



THE VIEW @ LEURA

Newsletter of the Leura Public School Community

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September Edition

SEE YOU ALL BACK FOR TERM 4!



FIRST DAY BACK FOR STUDENTS:

MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2023

Coming Events

TERM 4

Week 1

09/10 – First day of Term 4

12/10 – Schools Spectacular Rehearsal #1
Ensemble Dance

13/10 – Principals Assembly from Term 3

Week 2

17/10 – Schools Spectacular Rehearsal #1
Combined Primary Choir

18/10 – Kindergarten 2024 Transition #1

19/10 – AECG Meeting – 4:00pm

20/10 – Year 6 Fun Day

Week 3

24/10 – P&C Meeting – 6:30pm

25/10 – Stop and STEM – details TBC

26/10 – Schools Spectacular Rehearsal #1
Boys Hip Hop

27/10 – UBMLC Newcombe Ball Gala Day

Week 4

30/10 – Schools Spectacular Rehearsal #1
Combined Rehearsal Ensemble Group
and Boys Hip Hop Group

02/11 – Schools Spectacular Rehearsal #2
Boys Hip Hop

03/11 – Stage 1 Incursion – details to come

Week 5

06/11 – 10/11 School Swimming Scheme
Years 2-4 – Week 1

09/11 – Schools Spectacular Rehearsal #2
Combined Primary Choir

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PSSA ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2023



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BLUE MOUNTAINS NEPEAN DANCE FESTIVAL 2023



GAME CHANGER CHALLENGE SEMI-FINAL 2023



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SCHOOL SUPPORT RECOGNITION WEEK 2023



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CONGRATULATIONS MRS THOMPSON!

NSW MINISTER'S AWARD FOR TEACHING EXCELLENCE 2023



FUTSAL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023



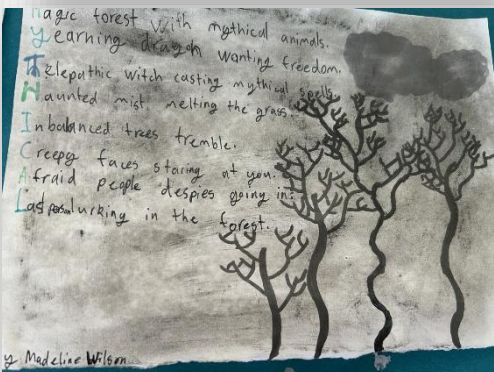
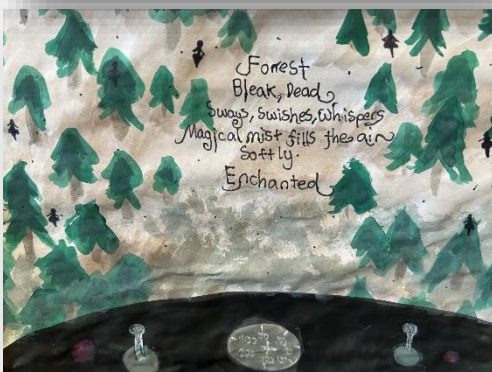
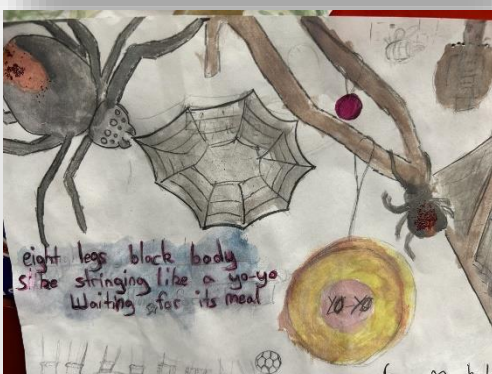
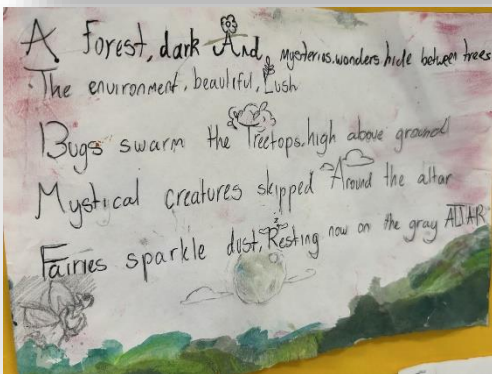
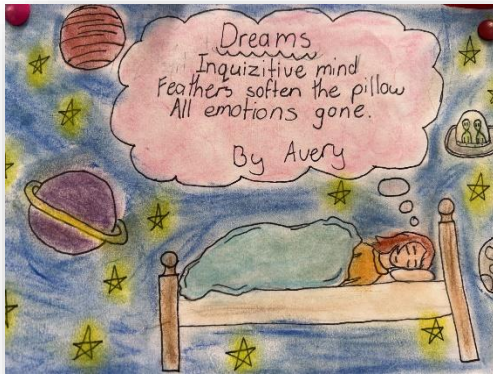
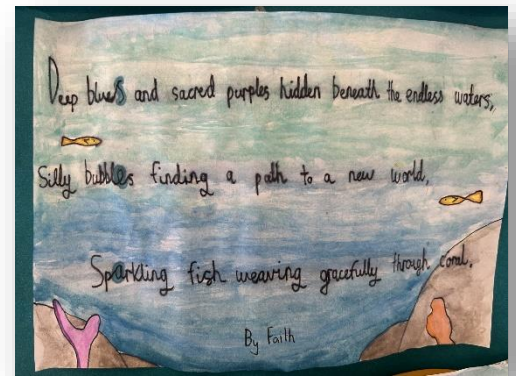
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CLASS FANTASIA POETRY

