

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



With 2026 planning well under way, it is the perfect time to reassure all school families that Lardner and District will be moving into the new year with a stable staff continuing to build whole school consistently in both student academics and wellbeing.

Enrolments for 2026 – let us know!

If you haven't already, please let us know if you will be moving in 2026. Keeping our records up to date is important for student safety and home communication. Our class structures for 2026 are based on student enrolment numbers and planning with the correct information helps to inform important decision making at a leadership level.

2026 Class Structures:

In 2026 we have planned for:

Prep/One (Yellow Room)

Two/Three (Blue Room)

Four/Five (Purple Room)

Five/Six (Red Room)

Classroom teachers and Education Support Staff will be finalised and shared by Week 8.

Swimming

At LDPS, we are very fortunate to gain funding through the Sporting School grant enabling a very discounted swimming program to all students. Our swimming sessions will be running in the last week of this term, Monday 15th – Wednesday 17th December. Further information will be communicated via SENTRAL including permission forms and payment. Students who are not participating in swim-



Newsletter Date
TERM 4 WEEK 4
31st October 2025



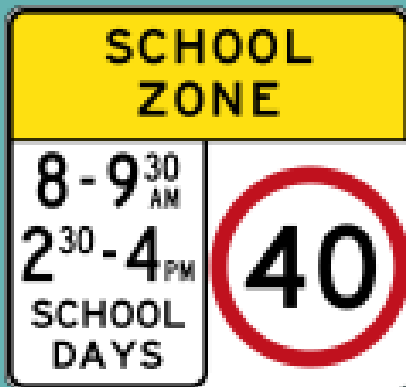
"We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respect to all the elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of indigenous Australia".

Upcoming dates:

- **Curriculum Day– NO SCHOOL**
Monday 3rd November
- **Melbourne Cup Holiday**
Tuesday 4th November
- Remembrance Day
Tuesday 11th November
- Kanga Cricket Yr 3/4
Monday 24th November
- Statewide Transition Day
Tuesday 9th December
- Movie Night
Wednesday 10th December
- Final Assembly for 2025
Friday 12th December
- Gr6 Graduation
Tuesday 16th December
- Swimming Term 4
Mon 15, Tues 16 & Wed 17th December
- Students free Curriculum Day
Thursday 18th December
- Final Day/Clean Up Day
Friday 19th Dec—Early Dismissal 1.30pm



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ming may still be required to attend the pool with a small bus service fee charged. This will depend on supervision available at school.

Reminder – Student Free Days—Monday & Tuesday

A reminder that Monday 3rd November is a student free day (the office will not be open). Please use the school's email for anything that cannot wait until Wednesday. Tuesday 4th November, is Melbourne Cup Public Holiday for all staff and students.

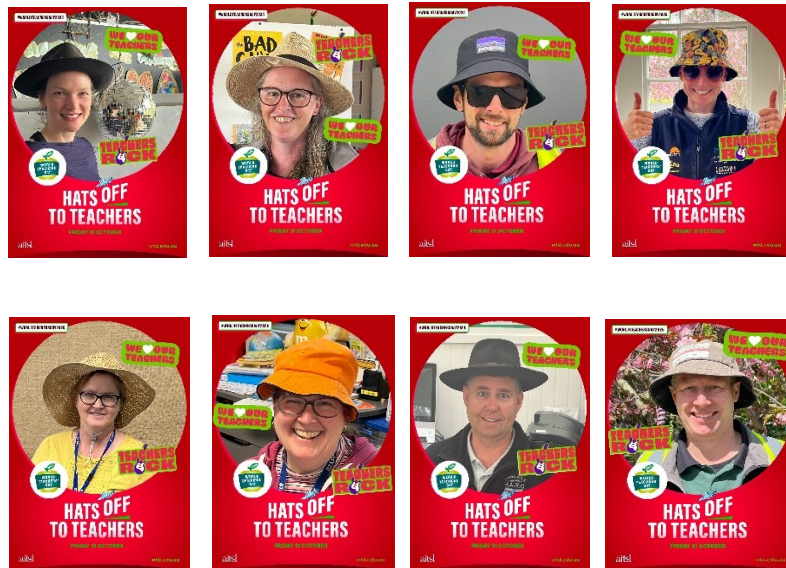
Assembly Friday 14th November

Whilst there is no assembly today, our next assembly will be an exciting one as we support young Aubree (Yellow room) in her pursuit to raise awareness of Alopecia. Aubree will be cutting her locks off in front of the school, donating her hair for the cause. Don't worry though, she will be heading off to the hairdressers after school to have her haircut polished off.

