Next Term
- **Monday 3rd October**
  - First day of Term 4
- **Tuesday 4th October**
- **Wednesday 5th October**
- **Thursday 6th October**
  - School Bank Day
  - Home Work Club 3:15 – 4:30pm
  - Drumbeat 3:15 – 4:30pm
- **Friday 7th October**
  - Breakfast Club 8:15-8:45am
  - Gr 6 Summer Sports
  - Little LEPS Playgroup 10:00am
  - Prep 2017 Orientation visit 2:10pm
  - Friendship Pods
  - Assembly

Coming Events
- **Monday 10th October**
  - Swimming commences for
  - Gr 1/2A – 12 Noon, 1/2B – 12:45pm
  - Prep – 1:45pm
- **Tuesday 11th October**
  - Regional Athletics - Newborough
  - Preps swim 1:45pm
  - Prep 2017 Orientation visit 2:10pm
- **Monday 14th November**
  - Gr 6 Corringle Camp begins

Reminders
- **This Friday – last day of term**
- Early recess – 10:30am
- Early lunch – 12:30pm
- Civics & Citizenship Ceremony – 1:45pm
- Early finish – 2:15pm
  (Early buses)

Please return ICT Acceptable Use Agreement forms as soon as possible. Thank you.
From the Principal ....

Library Grand Opening.....Reading Under the Stars

Last Thursday we officially opened our new library space. It was great to see so many community members come and celebrate our opening and highlight the importance we are placing on reading. So many people have been instrumental in rebuilding our library, people have volunteered their time however there has been one person who has coordinated and worked weekends to ensure this library launch and new resource will benefit the school. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Barb McMahon for all of her hard work and long hours in getting the library redeveloped and into a resource that will be enjoyed for future generations of our students. Over 1000 new books are now in our library ready for students to borrow. The library will be an ongoing process as we aim to keep our students engaged in reading.

Principal for a Day.....

Last Thursday we hosted our Regional Director Stephen Gniel acting as Principal For a Day. This program, now in its 10th year, aims to bring people from different industries into schools to highlight the work, needs and demands on schools. This year Stephen Gniel, who is the South Eastern Regional Director came to Lakes Entrance Primary School. Stephen spent the day working with me, after reading with some of the younger students we also took a tour of Lakes Entrance Secondary College to highlight the need for a strong educational model in Lakes Entrance. Stephen also spent time in meetings throughout the day focussing on our STEM work (Science Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) as we plan for 2017. Stephen also took the opportunity to meet with community groups and School Council President Atina Baker for a parent’s perspective.

Early Finish.....

Just a reminder that Term 3 will finish at 2:15pm this Friday the 16th September.

Term 4 ....HATS.....: Term 4 is the time when all students (and staff) must wear hats at recess and lunchtime to protect themselves from skin damage due to the sun. There is a choice of wearing a school legionnaire-style hat or a school broad-brimmed hat. Please start looking in the bottom of the drawer, or under the bed, for that crumpled hat that hasn’t been used for 6 months. We have a policy of ‘No hat, No play’. Students who don’t have a hat must go to the shaded quiet area for the duration of the break. Please use these holidays to ensure all students return with an appropriate hat for Term 4.

Prep Enrolments: By now all families should be close to finalising their child’s enrolment for 2017. We are in the planning stages for next year and next term our formal transition sessions will start to ensure a smooth start to school for students and parents.

Have a great holiday, school will resume on Monday 3rd October.

Simon Prior
ADVICE FROM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING

As the school holidays are approaching, you may have plans to travel on Victoria’s roads. Significant rain is expected to fall over much of Victoria over the next few days, which may result in flooding.

Because of this rainfall, there is an increased risk to those travelling on our roads, and it is possible that houses across the State may be impacted as well.

I urge you to heed the following advice from emergency services:

- You should never drive through floodwater – it only takes about 15 centimetres of water to lose control of your vehicle.
- Drive to the conditions around you and be aware of road hazards such as mud, debris, damaged roads and bridges.
- Roads in your area could be damaged by the bad weather so plan your journey and monitor VicTraffic for road condition updates and any road closures, see: Vic Traffic
- Never swim, walk or play in floodwater, it is dangerous and may contain hazardous debris or toxins.
- If your property is at risk of flooding, please raise belongings onto tables, benches or beds and if you are on a farm, consider moving your livestock to higher ground.
- Remain informed with emergency broadcasters to ensure you are up-to-date with the latest conditions and if possible, make sure your neighbours are aware of the situation. For more information, see: Vic Emergency

Many thanks, and have a safe and enjoyable holiday break.

