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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF LOCKRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



WELLBEING EXPO

This week, we enjoyed one of the highlights of our annual calendar in our Mental Health and Wellbeing Expo.

Under the leadership of Mrs Smyth, Chaplain Rachel, Mrs Lawson and Mrs Shaw, this event has grown again to include over a dozen agencies, with more expected over the coming years,

One of the keys to our success in the wellbeing space in recent years has been our steadfast commitment to a Positive Behaviour Support approach, with our values RESPECT, SAFE and HIGH STANDARDS at the centre of our efforts. Our new Values Token box looks great, and helps students track our positive behaviours and work towards shared goals and rewards.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

We had a huge turnout for the aspirant leadership session last week.

Mrs McGhee and the 2024 Student Leaders presented a wonderful perspective on leadership; the benefits, challenges, highs and lows. The 2024 leadership group have been amazing, and their presentation to younger peers was the best we have seen.

In 2025, we again look forward to awarding School Captains, as well as Arts, Fiction and Values Captains. For the first time, we will also have 'Learning Captains' who will play a role in supporting academic achievement at Lockridge PS.



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mr Mike Mount-Bryson

Term 4 is here and what a busy one it will be!

I'm sure everyone will have seen our status as finalists in 2 categories for the 2024 **WA Education Awards**. This is, quite simply, an outstanding achievement by our school community. To be acknowledged by the DoE as being amongst the highest performing schools in the state in these categories is a testament to the hard work and commitment of everyone over the past number of years:

- Excellence in School Leadership; and
- Excellence in Wellbeing and Learning.

Judges visited for both categories at the end of Term 3, and early Term 4 respectively and irrespective of the outcome, were thrilled with what they saw.

The awards will be announced at a breakfast ceremony at Optus Stadium on Monday November 11th. I am looking forward to sharing the experience with a number of other LPS community members, which include staff and parents/carers. Whilst many of us have been doing it for some time, everyone in our school community can now share with their families, friends and peers that Lockridge PS is one of the best schools in WA. We now have the finalist status to prove it!

WA Education Awards 2024

STRENGTHENING OUR SCHOOL

Mr Mike Mount-Bryson

There are changes coming to the way schools across WA report student progress and achievement, in line with the new guidelines set by the Department of Education.

Starting this semester, the reports will now include only general comments, not any learning area comments (such as English, Mathematics, Drama, Physical Education, Auslan etc...)

Fortunately, we don't see a major impact on how we communicate student success or challenges, despite this change, as other formats of reporting, including Student Progress Meetings, Individual Education Plan meetings, Seesaw communication and regular informal meetings or phone conversations are well established at LPS.

Please rest assured that if your child is not meeting the expected standards in any area, you will have already been contacted by their classroom teacher prior to the reports being issued. Our goal remains to ensure you are fully informed of your child's progress, and we will continue to reach out to discuss any achievements, concerns or areas that may require support.



Changes to Reports are coming this semester

CONNECTED PRACTICE

Mrs Leah Shaw

Connected Practice - Pedagogical Commitment

We place great value upon providing our students with structure and predictability across their school day, as research highlights the positive impact this has upon children's wellbeing and development. This year, through our Connected Practice document we have worked hard to ensure we have consistency in routines and practice across the school, evident within our Positive Behaviour Support program and aligned literacy routines. It is through our staff's commitment to collaborative decision-making, shared planning and rich discussion, that we are able to provide consistency in practice, which in turn, strengthens student's engagement in learning.

2025 student planning

With 2025 creeping up fast, we are working upon planning for the next school year. Like previous years, in Week 6 and 7 all students will engage in transition days to support a smooth return in 2025.

If your child will not be returning in 2025 we ask that you notify us as soon as possible.

Parents/carers have the opportunity to request specific arrangements or placements for their children, but only for reasons of educational need. Should you have a request please email leah.shaw@education.wa.edu.au.

STUDENT WELLBEING & ENGAGEMENT

Mrs Maddy Smyth

As we celebrate WA Mental Health Week with our Family Picnic and Wellbeing afternoon, here is a reminder of just a few of the services available to you and your children, via our ongoing community partnerships:



Trauma-informed and culturally appropriate community-based healing, counselling, therapy and support to Aboriginal children, young people and adults.



