

# Lockwood South Primary School

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4th December 2024

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

4th 十二月 2024

## December

Thursday 5	Transition morning
Tuesday 10	State Wide Transition
Tuesday 10	Graduation
Tuesday 17	MARC/Awards night
Friday 20	Last Day Term 4 2024

## 2025 Term 1

28 January Teachers start.(students start 29 January in government schools) - 4 April

Term 2  
22 April - 4 July

Term 3  
21 July—19 September

Term 4  
6 October - 19 December

## DIRECT DEBIT DETAILS:

BSB: 063-093 ACC: 10001776

MUST REFERENCE NAME & PAYMENT

FOR. Eg: uniforms, OHSC

**"A teacher is  
a compass  
that activates  
the magnets  
of curiosity,  
knowledge,  
and wisdom  
in the pupils."**

EVER GARRISON

## 2025 Transition:-

Our third transition is tomorrow Thursday **5th December**

**Tuesday 10th December 9am to 11:30am** is a statewide step up day, where grade 6 students attend their prospective secondary schools for the day.

## Step into School Information Session

Step into School Information session will be on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December between 9.00-10.00 am. During this time, you will be able to meet Mrs. Mapson who will give a quick overview of our school UFLI program that will be running in the Hakea Classroom, Mr. Torney will be available to chat and Jo will also be available to help organise uniform orders and any enrolment questions. Mrs. A will be in the Hakea Classroom running an exciting transition morning. Following the information session we will offer a morning tea. Sorry for any inconvenience. Sally Anderson

## School Saving Bous

Parents will be sent a code to access the website. Please check your junk mail regularly to make sure you do not miss an important email.

To learn more about the School Saving Bonus, download the [School Saving Bonus Information sheet for government school parents and carers](#) [or visit [vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus](http://vic.gov.au/school-saving-bonus)].

**We ask parents not to allocate vouchers yet.**

## Grade 6 Graduation:

This year our graduation is being held at Red Energy Arena on Tuesday the 10th of December. **I am asking families of grade 6 students to please RSVP to myself with numbers of attendees by today, Wednesday 4th.** I have also invited school councillors to attend the evening. It will be from 5:45pm, meal in the bistro **at attendees own cost** for those who would like to attend, followed by graduation in the concourse area starting at 7pm. Drinks will be available to purchase by attendees.

**NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE THURSDAY 19TH OF DECEMEBER**

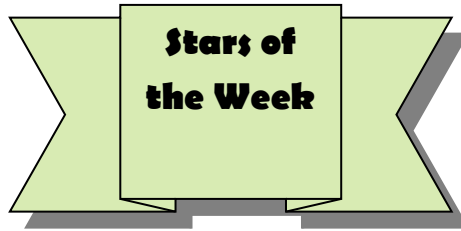
## END OF TERM

Friday the 20th of December is the end of the school year. There will be no after school care on this day as we finish at 1:30pm **and ask that all students are collected on time.**

Thank you for your continued support of Lockwood SOUTH Adam Torney

**Personal Best - Mutual Respect - Caring - Community**





### Hakeas Class Isaac

For displaying the strength of Perseverance.

Which demonstrates our school value of Achievement.

Congratulations Isaac on being the star of the week. You have impressed me this week by pushing yourself to do your personal best in all learning areas. Well done, with your writing focussing on your spacing, sitting your letters on the line and decoding tricky words. Thank you for being an amazing 'Grade 2' in training and assisting the new 2025 Preps during our transition sessions!

### Wattles Class Archer

For displaying the strengths of Curiosity.

Which demonstrates our school values of Striving.

Congratulations to Archer on being this week's Star of the Week. This week Archer has shown he approaches every task with an attitude to achieve his best, and to find out more about things.

AMAZING WORK ARCHER!

### Melaleucas Class Sophie

For displaying the strength of Teamwork.

Which demonstrates our school value of Teamwork.

"Congratulations Sophie on your outstanding dedication and hard work in maths this week! Your commitment to revising and strengthening the math skills you've learned has been truly impressive. You've consistently demonstrated a positive attitude and a collaborative spirit, always ready to contribute to discussions and help others.

Keep up the great work Sophie!



