

# Lockwood South Primary School



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12th February 2025

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

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## February

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Tuesday 18                      | MARC Van      |
| Wednesday 19                    | Prep rest day |
| Open Water Learning Crusoe Res. |               |
| Wednesday 26                    | Prep rest day |
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## March

|              |                          |
|--------------|--------------------------|
| Tuesday 4    | MARC                     |
| Monday 10    | Labour Day Holiday       |
| Wednesday 12 | Bunnings Activity        |
| Tuesday 18   | MARC                     |
| Friday 21    | X country/Junior Fun Day |
| Monday 24    | School Photos            |
| Friday 28    | Food fight               |

## DIRECT DEBIT DETAILS:

BSB: 063-093 ACC: 10001776

MUST REFERENCE NAME & PAYMENT

FOR. Eg: uniforms, OHSC

“  
Education is  
the most **POWERFUL**  
**WEAPON**  
which you can use  
to **change**  
the **WORLD**.  
”  
-Nelson Mandela

## Open Water Learning

Open water learning started today and will run on Wednesdays for 2 weeks, the grade 1-6 will be participating in the Open Water Learning Experience at Crusoe Reservoir. Students will need their swimming attire, including old shoes as they will be provided with lifesaving skills in and around water.

## Reminder: Updated Pupil Information/Consent Forms

We need to keep our records up to date with changes that occur from year to year, such as occupations, which factors into our funding, and mobile phone numbers for emergency contacts. Pupil Information forms were attached to last week's newsletter. Consents must also be renewed each year for walking excursions, headlice and the MARC agreement, and media, photo sharing must be signed/completed and returned to school as soon as possible please.

## Acceptable Use of Learning Technologies

Please see attached to this newsletter an Acceptable Use of Learning Technology form that your child must sign to be able to use. Please take the time to read through it with your child so they understand the importance of respecting our school and equipment.

## Allocating the School Saving Bonus

Families can choose how they allocate and spend the School Saving Bonus funds using the [online system](#). The School Saving Bonus can be used towards 2025 school costs, which may include:

camps, trips, excursions and incursions  
swimming and sporting programs  
school uniforms

Families can use the online system to choose how they'll spend their School Saving Bonus.

## Annual Privacy reminder:

Our school collects and uses student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in DETs [Schools' Privacy Policy](#) and the [Schools' Privacy Collection Notice](#).

We photograph, and record students within the school regularly, but will only use these with expressed permissions of parents for publication purposes. It is vital that families please complete the permissions update and let us know if you require this to change at any stage.

We ask parents to also review to understand the permissions in the photo and media section of the update and return these as soon as possible. Should you have any questions regarding this please contact me.

Thank you for your continued support of Lockwood SOUTH Adam Torney

Personal Best - Mutual Respect - Caring - Community



### Conveyance Allowance 2025

Conveyance Allowance assists families with the cost of transporting their children to and from school.



**To be eligible** you must live more than 4.8 km, by the shortest route from Lockwood SOUTH Primary School and this must be your nearest school. Application forms are available from the school office and must be returned to the school office no later than **Tuesday 18th February**.

### Camps Sports & Excursion Fund 2025

Families must hold a current health care card to be eligible for \$125.00 to be used by the school to help pay for camps, sports & excursion costs for your child. Forms are also available at the office. Completed forms are to be returned to the school office by **Tuesday 18th February**.

### Medical Action Plans-2025

If your child has a medical condition such as diabetes, allergies, anaphylaxis, asthma, epilepsy or any other medical condition that requires monitoring you are required to provide us with an action plan. This action plan is to help meet the specific needs of your child and is made in consultation with your doctor. This plan needs to be updated every year.

