

THE GRYPHON

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF LOCKRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



FACTION CARNIVAL

What a wonderful day we enjoyed on Friday 27th October at the 2023 Faction Carnival.

A new format with added fun and colour in the form of different games and events, and a Hawaiian theme saw students, staff and families alike join in the day.

It was great to see a strong crowd in attendance, with a number of parents and carers competing for glory in a number of events.

Well done to Mr Oli and the staff for their efforts prior to and on the day, and of course to students for their positive participation and sportsmanship. Congratulations also to our champion students and winners, Mandoon!

Wonder what the theme will be in 2024?



FAREWELL MRS MULDER

Recently, we bid farewell to our Library Officer Mrs Mulder.

Mrs Mulder had been with us for over 7 years, and with the DoE for 33 years, which is a remarkable statistic.

Mrs Mulder began her time at LPS in the office, before moving to a role in the library, helping students and staff with checking out books, maintaining a rich library catalogue and ensuring the space was clean and bright.

Mrs Mulder spoke fondly of her time with us at a recent celebratory morning tea, and we wish her all the very best for her retirement. We are excited for her as she explores travel adventures, more time with family and friends and extra-long sleep-ins.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mr Mike Mount-Bryson

Week 5 already...can you believe it?

2024 is creeping ever closer, so don't forget, should you have feedback regarding your child's **class placement** next year, to email our Deputy Principal, at Leah.shaw@education.wa.edu.au. Parents/carers can give feedback on the teaching and learning style and friendship dynamics that you feel best benefit your child/ren, but cannot specifically request teachers. Please entitle your email "Child's name 2024 request" so that we can easily distinguish your information.

It has been a frustrating few weeks for **security** at LPS, as there have been 8 incidents whereby intruders have either broken into buildings or smashed windows. We are working closely with

DoE Security and WAPOL to find the culprits, but more so to increase safety and security around the school. We have had pleasing conversations to date as we advocate strongly for increased measures to ensure students, staff and families can feel safe on school grounds, and so we do not continue to experience the amount of interference we have in the past few weeks.

Finally, some students will soon bring home the **National School Opinion Survey**. A random selection of families will be sent a survey hard copy, which can be completed online using the unique code, or handed in to the office. This survey is anonymous and helps us learn of ways to validate the amazing people and projects at LPS, and discover new ways to improve.

STRENGTHENING OUR SCHOOL

Mr Mike Mount-Bryson

Our responsibility as a culturally responsive school is paramount to our strategic direction. "Reaching Higher", our 2023-2025 School Plan has defined priorities in this space, including working with our Karrak Family Gathering, co-developing culturally safe and engaging learning environments using the Aboriginal Cultural Standards Framework and building events like NAIDOC and Harmony Week with families.

I am privileged to have been selected as one of 20 Principals statewide to participate in the **Culturally Responsive School Leadership program**, which focuses on developing the cultural responsiveness of principals and creating organisational cultural and systems change.

Our cohort of leaders have (or will) engage in 6 days of learning held on Wadjuk country, and a 3-day on-Country learning experience on Noongar boodja outside the metropolitan area. At the school level, I will be co-designing an action learning project with our local Aboriginal community to further culturally responsive practices at our school. I'm looking forward to progressing this over the next 6-12 months.



The amazing Walter and Meg Maguire, who have been our cultural guides throughout key aspects of the Culturally Responsive School Leadership Program.

CONNECTED PRACTICE

Mrs Leah Shaw

Centre For Excellence

Last week, our **Centre for Excellence (CFE)** mentor team at Greenfields PS came to Lockridge PS to observe and provide feedback to our CFE interns, Mrs Musarra, Miss Prakhoff and Mrs O'Sullivan.

The day began with our CFE interns teaching their regular literacy block to students, with mentors from Greenfield's PS observing and then providing feedback upon their lesson content, delivery, and student engagement.

After recess, Greenfield's mentors delivered a Literacy Daily Review to certain classes, enabling other staff within the school to observe quality evidence based literacy instruction.

