgia in our class. She is a great listener, a kind friend and always works hard in each lesson. All your hard work is evident in the quality work you are producing. Keep up the great work!
PVG	Kyah your amazing attitude to learning is lovely to watch, you are taking on feedback with your writing and the results are fantastic! Keep up that green brain thinking Kyah.
1CW	Nash for the fantastic maths work this week. Nash you quickly identified how to read and follow coordinates. Well done!
1ES	Bridie for confidently sharing her ideas with the class. We enjoy how you explain your thinking. Keep up the great work.
1MW	Zane for always sharing your amazing ideas and thinking with the class in all learning areas. You are such a valuable member of our class!
12M	Piper, you have carefully included all of the '12M Punctuation Non-Negotiables' in your writing. Your work is neat and beautiful to read because you are working hard on sentence fluency. Outstanding effort Piper! You are an inspiration to others in our class! Well done!
2JS	Owen for your passion and enthusiasm during writing time. It is great to see you so focused and on task. Well done Owen.
2LB	Tino for a positive and dedicated approach to learning.
2MP	Flynn for being ready to help others out with what needs doing. Because you're part of our class. we're all happier and able to learn, and the room's tidier too. Thanks Flynn!
ЗЕВ	Olivia and Annabelle for working hard this week. Girls you have challenged yourselves and proven that you can do hard things! Keep it up!
3ER	Ollie for displaying such a positive attitude and being resilient in class.
34T	Alice and Maya for always responding to the books, you read in a thoughtful manner. It is always a pleasure to see your enjoyment of what you are reading and the connections you make.
4AG	Beau for settling back into class this term. We are all so excited you are back with us in the classroom.
4SZ	Nash for working hard to achieve reading targets and challenging himself to use a range of sentence structures during independent writing.
45L	Amaleeah for being the best teacher in the school when explaining to the class how to find the perimeter and area of a shape. It was wonderful to see the confidence that you had in yourself!
5CM	Emma for confidently sharing her growth mindset towards NAPLAN with the grade this week.
5DC	Braidy & Joel for their hard work and determination in completing their area and perimeter projects. Keep up the fabulous work boys!
5FW	Nate for demonstrating lots of resilience and pushing through a challenging session.
6CM	Ola for volunteering to share his thinking and always being someone to step up and take action
6KI	Levi for the effort you put into redrafting and revising your narrative! Well done Levi, the improvements you made are fantastic!
6LS	Riley for his positive mindset towards maths. He has made huge improvement in his maths goals relating to fractions and is always willing to give things a go. Keep up the great work Riley.
6SF	Harley for consistently showing respect to others, displaying good listening skills, and developing a consistent home reading routine.
Principal's Award	Jaelin of 5CM for demonstrating all three of the school values of Inclusiveness, Respect and Resilience when supporting a younger student to make positive choices in the yard. Fantastic work Jaelin!
Crashendo!	Jackson for his eager willingness to participate during classroom time.
Art	Remi from 1ES for being a true artist and experimenting in Art. Georgie and Scarlett from PGB for getting creative and making plasticine art.

Harmony Week

Dear Parents,

On **Thursday 21st of March** Lucknow PS will be celebrating Harmony Week. This is a great opportunity to celebrate Australian multiculturalism. The message of Harmony Week is "Everyone belongs".

We encourage everyone on this day to wear orange to show your support.

All classes from Prep through to Grade 6 will be participating in some fun tasks to explore, investigate and celebrate Harmony Week.

Grade 4 Team