### Family Voluntary Fees 2025

Annual Amount—See Attached

#### STUDENT CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS

Classroom consumables, materials & equipment  
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials

Whole school events (athletics and cross country)

Minor Excursions \$ 50.00

ICT Devices – provision of devices from the shared classroom sets

Online subscriptions:

Essential Assessment

Raz Plus

Twinkl \$300.00

#### OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

MARC Library \$ 30.00

Grounds Maintenance Levy (Per Family) \$150.00

### Tissues:

This year we are asking that each child is to bring 2 large box of tissues to school for their classrooms. Your child should hand their box of tissues to their individual class teacher. One box of tissues is then made available to the class while the other boxes are stored for later use.



### OSHC

Welcome back after the Christmas break, I hope everyone had a lovely holiday. In OSHC, the last couple of weeks, we have been constructing animals from the capybara/seal construction set, and a truck and roller from the vehicle set. We have also played The Bad Game – we need to interpret the rules for this game every time we play it, as it is a little bit complicated. One of our students is also making a marble maze using cardboard and skewers.



Outside the children have been enjoying playing downball, skipping, and playing in the cubby house.

Please let me know if you need your child to be in either before or after school care. Accounts will be attached to the next newsletter.

**Breakfast Club— Breakfast Club has started and will be offered every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to the second last week of term.**



**Happy  
Birthday  
to  
Maisie**

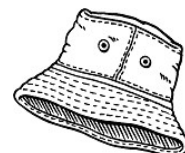


### Hats

**It is coming up to Hat wearing time of year again: 1st September to 31st April as part of our SunSmart Policy.**

Slouch hats -\$15

Bucket hats -\$11







### Hakea Classroom—Matilda

For displaying the strength of [Teamwork](#).

Which demonstrates our school value of [Teamwork](#).

Congratulations Matilda on achieving the Student of the Week. I have been very impressed with the way you have settled into being a leader within the Hakea Classroom. You have been a great helper with the new students and have made sure everyone is feeling part of our classroom. Well done, Matilda!

### Wattles Classroom—Clem

For displaying the strengths of [Leadership](#).

Which demonstrates our school values of [Teamwork](#).

Congratulations to Clem on being this week's Star of the Week. Clem has shown throughout the first two weeks she is a wonderful leader within our room, always helping and setting a very good example for all the kids in our room.

AMAZING WORK CLEM!

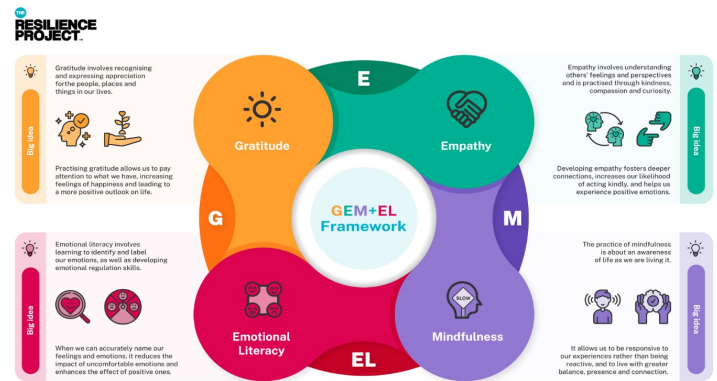
### Wattles Classroom—Xavier

For displaying the strengths of [Kindness](#).

Which demonstrates our school values of [Nurturing](#).

Congratulations to Xavier for being this weeks Star of the week. Xavier has started the year brilliantly, showing kindness, teamwork, humour and a love learning throughout the two weeks.

AWESOME WORK XAV!



Good afternoon families. Beginning this week, students will begin undertaking lessons from The Resilience Project on a Wednesday/Thursday afternoon with Ms Byrnes. Each lesson is designed to run for 60mins, and focusses on The Resilience Project's key principles; Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness and Emotional Literacy.

Why are resilience and wellbeing important?

- Research shows us that there is a direct link between wellbeing and academics, therefore children who are not emotionally healthy will have difficulty learning. When we are stressed, the part of our brain responsible for learning does not function effectively.
- Calm children can focus and retain more information.
- Resilience enables children to take safe risks without fear of failure.
- The statistics indicate that the number of adults struggling with mental ill health has increased over the years. Statistics also tell us that mental ill health is affecting young people at alarming rates and the onset is getting earlier. Prevention is the key to seeing these figures improve.

