

Lardner & District Primary School

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OUR VISION: Building a community of active learners through Empowerment, Engagement, Deeper Thinking and Resilience.

Principal Update

Another fortnight of learning and fun here at Lardner and District Primary School. We thank Miss Wendy for supplying the entire school with icy poles yesterday to help us manage the hot weather.

Providing communication to our families is a priority and I hope you have been benefiting from the weekly outline on the school's Facebook page posted on Sunday evenings and the weekly newsfeed that provides an insight into the learning 'up and coming'. This is posted to SENTRAL each Thursday or Friday by classroom teachers. In 2024, to further support communication and strengthen our partnership between school and home, parents/carers will be notified when students in Years 2-6 **complete an assessment in Mathematics**. Next week, you will receive your personalised parent/carers login and instructions on how to use this – stay tuned!

We will be holding **parent/teacher meetings mid Term Two**, however all teachers are happy to make time to meet with parents/carers at your request. Alternatively, teachers will reach out prior to the official parent/teacher meetings if needed. A reminder that staff have meetings each Tuesday and Thursday beginning at 3:45pm.

NAPLAN READINESS

NAPLAN begins on Wednesday 13th March for students in Years 3 and 5. It is expected that all students will participate in NAPLAN unless formal withdrawals have been arranged for one or more of the assessments. The four areas of assessment are, Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language and Mathematics. Mrs Nicholas and Ms Rollinson have been following our schools NAPLAN Readiness plan to support students in preparing for these assessments. This includes being familiar with the process and format and following the Department of Education NAPLAN Readiness guidelines. You can support by ensuring students are well rested, had breakfast and arrive to school on time. Please inform the school office if there are any known absences on these dates for your family. A NAPLAN timetable, including catch up assessment times, will be published in the following school newsletter. Attached to this newsletter you will find parent/carers information to further support your understanding around NAPLAN.



Newsletter Date
TERM 1 WEEK 4
23rd Feb 2024



"We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respect to all the elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of indigenous Australia".



Term 1 dates:

- **Sports Day**
Thursday 29th February
- **Labour Day Holiday**
Monday 11th March
- **Dental Health Van Visit**
Monday 11th -Friday 15th March
- **Naplan– Students Gr 3 & 5**
Tues 13th—Fri 22nd March
- **Farm World Weekend & Excursion on Friday 22nd Marc**
Fri 22nd—Sun 24th March
- **Last Day of Term 1**
Gold coin BBQ lunch
Free Dress
Thurs 28th March
Early Dismissal at 2.30pm

STAFFED OFFICE HOURS

Our school Office will be staffed on Monday's, Tuesday's, Wednesday's & Friday's.

If you need to drop anything off at the office at other times please post it in the mailbox at reception.



NUT ALERT SCHOOL

School Photo's

This is the first time we have used Blue Wolf Photography, and it certainly seemed like a smooth process. Families will be contacted directly by Blue Wolf via email within 2-4 weeks. You will be able to view photos and make orders/ payment directly through them. This means, you know exactly what you will be receiving. Orders made within 10days have free delivery to the school. Orders made after 10 days will occur a delivery fee and be mailed directly to the purchaser. If you have a new email address and HAVE NOT notified the school, please do this by Wednesday next week.

IMPORTANT DATES

I feel like this is one of the busiest terms ever! As much as we try to ensure that families have information for special events through multiple communication channels, we also rely of our families (and students) to check and read communication. SENTRAL is our formal channel of communication and I ask that all families please login and familiarise yourselves with this portal, if you haven't already. Miss Heather is marvellous at supporting those needing access.

Please ensure you have checked the calendar available on SENTRAL, in this newsletter and our school's website.

Warragul Regional Secondary College (WRSC)

WRSC will be making a visit on Monday 4th March to speak to our Year 6 students about Year 6 and Year 7. This session will run for 45-60 minutes. This is a general information session about transitioning to secondary school and all Year 6 students will attend unless we have contact from yourself to 'opt out'. Mrs Rollinson will remain with Year 4/5 students. I hope to be able to attend this session with our year 6 students.

ATHLETICS SPORTS DAY THURSDAY 29TH FEBRUARY.

The attendance and support of parents and other relatives at the Athletics Sports is certainly appreciated and encouraged by the staff and students. It will be wonderful to see and hear family and friends supporting all children. It is important to remember that the emphasis at our Athletics Sports is on participation, enjoyment and 'try your best' rather than on winning. Some events may be ran in a different way to competitions you have seen or experienced at other athletic events. We ask parents to encourage and support all children and teachers in their efforts at the sports.

