

LEONAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

Please find attached our latest newsletter.

The newsletter will stay active in News Feed for two weeks. Should you need to refer back to any previous information, all newsletters are available on the Leonay PS website.

Term 3 Calendar 2022



9/9	Mini Fete
9/9	P&C Social
15/9 - 19/9	Life Education—now closed
16/9	Assembly
20/9	P&C Meeting
20/9 - 21/9	Stage 2 Camp Mowbray Park Farmstay
23/9	Last Day of Term 3

Term 4 commences for teachers and students

Monday 10 October 2022

Please retain this front sheet to keep informed about school activities

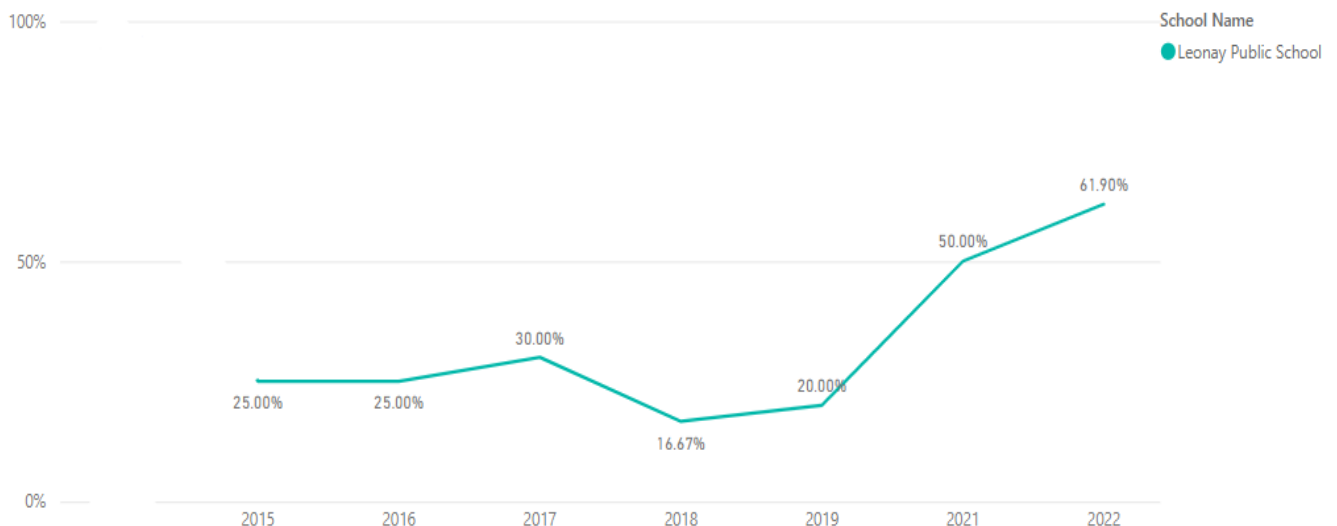
NAPLAN 2022 results are fabulous!!!

Congratulations!

I am very pleased to report that our 2022 NAPLAN results for years 3 and 5 are exceptional. Congratulations to the year 3 and 5 students, the hardworking staff and supportive community on these outstanding achievements.

The graph below highlights the number of students who achieved in the top two bands for Reading and Numeracy. Our growth over the past years has been as a result of some really intensive programs that have been implemented into classrooms at Leonay PS. I thank all the staff who have been an integral part of this ongoing development.

% of Results in Top 2 Bands for Reading and Numeracy by Calendar Year



School Targets

Our Strategic Improvement Plan for Leonay PS contains targets in reading and numeracy to be met in 2022. Based on previous achievements, each school has a lower and upper bound range.

I am delighted to say that in both Reading and Numeracy, we not only met our targets but actually exceeded the upper bound point. This is a fantastic achievement, and I am proud of all the work we have done to achieve this.

Year 3 Writing

Students in year 3 usually fall within band 1 to 6 in NAPLAN, with the norm being bands 3 and 4. Our current cohort of year 3 students all scored band 4 or higher in Writing in 2022. An outstanding achievement for our students. They have worked hard in K-2 and this year on our targeted Read to Write program and the evidence is certainly in the results.

Staffing changes 2022

Ms Rothwell - I have received notification that Ms Rothwell will continue in the position at Kurrajong East PS until the end of the term. Mrs Devine and Mrs Foskett will continue to cover Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Mrs Devine - This is to inform you that Friday 16 September will be Mrs Devine's final day at Leonay PS for 2022. Mrs Devine is taking leave for the remainder of the year. Mrs Demuth has happily agreed to work on Thursday and Friday until the end of the year. This will start in week 10, Thursday 22 September and continue until the end of Term 4.

