Principal’s Message

Curriculum
P-2 – Welcome to week 6! In English the Year 1 and 2 children are starting their new unit of work where they will be looking at stereotypes in Fairy tales and other children’s books. From this the students will write a character description and present it to the class. The Prep students are continuing their exploration of many different types of texts, one of which they will choose to do an oral retell of in the last week of school.

In Maths, the children are doing lots of counting and learning about the importance of place value. We are looking at counting on and rainbow facts as a number fact strategy. Any extra practice you can do at home will always be beneficial with these strategies.

Don’t forget you have access at home to the school provided internet programs of Reading Eggs and Mathletics. All the children need are their usernames and passwords which I can provide you with.

Year 3-6 – The last two weeks has seen us continue working on our units. We have moved more into line drawings in Art, have started assessments in English and History, and have been looking at a number of different counties in Geography. In Math we are starting to look at Money and Financial Mathematics.

Students are focused on behaviour and reading comprehension with students receiving daily feedback on these focused areas. If you wish to discuss any of the work your child is doing, please contact the school or see your classroom teacher.

Behaviour
The behaviour system has been working well in the school over the past few weeks. Students are generally responding to the visual reminder of what behaviour levels they are on.

As we head towards the end of the term please start reminding children that if they are not consistently maintaining a light green or green level of behaviour then they will miss out on our end of term events and fun day. We have planned some cooking, Easter Bonnet parade, shared morning tea, a movie, games and if the weather holds, a swim. Students who have demonstrated green or light green level for most of the term will be invited to join in on the day. Students not yet achieving this will be supervised by Mr Gilmore on the day working through a normal school program, setting targets for next term in line with behaviour. If you wish to discuss this process in more detail please contact Mr Gilmore to organise a time.

Attendance
This week the school’s attendance for the year is 91.4%. We are striving to reach 93% and continue this till the end of the year. Please read through the attached Every Day Counts table and if your child or children are going to be away please inform the school as soon as possible.

KidsMatter – If you haven’t returned your KidsMatter form, can you please return it to the School as soon as possible. There is an informal return box located at the entrance to the school for KidsMatter
School Mowing
The mower is back and working well. Soon the school will be back to its spick and span appearance.

Swimming – Don’t forget swimming every Wednesday. Don’t forget your togs, sunshirt, towel, sunscreen and a smile! We will also be swimming on Friday afternoon in line with our behaviour expectations.

P&C
On the 21st of March there will be an Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Leyburn SS P&C Association. New members are welcome to attend this meeting and join our P&C. For more information please contact the office.

Mobile Library
The mobile library is back at the school every second Wednesday from now on. It will next be here on 9th of March.

Music
Mrs Shelly will be away for the next two weeks as she is on a working holiday in New Zealand. A relief teacher will be filling in for the upcoming weeks. There will also be a change to the day with Music being on Tuesdays at the same time while Mrs Shelly is away.

Halogen Young Leaders Trip
On the 14th of March there will be a trip for the year 6 students with Mr Gilmore to Brisbane to attend the Halogen Young Leaders Day at the Brisbane Convention Centre. There will be a variety of different presenters along with thousands of other children from schools all over Queensland. Students will have a long day with transport leaving Leyburn SS approximately 4.30am and arriving back at 5.30pm. This event will be followed up with the student leader’s ceremony on Thursday 17th March in the afternoon at 2.30pm. All community members are welcomed to attend this ceremony.

Bus Meeting
A bus meeting has been scheduled for 5.00pm on Tuesday 15th of March. It will be located in the year 3-6 classroom.

Playgroup
Last week Playgroup designed a beautiful Butterfly with glitter and beads. They also created their own colourful beaded necklace using their fine motor skills.

Playgroup children did some Sensory Play which included finger painting into their Scrapbook. It did get a little bit messy, but it provides valuable learning opportunities for children at a younger age to develop their fine motor skills.

This week they will continue to finalize their mobile Butterfly to take home when finished. We will also be doing many other fun learning activities. Don’t forget to bring along your protective clothing for outdoor activities.

Parents bring your togs and towels if you want your children to have a swim afterwards.

Don’t forget to bring along your protective clothing for outdoor activities. Parents bring your swimmers and towel if you want your child to swim afterwards.

