



THE VIEW @ LEURA

Newsletter of the Leura Public School Community

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Term 2, 2022

Week 6-7

*The Year 6 Shirts
have arrived!!!!*



Coming Events

Week 8

- 13/06 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
- 15/06 Synergy Dance Performance 2
- 15/06 Sydney West Cross Country
- 19/06 P&C Breakfast BBQ

Week 9

- 20/06 Greystanes Performance Senior Choir & Penny Whistle
- 20/06 Spelling Bee Class Competitions Years 3-6
- 21/06 Premier's Debating Challenge Leura vs Hazelbrook
- 22/06 Kindergarten 2023 Information Evening 6:00pm
- 23/06 Premier's Debating Challenge Leura vs Leura
- 24/06 Film By the Eucalypts Gala Day workshops

Week 10

- 28/06 SRC Biggest Morning Tea 11:00am
 - 29/06 Premier's Debating Challenge Leura vs Blaxland
 - 01/07 Principals Assembly 2:00pm
- Last Day of Term 2**

Term 3

Week 1

- 18/07 Staff Development Day
- 19/07 First Day back for Students

Week 2

- 28/07 OC Test (Year 5 2023)

Week 3

- 03/08 Open Day - Education Week
- 04/08 Athletics Carnival 2022

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING - Term 2 2022 VALUES OF THE WEEK

Week 6: As a **Resilient** student I will adapt to changes and environmental factors.

Week 7: As a **Responsible** student I will keep my hands and feet to myself.

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Principal's Report Term 2 – Week 6-7



**Grand Opening
Yanema Budjery Gumada
&
Edible Garden Trail
Welcome to ALL our community
Saturday October 15th 2022, 11:00am**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Leura Public School has been a busy place these last few weeks. The school is very proud of the students for their learning, resilience, and engagement. Our volunteers have been amazing in their support with various community events and our staff have been fantastic in their teaching, support and their enthusiasm and zest for student focused activities is appreciated.

P&C

At the P&C AGM held last week, there were a few new faces elected to various positions. This is exciting news for our school and as Principal, I welcome our newly elected position holders and I look forward to a positive, productive, and fantastic year of work with you all. Thank you to the many who have now stepped aside from positions, your contributions and time is appreciated by our whole community. Congratulations to the Leura Public School P&C President and Secretary:

President: Ms. Melinda Crumblin

Secretary: Mr. Alex Fun

As Principal, I would like to acknowledge and thank the hard work, commitment, and contributions of former secretary Mrs. Winnie Hua. Our school is fortunate to have Mrs. Hua as an active volunteer in our school community and we look forward to continuing to see her supporting us across our school. Finally, I would like to acknowledge the incredible contributions and service from long-term President Mrs. Caroline Casdagli. Mrs. Casdagli, has been a valuable member of the P&C who has been active in supporting the school community through many roles and responsibilities including and not limited to running the uniform shop, representing on staffing panels and running community events. I want to thank her for her kindness, warmth, and commitment to the whole school community. Her many years as President has certainly been appreciated by our whole community and although we will continue to see Mrs. Casdagli, we know that at the end of this year, her friendly face will be leaving our community as a current parent.

SAVE THE DATE:

Education Week - Open Day - Wednesday August 3rd 2022, Week 3, Term 3

Parents, carers and friends will be invited into the school for Education Week. This year's theme is 'creating futures - education changes lives' and celebrates the quality education we provide and the opportunities available to everyone in NSW public education.

SAVE THE DATE:

Book Character Parade - Tuesday 23rd August 2022. Students dress up as their favourite book character. We love to see recycled and creative costumes.

Working Bee

We had an excellent and fun community working bee on Sunday 5th June. Our volunteers were incredible in their hard work, energy and contributions to the delicious morning tea.

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Leura Public School values events that bring the community together. This was a perfect opportunity for parents and friends to come along and contribute whilst having their children play in our beautiful school grounds. We look forward to another community working bee. We guarantee food, fun and a great school community!



