

## LEONAY PUBLIC SCHOOL

### Term 3 Calendar 2023



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| 15/8        | Debating                        |
| 15/8        | P&C Meeting                     |
| 16/8        | Zone Athletics                  |
| 25/8        | Stage 1 Excursion               |
| 28/8        | BMN Dance Festival Rehearsal    |
| 31/8        | Kindergarten Calmsley Hill Farm |
| 5/9         | BMN Dance Festival Performances |
| 8/9         | PSSA Gala Day                   |
| 12/9 & 13/9 | Cosmodome                       |
| 19/9        | P&C Meeting                     |
| 21/9 - 22/9 | Years 3 & 4 Yarramundi          |
| 22/9        | Last Day of Term 3              |

#### NOTES HOME

Lizard Log - Paperless On Compass 27/7 - Due 15/8

#### ASSEMBLY DATES TERM 3

18/8, 1/9, 15/9

*Please retain this front sheet to keep informed about school activities*

### NAPLAN- Fantastic results for Leonay PS!

Results for students in Years 3 and 5 were sent home at the end of week 2. Congratulations to all students who sat these tests. You did a fabulous job. As a result, I am very pleased to share the following outstanding achievements:

Year 3 students - the School average for all test areas was above the National average. Special mention to Numeracy, Writing and Grammar and Punctuation that were significantly above.

Year 5 students - the School average for all test areas was above the National average. Special mention to Numeracy that was significantly above.

Well done to our Leonay PS staff, students and community members for working together to achieve these great results.

### Education Week Open Day

Tuesday 1 August Open Day celebrations went off beautifully. Thank you to the many parents who attended throughout the day. Mrs Demuth did a great job organising the day, which saw some amazing skipping skills and performances by each class as part of our Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser. Leonay PS raised \$3446 for the Heart Foundation. I am sure this will help many people in the community.

Mrs Garbutt-Young operated a very successful Book Fair over the Tuesday and Wednesday, resulting in record sales of \$4575, giving the school a commission of \$1500. This will enable us to restock our library with some brand new books and resources. Thank you to the Leonay Community (including lots of grandparents!) for supporting our school.

### Goal Setting Conferences

During the week beginning Monday 7 August teachers were able to touch base with parents and carers on how their child was progressing with the learning goals set in Term 1. There were very rich conversations about current and future learning paths for students. Our attendance rate for these interviews was 69%. If you would still like to connect with the teacher, then email or contact the school to set up an appointment time.

### Metropolitan South and West School Performance Awards

These awards recognise individuals who have supported schools and made a significant contribution to student achievement, the goals of the department and the promotion of public education in NSW.

The following members of the Leonay PS community were nominated:

**Parent and Community member- Linden Hull** - an active member of the P and C, recently stepping into the treasurer role. Linden also organises, submits and distributes Bookclub at Leonay PS.

**Classroom Teacher - Kerri Mills** - currently teaching on stage 2. An extremely hardworking and data driven teacher. Kerri also takes on extra responsibilities within the school including Athletics Carnival, SRC and Debating.

**Teacher in an Executive Role - Nicole Longhurst** - currently teaching on stage 3 but overseeing the staff and students in Years 3-6. A strategic thinker, leading Strategic Direction 2 and driving the review of whole school wellbeing practices. Nicole also works closely with our feeder high school to complete enrichment and transition programs for our stage 3 students.

While these three members of the Leonay PS were nominated, they were not successful in receiving the overall award for their category. They will be invited to an afternoon tea later in the term where they will be presented with a special certificate.

Congratulations to Linden, Kerri and Nicole and thank you for all your hard work at Leonay PS.

### Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to Zane K and Flynn K for their selection in the Penrith PSSA Boys Softball team. The team competed at the end of last term against teams from surrounding areas. The Penrith team were successful in being the overall winners on the day.

Congratulations to Ella Pearson who has made the NSW basketball Talented Acquisition Program.

### P & C Meeting

Next meeting is Tuesday 15 August, commencing at 7pm. The meeting will be held in the library. Mrs Garbutt-Young will talk about her new position as Assistant Principal Curriculum and Instruction including the introduction of Daily 4 and problem solving in mathematics.

### Assembly

The next assembly for the term will be Friday 18 August. 2B will be performing. Maximum of two adults per family may attend due to limited space.

*Miss Payne*  
*Principal*



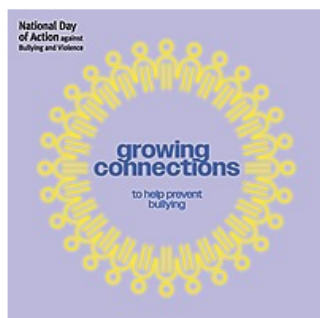
### Applications to Enrol for 2024 are open.

Please ensure all enrolment paperwork and supporting documentation has been provided.

Information regarding School Orientation visits, Parent Information session and Enrolment Interviews will be sent home this later term.

## Parents Leonay Lowdown

We have signed up for the Stage 3 students to participate in this virtual classroom to support their learning to be Cyber Safe.



Be an eSafe Kid: take action against online bullying - Virtual Classroom [Department of Education NSW]

Fri, Aug 18, 2023 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM AEST

## 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.

## Assembly Awards

As of Friday 29 July, invitations for parents to attend assembly to see their child receive an award or certificate will be sent via the Compass app.

## Lost Property



Our lost property is located opposite the canteen. At the moment there are quite a few jackets without names waiting to be claimed. Please come before or after school and see if anything belongs to your child. Alternatively if you are unable to pop in please ask your child to come and look.

## Christmas Card Competition

Our Member for Penrith Karen McKeown OAM has invited Years 3 to 6 students to design the front of a Christmas Card for her.

The winning card will be printed and distributed to all the Penrith electorate with the winning designing students name, year and school on the card. The student who designs the winning card will receive a family pass to the movies, while the school will receive a book voucher for \$200 to purchase new resources for the library.

Any interested students need to complete this on an A4 piece of paper. On the design you need to have:

Name:

Year grade:

School:

All entries need to be handed into the Leonay PS office by 10am Thursday 7 September. The school will forward these to Karen McKeown.

Mariyang- Emu



Gula- Koala



Buru- Kangaroo



Buragin- echidna



Wambad- wombat



Warin- Rainbow  
Lorikeet



Magura- fish



Dyirrabidy- snake



Wali- possum



Girrawi- cockatoo



Gugundi-  
kookaburra



Wirriga- lizard