NSW Department of Education Staffing Changes—2023

For 2023 all schools have been allocated a new position - Assistant Principal Curriculum and Support. This position will oversee literacy and numeracy within the school through mentoring teachers and monitoring data and student achievements. Leonay PS received a 4-day a week position. It is a permanent position that has been filled through the Merit Selection process.

I would like to congratulate Mrs Garbutt-Young who was successful in gaining this position at Leonay PS. She will maintain one library day as well.

I would also like to congratulate Mrs Peen who was successful in gaining this position at Jamisontown PS, 5 days a week, starting 2023.

Maths Enrichment Project with Nepean CAPA HS

17 students from Leonay PS have attended two Maths Enrichment sessions at Nepean Creative and Performing Arts HS this term. The aim of these sessions is to provide extension opportunities in problem solving and engage in a range of mathematical challenges. Our students are working with a select group of Year 8 students, including some past Leonay students. This initiative has allowed for a greater connection to be formed between the two schools. I look forward to many more collaborations with our local high school.

Penrith/Blue Mountains Dance Festival

Congratulations to our Junior and Senior dance groups who performed at the Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre on Wednesday at matinee and twilight sessions. All Leonay students performed beautifully at both sessions. Thank you to Mrs Peen and Mrs Longhurst for all their time and efforts at school leading up to the performances and during this week. I thoroughly enjoyed watching the twilight performance.

Tell Them From Me Survey - Parent Survey

Below is the link to the parent survey for Tell Them From Me. I encourage you to take time and complete to ensure that information on student wellbeing and engagement is shared from a parent's perspective.

Parent Survey Link -To access the survey for our school go to: <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/rj6bw>

Thank You

To our great P and C helpers and visitors, thank you for your fantastic efforts with the Disco and also the Father's Day Stall and raffle. We appreciate all your time and efforts for our Leonay Community.

P & C Meeting

Next meeting is Tuesday 20 September, commencing at 7pm in the library.

Next Assembly

Friday Week 9 16 September. 5M are performing. Maximum 2 adults per student may attend due to limited space.

Miss Payne
Principal



Kinder 2023 Parent Information Night

A parent information night for Kindergarten 2023 will be held next Tuesday at 7pm in the library. All parents and carers are welcome to attend this meeting. Future students are not required to attend this meeting.

Kindergarten Enrolments

Kindergarten Enrolments for 2023 are now open. Enrolments can be completed through the Leonay PS website. Children may be enrolled in Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn five years of age by 31 July of that year. Applications to enrol for students in the Leonay area can be made online through the school's website by clicking on the enrolments tab. Out of area applications can now also be made online from the website and include additional documentation as part of the process. Once received the office will email you with further instructions. If you know of anyone in the Leonay area who is considering enrolling, encourage them to do so now. Please ring the office 47355999 if you have any questions.

Share our Space

Leonay PS will be open on weekends and public holidays due to vacation care operating at the school. The outdoor facilities will be open on the following weekends and public holidays during the upcoming school holidays.

Saturday 24 September and Sunday 25 September

Saturday 1 October, Sunday 2 October and Monday 3 October

Saturday 8 October and Sunday 9 October

Voluntary School Contributions

Each year public primary and secondary schools across NSW request financial contributions from their community to enhance the school's educational programs. This request occurs because there are no actual fees to attend public schools. These voluntary contributions help provide additional educational resources for the benefit of our students. Our voluntary contribution for this year is \$50 per child. Payments can be made at any stage online through the website or at our front office.

Permission and Payment Due Dates

There has been a significant number of permission/payments not being received by the due date for a variety of school activities. The school will send a reminder via Compass as a courtesy but this is not a guarantee. The dates for events are on the calendar on the front of the newsletter and students are reminded regularly by teachers.

The school asks that if you are not able to send in the permission and/or payment on the due date that you contact the office and advise as a courtesy. That way we can manage the organisation of events as we then have a clearer picture of who will be attending and those not attending. We will accommodate any request for an extension.