See you all Wednesday, rested and ready for the rest of the excitement that Term 4 will bring!

Kind Regards,
Jane King

Happy World teachers Day to all our teaching Staff!!!



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

What an awesome (but busy) start to Term 4 we've had.

Last Friday we got to enjoy the rewards of the effort we've put into developing our market stall businesses with a great turn out for our first night market in recent Lardner history. After working our way through the ups and downs of building a business it was exciting to watch stall holders confidently interact with the community as they put their businesses into operation. A deep personal and class reflection showed how well everyone understood the purpose of the market and their own business. We are super proud of the dedication and professionalism shown by everyone.

October Birthdays

Lani
1st October

Mrs King
2nd October

Michael
9th October

Anna
11th October

Ms Rollinson
18th October

Ben
25th October

Miss Amelia
31st October



Now that the market is over we will turn our focus to understanding the growth and development of Australian colonies throughout the 1800's. Through Dorothy Mackellar's 'My Country' and A.B. 'Banjo' Patterson's 'The Man From Snowy River' poems we began learning about the harsh but beautiful Australian conditions and the lifestyles of early European settlers. We've written our own versions of 'My Country' to express what we love so much about Australia.

Mt Hotham

*Iceicles on the roof,
Amazing chair lift views,
Tobogganing down hills,
Worn out skis that I use.
When I'm not there,
I long for the hill,
Waiting for a moment,
To work on a skill.*

Coen

Bushland Australia

*I love the peaceful nature
Trees swaying in the air,
Just me and myself around me
Living life without a care.
The crashing sound from afar
Reminds me of a fresh waterhole,
Crystal clear water
Such calmness in my soul.*

Ella

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

We have had a busy start to term 4. In Maths, to coincide with the market we were learning about Australian money. We looked at coin and note denominations and the pictures/colours of each. We found it interesting to note that our biggest coin in size, is not the most valuable and the coin worth the most (\$2) is actually one of the smallest coins in size.

I would like to thank the Yellow room families for the donations of lollies for the 'lucky straws' at the market and also the Yellow Room students who did a fantastic job as 'shop keepers'. As a result our stall raised just over \$260. A tremendous effort!

We have also spent a lot of time learning about 'Time'. We made our own analogue clock-faces and have used these regularly in class to assist with making o'clock, half past and quarter to/past times.

We have just completed a literature study using Jeannie Baker's text *Where the Forest Meets the Sea* with a big focus on sentence level writing, using the conjunctions but, because and so.

This week some students were learning the /oo/ sound represented by **ue** and **u_e**. Some of our worksheets included the (unfamiliar to many) words **fondue** and **jubes**, so today we complemented our learning by trying jubes in chocolate fondue!



Sustainability

Friday

31st
October

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Thank You...

What a wonderful night we had last Friday night, for our first '*Lardner Twilight Market*'. The students put themselves on show, practicing their business maths skills (thanks to Ms Rollinson's well planned curriculum), their public speaking (thanks to Holly's ongoing encouragement) and the students' ability to support each other in their teams. A big thank you must be given to all of our students from Prep to 6 for their bravery and enthusiasm throughout the market process and for giving 'shop-keeping' a go for real 😊. Another huge thanks goes out to our parents and friends who donated goods, supported their children's venture and gathered on the night to help create the atmosphere.

Together we raised an astonishing **\$2954.80** and have decided on building a new piece of play equipment (see picture below). This idea came from the fun had on this years' Phillip Island with the game called '*9 Square in the Air*'.



The aim of the game is to see who can stay in the longest. The grid ball frame has nine square spaces and is a hybrid of Volleyball and Handball. Players use their hand eye coordination, agility and tactics to keep the ball in the air, avoiding the ball landing in their grid to try and be the last one standing. It traditionally comes in a PVC pipe kit but for longevity, we are going to get a quote for powder coated metal pipe. Thanks once again to our school community and to all the staff for supporting their grades on the night.

