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# LANGWARRIN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### WELCOME

Welcome back to all of our families as we begin the 2019 school year. Wednesday marked the first day of school for years 1 to 6 – there are a few new students who have joined us in these levels and we wish them a wonderful transition into their new school. Sometimes it's a challenge to come back after such a long break, but the children seemed to be very positive as they joined their new classes. Today we were delighted to welcome our newest LPPS members as the Foundation students enjoyed their very first day of Primary School. Parents were able to stay for a while to see their child settle in and, of course, to take up those important photo opportunities! Welcome also to our new staff members: Mrs Kym Gilchrist (Learning Specialist/ Year 2), Ms Rowena Blake (Year 6) and Ms Rebecca Gilchrist (Year 2).

We are looking forward to the year ahead and are keen to strengthen our partnership with parents and caregivers so that together we can provide the best learning opportunities for all of our students. This year we begin the first year of our new Strategic Plan. Goal 1 focuses on developing student achievement and growth in Literacy and Numeracy. Our second goal aims to improve student and community engagement in learning. The plan can be accessed on the school website: [www.langwarrinparkps.vic.edu.au](http://www.langwarrinparkps.vic.edu.au). The Education committee will be working with the school community in Term 1 to review the school vision and values statements. Next week the Year level newsletters will be uploaded onto the website; there will be information for you about the curriculum program and the planned activities for the term ahead.

The nomination process for a position on School Council will be underway in the next couple of weeks. Half of our School Council members have completed their two-year term and this year two Department of Education and Training (DET) employee members and five parent category positions will become vacant. If you are interested in joining council and would like some more information please come in and have a chat. You don't need to have experience to be on School Council, just a commitment to working collaboratively on behalf of the school; building positive relationships within the school community. More information will come out shortly.

We have a number of students who unfortunately suffer from allergies and other medical conditions. It is very important that we have current information to ensure the health and safety of the students. If you are yet to bring in current documentation or medicines could you please do this as soon as possible. Please visit our website at [www.langwarrinparkps.vic.edu.au](http://www.langwarrinparkps.vic.edu.au) for the relevant policies.

Remember hats are required for Term 1. Have a great year everyone!

Denise Webster



RESPECT ● COOPERATION ● CONSIDERATION ● CONTRIBUTION ● TOLERANCE

## STAFF TEAMS 2019

Principal Class	Principal: Mrs Denise Webster Assistant Principal: Richard Barren Assistant Principal: Deb Haddow		
Foundation	Ms Kristel Bergman Ms Maddie Angell Mrs Nicole Byrne Ms Karen Corrales Mrs Lisa Dempsey (Level Leader)	Grade 1	Mrs Lauren Jackson Mrs Sue Anderson (Level Leader) Mrs Brenda Petkovic Mrs Sharna Dean-Wright
Grade 2	Mrs Kym Gilchrist Ms Rebecca Gilchrist Mrs Brooke Dornan (Level Leader) Ms Tobi Hailey Mrs Danielle Barrett Ms Ashlee Exner	Grade 3	Ms Marilyn Thompson Mr Jarrad Rose Mrs Kristy Watson (Level Leader) Ms Simone Singh Ms Kristen Whitehead-Bell
Grade 4	Mr Richard Emerson Ms Amy Milne Ms Tara Smith (Level Leader) Mr David Rosser Ms Jess Cooper	Grade 5	Mr Kit Rahman Ms Jo Smith Mrs Jackie O'Neill Ms Kim Zerafa Mr Matt Dutchman (Level Leader)
Grade 6	Mr Luke Moran Ms Fay Hanifah Ms Rowena Blake Ms Laura Freeman (Level Leader) Ms Brooke Cincurak	Specialists	PE: Mrs Sue Burt Mrs Franca Peluso Music: Mrs Di Pendlebury Mrs Erica Eichner Art: Mrs Kellie Rose Mrs Sally Wilson Ms Sarah Bailey LOTE: Ms Alena Schneider Performing Arts: Mrs Jenny Barnett
ES Aides	Ms Trudi Paydon Mr Travis Shakes Mrs Louise McLean	Mrs Kerryn Cornelissen Ms Natasha Devereaux	Ms Julie Greenbury Ms Naomi McMaster
Student Wellbeing	Ms Luana Lane Ms Sarah Roney		
Finance Office	Mrs Sue Guest Mrs Bridgit Dooley Mrs Shona Byrnes	General Office	Mrs Joyce Stocker Mrs Fiona Smith
Library	Mrs Kate Mowat	Facilities Grounds	Mr Ron Skidmore Ms Carol Hopper



## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### WELCOME

We value the importance of parent involvement with their child's learning. One way we foster this involvement is through our 'Meet the Teacher Interviews' at the beginning of the school year.

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February, our Grade 1-6 teachers will conduct a 10 minute 'Meet the Teacher' interview.

- Grades 1,3 and 5 will be on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February from 3.30pm-7pm.
- Grades 2,4,6 will be on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February from 3.30pm-7pm.
- Our Foundation Team will be running a parent information, instead of the 'Meet the Teacher' interviews. The date and time for this information session is Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 6pm in our school library.

The purpose of this interview will be for the parent to provide some insights about their child, so to better assist the classroom teacher. The classroom teacher will not be providing any academic progress at this interview.

On Monday afternoon (4<sup>th</sup> February) a brief questionnaire will be sent home with all Grade 1-6 students. If this could please be completed and returned to your child's teacher by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

Bookings for the 'Meet the Teacher' interview will be made through the Sentral Parent Portal. Bookings will be available from 4pm on Monday afternoon.