Exciting News

Congratulations to Archie Gemmell who recently made the Penrith Junior Rugby Union representative team. He will travel to the Central Coast in July for a carnival. Archie is very proud of himself for this achievement. Archie plays rugby for the Blue Mountains Blue Tongues Rugby Union Club in Lapstone. He developed strong friendships and values from the game, and our school is very excited about his achievements.

Staffing

Our school has organised for Miss. Sarah Thomas, who currently works on the MC Class replacing Mr. Patrick Angel, to take Class Morgan while Mrs. Haley McGown teaches the music program on Monday and Wednesdays for the remainder of 2022. Mrs. McGown is a highly talented music teacher who is already working within our community to lead music programs in choir and junior band. Mrs. McGown is passionate about music and is committed to continuing the high-quality program at Leura Public School. She is going to come off class for two days to continue this valuable program for our school. Miss. Thomas is a wonderful and experienced classroom teacher who will be sharing class Morgan with Mrs. McGown during Semester Two.

Attendance:

As parents and caregivers, it is important that you understand the importance of student attendance. Student attendance is linked to school engagement, overall student academic performance and wellbeing. Our school attendance data is monitored by the Department of Education. It is important that students are at school each day. It is important that we have an explanation for your child's absence. Our school has several processes for families to connect with the school in explaining student absence. I thank you for your support and understanding with student attendance. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you need support with student attendance. We are always here and happy to help.

SRC The Biggest Morning Tea – End of Term Celebration

On Tuesday 28th June, Week 10, our community is invited to come along and bring some morning tea at 11:00am to have a picnic with our students on school grounds. Our Biggest Morning Tea will take

place during our regular lunch period. Families are encouraged to pack something to share with their own child/ren. The canteen will have tea and coffee available. If wet weather occurs, we will invite special visitors into the classrooms to share a morning tea with their own child/ren.

Kindergarten Information Evening 2023

On Wednesday 22nd June, 6:00pm-7:30pm, our school will be hosting a Kindergarten Information Night so that families and interested members of our community can come meet and listen to our amazing staff talk about our wonderful school. We hope to provide information about our Kindergarten programs, school vision and other extra-curricular programs that are on offer at Leura Public School. Mrs. Daniele Aldred will be leading the transition to school program for us at Leura Public School this year. Please ensure you share the details of this event with any members of our local community who might be thinking about enrolling their child/ren into kindergarten in 2023.

Semester 2 Reports

Our teachers have been working very hard with assessments and report writing to complete Semester 2 reports. Reports will be going home on the last day of Term 2, Friday 1st July 2022.

School Photos

We hope to receive completed packages from The School Photographer soon. The usual turnaround time is approx. 6-8 weeks once photos have been proofed. Once the packages have been delivered to the school, we will send home with students.

Have a safe, warm and wonderful two weeks!

Kind regards,

May Ptolemy
Principal



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Congratulations 🎉

Exciting News for Mr. Steve Atkinson

Regional North Operational Directorate Executive Director, School Performance Excellence Awards

Mr. Steve Atkinson has been selected to receive Executive Director, School Performance Excellence Award where he is being recognised and acknowledged for his outstanding contributions in our school community across the Regional North Performance Directorate.

We are so proud of Mr. Steve Atkinson! Well done!



Voluntary School Contribution 2022

This year the Voluntary School Contribution charged to school families is \$50.

Total so far for 2022: **\$2713.00!!**

THANK YOU!



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Kindergarten Information Night

We would like to invite you and your family to our Kindergarten Information Night for **Kindergarten students** interested in enrolling at **Leura Public School for 2023.**

Wednesday June 22nd, 2022 6:00pm-7:30pm

This night will provide information:

- ⇒ Our School's Vision. (Message from the Principal)
- ⇒ Innovative school programs.
- ⇒ Our enrolment process.
- ⇒ Kindergarten Orientation Events in 2022.
- ⇒ Extra-curricula activities the school provides.
- ⇒ Meet parents already at Leura Public School.