There will be no kiosk at the Athletics Day and we recommend students pack additional snacks and lunch. Hats must be worn at all times, please help us to remind students to take their hats home on Wednesday (Tuesday for Preps). Please ensure your children know which water bottle is theirs as these will be carried to each event.

Attached to this newsletter you will find the Athletic Sport Event Timetable (also available on SENTRAL) and a map showing where each event will take place.

Our Values:

- **Inclusion:** *We promote an inclusive culture of kindness, care and respect of our people and place. (That's the Lardner Way)*
- **Environment and Sustainability:** *We work with the environment to create learning opportunities, while respecting the traditional land.*
- **A Culture of High Expectations:** *We have high expectations of ourselves and others and celebrate the personal journey of growth for all.*
- **Community Engagement:** *We build student, teacher, parent and community partnerships to enrich learning.*



February Birthdays

Mackenzie
2nd February

Orrtam
3rd February

Xavier
5th February

Luka
6th February

Edith
12th February

Chase
13th February

Mr Mallon
16th February

Faith
21st February

PARKING at ATHLETICS SPORTS

Drivers at the Athletics Sports need to adhere to the following directions: Enter via the entry closest to the bus depot (next to the Regional College pedestrian crossing). If dropping off children, turn to the left and after dropping children, exit at the other end. If parking for any length of time, follow the instructions of the parking marshals (in orange vests) and turn right onto the large grass area adjacent to the tennis courts. Please note there will be a section through the treed area (marked with bunting) that acts as a laneway to the parking area and MUST be always kept clear. Please respect the parking marshals who are working to ensure the safety of children and the smooth and efficient movement of many vehicles.

Prep Students

Preps will start full-time from Monday 4th of March. We look forward to our prep students being at school with us all

School Dental Van Visit - week 7 (Tuesday 12th March—Friday 15th March)

School dental health van will be visiting during week 7. Forms were sent home with students last week. Please make sure they are returned by Wednesday 28th February. If you do not wish for your child to take part please make a note on the front of the form and return it to the office.

Farm World Excursion

Our whole school will be going to Farm World on Friday 22nd March. Permission forms were sent out via Sentral. There is a \$5 charge per child for entry into Farm World. Permission and money needs to be completed by Friday 8th March.

Farm World - Rubbish Collection Fundraiser Volunteers

We will once again be helping with the rubbish collection this year at Farm World. Farm World is running from March 22-24 this year. The roster for our farm world rubbish collection fundraiser has been sent out via Sentral and is attached to today's newsletter. Please consider helping raise funds for our school by filling a shift. It really isn't as hard as it may sound.

	Start date	Finish date
Term 1	Students start Tuesday 30 January	Thursday 28 March
Term 2	Monday 15 April	Friday 28 June
Term 3	Monday 15 July	Friday 20 September
Term 4	Monday 7 October	Friday 20 December

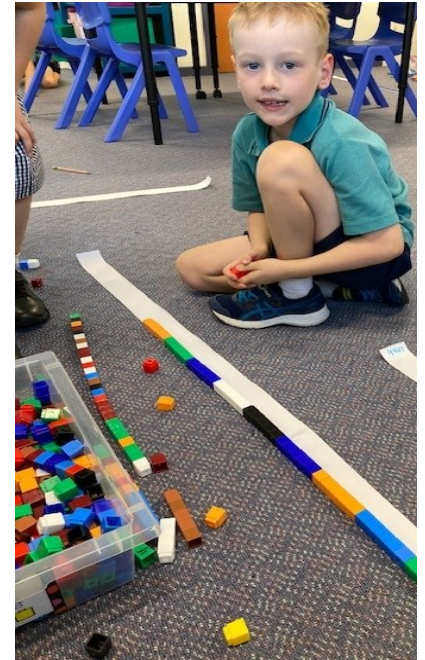
**All children have the right to feel safe and protected.
We are a child safe school!**

In the Classroom

Blue Room

This week in Blue room we have been busy measuring our lengths with a variety of classroom objects.

