



# Linton Primary School Newsletter

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**Respect Responsibility**

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From the Principal:



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## Ready to Learn Planning!

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope you all enjoyed your holidays as much as I did. Most of the holidays felt like the summer holidays with the weather we had. I was able to spend some great family time at the Aquarium in Melbourne and our family farm which was so nice.

Term 4 normally starts off slowly and gets very busy quickly. As part of this and continuing our Berry Street work – students have been refreshing their ‘ready to learn’ plans – an individual document that aims to help them get back into a mindset where they can do their best learning. Staff also have ready to learn/work plans and regularly use brain breaks etc. so that we can do and be our best. Have a chat to your child/ren about their plan – maybe some of the strategies will help at home.

Please keep an eye on the important dates to the left of the page to help plan for what is always a busy time.

Important Dates	
Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Dr Vera Art Workshop #2
Saturday, 14 <sup>th</sup>	Referendum BBQ & Cake stall
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Day Student Free
Wednesday, 25 <sup>th</sup>	School Council @ 5:30 pm
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Curriculum Day
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday
Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	New Building – Official Opening!
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Concert & Awards night
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	Celebration day
Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 4 for Students
Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Planning day for staff



Linton PS is a  
Child Safe School

**Curriculum (Student Free Day)**

Staff will be updating their First Aid knowledge and skills next **Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October – this will be one of our student free days for the year.**

**OSH Club will be running on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – from 7:00 am – 6:00 pm for families who would like to utilise this service!**

OSH Club will be in contact with further information explaining how to book in.

A reminder that Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> November (Melbourne Cup long weekend) is also a student free day for report writing and assessment.

**Mr Vagg’s Leave**

As most families know, Mr Vagg and his wife Lauren are expecting their second child, in late October/early November. We are working through a few different options to staff his personal leave and will be sure to share more information with students and families as soon as we have a plan locked in. We wish the Vagg family all the best!

**Bushfire Readiness**

Another reminder to please return your **bushfire readiness form** as this season is approaching quickly. The CFA have offered to come out for an informal chat about families bushfire plans prior to fire season – they will be at pickup for a chat on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October – please come in and have a chat!

**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.

## Sporting Schools

This term, students will be participating in Basketball for Sporting Schools. We will be welcoming out some Miners players to run clinics for students each Thursday afternoon at the start of November.

### Learning Snapshot – a brief snapshot of our current learning!

**Juniors** - In maths we have been using strategies to work out sharing into equal groups. We have learned that sometimes there is a remainder if there is not enough for every group to be equal!

**Seniors** - Reading (Story retells), Writing (Information Reports), Maths (Multiplication strategies)

It has been brilliant to see the uptake from families using OSHClub. We ask that students who are not participating in OSHClub, please do not go and hang out with Tracey after school or ask for food or drinks from her. We have had a big discussion with students about Respect and Responsibility during this time. It also puts Tracey in an unfair position.



## Policy Updates

I have recently been updating a range of policies for the school which will be presented at School Council for consultation. I would also like to open the consultation process to the wider community – draft policies are available from Mr Robinson and feedback is always welcome. Please note that most of the policies are DET produced and we are modifying them relevant to our local context. Policies that have been updated include:

- **Visitors Policy**
- **Childsafe Code of Conduct**
- **Digital Learning Policy**
- **Yard Duty & Supervision Policy**
- **Student Wellbeing and Engagement Policy**
- **Bullying Prevention Policy**

## Official Building Opening

We have a date for our official building opening – Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November. We would like to invite all families, friends and community members to come along and celebrate. We will host an open morning from 10:30 am with official proceedings starting at 10:50am. Please return photo/video consent forms ASAP. More information and detail to come 😊



A reminder to families to please make sure students have a broad brimmed hat to wear, we also encourage students to use sunscreen prior to heading outside for recess and lunch breaks. Our Sunsmart Policy has recently been updated and is available at the office for anyone interested. **In line with this policy – students and staff must wear hats on any day (not just Terms 1 & 4) when the UV rating is 3 or above.**

## Swimming Program

Swimming was a brilliant way to end the term. Students developed some great routines during the week. Moving forward, we have applied to the Aquatic Centre to have run a similar program at the same time next year.

### Life Ed Van

We recently welcomed Harrold and the Life Ed team out to Linton. Like so many students in the past (probably even some of our parents!) we enjoyed the hands-on nature and great messages of dealing with big emotions, being respectful and staying safe! Check out the photos below 😊

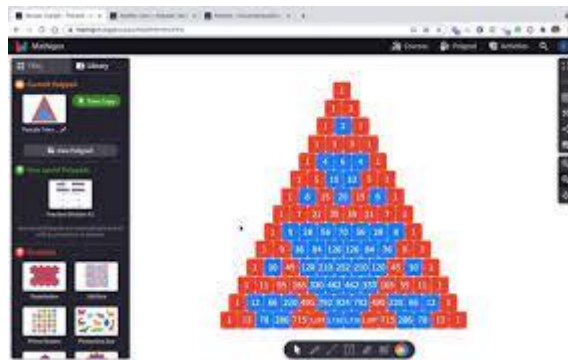
### DOXA Holiday Camp

Please find attached the flyer for DOXA holiday camps. These are organised by the same people who hosted us for our Melbourne camp (which was brilliant). If anyone would like an application form, please see the office.

### Maths Game –

Families are invited to have a look at **Polypad** – a great resource for showing maths concepts, ideas and working out. It is also just fun to play around with! See the link below or simply **Google: Polypad**.

