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LANGWARRIN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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It was wonderful to welcome back our Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 students on Tuesday. There were so many smiling faces and the students were genuinely excited to be meeting their friends and their teachers again. Our heartfelt thanks go to our fantastic parents who supported their children and us as we ventured into this new way of coming to school. We appreciate how difficult it was for you on this first day to walk them to the gate and then leave. The pick-up time was similarly a smooth process as we handed back some very tired little people at the end of a great day. Thank you to all of our staff who were out there to welcome our families back to LPPS. Next week we will be following the same routine but it will change as the students in Years 3 to 6 return to onsite learning the following week. Information will be sent out by Thursday outlining the updated process. We hope that everyone has a relaxing weekend after what has been a wonderful first week back.

Denise Webster



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SCHOOL

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Over the last six weeks the strength of our school community has shone through. Our teachers have done an amazing job at quickly establishing a home learning model and maintaining strong connections with their students. Our Foundation-Year 2 teachers have then worked very hard to have their classrooms and learning programs set up at school, while our Year 3-6 teachers continue to work at school with their students who are still at home.

Our parents and carers have done an amazing job at supporting their child's learning and calmly navigating through a range of challenges at the same time. We have now got our Foundation-Year 2 students back on site and they have settled happily back into their classrooms. We look forward to welcoming back our Year 3-6 students on Tuesday 9th June.

Our teachers are currently working on their semester school reports. These reports will be different to other reports due to students learning from home for an extended period of time. Specific information about your child's report will be communicated over the coming weeks. They will be published on the Sentral Parent Portal on the last day of Term 2. Our parent-teacher interviews will be scheduled in early Term 3.

Thanks again for your continued support and positive mindset through these difficult times.

Richard Barren



This term has certainly been interesting. We were able to support our essential worker families by providing on site care for students. The students worked through their home learning lessons the same as their remote learning classmates. One of my favourite parts of the program was the closer connection with so many students and families.

Some of our school community has had a really difficult time recently. We've been able to offer support through encouragement, additional assistance, referral to other agencies and also to our school psychologist. One of the wonderful things I've seen are the acts of kindness and appreciation towards people in our community. That has always been a strong, unwritten value of LPPS, and it was just heart-warming to see people reaching out to support each other.

It's return to school time and most students will manage this easily. But it will also be very normal for some students to prefer their remote learning style. However, it's a law that we attend school so parents may need to put some steps in place to make sure their child does remain engaged with school and has a high attendance rate. School is much more than academic learning. It's socialising, learning how to get along with others, being brave enough to step out of your comfort zone and it's about building resilience. Some students may need to hear your positive thoughts about school, your plan for their return, and they may need to hear it often. Here is a link to a great video clip about it https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ry_jMLvOyQU&feature=youtu.be

Please know that we always have your child's best interests at heart and really appreciate that you work together with us to help support them, and enable them to be the best version of themselves. School is a bit different at the moment (a bit like a zoo perhaps with you looking in!) but we are still here to support you. If you have concerns just let us know and we'll work through them with you.

Deb Haddow