Programs and services to support families to improve the education and care, health and wellbeing of your family.



Financial assistance towards educational expenses; Access to a Family Partnership Coordinator; Access to The Smith Family programs.



Assessment, early intervention and treatment services to children with developmental delay or difficulty.



Free Mental Health Education, Services and Carer Support across Western Australia

Should you wish to find out more, or be referred to any services, please pop in to see Mrs Smyth on a Wednesday, Thursday or Friday in the office!

CURRICULUM IMPROVEMENT

Mrs Clare O'Sullivan

SEPTEMBER HOLIDAY READING PROGRAM

A big congratulations to the 60+ students who participated in the September Holiday Reading Challenge! We are thrilled to see an increasing number of students engaging with reading, and it's wonderful to see the improvement in classrooms as a result. Your dedication to reading is truly making a difference! Participating students will receive their well-deserved rewards in Week 3. Keep up the great work, and let's continue to grow our love for reading!

MATHS ADVENTURE DAY INCURSION

Students from Year 1 to Year 6 dove into a day of problem-solving fun at the recent Maths Adventure Day. It was fantastic to see so many students, staff, and families enjoying the exciting challenges together! The energy and enthusiasm were contagious as everyone worked through puzzles and games, making learning maths an adventure. Thank you to all who participated and made this day a memorable one!

Maths Riddle

I am an odd number. Take away one letter, and I become even.
What number am I?

The answer is hidden in the photo



LPS READING ACADEMY

We are excited to announce the launch of the LPS Reading Academy—an important initiative designed to help our students strengthen their reading skills and develop a deeper love for reading. Support will be provided by peer mentors and parent volunteers, all under the supervision of our dedicated staff.

Through engaging activities and tailored guidance, we aim to inspire confident, passionate readers. Stay tuned for more details and opportunities for students to join and explore the world of reading!



Term 4

- 18/10 - Family Picnic and Mental Health Expo
- 24/10 - Interschool Cricket Carnival
- 25/10 - Baroo 2 Assembly
- 31/10 - Year 1-3 Barking Gecko Excursion
- 31/10 Karrak Family Gathering
- 1/11 - Faction Athletics Carnival
- 6/11 - 8/10 - Year 6 Camp
- 15/11 - Kwela 4 Assembly
- 19/11 - NRLWA Rugby Carnival
- 26/11 - Interschool Dodgeball Carnival
- 29/11 - Kindy Assembly
- 6/12 - 2025 School Captain Speeches
- 6/12 - Water Play Day
- 9/12 - 2024 Leavers Ceremony
- 11/12 - 2024 Christmas Concert

UPCOMING EVENTS

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



FROM OUR AEIO...

Last term, a number of LPS staff and family members went on a bus tour to other schools to view their yarning circles, and gain some ideas as to the creation of a yarning circle upon our school site.

Everyone who went along had a wonderful day taking in each school's cultural atmosphere.

A big thank you to Koya for providing their bus, and to Kadeejah for driving. Thank you to all those that came along on the day.

We look forward to continuing to develop plans for the inclusion of a yarning circle at LPS.



Mrs Alice Lawson

FROM OUR P&C...

Welcome back everyone for our final and busiest term.

We would like to thank all those who donated to our cake stall for the interschool carnival, as without you this wouldn't be possible. We hosted a day at the Roller Drome on the day before school began this term. Thanks to all who could make it...What a fantastic day it was. We continue with our Takeout Friday's EVERY WEEK this term. Our Sports Carnival will soon be upon us so watch out for more information. We have plans in motion for the Christmas raffle. Can't forget of course, if students continue to receive value tokens, we get our fun filled Water Play Day.

Please note due to uniform supplier increases, we have had to increase some uniform items.

