# Term 4 2023......Newsletter no.19

#### LAURA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## **BIRTH TO PRIMARY**

16th November, 2023

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

Hi Everyone,

What a wonderful experience the Zoo excursion was. It was so great to see the genuine excitement for all children during the Zoo excursion, particularly for those who had not visited the Zoo before. The early morning departure, the long day and a very big trip on the bus was worth it. I would like to say a huge thankyou to Hilary Ferguson who spent hours of extra time in getting everything organised for the day. In addition to this I would like to thank the staff and parents who helped in getting organised for the day and supervising some very excited students while at the Zoo. As I have mentioned previously, this excursion was so special to me because it was initiated in a class meeting that was taken to SRC and supported by SRC financially to make it happen. What a great student initiative.

Next week will see all students participating in swimming lessons at the Gladstone Swimming Pool. You should have already received and hopefully returned swimming consent forms for each of your children. Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to help in the supervision of the children at the pool. The children will possibly be more tired than normal and extra hungry so please ensure they have some extra food in their lunchboxes.

On Monday we had a busy day evaluating our progress in 2023 and

starting our improvement planning for 2024. The Rural Care team were collaboratively planning for the children's learning in the upcoming weeks, reflecting on parent feedback and continuing with National Standard assessments. School staff worked on curriculum planning for 2024, reviewed our progress against 2023 Site Improvement Plan (SIP) goals, started to plan for 2024 and began the discussion about class structures for 2024 which are yet to be finalised. As a part of the improvement planning process we would like to get some ideas from parents/families about what they see as the most important learning features for their children. This will help inform our future planning. Early next week a link to a survey will be posted on Seesaw giving you the opportunity to share your ideas and opinions with us. I strongly encourage you each to complete so we can consider the parent viewpoint in our planning.

Don't forget to put your name against a job for the working bee which will be held on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> of November, remember many hands make light work.

We also have a **Student Free Day on Friday the 1**<sup>st</sup> **of December** which will be the second Berry Street professional development day.

The next Governing Council meeting will be held on Monday



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#### **DIARY DATES**

WORKING BEE SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

Monday 20th-Friday 24th Nov.— Swimming Lessons

*Tuesday 21st Nov.* — Mobile Library

Wednesday 22nd-Friday 24th-Nov. — SAPSASA Tennis

**Thursday 23rd Nov.**– Playgroup

Friday 24th Nov.— Assembly 2.50pm

Monday 27th Nov. —
Transition to Kindy
Transition to School
GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
7pm

**27**<sup>th</sup> **November** in the schools Multipurpose room. The first 15 minutes of the meeting will be open to all parents, and students if they wish, to discuss the proposed materials and service fees.

The annual school concert will be held at the Laura Town Hall on Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> December starting at 6:30.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

Warm Regards, Leanne

RESPECT HONESTY PERSEVERANCE

### LAURA PRE-SCHOOL/RURAL CARE

#### **Rural Care Christmas-New Year Closure**

Rural Care is closing at 1pm on 22/12/23 and re-opening at 8am on the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024. There will no charges incurred during this time.

If your child will be absent for any period during the school holidays
(18/12/23-26/1/24), you will need to complete the holiday advice section of
the Notification of Changes form and return it to us by 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Notification of Changes forms have been placed in pockets. Children from the same family can be listed on the same holiday advice form.

#### **Zooper Doopers**

Preschool Centre staff have discussed Zooper Doopers and made the decision that they will no longer be sold to Kindy and Rural Care children in line with our Healthy Food Supply and Nutrition policy and our regulatory framework. Additionally, it is difficult for young children to cope with missing out on an ice-block and, while we would happily put in a few extra 50c coins to pay for children who haven't brought money, we want to support families who would prefer their child not to have a Zooper Dooper. Thank you for your understanding.

#### **Costumes for School Concert**

Hayley has sent a Seesaw message to Kindy families with information about the children's costumes for the end of year School Concert. Kindy children will dress up as fish for our item. Please supply a plain coloured T-shirt that you are happy for us to staple paper-plate scales onto AND a headband to attach eyes to (to be worn around foreheads). Children will make their eyes and scales over the next few weeks.

#### **Kindy Graduation**

Kindy Graduation will be on the last Kindy day of the year (Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December) at 2.30pm. Children's family members and guests are warmly invited to join us. More information will be sent home with Kindy children.

#### **Transition**

Children transitioning to Laura Kindy and Laura Primary School in Term 1 2024 have two more scheduled transition visits, on Monday November  $27^{th}$  and Monday December  $4^{th}$ .







