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Lucknow Primary School Calendar Feb/Mar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		- Division Tennis and Hot Shots		- Student banking	- VSSS Dance Rehearsal - Japan Trip Meeting	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Labour Day Holiday			- Regional Swimming Carnival - Student banking	- School Cross Country/Fun Run - Grade 5 Camp deposit Due	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	- Parents Club		- School Council	- Student banking		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	- Grade 6 camp deposit due			- Student banking - END OF term, 2.20pm, dismissal.	Good Friday Holiday	

Principal's Report

Oral Language and Reading- small increase in time adds to big results.

A growing body of evidence reveals the importance of both oral language and reading for children's cognitive and academic development. Children come from a range of home environments often differing in exposure to language and children who were exposed to less language had slower rates of vocabulary development. By third grade, they also had lower reading scores, indicating that children tend to maintain the same learning development even after they enter school. Regularly speaking with your children that are based on two-way conversations rather than just instructions, along with increasing reading time, dramatically changes children's progress and continued development.

The following table, taken from a study of Grade 5 students, demonstrates the impact that lack of reading time can take on academic success. The percentile ranking refers to the academic performance of the students, 98 being the higher performers and 2 being the lower. They found that time spent reading books was the best predictor of performance on measures of general knowledge, vocabulary, spelling, verbal fluency and reading comprehension. The study pointed out that **adding just ten minutes of daily book reading** can dramatically increase a student's exposure to print. For example, a student at the 30th percentile who spends an extra ten minutes a day on book reading will read around 700,000 words each year, surpassing the amount of reading currently done by students at the 70th percentile. A wonderful incentive to make sure that daily home reading is a must.

Percentile	Minutes of Reading Per Day	Words Read Per Year
98	65.0	4,358,000
90	21.1	1,823,000
70	9.6	622,000
50	4.6	282,000
30	1.3	106,000
10	0.1	8,000
2	0.0	0

Alli Hopkins – Acting Principal

Student Absences

We remind parents, due to the new Department of Education regulations, if your child is absent you will need to notify the school on the day before 9.30am. If your child is marked absent without notification a phone call will be made. Preferred method of notification is via the app, email or contact the school.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will now be run on a Wednesday and Friday morning over at the hall. All students are welcome. Breakfast Club provides a healthy breakfast which is important for healthy brain activity and provides extra stamina for students to get through the school day. It also provides a positive social environment supporting interaction between staff and students and students with their peers.

School Cross Country/Fun Run Reminder

Just a reminder that our School Cross Country/Fun Run is scheduled to be held on Friday the 16th of March. Children in the 5/6/7 and 8 year old age groups will complete their course from 9.00am to 10.30am and children in the 9/10/11 and 12 year old age groups will complete their course from 11.30am to 1.30pm. A child's age is determined by the age they are turning by the 31st of December, 2018. Children are encouraged to come dressed in their house colours for the day and will need to remember to wear suitable clothing and footwear. The order of racing in the first session will be 8 year old boys, 8 year old girls, 7 year old boys, 7 year old girls, 5/6 year old boys, 5/6 year old girls. The order of racing in the second session will be 12 year old boys, 12 year old girls, 11 year old boys, 11 year old girls, 10 year old boys, 10 year old girls, 9 year old boys and 9 year old girls.

Children who place 1st, 2nd and 3rd in their age group will receive ribbons and the first 6 children across the line in the 10/11 and 12 year old age groups and the first 3 children across the line in the 9 year old age group will have the opportunity to represent the school at the Division Cross Country to be held at Nagle College on Friday the 18th of May.

All children will receive a certificate of participation, encouragement wrist band and icy pole for completing their course and having a go. Children who have raised a minimum of \$10.00 are also eligible to choose a fantastic prize from the fun run booklet.

Please remember that all online fundraising or fun run forms and money must be completed and handed in to the office by Monday the 19th of March so prizes can be ordered.

Parents are more than welcome to come and provide support and encouragement to children as they complete their course.

We look forward to a fun day and we wish all children the best of luck.

