

LEONAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

29/1/2020	Start of Term 1 for Students Years 1 - 6
3/2/2020	Start of Term for Kindergarten 2020



Thank You & Best Wishes from Miss Payne and the Staff of Leonay Public School

As this is the last newsletter for 2019, I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you for your support throughout this year. This has enabled us to provide a quality learning environment for our students. This year has been another busy but productive year for us at Leonay. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all of us at Leonay PS. Looking forward to a great 2020.

Year 6 Graduation Assembly

A special assembly will be held in the school hall on Wednesday 18 December at 2pm to officially farewell Year 6. Parents/Carers are most welcome to attend this assembly. At the conclusion of the assembly we will form an arch for Year 6 to run through.

2020 Classes and Staffing

At the beginning of 2020 our enrolments indicate 10 classes. We are very close to maintaining our 11 classes. Information will be sent home at the beginning of the year when we determine staffing formations. If you are not returning to Leonay PS in 2020 and have not yet informed the office, it is critical that you do so immediately. If you are aware of any new in area enrolments in the community, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.

2020 Student Leadership Team

Congratulations to the following students on being inducted in to the School Leadership Team for 2020:

School Captains – Maddison O and Ella B, Vice Captains – Harrison W and Sevan B.

We wish them all the best in their leadership roles.

Presentation Assembly - Special Awards

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended our Presentation Assembly last Wednesday in our new venue of Nepean Creative and Performing Arts High School. Mr Davies and the team including Mrs Green and Mrs Trouve, once again did an excellent job in the organisation of the day. I would like to acknowledge some special awards that were presented on the day:

Dux - Lachlan M-H

Beckett Shield for Citizenship - Noah K

Lindsay Award - Anna-Bella K

All Rounder Award - Tyler W

Owen Smith Shield for Leadership - Jaspa M

Literacy Award - Kaleb H

Congratulations to all the award winners across Kindergarten to Year 6.

Last Day of 2019 & 2020 Commencement Dates

Wednesday 18 December 2019 is the last day of school for all students.

In 2019 Year 1 to Year 6 students return on Wednesday 29 January whilst Kindergarten starts on Monday 3 February.

Staff will be on site on Thursday 19 December but have completed two Professional Learning sessions for Friday 20 December.

Unauthorised use of School Grounds

During our summer break please keep an eye on the school and surrounding grounds. If you see any sign of suspicious or unauthorised use please contact School Security on **1300 880 021**. Thanks for helping keep Leonay PS the lovely school that it is.

Upcoming Dates for 2020

The calendar for 2020 is beginning to fill up fast. Here are a few dates of significance.

School Swimming Carnival - Night Carnival at Glenbrook Pool - Thursday 13 February - 6pm-8pm

School Photos - Tuesday 10 March

More information will be provided at the beginning of 2020.

Miss Payne

R/Principal

P&C End of Year Report

Hello Leonay School Community!

Firstly, I'd like to extend my sincere thank you to each and every one of the community of parents, grandparents and carers who have taken their time out this year to volunteer, help out and support the school in whatever way they can. I am immensely proud of our little community and the can-do attitude we all have. From supporting our working bee to purchasing raffle tickets, helping out in the canteen, reading groups or in the gardens, much of what we do wouldn't be possible without you – our community and volunteers. I would also like to thank the acting Principal Miss Christine Payne, for what has been a fantastic working partnership. Your support of our ideas has been fundamental to our successful year.

I would especially like to thank everyone on the committee for their hard work and dedication throughout the year, and all the rest of the volunteers – canteen or otherwise - who have **stepped up, pitched in and helped out**. We've had a brilliant 2019 and I am immensely proud of everything the committee, the community and the school has achieved this year.

And we have delivered SO MUCH this year:

Working bee

Toilet door murals (with more on the way)

Two discos that the kids LOVED

Athletics carnival BBQ and Snacks

Election Day BBQ and Bake Sale

Supporting the school on the garden out the back with wood stools, fruit trees, plants and parent help

Mother's and Father's Day stalls and now a Christmas stall

Outdoor Learning Area and stage

Timer taps in the toilets

Stairway mural stickers (and more on the way)

Outdoor exercise equipment

Mathletics sponsorship

Support of FIVE State Representative athletes

Operation Art

Mad Scientist Healthy Food Program

Industrial canteen fridge

Revamped canteen menu to adhere to new guidelines including new menu offerings

Book Club earning \$1090 so far this year

School Banking – Q1 – Q3 earned us \$396

In my final year as President, I want to remind the community that we are all volunteers and we rely on new and fresh ideas and faces to help us improve year on year. Every voice counts in this school and on our committee – no matter whether you have been at the school six days or six years – every viewpoint and idea is encouraged and welcomed. We'd love to see more of our community come along to our meetings, and suggest ideas for how we can enrich and improve the environment our children spend so much time in. Or if you can't make the meetings, get involved in the discussion on our Facebook page – it's for the entire community, not just those on the committee. (search groups for Leonay Public School P&C and ask to join).

