



The Lilydale Legend

The official newsletter of Lilydale Primary School

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Dear Families,

Another fantastic week for our students and staff. We showed some snippets of what students have been involved with in week 1, our wellbeing week, and heard from Gr 34I as to a task they participated in.

At our school, as at all Victorian Government schools, the wellbeing of every student sits at the very heart of everything we do. We firmly believe that when a child feels safe, supported, and happy, they are truly ready to learn and flourish. That is why we dedicate time to explicitly teaching our students strategies to recognise and manage their emotions, helping them to develop the self-awareness and resilience they need both in and out of the classroom. Alongside this, we ensure our students have a clear understanding of our school expectations and take great pride in living out our five school values each and every day. When wellbeing and academics go hand in hand, our students are empowered to grow into confident, capable, and compassionate learners.

Looking Ahead to Week 3

- School Photos will be taken on Thursday May 7th. See page 5 for order details.

Mother's Day Stall

The stall will be held on Friday for all classes. Please ensure students bring no more than \$10 per child, along with a plastic bag if you wish to participate.

Term 3 Production

Preparations for this year's production, Maria's Mask, have begun! The final performance will take place in the third term, on Wednesday 12th August, at George Wood Theatre.

Important dates to note:

- Friday 7th August- Whole school Dress rehearsal (at school)
- Wednesday 12th- Daytime practise at the theatre. (during school hours)
- Final Performance will take place in the evening. (time to be confirmed)

Please email Maria Orlando at maria.orlando@education.vic.gov.au as soon as possible if any planned absences will affect your child's participation in the production.

Thank you in advance for your support. Stay tuned for further updates and information regarding costumes, times and ticket sales.

Surveys

Thankyou to those who have completed the assembly and newsletter survey shared last week in Sentral. This is a great opportunity to ensure that students and families have the opportunity to share their thoughts. The students and staff have also had an opportunity to share their thoughts. These will be shared in the coming weeks.

Protecting Our Children Together – Keeping Our Community Safe

As part of our ongoing commitment to the safety and wellbeing of all students, we would like to remind our school community that our Protect Childsafe information has recently been refreshed and updated. Keeping our child protection practices current is an important responsibility we take seriously, and we encourage all families to take a moment to familiarise themselves with the updated information. Our Protect Childsafe resources outline how our school works to create a safe environment for every child, and what steps are in place if concerns are ever raised. Copies of the updated information are available at the front office, and we warmly invite any families who have questions or would like to learn more to reach out to our staff. Together, we can continue to build a safe, supportive, and nurturing community for all of our children.

There will be some updated procedures being implemented throughout this term to ensure compliance. We shall keep you updated.

Newspaper article

Our wonderful school leaders were recently featured in the Star Mail, with the article highlighting the wreaths we create each year and our meaningful partnership with the local RSL to deepen students' understanding of the history and significance of ANZAC Day.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend.

Emily Murcott



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Run Around Australia Challenge



We have raised a total of \$2,414.80 for sports equipment from recycling.



We have reached Adelaide and are on our way to Horsham. Only 261km to Horsham.

Beautiful Autumn weather this week for the students to enjoy their breaks outside playing with friends. We are so lucky to have a range of play areas for the children to make use of.





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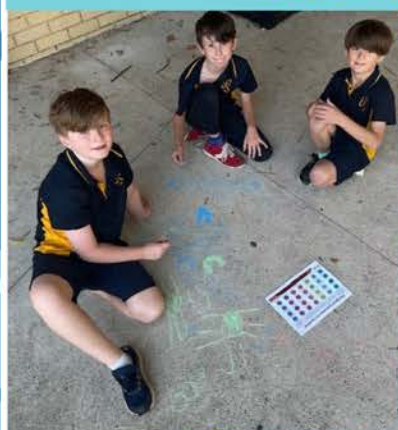


Our Grade 3/4 students had a fantastic morning during their Cultural Heritage incursion!

Students were immersed in rich cultural experiences, including traditional dancing where they became an emu, kangaroo, eagle and goanna. They also listened to meaningful stories and explored the importance of symbols. Using this knowledge, students created their own stories with chalk and symbols, showing creativity and respect for what they had learned.

Students participated in “pass the Marngrook”, which was originally known as the Indigenous football.

It was a valuable and engaging experience that helped deepen students’ understanding and appreciation of cultural heritage.





Yesterday, our Level 6 students had the exciting opportunity to attend a special Sports and Activities Day at Lilydale High School, alongside other primary schools from the local area. The day was designed to give students a glimpse into life as a Year 7 student and it certainly delivered!

