

Lobethal Primary School

Newsletter

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From the Principal

Dear parents and caregivers,

It seems amazing to think that we are already past the half way point of this term!

It was fantastic last week to take the whole school to Bushland Park for our Bush School and Fun Run Day!

Days like these are the kinds of things that students remember when they look back on their primary school years and they only occur with the support of many people.

To all of those from the Parents and Friends Committee who were there on the day, a massive thank you! The lunch was a huge success and your prep during the week and actions on the day were fantastic!

To the cookie bakers last Thursday Mel, Natasha, Amelia, Kylie and Becky, they were amazing and your sugar work was Masterchef worthy!

On Friday Mel, Kylie, Becky, Kim, Cherie and Sara were amazing with the preparing and serving of lunch!

We had some brilliant group leaders as well - thanks to Michelle, Michael and Ellie for this support!

Of our school staff, everyone pulled together to get the day on, but in particular I need to thank Belinda and Amelia for the countless tasks they performed to make sure we could have a safe and enjoyable day as well.

One thing I've learned since being at Lobethal, is that the teachers are committed to the idea of outdoor learning. Our bush school program is something that is not replicated in all schools and it was fantastic to see all of our teachers do little things to ensure that their class and their group had a great day on Friday.

Finally, thank you to all families for the manner in which you have supported the Fun Run this year.

We are still waiting for a final tally, but with nearly half the students sponsorship still to be accounted for, the total is approximately \$4,400!

This will be a great boost towards the new playground!

Communicable diseases

Last week, it became apparent that COVID-19 and other communicable diseases are very much going to play a factor over the course of this winter. We have had numerous students, staff and other community members impacted by this.

I would like to draw your attention to [SA Health's COVID-19 close contact information](#) and request all of those connected to our school, ensure that they are helping stop the spread of any such diseases.



Government of South Australia
Department for Education



Diary Dates

Friday 14 June

Assembly 9am
presented by Class 1

Tuesday 18 June

School Council meeting

Friday 21 June

- Bush School Classes 1– 3
- 2024 Mid-Year Reception transition visit 9.10—10.30am

Thursday 27 June

Newsletter out

Friday 28 June

2024 Mid-Year Reception transition visit 9.10—12pm

Thursday 4 Jul

7:30pm, Hills Music Festival

Friday 5th July

- Last day of term
- Assembly 9am
- Reports sent home
- 2.10 Dismissal

Monday 22 July

First Day of Term 3

Friday 9 August

Bush School Classes 1– 3

Friday 23 August

Pupil Free Day—OSHC Bookings available

Monday 2 September

School Closure Day—OSHC also closed

Friday 6 September

Bush School Classes 1– 3

Friday 27 September

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Resilience Responsibility Respect Excellence Independence

From the Principal Continued...

While this does not mean the significant changes to our lifestyle that it did a few years ago. It does mean that we all need to be aware of our surroundings, particularly if we have a sore throat, cough or congested nose.

Most days last week, we have had more relief staff than teaching staff on site and to ensure the effectiveness of all of our teaching and learning programs, it is obviously preferable that we have our own staff at work as often as possible.

If your child is showing signs of any respiratory or other communicable disease, please make sure you keep them at home until the symptoms have eased.

Reconciliation Week

Week 5 of this term was Reconciliation Week. We opened the week with a flag raising of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait flags in front of the school.

Each class then had discussions and learning tasks designed around the idea of reconciliation and what we can do in our daily lives to ensure this process continues to gain traction in our community and across the nation.

During NAIDOC week at the end of the term, students will present the posters they have made highlighting the life and achievements of a particularly influential Aboriginal Australian.

Finally, each student in our school painted a 'Reconciliation Rock', with a personal commitment towards or message of reconciliation on it. These were placed around Bushland Park on our Bush School Day. Maybe if you visit the park over the coming weeks, you might find one!

Hills Music Festival

One of the unexpected highlights of my first year as principal at Lobethal in 2023 was the Hills Music Festival in the hall at Springhead Church. This event is on again this year, and in 2024 we have teamed up with Birdwood Primary School as well.

Please place this lovely event of our students showcasing their musical abilities in you diary. It is on at 7:30pm on Thursday 4 July and entry is only a gold coin donation.

Have a great week,

Kind regards,

Mark Tucker

Bowerbird Blues - Class 3

In the lead up to National Simultaneous Story time, which was held on Wednesday 22 May, Class 3 students have been learning all about Bowerbirds.

Classes gathered in the library to hear the author Aura Parker, read her beautiful book to over two million students and educators.