Debbie Dooley (Physical Education Teacher)

Golf

On the 2nd of March, Archer Watt, Mitchell Johnson, Mitchell Whimpress, Edward Ly, Tarkyn Scott and Aidan Scott participated in the Primary School Golf at Lakes Entrance Golf Course. It was a beautiful day to play golf and we all enjoyed it very much. We played nine holes and competed against a number of other schools including; Gippsland Grammer, St Brendans P.S, Toorloo Arm P.S and Bairnsdale primary school.



The scores are as follows:

Edward Ly: 40

Mitchell J: 47

Mitchell W: 50

Tarkyn S: 57

Archer W: 62

Aidan: 65

We would like to give a HUGE thank you to Kelly due to the fact that if it wasn't for her we wouldn't even be able to have gotten there. We would also like to thank Bill for making the day even greater! On behalf of all the students who participated -Aidan Scott

Fitness Fanatics Update

Number of participants – Tuesday – 56, Wednesday – 54

Distance ran and/or walked- Tuesday – 87km, Wednesday - 93km

New members of the 10km club – Ashlee Matheson, Archie Simpson, Imogen Spanton, Kelly Whimpress

New members of the 20km club – Jack Shenton, Jarrah Fitzgibbon, Kaylah Nice

New members of the 30km club – Heidi Carter, Rhani O'Connor

New members of the 40km club – Ebony Harvey

New members of the 50km club – Max Neate

New members of the 60km club – Jacob Alexander

New members of the 80km club – Hayden Smith

New members of the 240km club – Tarkyn Scott

Division Swimming

Congratulations to all children who competed at the Division Swimming Sports on Wednesday the 28th of February at the Bairnsdale Outdoor Pool. We were extremely proud of all children's efforts on the day and we had some very exciting results. A special thank you to our team manager for the day, Kate Ingram, who ensured that all children got to their events. Thank you to Chad Ingram who was our stroke judge for the day and thank you to our wonderful parents who assisted with official jobs on the day. Thank you to all parents and friends who attended and encouraged our children to the finish.

As a result of placing first, second or third in their individual event or first or second in their relay the following children will now have the opportunity to represent our Division at the Regional Swimming Sports. This event will be held at the Sale Swimming Pool on Thursday the 15th of March.



- 11y.o girls - Grace Ingram - Breaststroke, Butterfly
- Ashley Westwood - Backstroke
- 11 y.o boys - Jonah Walker - Backstroke, Freestyle Relay
- Hudson Tarling - Freestyle Relay
- Logan Croucher - Freestyle Relay
- Jai Mulcahy - Freestyle Relay
- 9/10 y.o girls - Layla Chapman - Breaststroke, Butterfly, Freestyle Relay
- Cassidy Walker - Freestyle Relay
- Heidi Trinder - Freestyle Relay
- Rahni O'Connor - Freestyle Relay
- 9/10 y.o boys - Corbin Blake - Freestyle, Butterfly

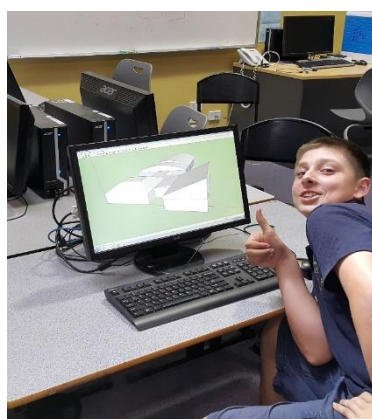
We wish our talented swimmers all the best at the Regional Swimming Championships and we look forward to hearing a full report after the event.

Debbie Dooley - Phys Ed Co-ordinator

S.T.E.M. NEWS

In the last couple of weeks the senior school has been learning about Google Sketchup. The program allows students to learn how to operate, design and create in a 3D environment using the powerful tools and resources that Google has at its disposal.

Please ensure that all ICT forms are returned as soon as possible to ensure that your children are able to participate as the STEM program develops and becomes even more exciting. Spare forms will be available at the office upon request.



* One of our ELearning teams in the process of constructing the first Lego boost for class use.