Students participated in a range of engaging activities, including a science lesson, maths games, and a variety of sports. These sessions allowed our students to experience different learning environments while building confidence and connections in a new setting.

One of the highlights of the day was a visit to Lilydale High School's impressive reptile centre as part of their zoology program. Students were fascinated by the unique animals and loved learning more about this specialised area of study.

We were incredibly proud of how our students represented Lilydale Primary School throughout the day. They showed enthusiasm, respect, and a willingness to step outside their comfort zones qualities that will serve them well as they prepare for the transition to high school.

A big thank you to Lilydale High School for hosting such a well-organised and enjoyable day. It was a fantastic experience for our students and a wonderful way to support their transition into secondary school.





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Smile Squad is coming to this school



What is Smile Squad?

The Victorian Government free school dental program – Smile Squad – is visiting this school soon.

This means all students can get a free dental check-up, preventive services, and treatment at school.

How to access free dental care

We need your consent before we can provide services. Consent is usually provided by a parent or guardian.

Sign up to Smile Squad:



<https://bit.ly/smilesquadvic>

Let us know if you need a paper form to complete. We look forward to seeing you soon!



LILYDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL, LILYDALE

SchoolPix is coming to photograph on:

Thursday, 7 May 2026

SIBLING ORDERS

must be placed prior to 8am on Thursday, 7 May 2026



Order at order.schoolpix.com.au

Orders with FREE delivery

to your school **CLOSE 5 WORKING DAYS** after your last photography session. A postage fee will apply for orders placed after this date.

Misplaced your order flyer?

Please visit www.schoolpix.com.au and use the student search to find your child's unique ID or contact our Customer Care team on 1300 766 055 or help@schoolpix.com.au.

LILYDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL'S PATHWAY TO LEARNING WEDNESDAYS 2:30 - 3:30



Come along and have some fun at our Pathway sessions. We look forward to meeting you.

Term 2 Session Dates

- May 6th
- May 13th
- May 20th
- May 27th
- June 3rd
- June 10th



SCAN TO REGISTER
For more information visit our website.



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Upcoming Events

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TERM 2 2026

May

- Wed 6 Pathway to Learning 2:30pm
 Thurs 7 School photos
 Fri 8 Gr5/6 Interschool sport vs Manchester PS (home)
 Mothers's Day stall
 Tues 12 District Cross Country Lilydale Lake
 Wed 13 Pathway to Learning 2:30pm
 Thurs 14 Gr 5/6 Puberty Program
 Fri 15 Gr 5/6 Interschool sport vs Kilsyth/Gladesville PS (home)
 Mon 18 Gr 3 - 6 Be Fit, Be Well incursion
 Gr 3/4 Mt Lilydale Leadership session
 Mon 18 -
 Fri 22 Smile Squad Dental Visit
 Wed 20 Pathway to Learning 2:30pm
 Thurs 21 Gr 5/6 Puberty Program
 Fri 22 Gr 3/4 Immigration Museum excursion
 Mon 25 Gr 3/4 Mt Lilydale Leadership session
 Wed 27 Prep - 2 & 3/4E Gymnastics incursion
 Pathway to Learning 2:30pm
 Thurs 28 Gr 5/6 Puberty program

June

- Mon 1 Gr 3/4 Mt Lilydale Leadership session
 Wed 3 Prep - 2 & 3/4E Gymnastics incursion

DON'T FORGET!

- School photos Thurs 7th May
- Gr 3/4 Immigration museum payment and permission due Fri 15th May
- Smile Squad Dental visit May 18-22



FRIDAY LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch Orders are available on Friday's

Ordering cut off time is:

- 2pm for Daily Specials
- 9pm for ALL ORDERS the Thursday prior

Place your order via the Flexischools App



1800RESPECT
 NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT DOMESTIC
 FAMILY VIOLENCE COUNSELLING SERVICE
 1800RESPECT.org.au 1800 737 732



Lilydale Primary School staff are on duty before school from 8.45am and after school until 3.45pm. Outside these times students will be unsupervised in the playground. If your child needs to arrive before this time in the morning or after the time in the afternoon please contact Extend at lilydale@extend.com.au to arrange for your child to attend before or after school care.

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2026 TERM DATES

- Thur 29th Jan - Thur 2nd April
- Mon 20th April - Fri 26th June
- Mon 13th July - Fri 18 Sept
- Mon 5th October - Fri 18th Dec

CURRICULUM DAYS 2026

Tues 9th June
 Tues 25th August
 Mon 2nd November
 Mon 23rd November