FREE ZOOPER DOOPER

Friday 12.40

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Compliments of Parents and Friends of Lakes Entrance Primary School

If you do not wish your child to have a free zooper dooper please contact the school
THE SMITH FAMILY INVITES PARENTS ........

The Smith Family is the lead agency in the Lakes Entrance Schools and Community Hub, and we are based here at Lakes Entrance Primary School, and we also work with the Lakes Entrance Secondary College, St Brendan’s Catholic Primary School and Nowa Nowa Primary School. It has been our pleasure to work with LEPS to organise such events as National Tree Day and NAIDOC/National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children’s Day, and also to support such programs as Drumbeat and the Homework Club. Next term, we will be working with the Grade 5/6 teachers to arrange a Careers Day where the students will get to experience the available tertiary education options here in our region. We would also like to get a group of parents/carers together to talk about their children’s education. It would be great to get your thoughts on the education system generally, to find out the positives and negatives of it and how they affect you and your family, and also your ideas about how we could help you to help your kids more with their schooling, and their future decision making. This group could be either during school hours, or in the evening, and would be very relaxed and informal. If you are interested in attending, could you please contact The Smith Family office on 5155 5159, and we will work out a date and time for the sessions that will suit most interested parents.

Michele Fry
Lakes Entrance Schools and Community Hub
The Smith Family

HOMEWORK CLUB

This term we introduced a homework club for our grade 3-6 students. The homework club has been a great success with around 12-17 children coming every Thursday afternoon. The homework club runs from 3:15pm - 4:30pm, children receive a snack, work through their homework books or extra tasks, and then we finish the afternoon with a quick game outside. The homework club is being supported by the Smith Family and we thank Michelle for all of her effort. Thank you to all the LEPS staff and volunteers who are dedicating their time on a Thursday to help run this program. Special mention to Mandi Lumley, Glen Baker, Chris Moseley and Nalda Atkinson for your ongoing support and dedication around working with our students.

If you would like a homework club form, please ask at the office.

Asheigh Wust  Grade 5/6 teacher

VALUES VAULT - TIPS FOR A HEALTHY HEADSPACE

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY – Physical activity is important for everyone’s health and wellbeing. If you’re feeling down or finding things are difficult, physical activity may be the last thing you feel like doing. But even small activities like walking around the block can help relieve stress and frustration, provide a good distraction from your thoughts, help you concentrate and can help you look and feel better. Find a physical activity that you enjoy (eg swimming, playing sports with friends or cycling) and make a plan to do it regularly.
Pioneer Day
Sunday
September 25
Nyerimilang Park
10:00 am - 3:00 pm
At the Old Farm Buildings
Billy Tea & Damper
Sausage Sizzle
Activities & Displays
from
Days Gone By
A Great Family Day Out
Adults $4
Children Free
Kalmna West Road
closed at
Marina Creek
Access by Nungurner Road

Sun Protection Times
Don’t just wait for hot and sunny days
to use sun protection. Check the sun
protection times each day so your
family can be protected when they
need to be.

Daily local sun protection times and
weather details are available in the
weather section of the newspaper, on
the SunSmart website at
sunsmart.com.au and as a free
SunSmart app. Sun protection times
can also be found at the Bureau of
Meteorology website and live UV
levels are available from ARPANSA.

PAIRS (Parent And Infant Relationship Support)
a group program for parents & carers
with their infants aged 0-2 years

Where: Early Learning Centre (Lakes Entrance Primary School)
When: Mondays during Term 4
      from 3rd October until 5th December
      11.00 am to 1.00 pm

How can the PAIRS group help me and my baby?
• help you understand and enjoy your baby.
• help you to know your baby and feel good about having time
together.
• help you feel more confident to cope with your baby.
• help you speak your baby’s language.
• somewhere to talk things over in a relaxed & friendly place.

For more information, please talk to Jenny on:
phone: 5153 7533 mobile: 0407 872 256

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Saturday, 17th September, 12:30-2 PM
Lakes Entrance Surf Life Saving Club

$10 per ticket for bookings online at
https://www.trybooking.com/224573
Or phone Annie on 0467 057 593