We thank our CFE team on their willingness to engage in classroom observation, as it is through constructive feedback and self reflection that we can improve upon our craft, which in turn improves student outcomes.



STUDENT WELLBEING & ENGAGEMENT

Mrs Maddy Smyth

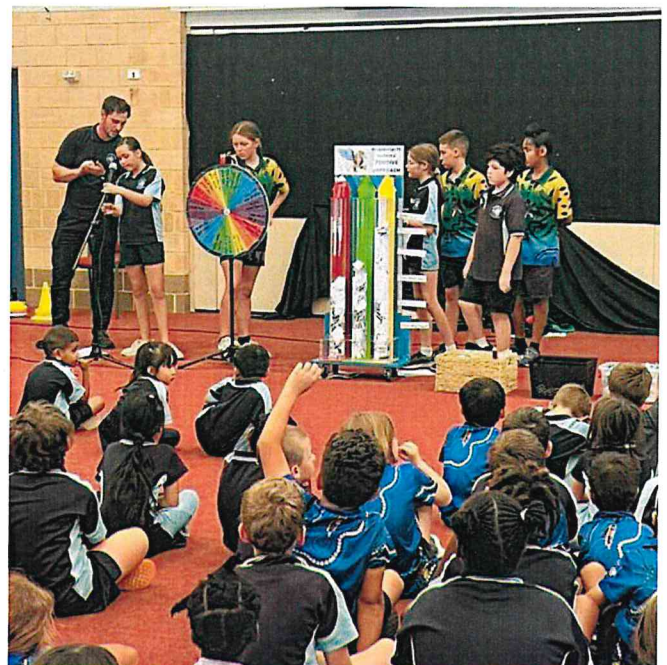
Whole School PBS Reward!

Our amazing students earned their second **whole school reward** last week - **FREE DRESS DAY!**

Our whole school token system sees students working in a collaborative manner to support the whole school to reach rewards throughout the term.

Students can earn tokens for demonstrating our school values of being **SAFE**, showing **RESPECT** and having **HIGH STANDARDS**.

This week our whole school behaviour focus has been on being safe by wearing our hats and shoes - especially important in this wonderful warm weather!



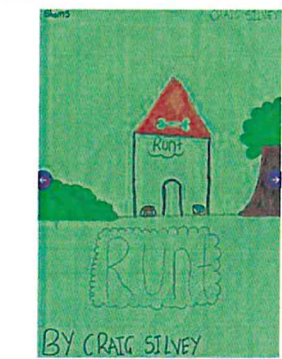
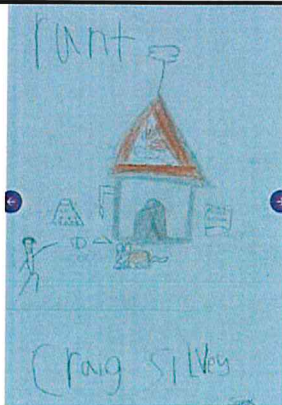
CURRICULUM IMPROVEMENT

Mrs Victoria Skeels

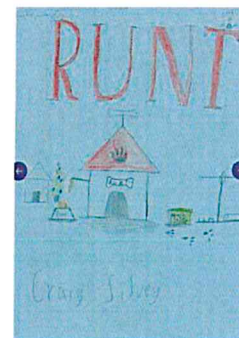
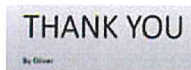
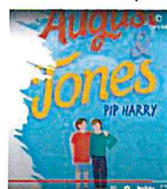
Congratulations to those students who participated in the Shadow Judging opportunity last term! These 8 students read a range of different books that had been shortlisted for the 2023 Children's Book Council of Australia book awards. Throughout the program, students had to read different books in the Younger Reader category, evaluate and justify their reasons why they did or did not like the text. The group voted for the book *Runt* by Craig Silvey to win the CBCA. *Runt* won the overall Book of the Year Award for the Younger Readers, and the Shadow Judging Award went to *August and Jones* by Pip Harry.