If you do not contact the school to request a late payment/permission it will be assumed that your child is not attending and will not be accounted for. There will be a strict rule applied to those who do not contact the school prior to the due date. In those instances, the student will not be able to attend unless there are extenuating circumstances. We also ask that you sign one note per child and do not put multiple children on one note.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Road Safety Around the School

We have received various reports from parents about students who are running out of school gates in the afternoon and very often running across the road from behind parked cars. In particular, students not using the crossing on Fairways Ave correctly. Staff have spoken to the students in regard to road safety but I ask that you have the same conversation with your children to reinforce the point. If your child rides their bike to and from school, please remind them that they should walk their bike across the pedestrian crossing and on school grounds. Some parents are also pulling up on the No Stopping sign on Buring Avenue before the school gates. This is very dangerous. Parents should park in legal stopping zones or use the Kiss N Ride on Fairways Avenue. It is everyone's responsibility to look after each other by being respectful of road rules.

LEONAY VALUE FOR WEEKS 8 AND 9
SHOW PRIDE IN OURSELVES



SCHOOL FUN RUN

COLOUR FUN RUN-SAVE THE DATE!!!!

We're excited to [announce that we will be holding the](#) School Fun Run's Crazy Colour Day on **Friday 21st October**. We'll be launching the fundraising in two weeks, so make sure to keep your eyes out!

We hope you'll support our school and students in fundraising for **teaching and learning resources at Leonay Public School**.

[Check out the colour run fun @: https://youtu.be/EeOABaWPHfY](https://youtu.be/EeOABaWPHfY)

Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which will be sent home with your child in the coming weeks. Once you have the form, you should sign up for a Student Profile Page at schoolfunrun.com.au. You'll be able to access online fundraising and can win a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Package!

Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward, and the more money you raise the better the reward, and the more you help the school!

We're looking for all students to participate and we're organising a great day for our community, so we'd love everyone to come down to support the kids.

If you have any questions about the Crazy Colour Day please contact the School Fun Run Office on 1800 FUN RUN.

Thanks for supporting the school and we hope to see you at the event!

Raising Your Child Online

DR KRISTY
GOODWIN

Help your child to thrive online. Put an end to the guilt, grief and guesswork often associated with screentime.



Glenmore Park Public School is delighted to offer a presentation with Dr Kristy Goodwin. It will help parents with children between 4 and 12 years of age to navigate the digital world with their children, **without** suggesting that they ban the gaming console, or iPad, or unplug the TV. Dr Kristy will arm parents with research-based yet realistic advice to help them feel confident about how they can best support their child's physical health, mental wellbeing and learning online.

Kristy will explore:

- // Why children find the online world captivating and how to manage their screen time so it doesn't end in 'scream time' (there's science to explain their techno-tantrums);
- // A simple (& realistic) formula to determine healthy SCREEN TIME limits for children;
- // The 3Bs that allow parents to be the PILOT of the DIGITAL PLANE;
- // the 5 essential BOUNDARIES they must establish to ensure their child's time online supports their PHYSICAL HEALTH and MENTAL WELLBEING;
- // Why DIGITAL DISCONNECTION is critical for your child.

DATE - 14th September 2022

TIME - 6:00pm AEST

LOCATION - Glenmore Park Public School Library

REGISTRATION - <https://forms.gle/zxoM4DhJ5DKghbVE7>



About Kristy

Dr Kristy Goodwin is one of Australia's leading digital wellbeing researchers, speakers, authors & media commentators (and mum who endures her kids' techno-tantrums). She provides brain-based solutions to help children, teens and adults thrive in a digital age. Kristy arms parents with science-backed, yet simple solutions to help their 'screenagers' develop healthy and sustainable digital behaviours. Kristy's former clients include the NSW Department of Education, the Reserve Bank of Australia, Westpac, Optus, Apple, Macquarie Bank, Randstad, DLA Piper and public and private schools across Australia.

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Join us to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, history and heritage

- Cultural performances
- Market stalls
- Workshops
- BBQ lunch ... and more

 **Friday 7 October 2022**
10am to 4pm

 **Jamison Park,**
South Penrith



PENRITH
CITY COUNCIL

 **Health**
Nepean Blue Mountains
Local Health District

penrith.city/events

CHOCTOBER FEARLESS



THE FUNNEST SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITY FOR KIDS!

30th September, 9am - 3pm

Choose two different workshops!

Activities include big & messy games, amazing creative workshops, chocolate grab & chocolate zone, plus fun, faith & friends!

EPIC chocolate prizes to be won!

\$30 for the whole day

At Imagine Nations Church
1 Simeon Rd, Orchard Hills



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