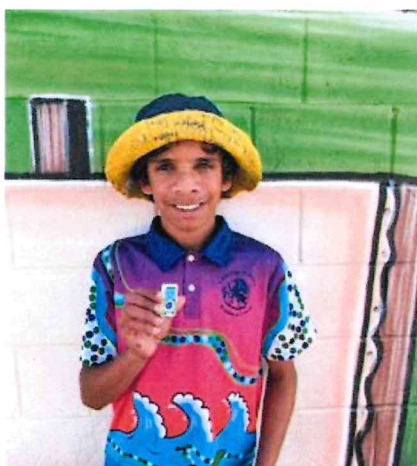
If any parent/career has a cri-cut machine and could assist with graduation bears, please contact a member of our P&C.

Finally, there will be a P&C meeting 18th November at 5pm for anyone who would like to join us.

Kathleen Carr - President



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS...



The Bot Joy hunt begins



World of Maths visit



Kwela 4 superstars

FROM THE OFFICE

Mrs Meg Lane & Mrs Katie Evangelista

Donations Needed - Second Hand Uniforms

Has your child out grown their LPS Shirts? If so, please think about donating them to us. Your support is greatly appreciated 😊

Break Times

Gates open: 8.20am

Classrooms open: 8.35am

Morning Play Break: 10:50am - 11:10am

Lunch: 11:10 - 11:20am

Afternoon Play Break: 1:20pm - 1:55pm

Home Time: 3.00pm

Head Lice

With the weather heating up, a reminder to families to please check your child's hair for head lice. If you would like more information on treating these annoying critters, please see the office. If it is noticed your child has head lice, you will be asked to collect and treat your child's hair. Students can return to LPS once their hair has been treated.

Kiara College Orientation Days

Orientation will run over 3 days, students are required to attend all 3 days. Students must be enrolled for 2025 before Orientation Day.

Dates: **Monday 11th, 18th & 25th November**

Time: 8.50am to 2.55pm

Wear: LPS Uniform

Bring: Recess, Lunch, Drink bottle, Pen & paper

For more information, please call Kiara College 6235 7000.

Hampton SHS Orientation Day - 25/11/24

LPS students attending the Hampton SHS Orientation Day MUST be fully enrolled. All students wishing to enrol for 2025 need to submit an application to enrol form with all relevant documentation. Place are minited, please phone 6235 7100 if you require any assistance.

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A HEALTH CONCERN?

WHERE IS THE CLINIC ?

- Lockridge Primary School
- Conference Room!!!

WHO CAN ATTEND:

- Medicare card Holder
- Students of Lockridge Primary school and children living in their households (aged up to 17 years)
- Accompanied by a parent or guardian

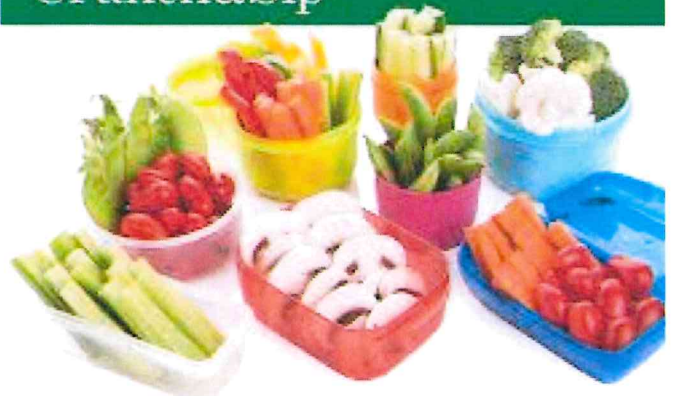
WHEN IS THE CLINIC?
Tuesday : 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

COST:
All Appointments are BULK BILLED

HOW TO BOOK ?
Pre-book an Appointment by Calling 0438 299 924
OR
Arrange ON THE DAY

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FROM OUR CHAPLAIN...

Hi everyone,
Please see below an opportunity for food support in our local area.

Family food hampers
Families can call the Morley Baptist Church anytime throughout the week (business hours) and request for a family food hamper. All families need it to provide is the number of people within the household, and specific dietary food preferences. Hampers can be collected from the church on a Thursday.

Contact Number: 0435295571

Address: 33 Hanwell Way, Bassendean 6054.



Mrs Rachel Wanigasekera



FAMILY KADADJINY - UPCOMING EVENTS

On Friday 8th November, from 8:20am - 9:20am Mrs O'Sullivan will be running a **Parent/Carer Reading Workshop** to provide information about our Home Reading program, and how families can support their children as they learn the art of learning to read independently. We are looking into the provision of a creche to enable as many families to attend as possible. More information about this event will be shared in the coming week.