So, in this, my final full year as President, and after three fulfilling years, I look forward to passing the baton on to someone else in March 2020 and I look forward to supporting the school community in other ways.

Have a safe, wonderful and joyful festive season with family and friends, and see you all in February 2020.

Ps – next P&C meeting is Tuesday 18 Feb 2020...Just sayin!

Canteen Update

It is with regret that the P&C and Miss Payne announce that starting in 2020, the canteen will be running under reduced hours and services. We have not managed to find a volunteer to run the canteen next year, therefore it is uncertain what we will be able to offer.

At our last meeting, the committee and Miss Payne discussed several options:

- A group getting together to run it and share the various tasks
- Only opening for snacks and drinks during the week
- Only opening for hot food service one Friday per month
- Closing it entirely
- Putting the contract out to tender for an external supplier.

No solution was reached, so the committee will reconvene, with canteen volunteers, in 2020 and hopefully we will be able to come to some kind of arrangement to keep running the canteen. Remember, the volunteer who runs the canteen can be a parent or grandparent, and with the right team and support network and effective training, doesn't need to be there every Friday either. There are plenty of ways we can make this work, we just need one or more of our community to step up and help out.

It's important to know as well, that besides offering a service for the children, the canteen also serves as the cornerstone of our fundraising efforts. Without the canteen profits, we wouldn't be able to offer half as much as we have over the years, and it would take us twice as long to save for larger purchases including shade sails or children's play equipment. So please bear that in mind.

And finally, thank you again to our outgoing Canteen Manager Angela Pearce for her stewardship of the canteen through 2019. We appreciate all you have done.

P&C Committee

SUMMER 2020

CREATIVE KIDS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Thursday 19th December 2019		
Summer Sports & Design	9am-4pm	\$33
Monday 6th January 2020		
Carnival Games & Circus Arts	9am-4pm	\$33
Tuesday 7th January 2020		
Summer Sports & Design	9am-4pm	\$33
Wednesday 8th January 2020		
Mini Olympics and Cultural Experience	9am-4pm	\$33
Thursday 9th January 2020		
Soccer World Cup & Advertising	9am-4pm	\$33
Friday 10th January 2020		
Gymnastics and Visual Arts	9am-4pm	\$33
Monday 13th January 2020		
Indoor Basketball & Choreography	9am-4pm	\$33
Tuesday 14th January 2020		
Mini Olympics and Cultural Experience	9am-4pm	\$33
Wednesday 15th January 2020		
Amazing Race and Creative Expression	9am-4pm	\$33
Thursday 16th January 2020		
Carnival Games & Circus Arts	9am-4pm	\$33
Friday 17th January 2020		
Gymnastics and Visual Arts	9am-4pm	\$33
Monday 20th January 2020		
Minute to Win It & Art	9am-4pm	\$33
Tuesday 21st January 2020		
Amazing Race and Performing Art	9am-4pm	\$33
Wednesday 22nd January 2020		
Ball Games and Cooking	9am-4pm	\$33
Thursday 23rd January 2020		
Mini Olympics and Cultural Experience	9am-4pm	\$33
Friday 24th January 2020		
Gymnastics and Visual Arts	9am-4pm	\$33

All activities are for children aged 4-13 years old.
Payment must be made at time of booking.
Book now! Places are limited; call 4732 1755.
A \$10 yearly membership is required.

ALL School Holiday Activities accept a Creative Kids Voucher



PLAYSPACE | POP-UP
CAFE



WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

JANUARY 8TH, 15TH + 22ND, 2020

9 AM - 11 AM

ENCLOSED PLAY AREA + DAILY KIDS ACTIVITIES

+ BARISTA COFFEE!

**GOLD COIN
DONATION**

Come grab
coffee & cake
and relax while
the kids play!



Short Street via Mundy Street. Plenty of parking. 1 min from Lennox Shops.

**EMU PLAINS
ANGLICAN CHURCH**



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Annual
Christmas Eve
Fair & Carols

5:00 PM - Christmas Fair

FREE JUMPING CASTLE, PONY RIDES,
SAUSAGE SIZZLE AND MORE!

6:30 PM - Outdoor Carols

BRING A BLANKET AND JOIN IN A
NIGHT OF FUN AND CAROL SINGING!

TUESDAY DECEMBER 24

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