



# Linton Primary School Newsletter

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**Respect Responsibility**

**Pride**

From the Principal:



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## Camp & Book Week Fun!

It has been a busy few weeks since our last newsletter! Camp was amazing and I hope all students had a brilliant time. The number of different activities and experiences we crammed into a short period of time was unreal. I would like to commend our students on their behaviour, it certainly makes it easier for staff to be away from home when everyone is doing their best! The colourful book week characters on Monday were a great start to book week. Students had a brilliant day at Sovereign Hill today, completing a book week lesson and exploring the history and fun. Thanks to Mrs Munson for organising this each year 😊

Important Dates	
Week 7	Book Week
Thursday, 24 <sup>th</sup> August	MARC Book Week excursion – Sovereign Hill
Tuesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Sovereign & Eureka Athletics
Week 10	Swimming Program
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Final day of Term 3
Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Day 1, Term 4

**Melbourne Camp recaps**

We aim to include some student camp recaps in our next newsletter.

**Book Club**

The latest edition of Book Club has also gone home today, if you would like to order something, please have it back at school by 31<sup>st</sup> August.

**Parent Opinion Survey**

Parents will have been emailed information on how to complete this year's Parent Opinion Survey. If anyone has questions, please get in contact. We appreciate all feedback, please be as honest as possible!

**Swimming Program**

Swimming permission forms are being sent home today, our swimming program this term is each day in Week 10! Please return forms and payment by 4<sup>th</sup> September.

**Spring into Summer – Golden Plains Shire**

Attached to the Newsletter is information on the 'Spring into Summer' initiative being led by the shire. The program promotes being active and social connection!

**Wheelie Wednesday**

Liam, our student voice leader has created the concept of 'wheelie Wednesday'. Please see the information below, remember to bring your helmet and relevant safety gear!

**Sovereign & Eureka Athletics**

Well done to Amity, Jamelia, Liam & Campbell who will be representing the Linton & District at the Sovereign & Eureka athletics at Llanberis Athletics Reserve in Ballarat. We wish them all the best and are sure they will do an amazing job 😊

Linton PS is a  
Child Safe School

**School Bank Details**  
Parents wishing to make payments via direct deposit:  
BSB: 063838  
Account: 10018078  
Please use student or family name in the reference field.

### Open Maths Question

How many numbers are there between 1 & 3?  
(This is a fraction and decimal question – probably best suited to Year 3 and above!)

### Staff emails

Miss Walker – [jacklyne.walker@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:jacklyne.walker@education.vic.gov.au)

(Thursday & Friday)

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### Appreciation

I appreciate being able to go on Melbourne Camp – thanks to the students, staff and parents for their support!

Have a great week 😊

Stuart Robinson



**RESPECT**  
**RESPONSIBILITY**  
**PRIDE**

A red background featuring several school-related icons: an open book, a pair of blue scissors, a person sitting on a globe, and two pencils (one yellow, one blue).

**NOW TAKING  
ENROLMENTS FOR  
2024!**

Three photographs of students in red school uniforms. The first shows three boys in a garden bed. The second shows a boy holding a tablet displaying a drawing. The third shows two girls sitting on the floor reading or looking at a book.

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A QR code located in the bottom right area of the red background.The logo for Stroud Homes, featuring a green stylized house shape above the text "STROUD HOMES". Below this is the slogan "Feels like home". At the bottom, a green banner contains the text "BALLARAT VICTORIA".

