

Term 4 Week 3

We have been living in unsettled times at the moment with the referendum result over the weekend and the devastating images that are coming from the Middle East.

All students, regardless of age and background, will likely have heard commentary about the Referendum in the media, at home and within their communities, and some may need additional support during this time, particularly Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

All of us are disturbed by the awful events which is particularly distressing for staff, students, families and carers who have family and friends in Israel and Gaza.

We are also aware that students of diverse backgrounds, including Jewish and Muslim students, may be significantly affected by public events, mainstream media coverage and social media at this time.

At Lucas Primary School we will continue to establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of our students are respected and valued.

Please be assured that all staff are aware of the extreme emotional toll on many in our community at this time. Please also feel free to get in contact if you would like to ensure we are aware of what your child is going through.

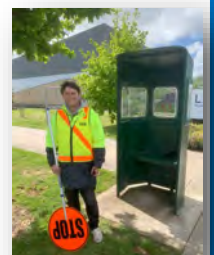
### Curriculum Day - Monday October 23

This is a friendly reminder that Monday is a curriculum day where the students have a break and the teachers do the learning. As a staff, we will be coming together on Monday to have a closer look at our teaching practices in Literacy and Numeracy to further enhance the great work that is already happening in the classrooms. Big Childcare is open on this day should you need assistance with care arrangements for your child. They can be contacted on 0432 354 581 or lucas@bigchildcare.com



### New Crossing Supervisor

We are pleased to welcome our new crossing supervisor Brayden to the Lucas **community. Brayden will be assisting students and parents to safely cross O'Shanassy Pde** at drop off and pick up. Can we please ask that everyone, young and old, model appropriate use of the crossing by walking between the lines and waiting for the whistle, which indicates the road is safe to cross. Please say hello to Brayden if you are in the vicinity of the crossing to welcome him to the role.



## A picture tells a thousand words.

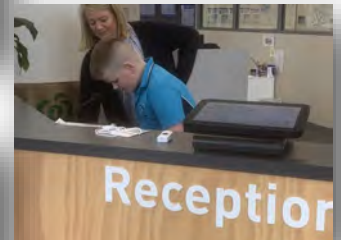
Snapshots from the last 14 days.



Special Visitor



Zooper Dooper Sales



First Announcement



Daisy Chain



Playground Fun

### Open Parachute - Hand in Hand Wellbeing Launch

It was wonderful to see Lucas PS represented at the wellbeing launch last week which was held at the Regent Multiplex Cinema in Ballarat. Not only did Maisy do a fabulous job representing the school on stage alongside other Ballarat students and Guy Sebastian, Lucas PS also filmed and presented the Acknowledgement of Country for the event. The Sebastian Foundation, in conjunction with Hand in Hand have supported over 80000 students Australia wide with access to the Open Parachute Wellbeing program. We are looking forward to this being a part of what we do at Lucas PS.



### Uniform

Thanks to all those who have made the effort to maintain our high standards in regards to wearing the Lucas Primary School uniform. If you require **financial support to ensure your child has the correct uniform, please don't** hesitate to contact the office

The second hand school uniform sale on Friday was a big success and sold out very quickly. Thanks to Zoe McMahon and Fiona Stevens for the organisation of this sale.

It is also very important at this time of year to ensure all uniform is named. Given the constant weather changes, students are regularly pulling jumpers on and off throughout the day. Named clothing usually makes it back to the student if misplaced.



### School Council

Our School Council met on Monday night for their October meeting and discussed the following items:

- The 2024 school requested contributions and book pack organisation.
- The purchase of the large screen for the gym.
- The School Wide Positive Behaviour matrix was explained and feedback sought from council members.
- Staffing and student enrolment updates.
- An update on the work around our school.
- The school assessment and reporting plan for Term 4.
- The various professional learning that staff are involved in currently.
- Excursions for Term 4.
- Approval of the Inclusion and Diversity policy.



Thanks to our School Council members for their time and feedback.

## Community Connections

Building strong community connections continues to be a focus for Lucas Primary School and over the early stages of Term 4, a number of initiatives have swung into action.

### Classroom Helpers

Our Classroom Helpers Program has started with a number of parents beginning to support students in the classroom with their reading. Most parent helpers have completed the Classroom Helpers Course but this is not a prerequisite to get involved. If you would like to support the reading program **in your child's classroom, please make contact with their teacher for more**



### Parent's Trivia Night

**A Parent's Trivia Night was conducted in the first week of term with approximately 42 attendees battling** it out for the inaugural honour of being crowned Quiz Champions. From all reports, the night was a great success and something to build on over the next few years. Special thanks to the organising crew for making the effort to run a session where our community members can connect in a fun environment.



