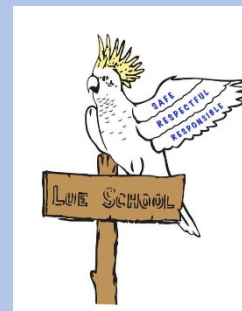




# LUE PUBLIC SCHOOL Newsletter

Principal: Mrs. Caron McDonald (BA Hons, MEd)

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022  
Term Four, Week Nine



## Chat with the Principal .....

Welcome to the newsletter for week 9. The weather is certainly starting to warm up so the pool at school is a lovely place to be.

### Swimming lessons

Students were so happy to finally get back in the pool last week. They were all safe, respectful and responsible, following instructions



from our swim teacher this term, Miss Bethany Vidler. Their smiling faces say it all.

**This week, students will swim on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please send in swim kits tomorrow.**

### Semester 2 reports

Students have their Semester 2 reports in their bags today. They have all achieved growth and have goals to work towards next year. Please remember when reading the reports that the student's *work* is graded, not the student. Whilst we might believe students capable of a specific grade, we can only grade on the *work they actually produce* – not what we think they could produce.



### Parent/Teacher meetings

Following reports going home today, we are holding parent/teacher meetings this week (students will also be asked to join their parent and teacher at the meeting to get their feedback too). Thank you to those families who have already chosen timeslots to speak with their child's teacher. If you have not yet done so and would like to, ring school to book in a timeslot. Please note that meetings are capped at 15 minutes to be fair to all families.



## What's happening this week at Lue T4 W9



|                   |  |          |
|-------------------|--|----------|
| Monday<br>5/12    | PBL check in - Bus lines and gate  |          |
| Tuesday<br>6/12   | Swimming at school, K-6  |          |
| Wednesday<br>7/12 | Swimming at school, K-6<br>Final Stage 2 SPARC program and Stage 3 JUMP program with chaplain Mrs Brooks-Lloyd   | <br>     |
| Thursday<br>8/12  | Swimming at school, K-6<br>Senior class guitar<br>Parent/teacher meetings  | <br>     |
| Friday<br>9/12    | Little Lues & Y6 transition<br>K-2 Fun Friends program with chaplain Mrs Brooks-Lloyd<br>50c Fridays - ice cream | <br><br> |

### Attendance

We continue to be relentless in our pursuit of attendance improvement and monitor attendance regularly. If you know your child is going to be away for an appointment etc, please let us know beforehand.

Will your child be getting a 100% attendance certificate this term?



**Everyone, every day, on time!**

## SCHOOL FUNRUN

**ONLY 1 WEEK TO GO UNTIL THE MAIN EVENT!**

Remember these funds actually come to school to help us purchase additional equipment which benefits all students. We now have 10 students registered for fundraising with a whopping total raised so far of \$1 341. The final event on the 12<sup>th</sup> December will be lots of very messy fun!

**This week, Holly and Fiona are joint first in the leaderboard.**



Next Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> December, when the event takes



place, parents are invited to meet us at the Lue Oval ready for the fun which will start at 12:30pm. Students in the junior class will go to the Oval in the school minibus whilst students in the senior class will walk to the Oval with their teacher. They will all take their lunchboxes with them so we can have lunch over there once the messy

fun is finished. Why not bring something to have a little picnic lunch with your child?

Next Monday will be a muffi day but please send your child in something that can get the colour run powder on it. Old white tshirts are absolutely ideal. Don't send them in their very best outfit just in case some of the colours don't wash out properly. A white tshirt will very quickly become a rainbow of colours. Parents are more than welcome to join in the colour run with the students. The colour powders are made from corn starch so are perfectly safe to use.

### Contractors on site at school

Contractors at school this week We are having some work done on the main footpath into school this week so contractors will be on site for a few days. If you are dropping off or picking up your child, or popping to school for a meeting, please make sure you park your car on the other side of school near the bus gate, (near the old school house). Thank you for your cooperation.



### Safe, Respectful & Responsible

We are very proud of our continued dedication to ensuring our school is a place where everyone can be successful learners and part of this stems from our shared commitment to PBL, (positive behaviour for learning). PBL provides a common language and set of expectations amongst students and staff that contribute to creating an environment where everyone is happy, safe and able to succeed.

