Principal’s Message

Curriculum

P-2 - Welcome back to 2015. It is wonderful to see so many smiling little faces on the first day of school last week. The children look to be well rested and ready for another year of learning.

School is very busy in the P-2 classroom. We are all trying very hard to learn new routines and rules, as well as working together as a group. In English, the Preps are learning about letters, sounds and words and how they are used in books; the Year 1 and 2 children are learning how to construct and write an oral presentation showing an understanding of the emotions characters show in texts.

Science is becoming more exciting each day as the children watch the meal worms – some are looking a little sluggish!

I wish to organise a short afternoon session straight after school to speak to the Prep parents about the school routine and how you can help at home. I shall speak to you all individually so that we can come up with a day that suits everyone. Have a great week.

Year 3-6 – Welcome to the New Year. We are already well underway with a number of differences happening in our classroom. We are starting to get into our routines and have undertaken Spelling, Reading and Mathematics rotations. Homework also started this week as well as new units of work. More information to come on these as the term progresses.

LOTE News - For first term this year, we are at the beginning again of the LOTE curriculum two-year rotation. The unit is called Getting to Know Me which will work well, as many of our students are experiencing French for the first time, some came into the class part way through the rotation, and the rest will benefit from some revision.

Students will learn greetings, introductions, how to talk about their age, address, birthdays, dates, numbers, and, depending on how well they are learning, we’ll add family members, pets, likes/dislikes. There should also be room for classroom instructions and the alphabet. The main assessment task is a listening comprehension where students listen to the reading of two short passages of French, and answer questions about them in English. I look forward to a busy, productive term.

School Focus

This year the school will be focusing educationally on Reading and Mathematics. We are implementing new ways of doing this by streaming students across the school into like ability groups. This is to engage students at their learning level and support them to achieve academically. More information was discussed at the meet and greet on Monday afternoon. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend.

Fundraising/Camp

This year is a Camp year. As such we are trying to maximise our opportunities to fundraise as the P&C has traditionally, heavily subsidised the cost of the school camp. If you are able to help in any
way with any of the fundraising activities, be it in setting up, organising or staffing an event please make sure to contact the school office when notices have been sent home.

The camp this year will be finalised in the next few weeks. At the moment we are looking at a beach themed camp to be held in late term 3 or early term 4. We anticipate that all students will be attending this as it forms part of our curriculum opportunities. There may be limited parent places available for the camp as well.

P&C
The next P&C general meeting will be held on Monday 23rd February at 3.40pm in the year 3-6 classroom. This meeting will be used to set the date for the AGM and to start organising more fundraising opportunities. All community members are welcome to attend but please be aware that only members from 2014 can pass motions during this meeting. During the AGM all members will be welcomed to join and participate in the variety of executive roles, or as a member of the P&C. Please find attached a Leyburn State School P&C Application for Membership for 2015.

Masters BBQ
This coming Sunday 8th February the school is holding a sausage sizzle at Masters in Toowoomba. There have only been four families that have responded with their availability. Make sure forms have been returned to the school as if we don’t have enough volunteers we will have to drop this lucrative fundraising event. For more information contact the school office.

Swimming
Swimming will again be held on Wednesdays at Millmerran Aquatic Centre. The bus will be leaving at 9.00 am and returning by 12.30pm. Please complete the attached forms and return to school as soon as possible and provide the appropriate swimming gear. The first swimming lesson will be next week, Wednesday 11th February.

School Pool
The tender for the school pool has been finalised and work should commence this week. The work will continue for approximately 6 weeks. Please take care to follow signage during this time. If there are any issues please contact the school office.

Tuckshop
Due to swimming, tuckshop will be held on Friday for the rest of term 1. As such orders are due to the shop by Thursday. There was also a survey handed out last week. Make sure this is either returned to the school or the shop by Wednesday 4th February to influence the new school tuckshop menu.

School Absences
Please be aware that it is the parent/caregiver’s responsibility to keep the school informed if your child is away from school. The school will now be contacting parents for specific information in relation to absences on the day of absence. This is due to our responsibilities in recording timely student absenteeism. If you wish to discuss this further please contact Mr Gilmore via the school office.

Student Information
I have attached student details, media and internet permission forms to the newsletter. From time to time phone numbers change, can you please correct on the form. If there is no change please write this on the form and return to school office along with the media and internet permission forms for each of your children.

Election BBQ
I would like to thank Mrs May for all the help and time she provided on Saturday for the Election BBQ fundraiser. I would also like to thank Mrs Gorman for her help in setting up for the day. We raised over $100.00 to help support the school.

Playgroup
Playgroup started with a fun filled day last week. Children were searching for some teddies, painting, playing and creating across the school. It was wonderful to see so many children out and about having some fun and learning. 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

For community groups who wish to include notices within the school newsletter, please have them typed and emailed to the school at the.principal@leyburnss.eq.edu.au or chung1@eq.edu.au by 12.00 Noon the Tuesday prior.
Our next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 23rd February at 3.40pm in the 3-6 classroom. All Welcome

We need volunteers desperately to sell the Pub Raffles every second Friday evening during the school term. If you can spare an hour or two on a Friday evening please let the school office know. We need your help to continue this good source of fund raising.

Attached is the 2015 Application for P&C Membership, can you please complete this form and return to School Office as soon as possible.

If you are wishing to purchase uniforms, please see one of the P&C committee – Maree or Melinda on Monday morning and one of us will be able to assist you.

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

If you are willing to help us with any of our fund raising ventures throughout the year please do not hesitate to contact us.

Maree Gorman
President
Leyburn State School P&C Association

QCWA MEETING

QCWA Meeting will be held the first Tuesday of each month
At 9.00am
Next Meeting 3rd March 2015
All Welcome

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

TUCKSHOP MENU

Please ensure correct tuckshop money is enclosed.
Orders can be dropped off at the shop before 9.30 Thursday Mornings.

(Prices and menu effective from 6th February, 2015)

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Just a note: Red rock chips and Hello Panda Biscuits will not be available until 20th February.

We do still have quite a few ham and pineapple pizza available so these may be ordered until we have run out.

Thank you Megan.

Hana’s Hair Cuts

Professional cuts
Men, Ladies and Children’s cuts
Appointments necessary – available weekends

Phone 4695 0260
Warwick District Football Association – Soccer sign up is now open!
For anyone turning 5 in 2015 and older!!

Registration is available online Right Now! Just go to www.myfootballclub.com.au click register now and follow your nose. Please make sure you select the correct registration package as there will be multiple options available. If you have any problems message us via Facebook (Warwick district football association) or email butlerps@gmail.com and we will help you through it. We have also put an online registration guide on our website which will help you out if needed (www.warwickwolves.com.au). Online registration is the preferred method. It is simple, quick and convenient! No waiting in queues! Give it a Go!

You can select “Pay at Club” during the registration process to enable your child to be registered and allocated to a team. You can then log back in and select “Pay Now” to complete your payment by the 15th March.

Registrations will close on Sunday 15th March to enable time for us to finalise teams for the season ahead.

In addition to Online registrations we are running 2 registration information days:

14th February will be at the Rose City Shopping Centre (bottom of the escalators) and will run from 8:30am until 1:00pm. Warwick Wolves members will be present to assist you with the online registration process. There will be two computers available for this purpose.

21st February – will be held at the WDFA Clubhouse, Queens Park, Park Road, Warwick, from 11:00am till 1:00pm. Warwick Wolves members will be present to assist you with the online registration process. There will be two computers available for this purpose.

For any questions or further information please email butlerps@gmail.com