	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
Transition to Laura Kindy	Drop off at the Preschool Centre at 8.30am / Pick up at 1.00pm.	Drop off at the Preschool Centre at 8.30am / Pick up at 3.15pm.
Transition to Laura Primary School	Drop off at the Primary School at 8.45am / Pick up at 1.30pm and stay for an information session for new Reception families. Children will go home with parents after the information session (they will not go back to Kindy).	Drop off at the Primary School at 8.45am / Pick up at 3.20pm.



















What a great day at the Zoo we all had on Friday November 3rd. We had perfect weather and everyone enjoyed themselves.

Thank you to our SRC and Hilary Ferguson for organising this special treat! Well done.

#### **REMEMBRANCE DAY**







On the 11th November we went to the Remembrance Day Ceremony. All of the Laura Primary students received a poppy and the School Leaders got a badge. It was very touching and the School Leaders laid a wreath. Then we got invited to the R.S.L. club room for light refreshments after.

By Imogen and Oscar

#### **SAPSASA Cricket**



Last week I went to SAPSASA cricket and I had a blast! I left Monday night and came back Thursday afternoon. We won four out of five games and then lost the grand final. On Tuesday night we went to the Beach House and had some fun with our team mates. In the end we were happy with our results and came back to school. Darcy Cowin

Last week I went to SAPSASA cricket. I had an absolute blast!. We started off the first day with two wins. Then on the second day with two wins again and were heading to the grand-final. But sadly, we lost the opportunity for gold and came second. Logan

**CONGRATULATIONS!** Great effort coming home with silver medals.

#### SCHOOL LUNCH ROSTER TERM 4

Please ring the school if you are able to volunteer to collect lunches this term. Please note some days are a Thursday due to events on those Fridays.

LUNCH ORDER PICK UP	TERM 4	
Week 5	Friday November 17th	Dot Haines
Week 6	Friday November 24th	Tegan Heinjus
Week 7	Thursday November 30 <sup>th</sup> (Friday SFD)	
Week 8	Friday December 8th	
Week 9	Thursday December 14 <sup>th</sup> (Friday unavailable)	

## WORKING BEE - SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER - 9:00AM

Thanks to Phil Schultz for coordinating our working bee, which will be held at the Preschool Centre.

# \*\*\* ALL CHILDREN ATTENDING ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THEIR PARENTS AND ARE TO WEAR HIGH-VIS VESTS FOR SAFETY.

Please bring the following - depending what you put your name against.

Wheelbarrows

Shovels, rakes & forks

Garden tools for trimming bushes

Paint brushes

Trailer for rubbish removal General tools: screw drivers etc.

#### PLEASE RING THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO PUT YOUR NAME AGAINST A JOB.

TASKS	PERSONNEL	EQUIPMENT
•	PRESCHOOL CENTRE	
Clean off rust on playboat steering wheel		Wire brush etc
Wooden structures need oiling		Paint brushes
Metal hut needs welding at the base		Portable welder
Tyres are holding water, need to drill holes in tyres		Drill
Edging sleepers in garden need securing		
Bark chips need rotary hoeing/turning over to prevent fungi		Rotary Hoe
Bark chips around new climbing dome need topping up to depth of 300mm		Wheelbarrow, rake, shovel
Logs need sanding/rounding at edges		Sandpaper, sander
Front garden needs weeding		Elbow grease
General trim/prune of bushes and shrubs at entrance		Rakes, garden tools for trimming
General trim/prune of shrubs in children's outside play area		Rakes, garden tools for trimming
Rubbish removal – pile of vegetation and timber/iron near fence		Trailer
Repair chook house – has some holes/gaps		

#### **OPEN GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING – MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGES 2023**

Multipurpose Room Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023 from 6.45PM – 7.00pm

The Materials & Services charges for 2023 have been proposed as follows: Reception – Year 6 \$325.00.

These charges have been approved and watermarked by the Department for Education and will be tabled at the Governing Council meeting to be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

Any parents, caregivers and independent students wishing to attend the open meeting for the purposes of discussion are most welcome to do so.

Following this meeting the elected Governing Council members will vote. In lieu of attendance parents, caregivers and independent students are invited to express their views in writing to the Chairperson of the Governing Council, Ricky Pech prior to the meeting.

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Department for Education

Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2024  Notice of Charges for Reception - Year 6									
							HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
Printed and electronic materials	Workbooks	\$20.00							
related to the educational program	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00							
and which are provided for the	Photocopied Material	\$35.00							
student	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$55.00							
Stationery items that are provided	Stationery Items	\$85.00							
for the student	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00							
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00							
	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$85.00							
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the	Access to Student Information Technology	\$70.00							
student to consume or use the	Access to Machinery	\$0.00							
materials or take ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Equipment	\$30.00							
	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$0.00							
	Excursions	\$30.00							
	Swimming Program	\$45.00							
	SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$175.00							
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$10.00							
student	SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)	\$10.00							
Total Materials and Services Char	ge (excluding Subject Charges)	\$325.00							