



Lakes Life Newsletter

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Reminders

Are your contact details at school up to date? If not, please let the school know.

Uniforms

Available at the Office.

School shirts - \$25.00 each
School shorts - \$20.00 each
Bucket Hats - \$10.00
Chair Bags - \$10.00
Socks - \$5.00

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HPE Focus

Term 2 – Athletics

Book Club – Closed

Please make payment using Qkr!



Dear Parents,

The term has started and I'm sure the children are happy to be back to see their friends. They sound like they had an amazing holiday with visit and experiences they will remember in the years to come.

I would like to thank all the staff, students and parents for the welcome I have received. I totally understand it is a difficult situation with a change of Principal but be assured I am not going to do anything but keep the seat warm for Lynette to return.

I need to say, this is a lovely school and I so appreciate you allowing me to come and spend time with your beautiful children.

There are a few things coming up such as the ANZAC DAY march in Biggenden on the 25th April, parent teacher meetings in 3-4 weeks, cross country for the seniors and a Permission form that is important to return by next Wednesday so the children can participate in PE with the correct tools.

Please feel free to come and talk to me if you need to. I have an open-door policy so you will be welcomed.

Thank you again

Louise Verrier – Acting Principal

Miss Catherine - introduction

Good morning everyone; students, families and community. My name is Catherine O'Donahue and I'm going to be the Prep, One, Two teacher for Term 2. I'm from rural Tasmania (grew up on a dairy farm) and taught there for a long time but for the past 6 years I've been teaching on remote islands in the Torres Strait. I love working in small communities, getting to know and appreciate people and their environments. I'm looking forward to meeting everyone next week.

Miss Catherine.

PE - Discus

This term, students will participate in athletic events during PE lessons. Due to current guidelines set out by the Education Department, we are now required to obtain parental consent for students to participate in Discus. Attached to this newsletter is a permission note for parents to sign. Please complete **and return this form by Wednesday, 24th April.**

Cross Country

The Biggenden and District Cross Country trials will be held on Tuesday, 30th April at the Biggenden Golf Course. Students turning 10 years and older this year are eligible to participate. Students will require private transport to this event. It is requested that all students are at the Golf Course by 9am to walk the course with races to commence at 9.30am approximately. It is anticipated that events will finish by 11.30am and students can then be returned to school for the remainder of the day. This event is a trial for students to attend the North Burnett Cross Country trials being held in Gayndah on 16th May.

Year 6 Student Leadership

Today was a special day at our school with Luke and Jaxon being presented with their senior shirts and Luke also being presented with his school captains badge. We thank Sergeant Matt from the Biggenden Police for attending our presentation to present this badge and senior shirts to our students.



Parent Teacher Meetings

If you are in need of a parent teacher meeting to discuss any problems your child/ren are having please feel free to touch base with their teacher in week 3 to make an appointment.

Times will be before and after school for 10 mins in week 4 and if you need more time just let the teacher know.

Times: Monday to Friday - 8:00am, 8:10am, 8:20am/ 3:00pm, 3:10pm, 3:20pm.

Cilla - Theatre

Cilla will continue to provide and work with our students with weekly drama sessions. These visits will continue each Friday afternoon until the end of term 2. At the end of this term, there will be a culminating performance to showcase their work.

ANZAC Day Colouring In Competition

A reminder that the Biggenden RSL is running a colouring in competition and offering students a chance to enter. Students are asked to return entries by 22nd April when they will be collected from the school. All entries will be on display in the Biggenden Memorial Hall on ANZAC Day. Colouring in sheets were sent home with the last term, however if these have been misplaced, please contact the school to arrange another copy.

ANZAC Day Memorial Service

Students and staff are invited and encouraged to attend the ANZAC Day Memorial Service being held in Biggenden on Thursday, 25th April 2024. Students are requested to dress in full school uniform. Our senior students will carry our school banner during the march with our school captain laying a wreath during the service. It is requested that students arrive at the Biggenden CWA hall no later than 8.10am with the parade to commence at 8.30am. Students and staff will march from the CWA Hall to the Biggenden Memorial Hall where the ANZAC service will be held. The school will provide students with a wide brimmed hat and an ANZAC Day badge to wear.

Biggenden CWA Colouring In Competition

The QCWA Biggenden Branch are inviting students to enter entries in their International Children's Colouring in Competition as part of their Annual Competition Social Day. Competition entries has now been extended to 9th May, 2024. Please return entries to the school by Tuesday, 7th May. This colouring in competition is open to individual students from Kindy through to Year 1 (year 1 students are to use correct colours for the flag). These entries can be completed at home. Categories will be judged at the branch with 1st place winners going on to division judging.

No Hat, No Play

Our school is a sun safe school and have a "No Hat, No Play" policy. All students are required to have a hat to allow them to play in the sun at morning tea and lunch times. Students without a hat are advised to play in the undercover area. The school do have several spare hats that students can use for curriculum lessons (eg: HPE) but due to hygiene reasons it is preferable that all students have their own hat. Please ensure that all hats are named.



School Times



School drop off time is from 8am each morning and pick up is at 3pm each afternoon. Students must be signed in/out if arriving late or being collected early from school. It is requested that students do not arrive to school prior to 8am as this time before school is used by staff to prepare for the days learning activities. Classes start at 8.45am each day.

Positive Behaviour in Learning (PBL)

The fortnightly PBL focus for weeks 1 and 2 of Term 2 is "Active Listeners".



2024 Book Packs

A reminder to families who have been provided with a Backpack from the school for their child, can you please make payment as soon as possible. The cost of Backpacks is \$90 for students in years 1 – 6 and \$50 for prep students. **The preferred method of payment is by Qkr!** Thank you to those families that have already made payment.

Dates

25 th April	ANZAC Day Services and Public Holiday
30 th April	Biggenden & District Cross Country Trials



Kids Cooking



- o 12 year & under - Jam Drops
Wednesday 15th May 2024 3:30pm onwards
 - o 9 year & under - Butterscotch biscuits
Thursday 16th May 2024 3:30pm onwards
 - o 5 year & under - Pkt Cake
Thursday 16th May 2024 3:30pm onwards
- (Kids to bring their own cake mix and their choice of tin)

Location: Memorial Hall Biggenden

Bookings essential: All names to be in by Friday 10th of May 2024

Contact: Sarah 0407278518



- Learn skills to help yourself and others during an emergency?
- Build and strengthen your connection with the community?
- Gain nationally recognised qualifications in Public Safety?
- Be part of a diverse and inclusive organisation?
- Applicants over 18 years old must complete a Criminal History Check and obtain a current Blue Card prior to attending the recruitment course

Become an SES member today! Apply now to be ready for:

**** RECRUIT COURSE - JUNE 2024****

Simply register your interest by scanning the QR, or search 'become an SES member' with your internet browser. You will be contacted with more details on the recruitment process in your area. Alternatively, you can contact the SES Area Office on 5479 7060



The SES is looking for volunteers interested in helping their community prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.

If successful, you will be provided Nationally recognised training and the opportunity to develop a variety of emergency and rescue skills, including:

- Four Wheel Drive and All-Terrain Vehicle Operations
- Storm and Water Damage Operations
- Chainsaw Operations
- Flood Boat Operations
- Road Crash Rescue
- Land Search and Rescue
- Incident Management.