Class Fantasia have been studying poetry this term and using imagery to illustrate our work. We have been working on Haiku, Cinquain and Acrostic (hidden and telestich) poems. Our poems needed to include descriptive and figurative language. We have worked very hard on these and hope you enjoy reading a sample of our work.



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STAGE 3 "THE GRAND POM-POM CHALLENGE"

During the term, some of our Stage 3 students endeavoured to conquer "The Grand Pom-Pom Challenge". Armed with only paper and masking tape, teams worked together to construct a pom-pom drop/track. Key considerations included velocity, angles, and weight. The ultimate goal was for a controlled 10 second descent.



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WE HIT THE PRESS!!!



A link to the article featured in the Blue Mountains Gazette. September 16th, 2023.
Well done, Leura!

[Leura students give Genius projects a whirl | Blue Mountains Gazette | Katoomba, NSW](#)

LEURA PUBLIC SCHOOL GREEN TEAM

The Green Team has had a busy few weeks in the kitchen garden planting and taking care of lots of fruits and veggies.
Today we planted strawberries and soon we will plant some spinach.
Thanks so much to our wonderful community for the donations.
We can't wait for them to be ready to eat!
Thanks Miss Chelsea Parker for leading this educational and enriching experience for our students.



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LEURA LIBRARY NEWS

Leura hosts another fabulous Book Week!

You all looked fabulous at our Book Character Parade. Thank you parents for all of your efforts. It shows how much we value books and stories at LPS.

Local author Sharon Baldwin visited to share her book, 'P is for Permaculture'

Bake-A-Book competition was incredible again, with about 50 amazing cakes entered! Winners: Henry, Harvey, Frankie and Sylvie

KHALISHA GUESSED ALL OF THE TEACHER'S GARDENS CORRECTLY!

New Books!!!

We have a heap of new books in the library, and a new team of year 5 students have learned how to cover books in contact to get them ready for borrowing. Check out the Oliver Library platform through your Student Portal to reserve a new book for term 4. While you're there, maybe check out an e-book to read over the holidays!



My school library (Oliver)



WHY READ??

Reading improves your sleep

Does your bedtime routine include a few minutes (or hours) of screen time?

If it does, chances are good that scrolling, watching TV or checking your email is negatively impacting your ability to sleep. A 2020 study published in Nature and Science of Sleep found that using a mobile device for at least 30 minutes after turning off the lights resulted in poor sleep quality, daytime sleepiness and other sleep disturbances.

Reading a book before bed, however, has exactly the opposite effect.

Reading can improve sleep. It activates the frontal lobe, the limbic system, and it creates a relaxing cascade in our body.

In 2021, researchers studied reading and sleep patterns and found that, overall, reading a book in bed before sleeping led participants to feel their quality of sleep improved. It can help calm you and get you into that place much better than other types of activities.

-Zoe Shaw, Psy.D., licensed psychotherapist and author of "A Year of Self-Care: Daily Practices and Inspiration for Caring for Yourself,"

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Huge THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered and attended our 1st outdoor movie night!

After a small flare up everything ran smoothly and everyone had a great time.

Look out for the next movie night 2024!

COMING SOON!

All students have created an artwork to which we have turned into classroom collages. Soon you will be able to purchase these amazing artworks in the form of greeting cards. They will be available in packs of 10 and you can pick a pack of one class or a mixed pack with one card from every class.



Keep an eye out for order forms coming home next term.

REFERENDUM BAKE SALE DONATIONS NEEDED!



This year instead of a BBQ we will be having a Bake Sale. So we won't need any help on the day but we do need donations to sell. Some Gluten Free and vegan options would be appreciated and everything NUT FREE! Donations can be dropped at the Canteen on Friday 13th of October.

Text Bec if you're able to donate 0414 701 946 THANK YOU!