Class 3 have used the book to think about the parts of a narrative as well as identify the interesting "book language" that Aura used.

Bowerbirds are so fascinating!

Next, we plan to write a short information report about them.

Bush School and Fun Run!

Breaking News! By Quinn

There was a storm on 31st of May Friday 1:00 p.m.

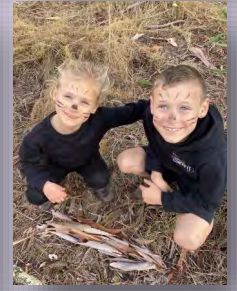
On that same day Lobethal primary school went to visit Bushland Park.

The students there were dressed in their sports team colours the teams were Dragons, Griffins and Phoenix. The whole school went into a room where they watched an acknowledgement of the country. They also split the people into da groups for the day.

The school went to a muddy river then back through the 45 minute path to the foyer and got some cookies, juice boxes and more. After that they went back into the groups to decide what to do, the options were to make an alphabet out of nature, make a stick family, a treasure hunt and a colour wheel.

Finally Lobethal primary school had lunch. There were delicious options like meat pies, spinach, avocado and feta roll soup and more. They had to stay under the shelter because it was raining.

It was still raining when they had to do the fun run so they did it in the rain! Lobethal primary school had to run 700m laps and run as many laps as you can in 45 minutes. The purpose of this is to raise money for a school playground. They raised money by getting sponsored by their family. In the end they all had fun!



Bushland Park Fun Run

FM KID NEWS, HAPPENING NOW!!!!

Reported by Eliza

On the last day of May, the 31st of the 5th of 2024, Lobethal Primary School (L.P.S) decided it was time for another fabulous fundraiser for a soon to be playground that will replace another 20 year old playground.

L.P.S has a huge goal in mind, since playground expenses have gone up due to safety registrations and materials. New playgrounds can cost up to \$70 000 just for a simple piece of play equipment that the children can enjoy.

So now every child is doing their best to raise money in the fun run, whether it's a one-off donation or it's per lap.

On average, the children did 6 laps each, but some refused to even run, tallying down the average, while some receptions and year ones are running 7-8 laps of the 700m track. Mr Tucker (the principal) reports "We have not tallied up the fundraising money, since our receptionists are sick with illness, like some of our teachers are experiencing!"



Community News

THE ISLAND OF LOST GOLD

MT TORRENS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

LOBETHAL TOWN HALL
 THURSDAY 20TH JUNE | MATINEE PERFORMANCE 1PM
 FRIDAY 21ST JUNE | EVENING PERFORMANCE 6.30PM

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - Visit eventbrite.com.au

Join us in this exciting journey of faith, greed and suspense as the pirates, soldiers and sailors search for the hidden inheritance on the Island of Lost Gold.



Disability SA

Term 3 'What's The Buzz?' Classes

A 16 week program aiming to:

- Develop emotional and social intelligence
- Build resilience and social skills
- Help students who find it challenging to make friends

Birdwood Location

Early Years (5 - 8 year old's)
 Tuesdays Commencing 23rd July
 Tuesdays 4:30pm - 5:15pm

Bookings finalised
Thursday 13th July
Get in quick!

Primary Years (9 - 11 year old's)
 Tuesdays Commencing 23rd July
 Tuesdays 5:30 - 6:15pm

BOOK NOW:

admin@disabilitysa.com.au
 or 0438 570 909

Teenagers (12- 15 year old's)
 Tuesdays Commencing 23rd July
 Tuesdays 6:30 - 7:15pm

Transport can be given if needed
****Times may be changed based on demand****

All Facilitators are successfully trained in "What's the Buzz?" by Noni Le Messurier and Mark Le Messurier, Co-Creator, Author & Trainer of What's the Buzz - www.whatsthebuzz.net.au

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SESSIONS

MOOVE & GROOVE

DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH (WEEK 7)
 LOCATION: STEM RM/GYM -TBA
 TIME: 12:10 - 1PM
 YEAR LEVELS: REC - YR3

- Emotional regulation
- Confidence building
- Body awareness
- Body connection
- Releasing tension through body movement

THRIVE

DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH (WEEK 7)
 LOCATION: STEM RM/GYM -TBA
 TIME: 1:35 - 2:35 PM
 YEAR LEVELS: YR 4 - 6

- What is resilience?
- How to apply resilience?
- Emotional regulation and stress
- Mastering the mind
- Perception
- Self esteem/self worth
- Power of your choices
- Goal setting and focus
- Self reflection
- Support networks
- Where to get help

