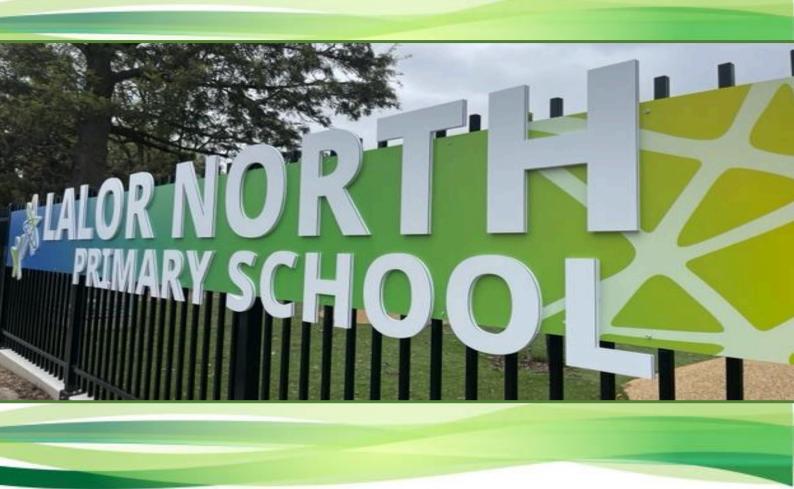
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IN THE LOOP





A fresh New Look to Lalor North Primary School!

We were thrilled to see our new signage proudly displayed in and around our school this week. These signs symbolise our spirit and promote an enormous sense of school pride.

Our unique school is such a special learning environment for our students. We continue to be very proud of our school and how we celebrate our love of languages, honour our many cultures and traditions, and celebrate diversity. We love our new vibrant transformation!

Acknowledgement to Country

We are learning on Wurundjeri Country and in the spirit of reconciliation, Lalor North Primary School acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we are learning. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Important Dates

Week 3, Term 4

Monday 16th October - Greek Promotions meeting 7pm

Thursday 19th October - Breakfast Club @8.15am

Thursday 19th October - Playgroup 9am - 10am

Thursday 19th October – Student Representative Council

Friday 20th October - Interschool Sport

Friday 20th October - Assembly

Week 4, Term 4

Tuesday 24th October - STEM Smart City Expo

Tuesday 24th October – School Council

Wednesday 25th October – Celebrate World Teachers' Day

Wednesday 25th October – Whittlesea District Volleyball finals

Thursday 26th October – Student Representative Council

Thursday 26th October - Macedonian Bilingual Concert

Thursday 26th October - Breakfast Club @8.15am

Thursday 26th October - Playgroup 9am - 10am

Friday 27th October - Interschool Sport

Friday 27th October - Assembly

Friday 27th October - Newsletter Published

Week 5, Term 4

Wednesday 1st November – Grade 4,5,6 Camp

Thursday 2nd November – Grade 4,5,6 Camp

Thursday 2nd November - Breakfast Club @8.15am

Thursday 2nd November - Playgroup 9am - 10am

Thursday 2nd November - Student Representative Council

Friday 3rd November - Grade 4,5,6 Campers Return

Friday 3rd November - Interschool Sport

Friday 3rd November - Assembly

Our School Values



We communicate openly and work together to solve problems. By demonstrating honesty and acting with integrity we build trust, which enables us to collaborate, to take greater risks with our learning and to be more resilient when things go wrong.

Respect

We respect ourselves, our school and each other, and understand that our attitudes and behaviour have an impact on the people around us.

Unity

We have many languages, come from many backgrounds and are a school of many differences, but we speak with one voice, as one school.

We develop a sense of connection and belonging within each part of our school, and across the whole school.

Success

We help each other learn so that everyone experiences success every day. Success means doing new things, learning new skills, finding new ways of thinking and solving interesting, complex and challenging problems.

Resilience we know trying new try

We know trying new things, experiencing challenges and bouncing back from adversity are central to life and to learning. Only by building our resilience can we experience strong levels of growth.

Principal's Message

It's been a long time coming but they finally arrived. Our New School Signs.

Our new signs not only are beautiful and vibrant, but they also

provide the much needed directionality for our school community and visitors who are new to our school. Now at least no-one can complain of not being able to find the school office!

Another significant improvement has been the addition of the sign that promotes our three curriculum programs we have on offer at our school. Our Standard and Bilingual Cirriculum Programs are now proudly displayed at the front of the school near the olive trees.