We require families to register their interest in attending by contacting the school.

Phone: 4784 1251

Website: www.leura-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/home

<https://www.facebook.com/LeuraPublicSchool>



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NOTES/PAYMENT REMINDER

To assist families, the following is a list of activities and associated costs, for which permission slips and/or monies are to be returned to the school. If there are any difficult circumstances in regard to any payments by the due date, for incursions/excursions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

EXCURSION/ACTIVITY	AMOUNT	DATE/PAYMENT DUE
Synergy Dance Costume Payment	\$36.00	Overdue
Narragunnawali Festival	\$15.00	Overdue
Voluntary School Contribution	\$50.00	
Instrumental Music Program: Tuition Term 2	\$135.00	Due Now
Instrumental Music Program: Instrument Hire Term 2	\$50.00/\$5 (drum pads)	Due Now
Instrumental Music Program: Directors Fee Term 2	\$35.00	Due Now
Stage 3 Camp- Instalment 2	\$65.00	Overdue
Stage 3 Camp- Instalment 3	\$65.00	24 th June 2022
Stage 3 Camp- Final Payment	\$65.00	22 nd July 2022

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LEURA LIBRARY NEWS

TERM 2 WEEKS 6-7

SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME



On Wednesday 25th May, LPS participated in the Simultaneous Storytime with over 2 million other kids across Australia, NZ, Singapore and other countries. We enjoyed the company of the Leura Community preschool students in the library as we listened to *Family Tree* read by the author Josh Pyke.



SO MANY NEW BOOKS!

Shout out to the amazing Claire Cocks, book-contacting-mum-extraordinaire for her assistance in covering most of the hundred+ new books we have on our shelves. Please let me know if you are also able to volunteer your time to help cover books in contact. All supplies are provided and it can be done in the comfort of your own home. It's a great way to help out if you work school hours and find these kinds of tasks therapeutic!

MEET OUR LIBRARY MONITORS

What do you like to do in your spare time?
I like roller-skating, drawing and playing with friends.
What do you like best about school?
Doing art.
Tell us about your favourite books.
I like mostly every horror book.

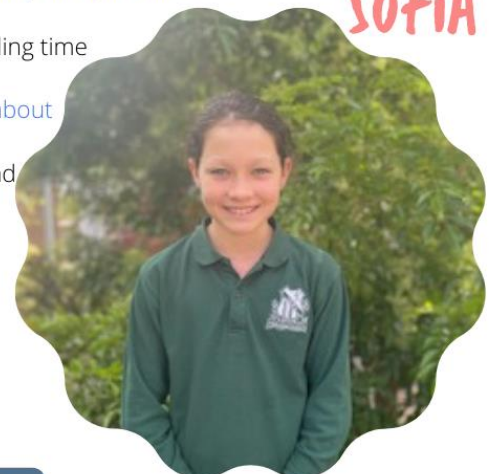
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What do you like to do in your spare time?
I like camping, sports, adventuring and spending time with friends.
What do you like best about school?
Learning new things and talking with friends.
Tell us about your favourite books.
I like books about war and graphic novels.

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Happy Reading! Mrs Halse

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Jump Rope For Heart

We raised \$218 for Jump Rope for Heart!



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The Premier's Spelling Bee 2022

The Premier's Spelling Bee is open to all NSW government primary, central and community schools. We have entered Leura Public School into the competition this year. The competition comprises of two divisions – junior for Years 3 and 4 and senior for Years 5 and 6. Year 2 are invited to participate in the junior division. At regional finals, each school can enter one student per division to a maximum of two students per school.



Each Stage 2 and 3 class and Year 2 combined will hold a class Spelling Bee towards the end of this term. Students from each class competition will be invited to participate in the junior and senior school division competition on Tuesday the 26th of July. From this competition one junior and one senior student will be selected to participate at the regional finals.

The link below will allow you to access the spelling lists on-line. We are not allowed to publish the password. The password is displayed in student's classrooms and the ladies in the office can be contacted if your child cannot remember the password.