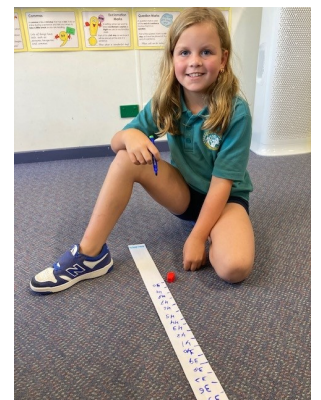
Nixon is as tall as 15 ½ pegs; Lukah is 7 straws long and Ewan is 72 unifix blocks tall. We also discovered that it is easier to count unifix if we grouped them in 5s and used our skip counting knowledge.



We have been practising our fluency during reading sessions. We have learned about common and proper nouns and during writing sessions we have focused on including capital letters and correct punctuation.

During our Physical Education lessons we have been practising for the upcoming Athletic Sports. We have been busy practising techniques for gumboot, vortex and tennis ball throws.

If you haven't had a chance feel free to drop in and see our completed self portraits which are currently displayed in our classroom.



Purple Room

Purple Room have had a very busy start to the new year and I am happy to report that everyone seems to be settling into our routines and daily learning.

Reading:

We have been building on our reading and comprehension skills by beginning to analyse features of the books we are reading. Ange and Mrs Nic have been taking the time to listen to students read individually. Keep reading daily and adding to your journals!

Writing:

We have been exploring language conventions that will help with our future writing practices. We know that it is important to build on these foundations to increase our vocabulary and spelling skills. Year 4 have been practicing personal writing and have created an autobiography. Year 3 have been practicing persuasive writing techniques in preparation for NAPLAN.

Maths:

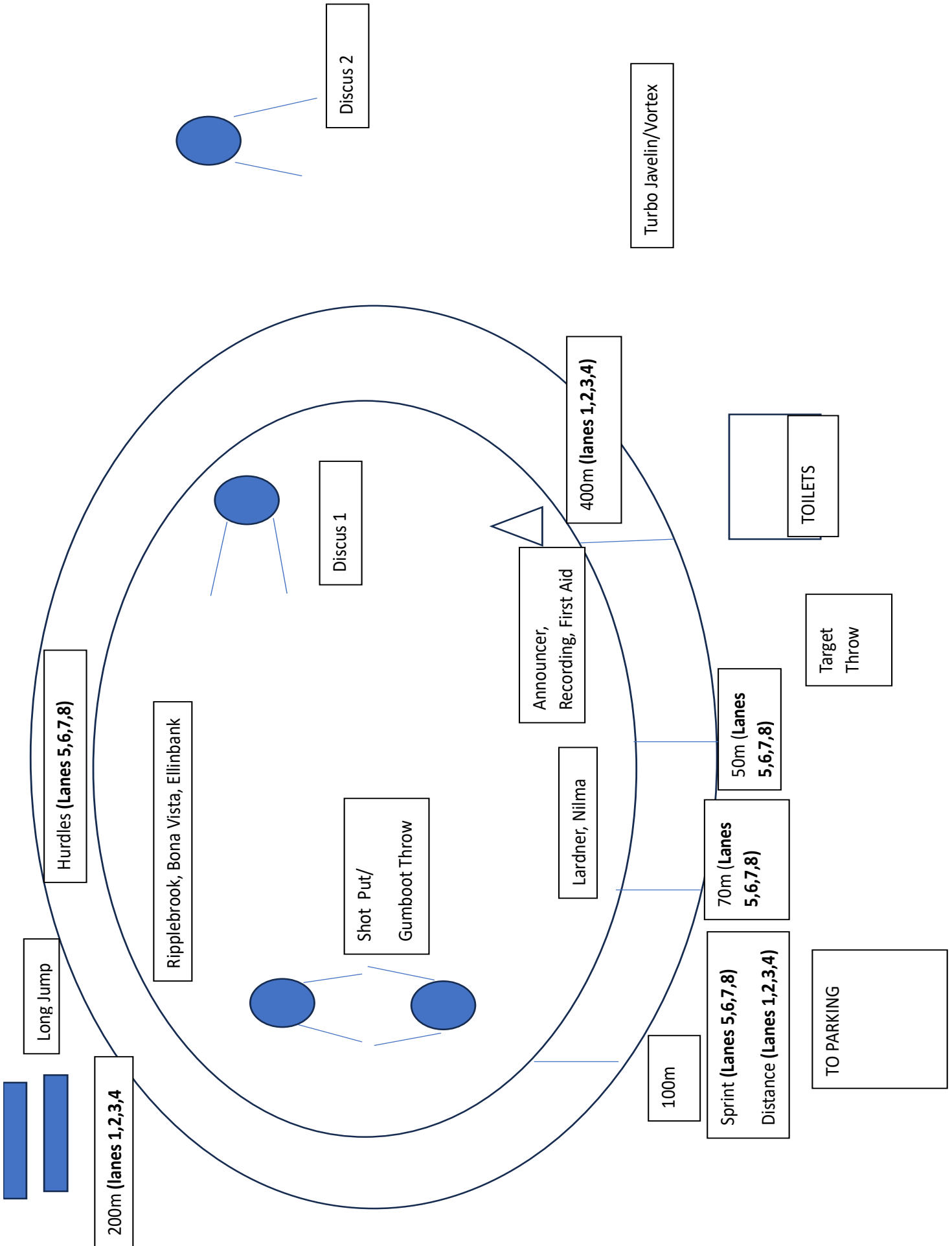
We have experienced a variety of length-based activities in order to build on our measuring skills. Students completed a challenge in small groups where they built long paper chains and measured them. Our longest was 10 metres! Unfortunately, the wind decided to pick up as soon as we tried to measure and compare chains outside, but the students powered on, and we were able to finish the task.