YOUR P&C NEEDS A SECRETARY
If you can help or know anyone interested please contact us at.
lpsspcc.president@gmail.com



Build a Mind Workshop

Thursday 28th September
10am - 12pm
Katoomba Guide Hall
17 Station Street.

School Holiday Fun For Children 10 years +

Hold on tight and get ready for an exhilarating ride!

Our paper rollercoasters workshop is perfect for kids aged 10 and above who are eager to learn about engineering and physics while having a blast. During this hands-on workshop, participants will learn the basics of building a paper rollercoaster, including the physics principles that make it work. Kids will be guided through the process of designing and constructing their very own rollercoaster to take home

Bookings Essential

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Free family fun with the Parliament of NSW

MONDAY 25 – THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2023 ONLINE






PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN UP TO 12 YEARS

Meet the people of Parliament
Monday 25 September, 9.30-10.15 am

Virtual guided visit of the Parliament of NSW
Tuesday 26 September, 9.30-10.15 am

Henry Parkes' disastrous document dilemma
Wednesday 27 September, 9.30-10.30 am

Storytelling session with drawing activity
Thursday 28 September, 9.30-10.30 am

Visit Australia's oldest Parliament via ZOOM this school holiday for free fun educational activities for children and their families.

We have 4 days of fun events planned including storytelling, a virtual guided chamber tour, a visit from Henry Parkes and an opportunity to meet the people of Parliament, all from the comfort of your home.

Strictly for children aged up to 12 years.



BOOK NOW



BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
P: (02) 9230 2047
E: communityengagement@parliament.nsw.gov.au

WHERE ONLINE

MORE INFORMATION
parliament.nsw.gov.au/events

Spring School Holiday Program

Workshops and Events

Book into one of our workshops to create, make and construct. To book visit the website or your local Library branch.

bluemountainlibrary.eventbrite.com.au



Collaborative Creations

Drop in anytime during the school holidays and add some Spring colour to your local library. Inspired by Vincent Van Gogh's flowers you're invited to create a flower to add to our community vase.

Saturday 23rd September - Sunday 8th October
All Blue Mountains Library branches



Science Fair

Wednesday 27th September, Springwood Hub

This event is running in conjunction with the Springwood Hub's Science Show: *The Alphabet of Awesome Science*. Our science fair will run from 9.30am - 12pm and then again from 12.30 - 3pm. Enjoy the show and have some science fun exploring our science resources. The Library event is free, tickets for the Hub show are bookable: \$28-\$25.

Abstract Cardboard Sculptures

Kindy - Year 6, with Naomi Oliver

Thursday 28th September 2023, 10.00 - 11.00am
Katoomba Library, \$6

Friday 29th September 2023, 10.00 - 11.00am
Springwood Hub, \$6

Cut, glue and colour with paint sticks, textas, poscas and patterned paper to create an abstract cardboard sculpture.



More workshops over the page.

BLUE MOUNTAINS LIBRARY




Mix & Match Cube Sculptures

Kindy - Year 6, with Naomi Oliver

Thursday 28th September, 11.30am - 1pm
Katoomba Library, \$6

Friday 29th September, 11.30am - 1pm
Springwood Hub, \$6

Create a three-cube mix and match sculpture by drawing your own creations. Spin the cubes around to discover your favourite combination. Each student will have time to create their own sculpture they can take home, as well as work collaboratively on a group sculpture that will be left in the library.

Halloween Puppets

Kindy - Year 6, with Naomi Oliver

Wednesday 4th October, 10.00 - 11.00am
Katoomba Library, \$6

Bring your very own Halloween creature to life with this fun puppet project.




Kumihimo Weaving

Years 3 - Year 9, with Naomi Oliver

Thursday 5th October 2023, 10.00 - 11.30am
Springwood Hub, \$6

Make a beautiful braided cord using this traditional Japanese artform.

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Presented by Blue Mountains Theatre

THE **ALPHABET** OF **AWESOME** SCIENCE

CREATIVE VICTORIA

Australia Council for the Arts

Wednesday | 27 September | 10am & 1pm

BLUE MOUNTAINS THEATRE

blue mountains City Council

BLUE MOUNTAINS CULTURAL CENTRE

30 Parke St, Katoomba

Bat Night

Sat 23 Sep | 6 to 8 pm

FREE - all welcome

- Listen to bat calls
- Meet a Flying Fox
- Learn about microbats
- Library treasure hunt
- Face painting | Craft cave

Image: Terry Reardon, Lesser Long-eared Bat (Myotis lesseri)

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BLUE MOUNTAINS LIBRARY

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun



Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just... they miss weeks per year and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight = 4 weeks = Over 1 year missed

1 day per week = 8 weeks = Over 2.5 years missed

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