The signs have certainly lifted the spirit of all of our staff, students and community. I was especially pleased to finally see our school vision and values prominently displayed in the school foyer for all to see who we are and what we do.

If you havent already done so.....you are welcome to come inside and have a look.





Assessment

The end of the year is fast approaching, and teachers are measuring student progress in learning through a variety of assessments. These assessments and observations in Term 4 enable teachers to accurately report student progress in our end of year reports.

In Week 3 and 4, all students will complete the PAT Online Testing for Reading and Mathematics. These tests provide valuable data on student progress and are developed by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER).

PAT tests are a great way for students to practice their technology skills, which will be needed during NAPLAN testing in Grade 3 and Grade 5.

Foundation students complete the Early Years test for Reading and Maths, while Grade 1 to 6 students will complete the adaptive tests for Reading and Maths. All results are then available to our school through ACER's report generating website. This is one test only and will be considered with all the evidence collected by the teacher. These results will inform the teaching for the remainder of 2023, as we work to keep learning and wellbeing as our central focus for all students.

As with all testing, please encourage children not to worry. Remind them the teacher is seeing what they can do every day and they just need to do their best effort.

Individual Education Plans

Individual Education Plans (IEPs) support our students with special needs. Teachers are reviewing all IEPs to set new Term 4 learning goals. Our Student Support Group meetings to support our funded students will be held in Week 3 and 4. The Wellbeing team will be contacting parents and carers to organise the dates and meeting times. SSGs are an opportunity to celebrate the progress in learning, identify the 'where to next' and plan how we will help students achieve their learning goals.

Interschool Summer Sports for Grade 5 and 6 students

Interschool Summer Sports for Grade 5 and 6 students is happening this term during Weeks 1 to 6. The coaches for our away teams are:

- Keith MacDougall Cricket
- Bre Berlowitz Rounders,
- Lorena Mascia Bat Tennis

The children are really enjoying the challenges of improving their skills in these team sports. Our school leaders are keeping us updated on team results at our weekly assemblies. Sadly, today there was no Interschool Sport because Lalor PS forfeited. All team members are looking forward to the games next Friday.

Macedonian Bilingual Concert - Thursday 26th October at 2pm

The practise and preparation has begun for our annual Macedonian Bilingual Concert. Students and teachers are delving deeply into the preparation to present to our Macedonian Bilingual Program families a memorable spectacular that includes the liguistic talents of our students. All families have been informed and will hopefully attend.

Information session for Parents of Students Attending Camp

A reminder for students attending the Campaspe Downs camp on 1st to 3rd November to return the paperwork sent home by Mr MacDougall.

Full payments for attending camp are now due to be finalised.

A parent information meeting will be held in the school hall on Wednesday 18ⁿOctober at 5:00pm – 5.40pm. Camp coordinator Keith MacDougall will present parents with information about school camp and answer any questions parents may have.

The BIG Night OUT @ Lalor North Secondary School

Many thanks to the families who attended the Big Night Out last week on Thursday.

It was a really fun filled night showcasing the musical talents of many primary schools in our local area.

We had a few bumps along



the way in staffing the event and as a result our students could not perform the feature song on that night so they only participated in the finale. Our choir will present the feature song at an upcoming assembly after a few more practises.

Transition Dates for Prep Students Starting School in 2024

We are getting ready to meet our new preps for the 2024 school year!

Transition session 1 - Wednesday 8th November 9am - 10.30am

Transition session 2 - Wednesday 15th November 9am - 10.30am Transition session 3 - Wednesday 22nd November 9am - 10.30am

Transition session 4 - Wednesday 29th November 9am - 10.30am



STEM @ Lalor North

Many Grades 5 and 6 students are enjoying their STEM activities, with students in Room 9 joining the judging of Grade 5/6 Young ICT Explorer projects. Results of the judging determines if anyone progresses to the next round of judging. Congratulations to all our students who presented, as we know how hard it can be to put your work into the spotlight.

Our next event will be the STEM Smart City Expo for Room 3 on Tues '74 24th October, so we look forward to hearing how that day goes.

Elizabeth Bryan & Amanda Lee

From the Office

Sun Smart Hats

It's so nice to have such sunny days and warmer weather to enjoy the outdoors so much more. As all students are once again required to be Sun Smart during term 4 we must remember to wear a suitable hat during playtime outside, we have a small supply of legionaire style hats from the uniform shop available for purchase for \$10 each in the office for the coming warmer months.