# Classroom News

## Chinese Lesson Update

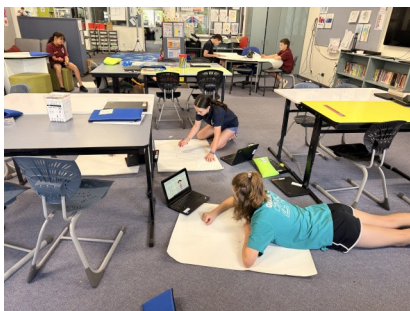
### Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This week, our Chinese lessons are buzzing with excitement as we begin to wrap up our learning content and dive into **four final projects!** Here's what each grade level is working on:

#### Grades 3-6:

Students have started their final project, titled **"All About Me."** They are designing their own personalized images and using Chinese to introduce themselves, covering:

- Name and age
- Nationality
- Family members
- Favorite food and drinks
- Sports they enjoy



#### Body parts

This project encourages students to apply their language skills creatively and confidently while sharing a bit about themselves!

#### Prep to Grade 2:

Our younger learners are engaged in the **"All About Chinese"** project. Working in groups, they're reviewing key topics such as:

- The numbers unit
- The family members unit

Cultural highlights like zodiac animals, the Dragon Boat Festival, and fun facts about China.

The classrooms have been filled with energy and enthusiasm as students collaborate and showcase their understanding.

We're proud of everyone's hard work and engagement during these projects—it's been wonderful to see their learning come to life! Thank you for supporting their journey in Chinese.

Best regards  
Nan



## Hakea News

We welcomed the 2025 Preps in for their second visit last Thursday. As a class, we completed an activity based on Gary the pigeon and his inability to fly. Gary focussed on what he was good at and was able to navigate his way back home because of his awareness of his surrounds and all the mementoes he had collected on trips. The children painted a pigeon using water colour. We introduced them to counting to ten when adding water to the water colour, cutting around small objects and following instructions when making a pattern. All the new preps were buddied up with one of the grade 1-2s in training. They were instructed how to log onto a computer, open a word document and type numbers to 20+ and their name. Well done to Isaac, Matilda, Hazel, Abby, Zarina and Charlie for their oral skills, talking the kids through the steps on the computer **without** touching their computers!

Next Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> The Hakeas will be having their Pizza Party! This was once again one of the rewards chosen by the children. I will be purchasing ingredients next week after the children have voted on toppings. If your child has a special dietary requirement, please let me know. Thanks Mrs A 😊



## CONVEYANCE ALLOWANCE 2ND SEMESTER

If you claimed Conveyance Allowance this year, your Semester 2 is due to be paid into your nominated bank account. If this has changed from 1st semester, please email myself or the school email, also if this is your first time collecting conveyance allowance could you please email your preferred bank account details to myself or the school email address. If you signed the section giving the consent for the school to withhold your payment and use it to pay fees, this will be done *accordingly*.



## OSHC

In OSHC, this week, we have been making monsters and robots using the lego blocks and Bionicles. We have also enjoyed doing pinprick pictures, making jigsaws and colouring in.



Outside, we have played down ball under the undercover area, some children are still practising their skipping skills and we have enjoyed the cubby house.

**There will be no before or after school care on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**

Any families who have children booked into the service, and who then don't use the service will be charged, unless Sue or the School is notified of the change. Have a great week. Thankyou Sue

### Breakfast Club—

Breakfast Club will run every **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** from 8am to 8:45am until the second last week of term.

## FREE CHRISTMAS FAMILY EVENT



### Christmas Family Event

263 High Street, Bendigo, 3555

Join us in-store for a night of festive fun with the whole family. There will be themed craft, entertainment, FREE Santa photos and more!

\*Bookings are limited

6:00PM - 8:00PM, Thursday 5th of December 2024

## 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 available



Order forms are available from the school office and will need to be returned by Thursday morning each week.

Chicken Nuggets are now available



### CHOOK SITTERS WANTED

We are after some families to roster some time over the holiday period to look after our chooks, The chooks must be locked up at night please. We will provide food for them, you get to keep their eggs. If you can help please see one of the teachers. Thank you.





COMMUNITY  
**CHRISTMAS**  
*Carols*

at Kangaroo Flat Uniting Church  
cnr. Church & Camp Streets.  
(combined with St Mary's Anglican Church)

**SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER**  
**6:30pm - free Sausage Sizzle**  
**7:00pm - Christmas Carols**

Outside weather permitting, otherwise inside.  
BYO Chairs, Blankets & soft drinks.  
**Special Guest in Red Suit expected.**  
(an Alcohol-Free community event)