The Shadow judges had to create a creative response about their favourite text which can be viewed on the Shadow Judging website- <https://shadowjudging.cbca.org.au/creative-responses/>

Maria and Vicki from the City of Swan Libraries came to last week's assembly to present. We thank them for their time and support in rolling this out with our Lockridge students! We are looking forward to running this again in 2024!



Vicki, Maria, Isobel, Shams, Mila, Tahlia, Oliver, Suvek, Bendix and Keva



2023 shadow judging WINNERS BOOK OF THE YEAR AWARDS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please note all events are subject to change. Keep an eye out on Seesaw, our socials and electronic board for updates.

Term 4

- 13th Nov - Kiara College Orientation Day #1
- 15th - 17th Nov - Year 6 Camp
- 16th Nov - P&C Meeting & WACSSO Training
- 20th Nov - Kiara College Orientation Day #2
- 21st Nov - School Council Meeting
- 22nd Nov - Kindy 2024 'Stay & Play' (K5)
- 23rd Nov - Karrak Family Gathering (new date)
- 24th Nov - Kindy Assembly
- 27th Nov - Kiara College Orientation Day #3
- 27th Nov - Hampton SHS Orientation Day
- 28th Nov - Interschool Dodgeball Competition
- 28th Nov - Midvale Hub workshop
- 30th Nov - Transition Day #1
- 1st Dec - P&C Scholarship closes
- 1st Dec - 2024 School Captain speeches
- 1st Dec - PBS WaterPlay Day
- 4th Dec - Lockridge Anglican Church Christmas celebration
- 6th Dec - Kindy 2024 'Stay & Play' (M3)
- 7th Dec - Transition Day #1
- 8th Dec - 2023 Student Leaders Reward
- 12th Dec - Year 6 Graduation & Excursion
- 13th Dec - 2023 Christmas Concert
- 13th Dec - Semester 2 Reports published
- 14th Dec - Last day of school for 2023



FROM THE OFFICE

Mrs Meg Lane & Mrs Katie Evangelista

BOOKLISTS 2024

Booklists for next year have been sent home with your child this week, all orders need to be completed online by Friday 8th December, there is an option to be available for collection at Lockridge Primary on Wednesday 24th January in the Undercover Area from 11am - 12pm.

2024 Battery Recycling Collection Service

EMRC Battery Collection Program will be discontinuing the battery collection service to Lockridge Primary, effective December 2023. Please drop your batteries to one of the multiple drop-off facilities that are now conveniently located at the following locations: Aldi, Battery World, Big W, Bunnings, Coles, IGA, Officeworks & Woolworths.

Looking after Lockridge PS over the Holiday Break & Weekends

If you see anything out of the ordinary happening at Lockridge PS over the holiday break or weekend, please call Ed Security 9264 4632, School Watch 1800 177 777 or the Police 131 444. Lockridge PS has a fantastic strong community and we take pride in keeping our school safe for your children.

Breakfast Club

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
8:20am to 8:45am
Location - Baroo

