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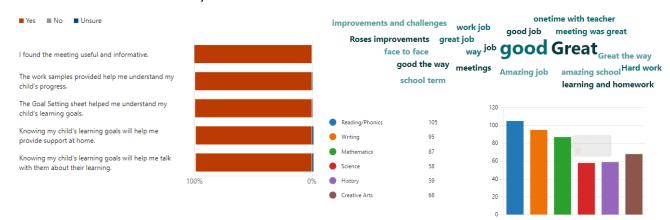
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Thursday 29 June 2023

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another wonderful term of learning, fun and celebrations at LPPS. This has been highlighted this week by our fabulous 3 Way Goal Setting and Report Feedback meetings where we have again surpassed our previous parent engagement record. Thank you all for completing the survey and entering your names in the draw to win the Dalmarri artworks and food hampers. Congratulations to our lucky winners. See some of the survey feedback below:



This week also saw a record 341 students receive either their Bronze or Silver Badges compared to 249 students in Term 1. This is an increase of 92 students which is an incredible achievement. Our students who attended Inflatable World as their reward had a fantastic time (some of the big kids did too!).

This term has also seen the highest number of students receive the end of term reward for participating in our Home Reading program. 182 students will receive a book of their choice, certificate and participate in either a Principal's Morning Tea (70 days in total this year) and or receive a donut (30 days) TOMORROW. Stay tuned for information early next term about the Numeracy Challenge!

Next term, we are continuing to create opportunities to connect with our community and families. In partnerships with The Hive 'Together in 2770', we will be hosting the Coffee Van at school, where hot chocolates and a sausage sizzle will be provided for our students (and coffee for the adults). This will commence on Monday 24 July and occur on the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Monday of the month. The Copeland Rd gate will be opened at 815am on these days. This is a great opportunity for families to come along, have a yarn and let us know what else we can do as a school to serve and support our children and community. Further to this, our Parent Coffee Yarns will continue (230pm - 255pm), along with the Community Junction run playgroup (9am - 10am). Both these events occur on Thursdays throughout the term.

We will also be hosting, in partnership with HopeStreet, a parenting course called 'Circle of Security'. This course will commence of Friday 4 August from 930am. More information will be provided shortly.

We also have a number of major events occurring next term. The first of our celebrations is our NAIDOC Day which will be held across two days, Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 July (first days back from the holidays). We have many wonderful opportunities for children and families to engage in this day including a Smoking Ceremony at 9am on Tuesday 18 July and a Dalmarri run Art Workshop at 12pm followed by a picnic lunch on Wednesday 19 July. We hope you can join us.

We are also in the process of planning our Education Week assembly and Open Day. This is scheduled for Wednesday, 2 August. More information about this day will come out early next term.

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We are again very excited to offer a variety of After School Club activities for our students next term. We have again asked the SRC and students from each class to find out what they would like to participate in. I am pleased to announce that the following clubs are being provided next term:

Tuesday	Thursday	
□ Baking	☐ Physical Education (sports)	
☐ Gardening	☐ Gardening	
☐ Guitar	□ Dance	
☐ 3-6 Homework	☐ Digital Technology	
☐ K-2 Homework	☐ Visual Arts	

During the term, the school engaged in a process called External Validation. This involved the school making judgements about our progress using a document called the School Excellence Framework. This framework provides a series of descriptors aligned to the domains of Learning, Teaching and Leading. For each area, there are numerous descriptors the school ranks themselves as Delivering, Sustaining and Growing and Excelling. After the school ranks themselves, the External Validation panel review the submission and makes their determination. I am pleased to share with you our achievements below:

Learning						
Learning	Wellbeing	Curriculum	Assessment	Reporting	Student	
Culture					Performance	
					Measures	
Excelling	Excelling	Excelling	Excelling	Excelling	Delivering	

Teaching						
Effective Classroom	Data Skills and use	Professional Standards	Learning and			
Practice			Development			
Excelling	Excelling	Sustaining and	Excelling			
		Growing				

Leading						
Educational Leadership	School Planning, Implementation and reporting	School Resources	Management Practices and processes			
Excelling	Excelling	Excelling	Excelling			

We have also determined some 'next steps' on our improvement journey that we will share with you next term.

During the holidays, many of our rooms are being re-carpeted, along with many wet areas (tiled surfaces) being replaced with vinyl. This work should be completed during the holiday period with no disruptions to student learning and lessons in Term 3.

Lastly, I would like to take this opportunity to again thank you for the important work that we are doing together. I am honoured and privileged to work alongside enthusiastic and passionate staff members and supportive, engaged and loving families.

Have a great break and see you all on Tuesday 18 July.

Mr Garry Sheen