* Cooper has been using "Google Sketchup" and has started to create the school.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK



Class	Student
PAS	Ahlia Argentino for doing an absolutely wonderful job listening to and recording sounds in her writing. Very impressive Ahlia!
PVG	Sylvie Edwards wishing you all the best at your new school. It has been lovely getting to know you.
PCB	Briley Armstrong for concentrating so hard with her reading skills. Keep up the great work Briley!
PJM	Bailey Rowe for trying really hard and displaying a 'have a go' attitude, well done Bailey!
1DP	Cooper Westwood for always being a happy and positive student, willing to have a go at everything he's given.
1DN	Rhani Mullett for being a wonderful role model with her dedication to improve her reading and writing. Well done Rhani.
12H	Charlotte Fincher for the noticeable effort you put into your tasks. Well done!
1MC	Tia Peys for being a kind and friendly student who is always smiling and helping others. We are so lucky having you in our class!
2EW	Cohen Hare for showing great effort in his work and working well with others.
2KE	Darvi Chippindall for working hard to improve her spelling and handwriting. Great effort Darvi!
34A	Elissa Raeburn for her random acts of kindness and showing empathy and understanding to other classmates.
3LB	Lucas McCarrell, Archer Scicluna and Ariel Troon for reading more than 25 nights. Great reading, well done to all of you.
3TB	Heidi Trinder and Olivia Faithful whose Persuasive Writing would persuade ANYONE to their way of thinking.
3RM	Bella Healey for having the biggest spelling growth in our grade last week. Well done Bella!
4MP	Lani Buchanan for being a respectful, gentle and encouraging buddy. You made your buddy feel valued and involved her in your task perfectly. Well done Lani!
4ES	Gabi Merante for her determination in problem solving and continuously challenging herself.
4SI	Tilli West for being a quiet achiever. She works hard and does her best at all time. Awesome work Tilli!
5CM	Beau Saulle - for his positive attitude towards learning and for always being a kind, respectful member of our class.
5DH	Kiah Montant for her fantastic effort in classroom learning.
5DM	Ethan Gallasch for showing true strength of character, compassion and the ability to make others laugh, even in the most trying of circumstances. We are lucky to have you.
6CT	Maddison Trewin for an amazing solo performance as part of the assembly last Friday.
6CW	Savannah Nice for consistently demonstrating our school values and a growth mindset during learning tasks.
6FW	Jack Bull for trying very hard to live our school values, honesty really is the best policy.

Parents & Friends Group

A big Thank you to the following parents who gave up their time to help out at the school photos on Thursday last week: Kelly Whimpress, Tess Chatwood, Jaimee Matheson, Jess Watts and Sarah Kennedy.

Easter Raffle tickets should be home by now. Please return all tickets (with a name and class number or phone number written on it) along with the money to the school. We are also looking for donations of Easter related items such as chocolate, art and crafts etc.

Community News



Bairnsdale Netball Association Net-Set-Go:

BNA will be running a 10 week Net set Go program in Term 2. The program will commence on Thursday 19/04/2018 from 4.30-5.30pm. NetSetGo is an introduction to netball where the children will participate in skills activities, minor games and generally have a good time. The program is open to boys and girls. The program is open to children turning 8 years and up to and including turning 11 years of age in 2018.

Cost of the Program is \$87 and includes a Participant Member Pack, Netball Victoria Membership and Registration for our Season 2 Competition.

To register online

Click on the link:

<https://netsetgo.sportzvault.com/common/pages/reg/welcome.aspx?mode=-0&sslredirect=1&id=40641&entityid=39402>

Or go to:

www.netsetgo.asn.au, click on Find a Centre, type in Bairnsdale, and select Bairnsdale Netball Association.

Please email bdale.n.a@hotmail.com or check our Facebook page if you require any further information or assistance.



FOOTBALL: the fun game for all!

BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 4-9

Club	East Gippsland United Football Club
Venue	West Bairnsdale Oval 65 Anderson Street
Start date	16-April 2018. 8 weeks. Finish Monday June 4th. 4.30pm - 5.30pm
Price	\$80
Contact	David Claridge (AH) 51566721. Ben Knight 0419796186, or Veronica Davies 0488539200