Well done Purple Room!



	Prep A	Prep B	1A	1B	2A	2B	9 GIRLS	9 BOYS	10 GIRLS	10 BOYS	11 GIRLS	11 BOYS	12/13 GIRLS	12/13 BOYS	
9:00	Morning Briefing with staff responsible for events and/or age groups														
9:15	Welcome all students and staff and marshal for first events in Year Groups (Prep-2) and Age Groups 9,10,11,12-13														
9:25	Sprint (50m)	Gumboot Throw	Standing Long Jump	Hurdles			Discus	Turbo Javelin	Distance Run (400m)						
9:50	Target Throw	Sprint (50m)	Gumboot Throw	Long Jump			Hurdles	Discus	Turbo Javelin						
10:15	Distance Run (100m)	Target Throw	Sprint (50m)	Shot Put			Long Jump	Hurdles	Discus						
10:40	Vortex	Distance Run (100m)	Target Throw	Sprint (70m)			Shot Put	Long Jump	Hurdles						
11:05	Tennis Ball Throw	Vortex	Distance Run (100m)	Target Throw			Shot Put	Long Jump	Hurdles						
11:30	Hurdles	Tennis Ball Throw	Vortex	Target Throw			Target Throw	Shot Put	Long Jump						
11:55	Standing Long Jump	Hurdles	Tennis Ball Throw	Tennis Ball Throw			Distance Run (200m)	Target Throw	Target Throw				Sprint (100m)		
12:20	Gumboot Throw	Standing Long Jump	Hurdles	Hurdles			Turbo Javelin	Discus	Turbo Javelin				Target Throw		
12:45	LUNCH for all students (sitting with school groups)														

There will be occasions when sprints/hurdles/distance runs are occurring at the same time, however different lanes are being used and will be marked off, so there should not be any crossover. Students to marshal at the starting lines of each event and then to sit at the side of track at the finish lines of each event once completed to avoid groups crossing tracks of other students running concurrently.



Farm World Roster 2024

Day	Shift	No of Volunteers Required	Volunteers
Thursday 21st March	4pm – 7pm TBC	4 Still need 3	Kristy Kenny
Friday 22nd March	7am– 10am	2 Still need 1	Brett Cameron
Friday	10am to 1pm	4 Still need 2	Lauren & Andy Dobie
Friday	1pm-4pm	4	
Friday	4pm to Finish	4	
Day	Shift	No of Volunteers required	Volunteers
Saturday 23rd March	7am to 10pm	Filled	Jane & Ben King
Saturday	10am – 1.00pm	4 Still need 3	Jade Cameron
Saturday	1pm to 4pm	4 Still need 3	Warren Rooney
Saturday	4pm – Finish	4 Still need 2	Jon-Anthony De Angelis Warren Rooney
Day	Shift	No of Volunteers Required	Volunteer
Sunday 24 th March	7am– 10.00pm	4 Still need 2	Heather & Chris Roberts
Sunday	10am to 1pm	4 Still need 2	Alex Bowey & Amy
Sunday	1pm to 4pm	4	
Sunday	4pm - Finish	6 minimum As many as possible	Glenn Awty Kristy Kenny Andy Dobie