New members are welcome to come and enjoy. Please bring morning tea for your children to have during their break. All community members are welcomed to attend playgroup. It is held each Wednesday from 9.00am – 11.00am. If you would like more information please contact the school office.

School Banking
School banking will occur on a Thursday. Please place all banking in the school box in the office no later than 9.00am Thursday.

Sam Gilmore
Teaching Principal

18th February, 2016

Students of the Week

Congratulations to Rachael for settling into prep and a good attitude to school, Robert for trying very hard in all areas, and Dina for excellent educational work ethic.
25th February, 2016

Congratulations to Mach for taking pride in his bookwork and Abbie for attention during key learning episodes.

18th February, 2016


25th February, 2016


P&C NEWS

The Leyburn State P&C Annual General Meeting will be held at the Leyburn State School on 21st March, 2016, at 3.40pm to be followed by a General Meeting, in the senior classroom. All welcome.

P&C application for membership forms were sent home last Newsletter. These need to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

If you are wishing to purchase uniforms, please see one of the P&C committee Members for assistance.

Hats - $15.00, Shirts - $25.00 and Jackets $35.00

Belinda Smith
President
Leyburn State School P&C Association

For community groups who wish to include notices within the school newsletter, please have them typed and emailed to the school at or ahall319@eq.edu.au by 12.00 Noon the Tuesday prior.
Leyburn Post Office

The Leyburn Post Office is now online.
- Online banking
- Withdrawals and deposits for most banks
- Billpay is available which is a quick and easy way to pay bills.
- Gift Cards are available
- Mobile Phones and Wi Fi devices
- All new gift lines available
- Selected gift lines now on sale

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Leyburn and District Historical Society

An informal get together of the Leyburn and District Historical Society will be held on Saturday, 27th February, 2016 at 10.00am at the Leyburn CWA Hall.

Special guests will be Mrs Rene O’Leary and Mr Gerard O’Leary.

Please provide a plate to share for lunch.

The next General Meeting of the Society will be held on Saturday 2nd April, 2016 at 1.00pm. The change of date is due to Easter.

Clifton Catholic Debutante Ball

Flowergirls / Pageboys: Parents of Year 3 or Year 4 children are advised that the Clifton Debutante Ball will be held on FRIDAY MAY 20.

If you are interested in being a part of the Ball this year please contact Helen Gillam (46973571) or Hilary O’Leary (46959199) by March 11. Night time is best to call. Please be aware that it may incur costs of up to $200 (for dress, shoes, photos, hire

CWA MEETING

The next QCWA Meeting will be held on Sunday, 6th March, 2016 at 9.00am All Welcome

Sunday meetings will be trialled for the first couple of months of 2016 – starting in February. Watch this notice for the time.

For Hall Bookings please contact: Christine: 4695 0186 or Mary: 46950125

The Leyburn Conveyance Committee requests the parents of children travelling on bus P346 to meet at Leyburn S. School on Tuesday 15th March, 2016 at 5.00p.m. for our Annual General Meeting. General Meeting will follow. Any queries or concerns you may have can be put forward at this meeting.

Kind regards.
Annette Gray
Secretary
Leyburn Conveyance Committee
Warwick District Football Association –
Soccer 2016 Registrations are open for the below age groups:

- CUBS: Under 4 & Under 5
- Juniors: Under 6 – Under 17

**Why play Soccer?**

- Play at the same spot every Saturday morning (no travel) in a fun, positive and supportive environment.
- Football has more participants than any sport in Australia. It’s a safe, fun and active way for boys and girls to make friends and provides social and competitive opportunities into adulthood. Inclusive, accessible and multicultural – football has a place for you.
- Never played before – doesn’t matter! We cater for boys and girls from beginner to experienced
- More playing time, which maximises individual participation and involvement
- Far more repeated touches of the ball by ALL players on the field
- More involvement leads to greater improvements in fitness

To register go to [www.warwickwolves.com.au](http://www.warwickwolves.com.au) and follow the links. You will also find registration information on our Facebook page (Warwick district football association).
If you want more information email registrations@warwickwolves.com.au

Registrations CLOSE 13th MARCH - Don’t miss out
REGISTER NOW!