



LETHBRIDGE PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

A NSW Government P-6 Connected Communities school

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Principal's Message – Week 7

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all enjoyed a lovely long weekend with your family and friends. The weather was perfect for this time of the year, with mostly sunny skies after all the recent rain.

Term 2 is always one of the busiest terms of the year and this one has certainly been no exception. I would like to take this opportunity to again thank our school community for continually coming together to both participate in and celebrate the significant achievements of our students. I would also like to thank our wonderful staff who continually go above and beyond their roles to provide our students with a plethora of fun learning opportunities that go way beyond the NSW curriculum.

Attendance and 'Lost to Loved' Clothes

Attendance is a representation of how engaged our students are in their school, and their learning. It is also an indicator whether they enjoy the school they go to and whether they have friends that are there to support them in times of need. Attendance can; however, decline with the cooler weather as children are more prone to illness, especially during the winter months. On a daily basis, jumpers, jackets, hats and more are found around the school without names on them. As you know, these items are returned if they have a child's name written on them. Those that don't, go to lost property and often stay there, sadly never to be used again. To ensure these clothes are either returned to their owners or are used again to keep our students warm and sickness free, a group of energetic staff members have come together to create a 'Lost to Loved' stall. Clothes without names on them are being washed and offered to the community for FREE. The next 'Lost to Loved' stall will be Friday 14 June in Area 3 before the 8.55am bell. If you know your child has lost an article of clothing, or simply needs a warm jumper for the winter months, please come along and claim it. We even had a permanent marker available to write your child's name on it.

3WGS and Reports

Semester 1 student reports are being sent home on Wednesday 26 June. Accompanying this will be your child's 3-Way Goal Setting booking note. Please return this note to the office ASAP to ensure you get the time that is most suitable to your circumstance. Please note, 3WGS meetings this year will not be scheduled in Week 10 this term. They will be scheduled in Term 3 Week 1. This change has been made for two reasons:

- The last week of term is already extremely busy and we want as many families as possible to attend the 3WGS meetings.*
- We feel setting goals at the start of the term will have a greater impact than in the last week of a term.*

PBL Badge Reflections

Over the last few weeks, your child should have brought home their Badge Reflection sheet. This sheet has been completed by both your child and their teacher 'together'. The purpose of this is so your child knows how they are progressing towards their goal of achieving their badge. It can also help them focus on the one or two areas they may need to improve to enable them to receive their badge. The sheet is sent home so you too are aware of their progress and what your child is working on. This helps consolidate and strengthen partnerships between the school and home.



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Badge Assemblies and Open Classrooms

Our Badge assembly will again be held on the Monday of the last week of term, along with an 'Open Classroom' session. During the Open Classroom session, your child will have selected several work samples to share with you. These work samples will have been chosen as they show either progress towards, or achievement of their learning goals. Please note, if your child does not receive their badge, you are still warmly invited to attend the Open Classroom session. Information including invitations to attend the Badge assembly and Open Classrooms will be sent home later in the term.

Homework Warriors

Please continue to encourage your child to participate in the Home Reading and Mathematics Challenge. Children who have read or complete a maths challenge for 30 or 70 nights will receive an award and prize. Any child who reaches 150 nights or more will attend the Principal's Morning Tea and receive an award at Presentation Day.

After School Clubs (ASC)

We hope your child is enjoying this semester's ASC activities. We are in the process of talking to students about what activities they would like to participate in Semester 2. As soon as this is confirmed, we will then ask our teachers if they would like to support these activities. Once we know this, we will send a note home (around Week 9) requesting interested students for Semester 2. Please return these notes to the office as soon as possible to ensure your child does not miss out. Please note, our Kindergarten students will have the opportunity to participate this semester.

Our Students, Their School

We welcome respectful feedback from our parent, student and staff communities. Feedback helps us to improve what we do for the betterment of our students and community as a whole. Last week, a suggestion from a community member was made regarding students sitting on the concrete of a morning on a winter's day. Although our students are only seated for a few minutes, we thought this suggestion would be a great one to take to our Student Representative Council for consultation. Similarly, the Junior AECG met recently and suggested the school should create a sun safe, bucket style hat with an Aboriginal design. In response, I have reached out to Dalmarri who have provided a few design ideas. These designs will be shared with the Junior AECG for consultation. I will announce the result of these suggestions in the coming weeks.

Other Key Dates

Week	Date	Event	P	K-2	3-6
7	Monday 10 June	Public Holiday			
	Friday 14 June	'Lost to Loved' clothing stall			
8	Tuesday 18 June	Synergy Dance Festival			
9	Wednesday 26 June	Reports sent home			
10	Monday 1 July	Badge Assembly and Open Classrooms			
	Thursday 2 July	Homework warriors & class attendance rewards			
	Friday 5 July	Reward Day			

Mr Garry Sheen
Principal

