

Building a Learning Community

### Langy's Local School News

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### **DIARY DATES**

REMEMBER!

School Office Hours 8.45am – 4pm Please email the office outside these hours: lang.lang.ps@education.vic.gov.au

> Bunnings Visit Prep Thursday 19th October

Deep Creek Reserve Excursion Prep - Tuesday 24th October Grade1/2 - Tuesday 31st October

> Book Fair Week Monday 23rd October -Friday 27th October

Book Character Dress up &Special Persons / Grandparents day. Friday 27th October

Sovereign Hill Camp Grade 5/6 Monday 30th October -Wednesday 1st November

Curriculum Day Friday 3rd November

Cup Day /Public Holiday Tuesday 7th November

Grade 5 Leadership Day Friday 10th November

**Grade 2 Sleep Over** Friday the 17th November

> Swimming Yrs 3-6 27th Nov –1st Dec

Life Ed 29th,30th of Nov & 1st Dec

Community Christmas Carols and Market Friday 8th December

> Statewide Transition 12th December

2023 Term Dates Term 4 2nd October -

🖁 Bendigo Bank

52 Westernport Road, Lang Lang 3984

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7th September, 2023

### A Message From The Principal

#### Welcome Back

Welcome back to Term 4! Students have settled nicely into Term 4 and are enjoying the nicer weather.

We have an event filled term in the lead up to the summer holiday period! Make sure you keep an eye on our Compass posts and reminders for upcoming events. The Rotary Carols and LLPS Market is definitely one to put into your calendars on 8<sup>th</sup> December starting at 4pm. Book Week Dress-up and Special Person/Grandparents Day is also another to put in there on 27<sup>th</sup> October. There will be the Book Fair also happening on this day where families can purchase books. Classroom teachers will provide individual further information about the different things their classes will be doing on this day. We look forward to seeing everyone at these events!

#### **New Newsletter Format**

We will be trialling a shorter version of the school newsletter this term. Staff and students will be posting events and class news via Compass. We would love your feedback on this new format.

#### 2024 Foundation Transition Program

Our Foundation transition program is quickly approaching, and we are very much looking forward to meeting our new Foundation students and families for next year! The program starts on the 26<sup>th</sup> October and runs once a week on Thursdays. I know the Foundation staff have been working hard to organise and plan a wonderful program that will motivate and inspire our Foundation students for 2024.

#### Hats and shorts/skirts

A reminder that Term 4 is a wide brim hat term! With the warmer weather we need our students to practice sun smart strategies. This also includes ensuring that they are wearing shorts/skirts that provide enough sun smart cover. Can parents please help their child/ren to remember their school hats and to wear appropriate length shorts and skirts.

#### Yard supervision before and after school

Families are reminded that staff come on duty for supervision purposes at 8:30am and finish at 3:40pm. Students should not be at school before 8:30am unless they are in the OSHC program who provide supervision up to 8:30am. This also applies in the afternoon if students are not in the care of an adult after 3:40pm. If you require OSHC services please contact Windemere: <u>1300 946 337</u> or via website: <u>https://www.windemere.org.au/childcare/out-of-school-hours-care</u>

#### Policies

Many of our school policies have been updated on our website. We are committed to continuous improvement in our approach to child safety and wellbeing and welcome feedback from families and members of our school community on ways we can further strengthen our child safety policies, procedures and practices.



If you have any suggestions, comments or questions, please contact me via the front office.

Melissa Phillips Principal

# Acknowledgement of Country

Here is the land. Here is the sky. Here are my friends, And here am I. We thank the Bunurong people, For the land on which we live and play. We promise to take care of it every single day.