This week, our focus is on revising the expectations for the bus lines and gate. All traffic areas require extra vigilance so students need to be aware of particular expectations in order to be safe.



| Lue Public School<br>Non-classroom settings<br>BUS LINES AND GATE  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| SAFE   | RESPECTFUL  | RESPONSIBLE   |
| *Walk along the path to the gate<br>*Keep your hands and feet to yourself<br>*Wait at the gate until told to board the bus<br>*Sit in your given seat and fasten your seatbelt | *Follow adult instructions<br>*Speak politely and quietly at the bus gate and on the bus<br>*Greet and thank the bus driver<br>*Board the bus one at a time without pushing | *Line up quickly with at the end of the day<br>*Help younger students<br>*Go to your seat quickly<br>*Remain seated on the bus<br>*Look after your own belongings<br>*Report any problems to the bus driver |

### Looking ahead to the final week of term 4 next week

Next week there will be a number of special things happening for students and families.



**Little Lues are invited to join us for the whole week in the last week of term.**

**Monday** – colour fun run (12:30pm – families welcome to join us at the Lue Oval)

**Tuesday** – Christmas movies, popcorn and swimming

**Wednesday** – Class parties and swimming (your child will bring a note home about class parties at the end of this week)

**Thursday** – year 6 farewell special buffet lunch at school, 1pm (your child will not need to bring lunch on this day), family of Year 6 student attending

**Friday** – 12pm Term 4 presentation assembly and Christmas celebration, all families and community members welcome, a sausage sizzle will be provided by school.

### Parent survey

Thank you so much to the families that sent in completed surveys. The feedback to school has been so positive and appreciative.

We really value your responses and any suggestions made will be discussed at staff and P&C meetings early next year.



## From the K-2 classroom ...

What a busy week we have had in the junior room! The juniors have really enjoyed spending time in our new Imagination Corner which is now a Christmas Post Office!



We have also enjoyed starting Christmas activities which involved decorating paper trees on Friday with our Little Lue's. We also wrote our letters to Santa which are currently on their way to the North Pole. We can't wait for a reply!

In **English**, our new sound will be 'oi' as in boil. We will be looking at the different ways letters can make this sound. Our story for this week will be 'Peggy' by Anna Walker. Students will be exploring the different emotions Peggy feels as she goes through different situations. They will be completing writing pieces about these different emotions.



In **Mathematics**, we will be continuing to look at Measurement. The juniors will be exploring measuring different weights and lengths of objects.



In **Geography**, we will be using all of our new knowledge on the Australian states and territories to complete a puzzle of Australia.



In **Art**, we will be completing a directed drawing of a gingerbread house. The juniors really love doing directed drawings, so this will be a lot of fun!



The juniors are also looking forward to getting in the pool for swimming lessons this week!

## From the 3-6 classroom ...

Students in the senior classroom have completed most of their term 4 units of work now with just a few things to finish off as the term draws to a close.

Last week in our English lessons, students took photographs from around the school and designed a flyer to promote our school for new enrolments. It was so lovely to hear the things they like about coming to our school ... 'it's always good that you know everyone really well,' 'there's always someone to help us with our work or help us if we have a problem,' 'I think I am so much better now at reading since moving to Lue Public School,' 'we have the best teachers and have great resources, even a pool.' Just melts my heart!

As we have finished our class text, we are going to be doing some research and creating a presentation to share in our **English** lessons this week. Students will be researching about Christmas customs around the world and produce a digital presentation using PowerPoint or Prezi to present their work to the class. Being able to effectively research is a skill that students develop right through school. There is so much information out there on the web, it can be a real challenge to decide which information is what you need. Paying close attention to spelling, grammar and punctuation also features in these presentations and students will use an editing checklist before finalising their work.

In **Mathematics** this week, students will be focusing on fraction and decimals. This is an area many students find challenging, and we will be looking at how visual representation of fractions and decimals can really help us understand place value after the decimal point. Any work on decimals always lends itself really well to money and students will be involved in creating a budget and menu for an imaginary class party.

In **Visual Art** this week, students will begin to create their Christmas table centrepiece which they will be able to take home at the end of term. It involves LOTS of paper folding, gold spray paint and a serious amount of patience. Watch this space ...

Swimming for **Sport** is so much fun. Students are perfecting stroke



techniques, developing increased confidence in the water and practising correct breathing whilst swimming. The MSSN swimming carnival is very soon after we return next year so the more we can practise now, the better.

## A word from our Chaplain ...

We're on the home stretch! 2 weeks of school to go! It's great to see staff and students not giving in to tiredness and 'end-of-year-itis' but pushing through and still succeeding. Well done everyone!

This is my 2<sup>nd</sup> last week at Lue Public School as our family are moving to Ulverstone, Tasmania for my husband to take up a new job as a minister of a church there. It's a big move and change for all of us and I'm really going to miss you all!