Keep an eye over the upcoming newsletters for more information on how you can be involved with The Resilience Project at home!

### Smile Squad

Six month fluoride varnish visit

The Bendigo Health Smile Squad team are heading back to our school to complete six-monthly fluoride varnish applications for those students who have provided consent. Fluoride varnish applications help make sure students have the best chance of preventing tooth decay, so we're excited Smile Squad are coming back.

Consent for this fluoride varnish application was provided when students' initial consent forms were returned. However, if anyone has changed their mind and do not wish to receive a fluoride varnish application, they can contact Bendigo Health directly to let them know. Please contact the Smile Squad team via: Mobile: 0460 729 200

Email: [dental@bendigohealth.org.au](mailto:dental@bendigohealth.org.au)

The Smile Squad team look forward to seeing **Lockwood South Primary School on Monday 3rd March.**

### Chinese

This week in Chinese class, **students from Grades 3 to 6** kicked off the new school year by reviewing key vocabulary from last year. They engaged in exciting group games, and the winning teams received **special surprise gifts** from Ms. Xie, brought all the way from China! Students also set personal learning goals for the year, working in pairs to reflect on what they want to achieve.

Our **younger learners** from Prep to Grade 2 celebrated the **Chinese New Year** by revisiting the traditional New Year story. They created **lucky Chinese New Year lanterns**, each decorated with a personal wish for the year ahead.

It was a fantastic start to the year, and we look forward to another exciting journey of learning Chinese together! 🏮





# Carlton Football Club



## Grade 6 Leadership

The Grade 6 Leadership sell ice-creams at the start of Recess each day.

Yoghurt Fruit ices Minis at \$1.50

Ice-creams are now available.



Hot Lunches on Fridays will return in term 1 starting next week. Order forms are attached to this week's newsletter and will need to be returned by Thursday morning each week.



## Scholastic Book Club

Issue 1 was attached to the last newsletter. Orders can be processed through LOOP or placed through the school by bringing orders, with money to the school office. Please return to the school office by Tuesday 17th February Thankyou Jo Egan







# Club Open Day

All welcome - New & past members

**Saturday February 15th**

**1pm-3pm**

**Epsom Huntly Recreation Reserve**

Registration & season details

Prizes & giveaways

2nd hand uniforms available

Cold drinks & icy poles - (gold coin donation)

**2025 REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!**

Visit our website at [www.epsomfc.com.au](http://www.epsomfc.com.au) to register

Come & have a kick - there'll be games & activities for all.  
Chat to members of the club & find out about playing at Epsom FC in 2025.  
Email [secretary@epsomfc.com.au](mailto:secretary@epsomfc.com.au) for further details.



## JOIN WITH FRIENDS PLAY TOGETHER

**CRICKET VICTORIA FREE- ALL GIRLS CRICKET BLAST**  
**BENDIGO DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION**  
**WEDNESDAY 12TH, 19TH, 26TH FEB AND 5TH MAR**  
**TIME: 4.30PM-5.30PM**  
**SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER!**



**OFFICIAL KIDS PROGRAM**



[Play Cricket](#)

## MARONG FNC - JUNIOR FOOTBALL



Registrations are now open for 2025 Junior Football season. Marong FNC will be entering the following teams;

- \* Under 9s Mixed
- \* Under 10s Mixed
- \* Under 12s Girls
- \* Under 12s Boys
- \* Under 14s Boys
- \* Under 15s Girls
- \* Under 16s Boys

Games are played Friday nights (U12 girls), Saturday Mornings (U9 & U10 mixed, U12 boys) and Sundays (U14 & 16 boys & U15 girls)



To register go to <https://www.playhq.com/af/register/bec688> or use the QR Code.