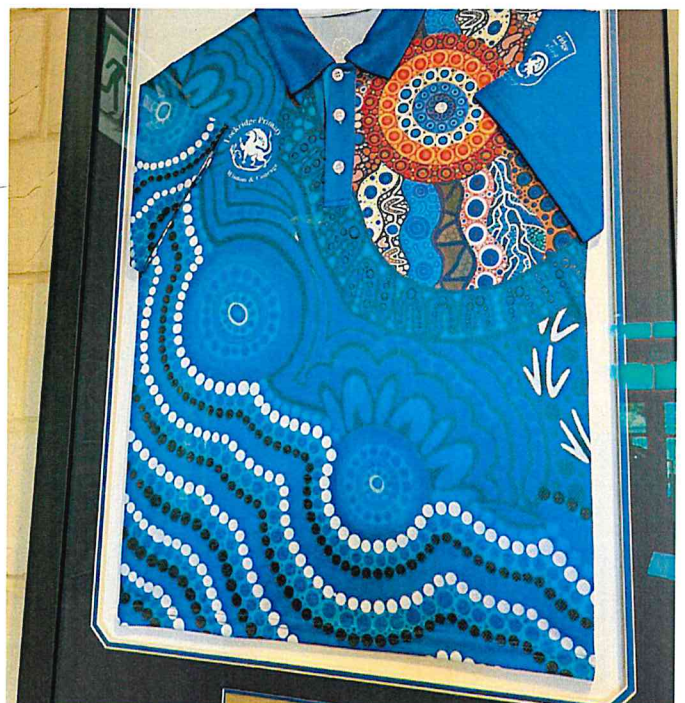
Uniform Shop Open

Thursday morning
8:30am to 9:30am

Respect Safe High Standards



Our framder Acknowledgement of Country



Our Karrak shirt

P&C HIGH STANDARDS SCHOLARSHIP YEAR 6 2024

Lockridge Primary School P&C is proud to offer a **High Standards Scholarship** for **two** students entering Year 6 in 2024.

The scholarship recognises the consistent high standards displayed by each student and their positive approach, willingness and motivation to achieve in all aspects of school.

For students to be eligible for this award they must answer a series of questions using any medium they choose and submit their application to the office by **Friday 1st December**.

Good luck everyone!

Mrs Leah Shaw

LOCKRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C



P&C MEETING & WACSSO TRAINING

As we gear up for 2024, we are pleased to share details of our final P&C Meeting for 2023, as well as important training to benefit our efforts moving forward. We will next meet on:

Thursday 16th November @ 1:30pm

At this session, participants will finalise end of year plans, as well as engage in training on the necessary governance and communication to drive a successful P&C Committee.

The P&C are always in need of new members, especially from the families who are new to our school community. Our P&C play an important role in running fun events like discos and raffles and raising funds for school projects.

Mr Mike Mount-Bryson



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS...



Interschool champ!



Staff First Aid Training



Kwela 4 Assembly

TRANSITION FOR 2024

In 2023, we will continue our commitment to provide students and staff with rich, thorough and transparent **transition** opportunities. We do so to enrich staff understanding of incoming student skill and need, and to support student capacity to successfully learn about their likely new classrooms for the year ahead.

On Thursday 30th November and Thursday 7th December, students will spend half a day in their proposed 2024 classrooms, with staff they are likely to have lead their learning, assuming those staff are with us in 2024.

Our Teachers and EA's will observe and annotate interactions, behaviours, friendships, individual responses and skills such as following instructions, participation, attention and engagement, in order to ascertain if class groupings and any parent/carer requests have helped create a balanced, positive classroom structure.

Mr Mike Mount-Bryson



FAMILY KADADJINY - UPCOMING EVENTS



Registrations are open for a 'Building your Child's Resilience' parent/carer workshop to be held on **Tuesday 28/11 from 9am-11am.**

The workshop will be delivered by our friends at Midvale Parenting Hub, with creche facilities available pending need and registration numbers.

Places are limited to 12 participants and so please register your interest by **Friday 24/11** to **leah.shaw@education.wa.edu.au** to secure your place.

MIDVALE HUB PARENTING SERVICE PERTH NORTH EAST

Building Your Child's Resilience

This workshop is for Parents and Caregivers of children 3 to 10 years

Resilience is important for children's mental health. This workshop will explore:

- the brain behind resilience
- ways to foster emotional regulation
- strengthen confidence & nurturing courage
- ways to build a growth mindset in children

Lockridge Primary School (Library)
 Tuesday - 28 November 2023
 9am - 11am

FREE - Registration is essential
 Only 12 Places available.

RSVP to the school: 9392 5150
 by the 17 November, 2023

Creche: may be available
 PLEASE NOTE: THIS WORKSHOP IS NOT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN TO ATTEND.

Midvale Hub Parenting Service (Perth North East)
 Telephone: (08) 9290 6827
 Email: parenting@midvale.wa.gov.au



MIDVALE HUB

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MORE RECENT HIGHLIGHTS...



Squash incursion



Writing success



Chess Club continues