Did you know that Lalor North Primary School uses the Compass App as a form of communication to families? All parents and carers are encouraged to download the app so you can log on and utilize it to access your child's semester reports, book parent teacher interviews and also notify the school of student absences. Please contact the office should you require assistance with this, we are able to provide your family's username and password. If you already have this app but forget your password the office can provide a new one for you upon request.

Grade 6 Polo tops for 2024

Our current Grade 5 students now have the opportunity to order a Grade 6 polo top for 2024. An information sheet will be sent home with the students. The form must be returned to the school office with their preferred name to be printed on the top. Payment and ordering of tops are to be made directly on the Uniform website, as stated on the information sheet. The Uniform shop has provided our office with sample sizes, any student (with or without their parent) wishing to try on the polo to determine correct sizing can come to the office any time between 8.30am and 4.30pm.

Prep Enrolment for 2024

The enrolments keep trickling in and we are getting close to capacity for our wonderful little school.

I am pleased to say that all new enrolments have been entered and accepted into our school and we now begin to plan for the 2024 classrooms. This is a very important part of our planning processes.

Please contact the office on 9465 4922 as soon as possible to let us know if you need to enrol your child for the 2024 school year. This way you may secure your place.

If you are leaving our school community....please let us know this also!



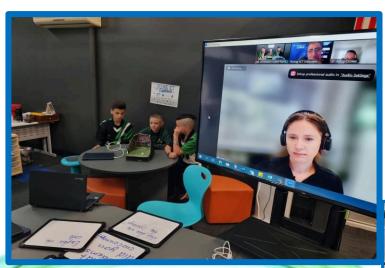


Throughout the 2023 school year, grade five and six students from room 3 and grade 6 students from room 6 have been designing, building and programming our very own 'Smart City' as part of the 2023 'Smart City STEAM project' run by Sammit Education.

The students have used recycled materials to construct different buildings including houses, stadiums, concert stages and a bank. They worked together to design the layout to make a wonderful city to be housed in our STEM room.

Students have used coding technology including Micro:Bits, servos and motors to make a range of systems that interact with our city. These include lights and fans for our houses, a scoreboard for our sports stadium, a trigger alarm system for our bank, and of course some moving cars.

On Tuesday the 24th of October, Lalor North Primary School will be hosting 3 other schools to showcase all of the work that has been done with our Smart City projects as well as take part in using some new technology that the people at Sammat education will bring along.









The Young ICT Explorers is an Australian wide competition where students from Year 3 – Year 12 enter projects that solve real-world problems or showcase their passions using technology. Projects can be anything from creating better ways to recycle, to supporting people with disability; from creating virtual reality worlds, to building entire operating systems and robots from the future.

In 2023, our grade five and six students from Room 9 entered a range of projects that were accepted into the judging phase of YICTE. On Thursday 12th of October our students had the unique opportunity to present their projects to 3 judges that work in the ICT, disability and environment industries.

The students presented a 5 minute pitch (much like that on the television show Shark Tank), and then took questions from the judges. The students were very passionate and knowledgeable about their projects and did an amazing job showcasing their hard work to the judges. The judges were very impressed and there were several projects that demonstrated skills and initiative that the judges had not seen in the competition's 8-year existence.

We now look forward to hearing from the judges to see if our projects place in the top entries in Victoria. We wish all entries the best of luck.

Lalor North Primary School YICTE projects

Project Name	Project Description	Students Tatjana, Annabelle, Angelina, Rebecca, Kalina - Cozy		
Cozy Cuddles	The students have created a well being app for young people that might be struggling with mental health issues.			
DSSR	Dragan and Sebastian contacted the local secondary college to 3D print their robot and have started to build a track to make it move around and water a garden.	Dragan, Sebastian N		
BeeBox -	A portable movie theatre that holds your snacks and an iPad	Amanda, Gabriela, Cleo		
Penalty Shootout	An arcade game that replicates a penalty shoot out in soccer. The goal keeper moves randomly when you are trying to score a goal.	Brendan, Teo		
Movable Skatepark	A skatepark model where the different parts of the park are able to move and adjust as the skateboarders would like.	Stefani, Emilia, Siena H		
BozBot	An Al robot that can respond to conversations to help people that are feeling lonely.	Alana		
Timbot	A spill kit robot that detects oil spills and cleans them using salt and a vacuum.	Victoria		



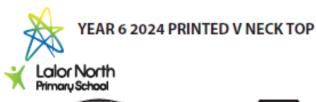






2024 GRADE 6 POLO TOP ORDER INFORMATION

This form will be distributed to all current Grade 5 students





Top with student name

STUDENTS NAME _____
PERFERED NAME TO BE PRINTED ON THE TOP

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM IN CONJUNCTION WITH ORDERING ON-LINE

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Date the money has to be in by is 17/11/2023.