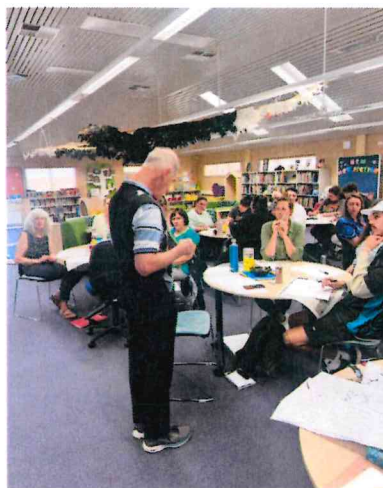
We are also looking for parent/carers volunteers to support students who will be engaging in our **Reading Academy** Monday through Thursday mornings from 8:20 am to 8:50 am commencing Monday 21st of October. If you are available to help out on any of these mornings, your involvement would be greatly appreciated. For further details please email Julie Musarra julie.musarrafrannando@education.wa.edu.au

Mrs Leah Shaw

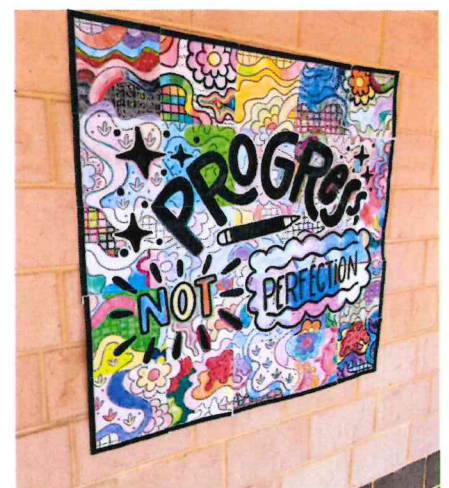
MORE RECENT HIGHLIGHTS...



Values Assembly



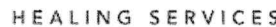
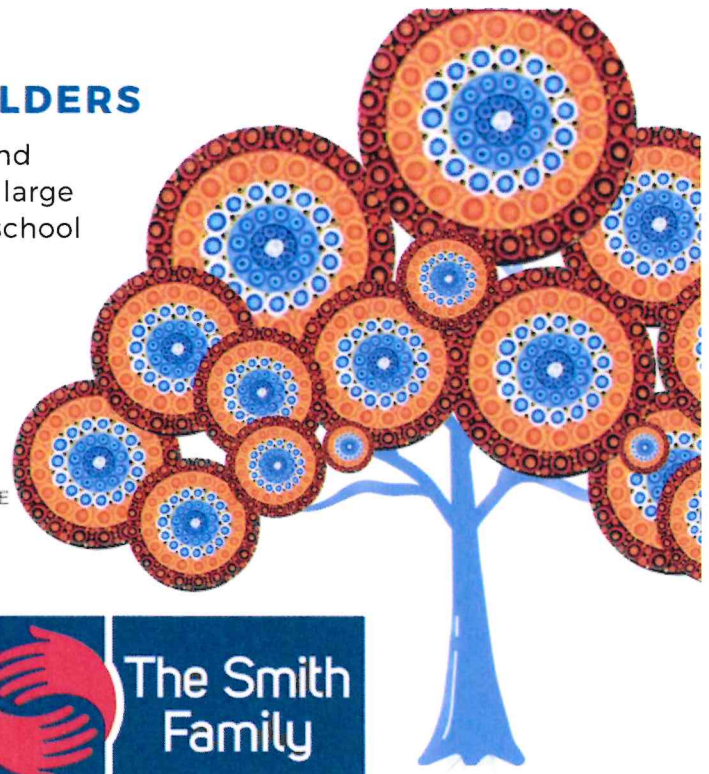
Staff Wellbeing



Positive messaging

OUR SUPPORTERS AND STAKEHOLDERS

At Lockridge PS, we know it takes a village to grow and raise a child and we are thankful for the support of a large number of groups and businesses who invest in our school and community.



Thank you