**STROUD  
HOMES**  
Feels like home  
**BALLARAT  
VICTORIA**



# WHEELY WEDNESDAY!

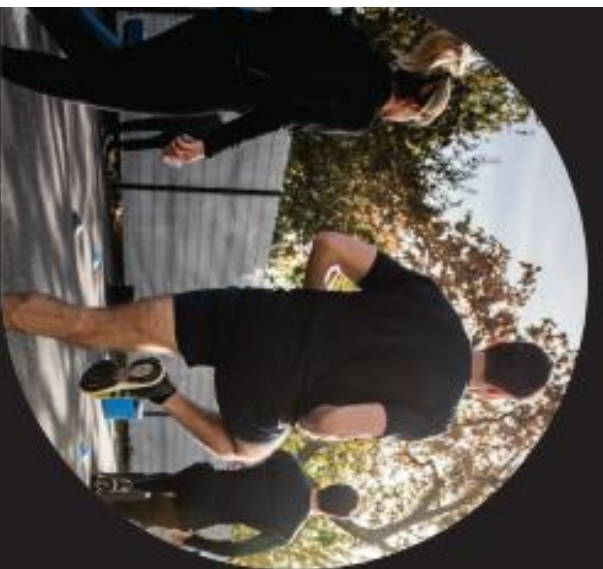
**Every even week (starting next week!) on a Wednesday bring a non-motorised vehicle to school like a bike or scooter, skateboard etc. we will ride them at recess. If you don't have a bike or scooter, you can borrow one of the school bikes!**

**Liam K**

**Student Voice Leader**







# Spring 18 SEPTEMBER TO 15 OCTOBER INTO Summer



The four week program offers a range of physical activities across Golden Plains, delivered by experienced local health, fitness and sport professionals with options suitable for all ages, interests and fitness levels.

**ACTIVE**  
GOLDEN PLAINS

Council's four week 'Spring into Summer' program returns to Golden Plains in 2023 with the program running across the Shire from Monday 18 September to Sunday 15 October.

The program offers a range of physical activities to be delivered across Golden Plains, delivered by experienced local health, fitness and sport professionals with options suitable for all ages, interests and fitness levels.

The program allows community members to explore new ways to move with a range of different activities that encourage physical activity and social connection.

The timetable will be released shortly, with a mix of free and low-cost activities, there is something for everyone.

To get involved in this year's Spring into Summer program, or if you have any queries, contact Council's Recreation Team on 5220 7111 or email:

[recreation@gplains.vic.gov.au](mailto:recreation@gplains.vic.gov.au)


For further information and updates, visit Council's website: [goldenplains.vic.gov.au/activegoldenplains](http://goldenplains.vic.gov.au/activegoldenplains)



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Dear parents and carers

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assessments held earlier this year had a very high participation rate from Victorian students, with participation levels returning to pre-COVID levels.

Last month, families with children in grades 3 or 5 or years 7 or 9 who participated in the assessments received their results through an individual NAPLAN report.

Today, the statewide results have been released, and I am pleased to have this opportunity to provide some information about Victoria's performance.

There are a total of 20 tests each year across grades 3 and 5 and years 7 and 9 that assess student achievement in reading, writing, numeracy, spelling, grammar and punctuation. Of the 20 tests, Victorian was ranked first or second in 16, more than any other state or territory, and an improvement on the 2022 results when the equivalent figure was 12.

NAPLAN results for Grade 3 are of particular importance because the first 3 years of schooling establish the foundation for further success. Victorian Grade 3 students achieved the highest results in the country for both reading and numeracy.

In secondary schools, Victoria had the lowest proportion of students needing additional support in both years 7 and 9 in both reading and numeracy compared to all other states and territories.

The results have also highlighted the fact that we need to continue our efforts to close the gap between advantaged and disadvantaged students. While Aboriginal students in Victoria achieved higher results on average than in other states and territories, the gap between the performance of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students is still too large, as is the gap between the average performance of metropolitan students and that of regional students.

Overall, however, while we are clearly focused on the areas where further improvement is needed, these are excellent results. They are a tribute to the outstanding work of teachers, principals and staff in the schools across our state.

No one would suggest our schools are perfect. Education is always an unfinished business. But on the evidence of today's release of the statewide NAPLAN results, Victorian teachers and school principals are doing a great job.

Dr David Howes  
Deputy Secretary, Schools and Regional Services