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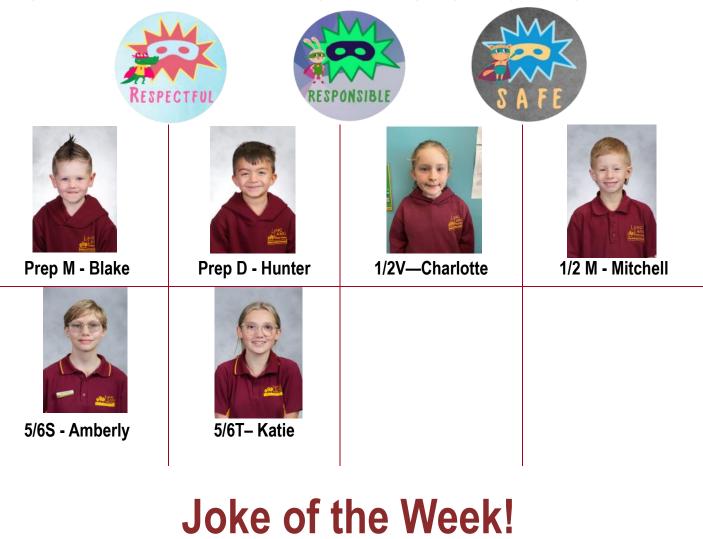
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## **School Wide Positive Behaviour Awards**

The following students recently received an award for: **Being Responsible, Respectful or Safe.** Congratulations to all those students for helping to make Lang Lang Primary School great!



Congratulations to Lilly 3/4M for her fabulous joke at assembly.

What is black and white and red all over? A sloppy penguin eating tomato soup!



# **Little Angler Kits**

The Victorian Government is investing \$1.5 million from the Recreational Fishing Licence Trust Fund to provide up to 95,000 Little Angler Kits to primary school aged children in Victoria.

The free kits provide a wonderful school holiday activity for children with their families and help ease the cost of living, providing a fun activity close to home.

Grade 5 students at all Victorian schools, including ours, will be offered the opportunity to receive a FREE Little Angler Kit. Grade 5 students have been selected based on the Victorian Curriculum focus, movement and motor development, and safety considerations.

The program is entirely voluntary. Schools were provided with the option to opt out of the program. Our school has opted to stay in the program so that parents can decide whether they want their child (ren) to receive a free fishing kit. Parents of Grade 5 students can advise the school if they do not wish their child(ren) to participate for any reason whatsoever. We support parents in making decisions that align with their family values and beliefs.

The roll out of kits will occur through the second half of 2023 (16 October - 4 December) so that all participating children will have a kit in time for the summer school holidays.

The kits include a rod, reel with line, tackle tray, some tackle and information on how to use them to catch a fish. Please note that the tackle tray includes fishing hooks. The tackle tray will be wrapped in cardboard and placed inside a pocket inside the fishing kit bag, which will be sealed with a cable tie to discourage students from opening their kits until they are with a parent or carer.

Kits will be handed out to students to take home with them as soon as the school receives them. Teachers will tell students not to open the kits until they are safely at home with a parent or carer, however parents can contact the school and request to collect their kit from the school themselves if they prefer.

The Victorian Fisheries Authority will create a Little Angler hub on their website, which will be live when the kits start being distributed. It will have useful information, instructional videos and online resources about where and how to fish linking to existing resources from Fishcare and new resources to be produced just for the Little Angler Kits program.

This initiative aims to grow recreational fishing participation in Victoria by actively encouraging primary school aged children to learn how to fish, as well as learning more about marine life and the natural environment.





# **Parking Requirements**

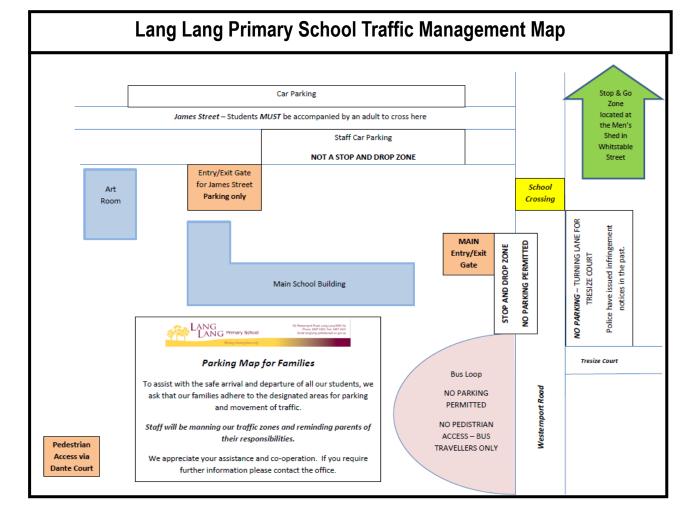
To assist with the safe arrival and departure of all our students, we ask that our families adhere to the designated areas for parking and movement of traffic (please refer to the traffic management map below).