<https://mathigon.org/polypad#number-frames>



### Staff emails

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

Mr Vagg – [daniel.vagg@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:daniel.vagg@education.vic.gov.au)

Mr Robinson – [stuart.robinson@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:stuart.robinson@education.vic.gov.au)

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### Appreciation

I appreciate everyone who attended our school to help with the Dr Vera tiles – what a great community project this has been!

Have a great week 😊

Stuart Robinson



Dear parents and carers,

Many in our school community may be affected by the devastating events in the Middle East.

All of us are upset and disturbed by the awful events depicted in media footage and images.

This time is particularly distressing for staff, students, families and carers who have family and friends in Israel and Gaza.

We are also aware that students of diverse backgrounds, including Jewish and Muslim students, may be significantly affected by public events, mainstream media coverage and social media at this time.

Please be assured that all staff are aware of the extreme emotional toll on many in our community at this time. But please also feel free to get in contact with any of the staff at our school if you would like to ensure we are aware of what your child is going through at this time.

Our support staff will continue doing all they can to support all our students, and support is also available for our staff.

I also want to assure you that the department is monitoring the situation from a school security perspective, and have advised there is no further action we need to take at this stage.

It is possible that extremely distressing scenes from the conflict may be posted online in coming days. Please ensure your children are aware of where they can find support in the event they come across such images. At our school, this includes talking to any of our staff.

You may find some aspects of this resource helpful:

- [Helping my children after trauma: A guide for parents](#)

Support is also available through external services including:

- [headspace](#): 1800 650 890
- [Kids Helpline](#): 1800 551 800
- [Lifeline](#): 13 11 14
- [Beyond Blue](#): 1300 224 636.

My door is always open and I am sure we will all look to support one another in this very difficult time.

Stuart Robinson  
Principal  
Linton Primary School





**CAKE STALL  
&  
SAUSAGE SIZZLE**

**LINTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER**

Stall : Referendum Voting  
9am til sold out : 8AM - 6PM





**NOW TAKING  
ENROLMENTS FOR  
2024!**

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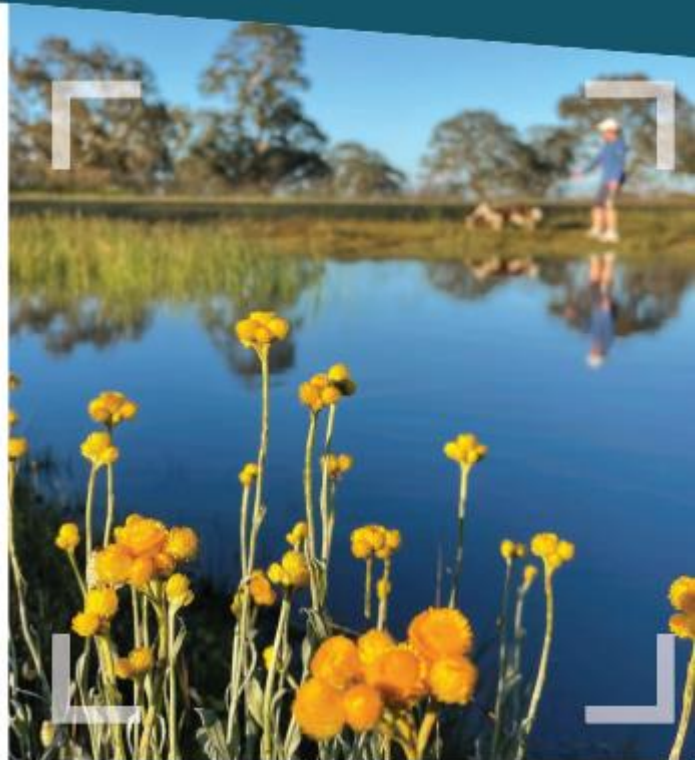


# Spring in the Shire

Photography  
Competition

**PHOTO [SYNTHESIS]**  
Flora & Fauna

Photo: Clara Blersch - Morning Run  
2021 Spring in the Shire Finalist



**Golden Plains Shire Council's Spring in the Shire photographic essay competition is an opportunity for amateur photographers from across the Shire to showcase their talents by capturing the beautiful surrounds and vibrant communities of Golden Plains.**

This year's competition theme Photo[synthesis] has an environmental focus and our Shire's amateur photographers of all skill levels are encouraged to capture this theme through their lens.

#### Prizes

- Major Prize (18 years and older)
- Young Adult Prize (13 to 17 years)
- Junior Prize (up to 12 years)

Spring in the Shire Photographic Essay Competition winners will be announced at the Golden Plains Twilight Market on 14 December 2023 at Bannockburn Cultural Centre.



**ENTRIES OPEN FROM  
2 TO 31 OCTOBER, 2023**

Scan QR code or go to  
Council's website for  
information.

[goldenplains.vic.gov.au](http://goldenplains.vic.gov.au)



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# Run FOR A CAUSE

19 NOV 2023

JOIN US SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER  
ON A BRAND NEW COURSE TO  
RAISE FUNDS FOR THE  
BALLARAT CHRISTMAS APPEAL

REGISTER HERE



The Ballarat Foundation is pleased to bring Run for a Cause to a new, exciting location for 2023. This year, our Event Village will be based in Lucas Town Centre, with our courses utilising the beautiful streets and paths of Lucas as well as giving participants the opportunity to run down the centre of Sturt Street and through the Arch!

JOIN YOUR SCHOOL TEAM WHEN YOU SIGN UP FOR THE  
12KM, 6KM EVENT, OR AS PART OF THE Y KIDS' DASH.



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