

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

Lardner and District are now accepting enrolments for 2027.

2027 SCHOOL ENROLMENT
Now Open

- High Expectation of self and others
- Community Engagement
- Environment and Sustainability
- Inclusion - "That's the Lardner Way"

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Enrolments are now open and need to be completed for planning and acceptance. Prep enrolments need to be completed using the online portal. Please see below for details on how you can access the portal to complete your child's application for Prep. A full guide is also available at the office.

To get started

Visit <https://students.educationapps.vic.gov.au/s/> sign in with a Service Victoria account to complete the online application form by Friday 31 July 2026.

We will then review the information submitted and be in contact with you between Monday 3 August and Friday 14 August 2026 (for applications submitted by the due date of 31 July 2026).

You should accept one enrolment offer by Friday 28 August 2026. When accepting an offer, you will be required to provide additional personal and health information that will be shared with the school.

The school has had some interest in our PREPS IN ACTION open classroom which is scheduled for next Tuesday 9:30 – 10am. This is a terrific opportunity for families that are interested to learn more about what Prep learning looks like at Lardner and District Primary School.

Coughs and Colds

We have had both staff and students feeling under the weather recently with blocked noses, coughs, fever and headaches. In the classroom we are promoting regular hand-washing, and airflow through the classroom. Encouraging students to stay hydrated and sneeze into their elbows.

Hopefully we can stop the spread and have everyone back at work and school quickly. return to work and school.



Newsletter Date
TERM 2 WEEK 4
15th May 2026



"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 2 dates:

- **Education Support Week** Monday 18th-Friday 22nd May
- **Cross Country** Tuesday 19th May
- **Sustainability Day** Thursday 4th June
- **Kings Birthday Public Holiday** Monday 8th June
- **P-3 Incursion** Wednesday 10th June
- **School Council Meeting** Monday 15th June
- **Winter Solstice** Friday 19th June
- **Term 2 Concludes** Friday 26th June
Gold Coin BBQ, Casual Clothes and Early finish time at 2.30pm

PREPS IN ACTION
TUESDAY 19th May 9:30 - 10am
Come in and see our Prep Classroom in action!
Leap into Learning 2027 Prep Transition begins...
Monday September 7th 2026, Enrol now to secure your place.

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

Cross Country

Tuesday the 19th of May is certainly a popular date with X-Country also running on this day for student U9/10, U11 and U12/13. Interested students tried out this week running 2km or 3km (depending on their age group). Every student that tried out did their best and I highly encourage those that didn't make it through to give it another go next year.

Shaping the Future of Lardner and District Primary School

What makes a great school? We think it's listening to our students! The 2026 Attitudes to School Survey is almost here. This is an opportunity for students in Years 4-6 to tell us what they think about their learning, friendships, and safety at school. The results directly influence our school planning, helping us create a better environment for every student. Watch for more details coming home soon!

150 Years of Lardner Primary School

Get Ready – Spread the Word – Follow the 150 Years of Lardner Primary School Facebook Page. On Saturday 17th October our school is celebration 1876 – 2026 **150 Years** with a reunion and open invitation for all past and present Lardner and Lardner and District Primary School Students. Did you know that Lardner and District Primary School officially opened on 21st December 1994 after the emulation of Warragul West, Tetoora Road, Hallora and Lardner. There is even a plaque on display as you enter the admin building – have you seen this?

First Aid training

This week staff participated in first aid training to gain their first aide certificate in Asthma, Anaphylaxis, CPR, bites and stings. Working together, staff demonstrated practice skills using training epi-pens, asthma relievers and spacers, bandages and CPR dummies infant, child and adult. Theory and online learning was also completed individually be



I wish everyone a lovely fortnight ahead,

Jane King



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.

Red Room Newsletter

After the holidays and readjusting to school life Red Room has been very busy in all areas of our learning.

English

In Literacy we have been digging into the novel 'Sister Heart' which is a novel written using free verse poetry. We built up our background knowledge of the 'Stolen Generations' to help us connect with the story of Annie who was forcibly removed from her family and taken to a children's home. Adjusting to her new life was difficult because she wasn't allowed to follow her traditions and culture. Everybody has shown empathy for the stolen generations and is struggling to understand why people would treat others in this way.

The Resilience Project

Our Resilience Project sessions have been teaching us about gratitude, empathy and mindfulness. Mindful eating has helped us to pause and appreciate what we are eating and given us time to slow down throughout the day. We are learning to be grateful for the little things in life such as our parents making us breakfast before school.

Maths

The first few weeks of maths this term has been focused on improving our fraction knowledge and understanding. We've also been working on our times tables which helps us to find equivalent fractions and common denominators for when we are adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions. Pre and post test results show that our understanding has improved quite a lot.

Humanities

We have begun our History and Science learning journey on Monday and Tuesday afternoons. Transporting ourselves back in time to the late 1800's has sparked debate about whether Australia should become a federation. We have learnt about the pros and cons and have been preparing our arguments for next week's debate. Our science learning will focus on the Solar System and our universe. It should be out of this world!

STAFFED OFFICE HOURS
 Our school Office will be staffed on Monday's, Tuesday's, Wednesday's & Friday's between 9am and 3pm.
 If you need to drop anything off at the office at other times please post it in the mailbox at reception.



Yellow Room

In Maths, the Prep students have been learning to represent and identify numbers to 10. They have been encouraged to quickly recognise these amounts on 10 frames, without having to count. They have enjoyed playing games which help promote this. Grade 1 students have been looking at 2-digit numbers and patterns on the 100 chart. They have used their counting skills (by 10s and 1s) to fill missing numbers on 100 boards.



Both grades have continued to follow the Little Learner's Love Literacy sequence of sounds and it is exciting to note that the Preps are very close to having learnt all the basic alphabet sounds. Milo's Birthday party will be held very soon!

This week we completed some artworks inspired by the illustrations in the picture story book *If the Dinosaurs Came Back*. The children enjoyed drawing black outline cityscape backgrounds and adding coloured dinosaur cut outs.