Please be aware that **no parking** is permitted at anytime **in the bus loop**.

# **School Gate Safety**

For safety reasons we ask that students and their families only enter and exit the school grounds via the main gate on Westernport Road. The James Street gate may also be used, but students must be accompanied by an adult if they need to cross the road.

There is no pedestrian access in the bus loop area (except for bus travellers who are supervised by school staff). The bus loop gates must not be used by students or families to enter or exit the school.



We appreciate your assistance and cooperation. If you require further information, please contact the office.

# **Lunch Orders**

Lunch orders are available though our local **Country Grind Café** for delivery each Friday during term time.

Orders <u>must be placed on Thursday mornings</u>. Orders received on Fridays will not be able to be filled.

Parents are to send in an order written on either a brown paper bag or an envelope on Thursdays. Please enclose the **correct money** in your order.

Lunch orders must have the following information:

- Child's name
- Child's class
- Items, including quantity



The current menu options available at the back of the newsletter.

### **Country Grind Café Lunch Order List**

- Hot Dogs \$5.00
- Mini Pizza \$6.00
- Potato Cakes \$1.50
- Pies Plain \$6.50 Mushroom, Cheese bacon \$7.00
- Sausage Rolls \$6.00
- Steamed Dim Sims \$1.50
- Sauce Soy and Tomato .25c
- Toasted Ham and Cheese Croissants \$6.00
- Toasties—Ham and Cheese, Chicken and Cheese \$6.00
- Fresh Sandwiches/Rolls etc., Ham, cheese and Chicken, Cheese \$6.00 Add Tomato .50c
- Yoghurt \$3.50
- Fresh Muffins \$5.50
- Banana Bread \$5.00
- Choc Chip Cookies \$1.50
- Water \$2.50
- Pop Top Apple, Orange \$2.50
- Nippy's flavoured milk Chocolate, Strawberry, Honeycomb \$5.30
- Nippy's Juice Apple, Orange, Apple Blackcurrant \$3.80

### **Student Hair Requirements**

All students who have **shoulder length or longer hair must tie** their **hair back** while at school. This requirement is to help restrict the spread of nits and headlice, and for student safety.

For more information please refer to our Student Dress Code Policy.

### **School Sun Hats**

In **Term 1 & 4** our **SunSmart Policy** requires **all students to wear a school hat** when they are outside at school. Students without hats will be required to play undercover cover.

Wide brimmed school hats with our school can be purchased from the **Beleza School Uniform Shop** at Cranbourne or Pakenham from the Beleza website: <u>https://store.beleza.com.au</u>

Alternatively, plain burgundy wide brimmed school hats are available from Kmart, Best & Less, Target and Big W.

#### Cranbourne

126 High Street Cranbourne VIC 3977 **Phone:** (03) 5996 6861



Pakenham 7/99 Bald Hill Rd Pakenham VIC 3810 Phone: (03) 5941 4989

### **Privacy Reminder**

Our school collects, uses, discloses and stores student and parent personal information for standard school functions or where permitted by law, as stated in the <u>Schools' Privacy Policy</u>.

Please take time to read our school's collection notice, found <u>here</u> or on our website.

We ask parents to also review the <u>guidance we provide</u> on how we use <u>Google Workspace for Education</u> safely at the school and what parents can do to further protect their child's information. If after reviewing the guidance, you have any questions or concerns regarding your child using [Microsoft 365/Google Workspace for Education], please contact the school.