### Referendum BBO

Thanks very much to our parent and staff volunteers who assisted at the Referendum BBO over the weekend. Despite the weather, we were able to raise over \$1200 for the JSC. Special mention to Woolworths and Bakers Delight who donated all the bread and sausages for the event.

Thankyou to David Collins, Chris Sheehan, Stephen Francis, Fiona Stevens, Paul Mibus, Stuart Griffiths, Amanda Gore, Greg Eames, Kathryn Ebery, Leasa Purcell, Lochie Whitaker and Simon Goulde for your assistance on the day.



### Fundraising

There are a number of fundraising activities on the go at the moment which are helping to fund some initiatives happening around the school. We are very excited about the installation of the new screen in the Gym that will allow us to share audio and visuals at school events. Unfortunately, there is no room big enough in the school to hold us all any more that also has access to a screen. We are hoping the screen will be installed by the start of December in preparation for end of year celebrations.

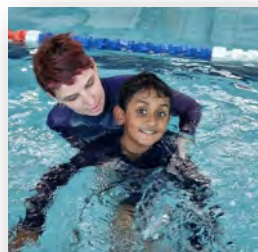
In order to purchase such an item, our JSC team who is coordinated by Dylan Rodger and Caitlin Toll have been very active with their Zooper Dooper sales every Friday. This activity is fabulous for helping the JSC members learn organisational, money handling, communication and cooperation skills.

The Colour Run has also been a huge success with students raising **money through their online portal. Tom O'Loughlin is leading a** team to organise this event which will culminate in an afternoon of fun and colour on October 27. With over \$13000 already raised, this money will be able to be used to support a number of programs and initiatives in 2024.



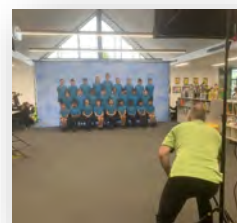
## Prep Swimming

Well done to the Prep students for completing their swimming program last week. For some, this is the first experience with a swimming program and for others, it is on top of private lessons. Either way, being able to come together and have another opportunity to develop water awareness and safety skills is vitally important. Thanks to the parents for assisting with the preparation of your child/children every day and to the Prep team for the highly organised way in which this program was approached and managed.



## Year 6 Graduation Photos

Term 4 is a time of celebration and no one will be celebrating more than our Year 6 students as they finish off their time at Lucas Primary School. Over the last few weeks this has become a reality as the students participated in a transition session with students and staff from Ballarat High School. This was a great opportunity to see the school in a virtual tour and ask those burning questions about life in secondary school. We also had a visit from the photographer who has taken the graduation photo that students will receive at the final ceremony on December 11.

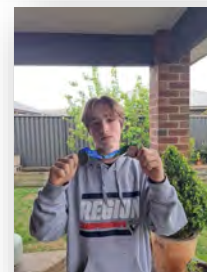


## Region and State Athletics

On Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of October, we had three students represent our school at the Greater Western Region Athletics Carnival at Llanberris Reserve. It was the first time our school has had any students reach this level of competition.

All students have been doing lunchtime training leading up to the event and have demonstrated significant improvement. Amelia from 34C was competing in the Girls Discus event. Samuel from 45A was competing in the Boys Shot Put event. Charlie from 56B was competing in both the Boys Shot Put and High Jump events.

All students demonstrated our school values to a high standard and performed well. Samuel placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Shot Put, Charlie placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Discus and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Shot Put. Both Samuel and Charlie will head to the State Championships at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park on Wednesday November 1<sup>st</sup>. We wish them both good luck as **Lucas Primary School's first ever State Championship competitors. We look forward to watching and cheering on Charlie & Samuel at school via the live stream on the School Sport Victoria Website.**



# PERFORMING ARTS TERM 4

This term all of our students are dipping their toes into Drama and transforming into actors, directors and puppet-masters!

Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 students have made an enthusiastic and imaginative start on puppetry! They are exploring dramatic play with a focus on using their voices for projection and creating different characters. The puppet-masters are noticing the subtleties in different everyday actions to make their puppets realistic, thoughtful and entertaining. The Grade 1/2 students will also be involved in Process Drama, responding to the emotions and scenarios from the story, 'What do you do with an idea'.