In Fun Friends this week we started talking about 'Doing Things One Step at a Time' and I was so grateful to slow down and relearn this important truth when faced with the massive task of packing and moving interstate! Both our Juniors and Little Lue's grasped the concept very quickly. When we tackle a hard task, it's best to break it down into smaller steps. We talked about learning to swim, one step at a time, and we drew a house, one step at a time. Families are very important in helping support and practice what we learn in Fun Friends. Is there something you can help your child learn to do, step by step? eg ride a bike, be brave in the dark, start school, try a new food etc. Maybe you could talk through the steps together and work out a reward for each step.

In JUMP this week, Holly, Cooper, Tyler and I talked about 'Understanding Others' and how often we need to try to understand someone else's point of view. It is helpful to try to see another perspective as it will lead to better understanding and cooperation, rather than conflict. Have a look at the picture below? Is it a duck or a rabbit? Or both? Can you see how someone else might think differently than you? What about this one? Young or elderly lady?



elderly lady?



We often want to be 'right' but taking a step back and rethinking ours and someone else's perspective can help form much stronger relationships. This is a life-long skill, so Stage 3, you're on your way to learning to Understand Others. Keep learning!

Cathy

## 50c Fridays

We will continue to provide a little something special each Friday as the year 6 fundraiser for the legacy item. This week students can have an ice cream cone for 50c.



Our door is always open if you have any questions regarding your child's learning at school. Please contact me at school if you have any queries.

**Caron McDonald**  
(Principal)

Empowering students through excellence in education to **DREAM** of a bright future, **BELIEVE** in themselves and others, and **ACHIEVE** their full potential.



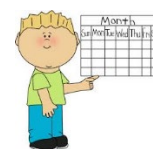
Our student of the week for week 9 is **Brantley**. Brantley has done a great job of looking after the sport shed these past few weeks, showing he can be very responsible!



Our Busy Bee in the Junior class for week 9 is **Justin**. Justin has shown a huge growth in his confidence to have a go at everything lately.



# Dates for your diary ...




| Wk             | MON   | TUES  | WED   | THURS   | FRI   | SAT    | SUN   |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|--------|---|
| T4<br>Wk<br>10 | 12 Dec<br><b>Little Lues</b><br><b>Colour Run fundraising event at Lue Oval at 12:30 followed by a picnic lunch</b> | 13 Dec<br><b>Little Lues</b><br><b>K-6 swimming</b><br><b>Christmas movie and popcorn</b> | 14 Dec<br><b>Little Lues</b><br><b>K-6 swimming</b><br><b>Class parties and games</b> | 15 Dec<br><b>Little Lues</b><br><b>Year 6 Farewell from 1pm</b> | 16 Dec<br><b>LAST DAY OF TERM for students</b><br><b>Little Lues</b><br><b>End of year presentations, BBQ and Christmas celebration from 12pm</b> | 17 Dec | 18 Dec  |
| T4<br>Wk<br>11 | 19 Dec<br><b>School Development Day – no students</b>   | 20 Dec<br><b>School Development Day – no students</b>                                     | 21 Dec  | 22 Dec  | 23 Dec  | 24 Dec |  |

*Merry Christmas*

## WELCOME BACK IN 2023

Please note students return in WEEK 2 of Term 1

|               |   |  |  |  |   |        |        |
|---------------|---|--|--|--|---|--------|--------|
| T1<br>Wk<br>1 | 23 Jan  | 24 Jan   | 25 Jan   |  | 27 Jan<br><b>School Development Day – no students</b> | 28 Jan | 29 Jan |
| T1<br>Wk<br>2 | 30 Jan<br><b>School Development Day – no students</b> | 31 Jan<br><b>Students return for term 1</b><br><b>K-6 swimming</b> | 1 Feb<br><b>K-6 swimming</b><br><b>P&amp;C meeting 3pm at school</b> | 2 Feb<br><b>K-6 swimming</b>   | 3 Feb<br><b>Senior class guitar</b>                   | 4 Feb  | 5 Feb  |
| T1<br>Wk<br>3 | 6 Feb   | 7 Feb<br><b>K-6 swimming</b>                                       | 8 Feb<br><b>MSSN swimming carnival</b>                               | 9 Feb<br><b>K-6 swimming</b>   | 10 Feb<br><b>Senior class guitar</b>                  | 11 Feb | 12 Feb |
| T1<br>Wk<br>4 | 13 Feb  | 14 Feb<br><b>K-6 swimming</b>                                      | 15 Feb<br><b>K-6 swimming</b>  | 16 Feb<br><b>K-6 swimming</b>  | 17 Feb<br><b>Senior class guitar</b>                  | 18 Feb | 19 Feb |