If you are not able attend these interviews, you are able to arrange an alternative time.

We look forward to seeing parents at these interviews.

Richard Barren



**SENTRAL**  
Parent Portal

## WELLBEING

*Langwarrin Park is a child safe school*

### THRIVE—POSITIVE EDUCATION

- **TRY** your best
- Be **HEALTHY**
- **RELATE** well
- Get **INVOLVED**
- Live your **VALUES**
- **ENJOY** positive emotions



Luana Lane  
Welfare Officer

Sarah Roney  
Positive Education Co-ordinator

## FINANCE OFFICE



### REMINDERS

#### Due dates for Payments:

	Due Date:	Amount:
Year 6—Summit Camp		\$375.00
Deposit was due:	31 Oct '18	\$50
1st Instal:	8 Feb	\$162.50
2nd Instal:	20 Feb	\$162.50
Year 6—Water Safety Beach Program	8 Feb	\$20.00
Year 2 & 3—Swimming	12 Feb	\$43.75



Please check the planning guide further on in this newsletter for details of upcoming activities and due dates for payment.

### NEW FAMILIES


Introducing to you: *Qkr!* (pronounced 'quicker') by MasterCard: the easy-to-use phone app that gives you the flexibility to place orders at a time and place that suits you. *Qkr!*

- ◆ Saves you time by letting you order and pay for school items directly from your phone;
- ◆ Reduces the need for your child to bring cash to school;

### RETURNING FAMILIES

You will need to update your child's details on QKR at the beginning of every year to show their new year level and grades. Please ensure you have the latest version of QKR—just update and you are ready to go.


Qkr! offers a "push notification" function whereby you will be notified if something relevant to your child's level has been added to Qkr! Please ensure that you have opted in to this feature by opening the Qkr! App, going into Settings (**by clicking the 3 horizontal bars in the top left of the screen**) and opt in to receive push notifications. You can also just go into Settings on your phone, scroll down to Qkr! and change notification function there. Please ensure you have the correct grade and room number registered for your child/ren. This will avoid delays in processing Qkr! Payments. Check our school website for more information on Editing personal details or Forgotten Password how to guides.

**Updating student details on Qkr!** 

It is important to update your child's Level and Class on Qkr! Problems can arise on Fun Food Days and with canteen lunch orders when this information is wrong as lunches get sent to the wrong classrooms.

Here is how you update your child's information:

- Sign into Qkr! and tap on any item – it doesn't matter which item
- You will see this screen, with your children listed:
  - Tap on the icon on the top right of your screen (box with arrow for Apple devices or three vertical dots on Android devices)
  - Tap 'Manage Children'
  - Tap the child whose details you wish to edit
  - Tap their Level and change accordingly
  - Tap their Class and change accordingly
  - Tap 'Update'



### EXCURSION / INCURSION FORMS

Excursion forms need to be returned to the teacher by the due date and payment made to the Finance Office via QKR/BPay/eftpos or classroom teacher. It is imperative that we have forms returned so that student numbers can be confirmed. For example, where extra teachers are needed for swimming etc.

### WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

On 1 August 2017 legislation changed which requires everyone in direct contact with students to obtain a Working with Children Check. For full details please visit the website by following the link from our school website finance page. If you are assisting with swimming, excursions or within the school you must have a valid WWCC. If you have organised your WWCC please check the expiry dates to ensure it is current and notify the Finance Office of new dates. We value the support of our families and appreciate your compliance with these requirements to protect our students.

**Sue Guest**  
Business Manager

**Shona Burns & Bridgit Dooley**  
Accounts Receivable

## PLANNING GUIDE 2019

This tentative outline of forthcoming events is provided to assist parents with their calendar and budget planning

PLEASE NOTE THAT COSTS AND DUE DATES ARE A GUIDE ONLY UNTIL  
CONFIRMED WITH CONSENT FORM AND TAKE HOME NOTICE

				AMOUNT	DUE DATE
<b>JANUARY</b>					
Wednesday	30th	Year 1—6	Term 1 Commences (10 Weeks)		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>					
Friday	1st	Foundation	Term 1 Commences		
Friday	8th	Year 1-6	First School Assembly—2.30pm Held fortnightly in the Hall School Community welcome to attend		
Monday	11th	Year 1, 3 & 5	Meet the Teacher Interviews (individual evening times)		
Monday	11th	Foundation	Parent Information—6pm School Library		
Tuesday	12th	Year 2, 4 & 6	Meet the Teacher Interviews (individual evening times)		
Monday	11th-	Year 6	Water Safety Program	\$20.00	8 Feb
Friday	15th		Mills Beach Experience		
Monday	25th -	Year 6	Camp—The Summit	\$375.00	
Wednesday	27th		Deposit	\$50.00	was 31 Oct 2018
			1st Install	\$162.50	8 Feb
			2nd Install	\$162.50	20 Feb
Tuesday	26th	3/16, 3/22, 3/23, 3/24, 3/25	Swimming	\$43.75	12 February
Thursday	28th	2/15, 2/30, 2/31, 2/34, 2/35	Swimming	\$43.75	12 February
<b>MARCH</b>					
Tuesday	5th, 12th 19th, 26th	3/16, 3/22, 3/23, 3/24, 3/25	Swimming	\$43.75	12 February
Thursday	7th, 14th 21st, 28th	2/15, 2/30, 2/31, 2/34, 2/35	Swimming	\$43.75	12 February
Monday	11th	ALL	Labour Day—Public Holiday		
<b>APRIL</b>					
Friday	5th	ALL	Term 1 Concludes Early Dismissal 2.30pm		