Grade 3, 4, 5 and 6 students have been making connections between drama skills, and skills which help us in everyday life. They are developing their imagination and teamwork skills by creating and accepting offers, including in the much-loved game, the 'Chair challenge' where they invent a reason for their classmate to leave their chair. The actors are focussing on communicating in thoughtful and exaggerated ways through body language. Some students have started working together to create short improvised dramas.

In the next few weeks, students will commence work on preparing a whole-school song for the school Christmas Carols evening. This will involve music or dance composition from each year level, to produce our final Performing Arts performance for the year!

The Instrument Club (Grade 3-6, Thursdays) and Choir (Grade 1-6, Fridays) are busy rehearsing at lunchtimes to prepare for music performances later this term.



**TERM 4**

	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
	2 <sup>nd</sup> October	3 <sup>rd</sup> October	4 <sup>th</sup> October	5 <sup>th</sup> October	6 <sup>th</sup> October Tomodachi Groups
<u>2</u>	9 <sup>th</sup> October Swimming - Prep	10 <sup>th</sup> October Swimming - Prep Ballarat High School transition session Yr 6	11 <sup>th</sup> October Swimming - Prep	12 <sup>th</sup> October Swimming - Prep	13 <sup>th</sup> October Swimming - Prep Assembly
<u>3</u>	16 <sup>th</sup> October OOD visit to Lucas Kinder School Council	17 <sup>th</sup> October	18 <sup>th</sup> October OOC visit to Lucas Kinder	19 <sup>th</sup> October Young Authors Program - Session 3 Cardigan Village Kinder	20 <sup>th</sup> October Tomodachi Groups OOB visit to Lucas Kinder
<u>4</u>	23 <sup>rd</sup> October Curriculum Day	24 <sup>th</sup> October	25 <sup>th</sup> October OOA visit to Lucas Kinder	26 <sup>th</sup> October "Little Bits" Incursion Yr 5/6	27 <sup>th</sup> October Assembly Colour Run 
<u>5</u>	30 <sup>th</sup> October	31 <sup>st</sup> October	1 <sup>st</sup> November	2 <sup>nd</sup> November Division Cricket	3 <sup>rd</sup> November Young Authors Program - Celebration
<u>6</u>	6 <sup>th</sup> November	7 <sup>th</sup> November Melbourne Cup Day	8 <sup>th</sup> November	9 <sup>th</sup> November	10 <sup>th</sup> November Assembly
7	13 <sup>th</sup> November School Council	14 <sup>th</sup> November	15 <sup>th</sup> November	16 <sup>th</sup> November Prep Transition Session 1 and Parent Session	17 <sup>th</sup> November P-2 Athletics Day
8	20 <sup>th</sup> November	21 <sup>th</sup> November	22 <sup>th</sup> November	23 <sup>th</sup> November	24 <sup>th</sup> November Assembly
9	27 <sup>th</sup> November	28 <sup>th</sup> November	29 <sup>th</sup> November Prep Transition Session 2.	30 <sup>th</sup> November	1 <sup>st</sup> December Tomodachi Groups
10	4 <sup>th</sup> December School Council	5 <sup>th</sup> December	6 <sup>th</sup> December	7 <sup>th</sup> December Christmas Carols Evening	8 <sup>th</sup> December Pevan & Sarah -Prep Assembly Student Reports Available on Compass
11	11 <sup>th</sup> December Year 6 Graduation Night  CONGRATULATIONS	12 <sup>th</sup> December Orientation Day Prep Transition Session 3.	13 <sup>th</sup> December 3/4/5/6 Showbiz movies Newsletter 5/6 open afternoon 3 - 4pm	14 <sup>th</sup> December Parent Teacher Interviews 1.45 - 6pm Early Finish at 1.30pm	15 <sup>th</sup> December Yr 1/2 Showbiz movies
12	18 <sup>th</sup> December Yr 5/6 Scienceworks Yr 3/4/5 Playground visit	19 <sup>th</sup> December Assembly Last day - early finish 1.30pm. 			

## LUCAS PS - Colour Run 2023



On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> of October (Week 4) we will be hosting our very first Colour Run!! The 2023 Lucas PS Colour Run will be raising money for a large screen in the Gym which will allow for lots more sharing of learning at assembly and will allow for greater learning opportunities in class.

Students will create their own profile at home using the links provided and all fundraising will be online (electronic) so no cash needs to be handed in at the office. Students will have the chance to win individual and class prizes with every student who raises over \$10 winning a prize.

### Colour Run Process:

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> of October – Students will be provided with a pamphlet & create their own profile online at home

Weeks 2, 3 & 4 – Students raise money using their online profile

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> of October – Colour Run Date - Students to wear a white shirt

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> of November – Prizes Open Date (Absolute last chance to submit donations)

- Please see brochure for support with creating an online profile.