Ref: "Child's full name and class - Year 6 Top"

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Student of the Week - 6th October

Room	Student	School Va	lue Reason for award
1	Chase P	Resilience	For persisting and independently having a go at writing a complete sentence about a picture.
2	Baran G	Success	For using strong arguments and following the correct structure to write a convincing persuasive text. Great effort!
3	Wid A	Unity	For working collaboratively with a group to create a model of the digestive system. Great team work!
4	Kreysha G	Success	For participating in whole class discussions. Keep up the amazing work Kreysha!
5	Charlie T	Success	For making interesting and relevant connections to whole- class discussions. Keep up the awesome listening and contributions Charlie!
6	Maggie K	Success	For always being a willing participant in class discussions in Greek lessons. Well done, Maggie!
7	Venia G	Respect	For consistently demonstrating our school values, especially respect, which she displays in and and out of the classroom. Well done, Venia!
8	Oliver P	Sucess	For being able to write a paragraph on his own containing related ideas and correct punctuation.
9	Siena H	Respect	For being a 5 star student both in and out of the classroom. Her manners and overall demeanour exemplify respect towards everyone in the school community.
10	Orlando P	Respect	For always displaying the school value of respect and treating his peers and teachers with respect.
11	Phillip P	Success	For trying his best with his learning this week. He has shown how to keep his body and mind healthy and his understanding of thirds in fractions. Well done, Phillip!
13	Christipher P	Success	For listening carefully during class instructions and applying what he has learned to improve his writing. Well done Christopher!
14	Dafina J	Success	For adding details to a sentence to make it more interesting. Well done Dafina!
PE	Uale L (Room 2)	Success	For his fantastic baseball batting skills during PE lessons. Well done Uale!
Art	Danniella D	Unity	For working together and helping her class mates with their art project. Well done!
Music	Afioga L	Honesty	For doing her best listening at music and aiming to listen more closely next time. Good Job Afioga
ITALIAN	Davin B	Success	For his ability to recall various foods in Italian and include them in shopping dialogues with correct pronunciation. Bravo, Davin!
STEM	Luka D	Success	For creating a code to make a character move around a screen on Scratch Junior

Interschool Sports Results

Last week we played against St Clare's Primary School

Sport	Results	Awards	
Cricket	Lalor North PS drew with St Clare's PS 5 for 68 and 5 for 68	Star Performer – Sebastian K Encouragement Award – Amanda T	
Rounders (Boys)	Lalor North PS lost to St Clare's PS 4 runs - 8 runs	Star Performer – Rua Encouragement Award – Billy	
Rounders (Girls)	Lalor North PS defeated St Clare's PS 13 runs to 2 runs	Star Performer – Asma Encouragement Award – Alana B	
Bat Tennis (Boys)	Lalor North PS Lost to St Clare's PS 10 sets to 3 sets	Star Performer – Brendan S Encouragement Award – Zavier N	
Bat Tennis (Girls)	Lalor North PS Lost to St Clare's PS 1 set to 10 sets	Star Performer – Jessie Encouragement Award – Tatjana	





Sunscreen



The sun's ultraviolet radiation (UV) can cause skin and eye damage and skin cancer. You can't see or feel UV. It can be scattered and reflected so can reach you even in the shade. Whatever the weather, when the UV is 3 and above, use all five forms of sun protection.











SPF

Sun Protection Factor. Choose SPF30, 50 or 50+.

Application

Apply a generous amount of sunscreen to any skin not protected by clothing.

Apply sunscreen about 20 minutes before going outdoors and reapply every TWO hours or more frequently if sweating or in water.

AUST L

In Australia, sunscreens are regulated by the Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA). Always check for the AUST L (Australia Licence) number.



Water Resistant

Four hours water resistance does not equal four hours UV protection. Always reapply after swimming.

Storage

To help keep sunscreen stable, store it below 30 degrees.

Expiry

Always check the date to make sure the sunscreen hasn't expired.

Broad Spectrum

Protects against UVA and UVB radiation.

Even when wearing a hat, apply sunscreen to help protect from scattered and reflected UV reaching the face, neck and ears.

DNA damage that causes skin cancer accumulates with repeated UV exposure. Apply sunscreen daily.























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