<https://artsunit.nsw.edu.au/program/nsw-premiers-spelling-bee>

We hope students enjoy some spelling fun over the coming weeks.

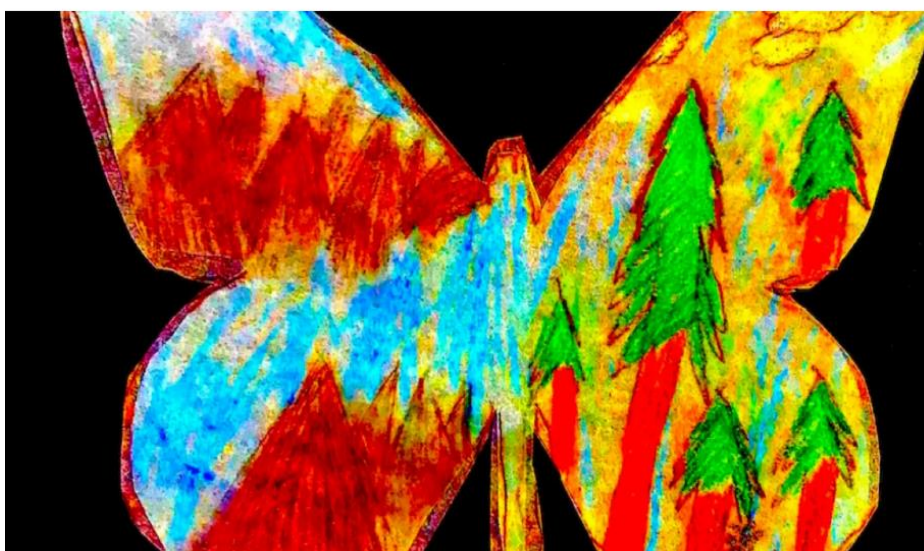
Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions.

Jacqui Thompson and Jodie Field

Spelling Bee Coordinators.



HOPE butterfly installation 2022



Where

Macquarie St
Sydney NSW 2000

When

Every day, 9am to 5am
Wednesday 1 June to Thursday 23 June

Cost

Free

<https://whatson.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/events/hope-butterfly-installation-2022>

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PJ day is always a welcome and exciting fundraiser at LPS and today was no exception, with a dazzling array of oodles, gowns, slippers and all other sleep attire on display. It made for a colourful and toasty (and a little bit sleepy) day at school. With over \$200 raised, to send off our gorgeous Year 6s in style.

Thank you LPS!

[#LoveWhereYouLearn](#)



Synergy Performing Arts Festival 2022

Congratulations Ensemble Dancers and Compères.

Thank you Ms. Farrell



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Year 7 Enrichment Class Applications

Katoomba High School will be assessing Year 6 students who are seeking to enrol in the 2023 Year 7 Enrichment Class on **Tuesday 26 July 2022**. Students will be assessed on their skills in Mathematics, Reading & Language and Writing. There will be TWO sessions held on the day to choose from (morning or afternoon). Please indicate in your return email which session you would like your child to attend.

If you would like your Year 6 son or daughter to be considered for the Year 7 Enrichment Class please email sharon.schloeffel2@det.nsw.edu.au, School Administration Officer, by **Friday, 10th June 2022**.

If you have any questions regarding the testing, please contact Brigid Gibson, Head Teacher Teaching & Learning: brigid.gibson@det.nsw.edu.au or Nick Long, Enrichment Coordinator: nicholas.long@det.nsw.edu.au, or phone the school: 4782 2622.

When registering please provide the following information:

- Your child's name, gender, primary school
- Parent contact details, email
- Preferred session number

A session confirmation email will be sent to you prior to the testing day. If you are unable to attend please contact the school immediately.

Session 1	Session 2
Tuesday, 26 July 2022	Tuesday, 26 July 2022
Arrive at 8.50am: for a prompt 9.00am start	Arrive at 12.20pm: for a prompt 12.30pm start
Finish: 11:30am	Finish: 3.00pm