Each week we will be celebrating classes who have met their fundraising goal and students who have raised the most money.

<b>Classes who have raised over \$1,000.00</b>	<b>1/2C &amp; 1/2A</b>
<b>Fundraiser of the week. "Golden Cape"</b>	<b>Ella Boak 1/2C</b>





# RESPECT AWARDS



## Prep A

No awards this week due to swimming.



## Amelia Prep B

For demonstrating the school value of respect throughout school swimming. Amelia waited patiently and listened carefully to instructions.



## Declan Prep C

Declan enters the classroom with a big smile on his face and completes his morning tasks. He always shows respect when listening.



## Prep D

No award this week due to swimming.



## Alice 1/2 A

Alice has been working really hard towards achieving her personal goals and has been a fantastic role model for our new students.



## Charlotte 1/2 B

For showing great empathy to her peers and going out of her way to make others feel included.



## Eli 1/2C

For constantly using his manners when communicating with his peers and teachers and always being a 5-star listener.



## Sienna 1/2D

For always using her exceptional manners and being a considerate and kind class member in 1/2D.



## Bivonya 1/2 E

For showing respect to her classmates by being patient and raising her hand. She is kind and inclusive to all in the yard and the classroom.



## Quincy 1/2 F

Quincy has been a positive, helpful and extremely respectful to all his classmates. He has been a role model to his peers.



## Madyson 1/2 G

Madyson is a kind friend who is always happy to include others in her games. She uses her manners and always compliments others.



## Harley 3/4 A

For being a kind and inclusive friend and helping welcome new staff and students in term 4.





# RESPECT AWARDS



**Layla 3/4B**

For demonstrating respect by listening to other's opinions and responding respectfully. She encourages her peers daily.

## VISUAL ARTS



No award this week.



**Neville 3/4 C**

For always treating others with kindness and having a positive attitude every day. He models respect to his peers.

## PERFORMING ARTS



**Prep A**

For excellent listening skills when taking turns with their puppets and for looking out for each other in class.



**Caysean 4/5 A**

For demonstrating the value of respect by being kind to everyone with his words and actions. He always listens and contributes.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION



**Prep B**

For respecting everybody's right to learn. Listening intently and trying their best with the tricky skill of shot put. Well done.



**Jenson 5/6 A**

For showing respect for his learning through his drive and focus and he has been working hard to make good decisions.

## JAPANESE



**1/2A**

For demonstrating respect by being enthusiastically supportive of everyone's choices in the class adventure story.



**Charlie 5/6 B**

For showing respect to his teachers and peers in all areas of school. For being a wonderful role model to others.

## Japanese Karate Belt completion.

### White Belt:

**Mahathi 5/6B**

**Tavan 5/6B**

## Japanese Karate Belt completion.

### Yellow Belt:

**Tavan 5/6B**





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Dear Prospective Families,

We are writing to inform you of our upcoming Information Morning for prospective 2025 and 2026 Year 7 students.

**What:** Ballarat High School Information Morning

**When:** Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

9:30am – 11:00am

**Where:** Robinson Centre *(located at rear of school, easily accessed from the rear car park)*  
Ballarat High School, Sturt St West

**Purpose:**

- to receive information about the school and its programs
- to observe students engaged in a variety of academic, physical, social and emotional learning experiences
- to become familiar with a secondary school environment
- to experience the culture of Ballarat High School, while being welcomed as a member of the School Community
- to have opportunities to interact with school and student leaders
- to gain an understanding of the curriculum and how learning experiences sit within this.

The morning will begin with a tour of the school, led by Student Leaders, followed by an Information Session.

Feel free to browse through our school website ([www.ballaraths.vic.edu.au](http://www.ballaraths.vic.edu.au)) for further information about how our school can personalise the learning for your child, including the wide range of learning opportunities available at Ballarat High School. **Residing in the Ballarat High School zone is the criteria for enrolment. This can be checked on [findmyschool.vic.gov.au](http://findmyschool.vic.gov.au).**

If you have any queries, please contact the school on (03) 5338 9000. Alternatively, you can send an email to [ballarat.hs@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:ballarat.hs@education.vic.gov.au).

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Ballarat High School.

Kind regards,

Melissa Pompe  
Years 7&8 Principal

Dani Bjelanovic  
Year 7&8 Sub School Leader

QUERIES: CALL DOM 0417 967 621



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