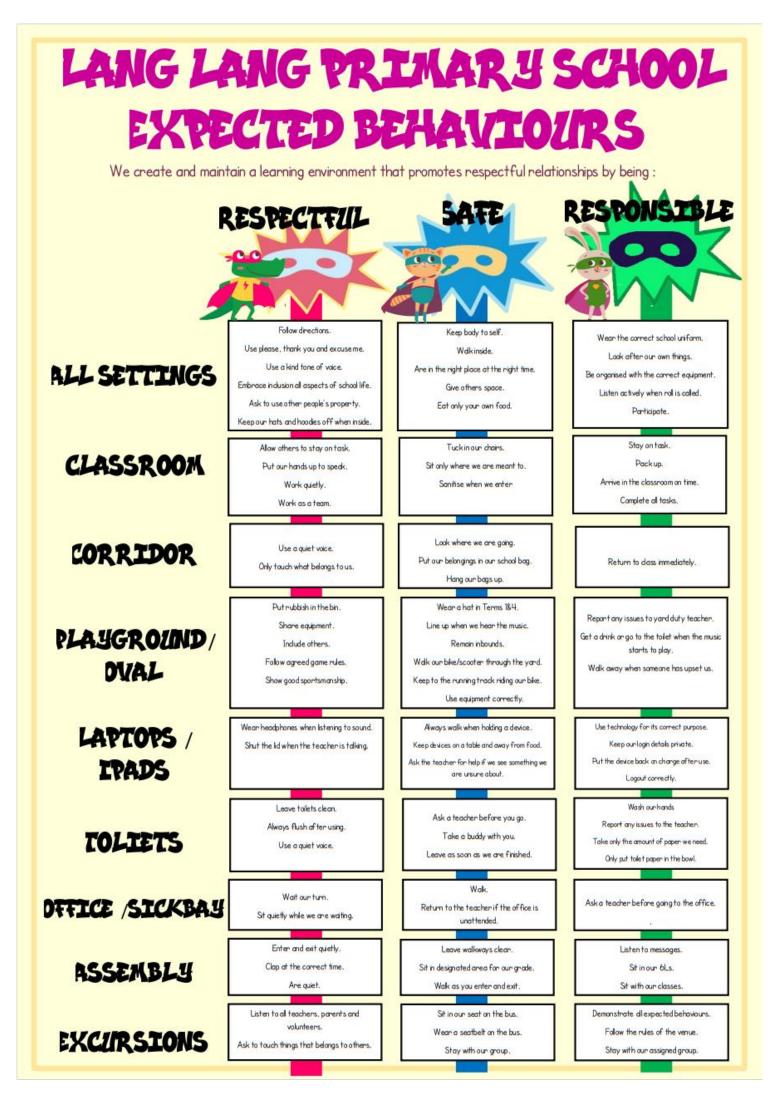
For more information about privacy, refer to: <u>Schools' Privacy Policy — information for parents</u>. This information is also available in ten community languages:

### **Mobile Phones & Smart Devices**

Please be aware that **all students are required to hand in their personal mobile phones and smart devices** (iPad's, smart watches etc) at the office when they arrive at school.

We would greatly appreciate it if you too could talk to your child and remind them of the responsibility they have if they are travelling to school with a mobile phone or smart device. Our school policy, which is a mandated government policy across all schools in Victoria, is available to <u>view here</u>.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact your teacher or the office. **Please ensure that all devices are clearly named**.



# Reminders

### Health

Just a reminder that children must be well in order to attend school.

Please check your child each morning to ensure that they are **not suffering from** any of the following symptoms:

- Fever
- Chills
- Sore throat
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Loss of sense of smell

Your help and understanding is greatly appreciated in this matter.

### Labelling Clothing

Please remember to label your children's jumpers and jackets. As children warm up during the day they often take off these extra layers!

Name labels should only be placed on the inside collar or inside waist band of school uniform.

External labelling of school uniform is not within school policy.

### Help Available

If you or anyone you know needs help, please contact:

Lifeline on 13 11 14

Kids Helpline on 1800 551 800

Direct Line Victoria drug/alcohol counselling on 1800 888 236

Mens Line Australia on 1300 789 978

Suicide Call Back Service on 1300 659 467

Beyond Blue on 1300 224 636

Headspace on 1800 650 890

Head to Help on 1800 595 212





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### **Lost Property**

If your child is missing a jumper, drink bottle or other item, please remind them to come and check the lost property box in the main hallway outside the Grade 1/2 classrooms.

Any lost property not collected will be sent to the OP Shop at the end of each term.



### Cutlery

Please provide your child with their own plastic spoon or fork if they need utensils to eat their food while at school.



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### **Past Newsletters**

School newsletters are available for viewing on Compass for a two week period. If you need to access past newsletters, they are located on our school website: <u>http://www.langlangps.com.au/newsletters.html</u>

# Out of School Hours Care at Lang Lang Primary School

Enrol Now for 2023!

If you require before and after school care for your child in 2023, we can help.

We offer: • A fun and safe environment • A leisure-based program that promotes social play and enjoyment • Healthy breakfasts and afternoon snacks • Age appropriate activities

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