



Lynwood Times

A newsletter for the community of Lynwood Park Public School

Great Expectations - Great Attitudes - Great Achievements - Great School

29th Oct 2021

T4 W4 Dates for Your Diary

Nov 1 – Dec 10

*Check In
Assessments
for Years 3-6*

Week of Nov 15

*School Band
loan
instruments due
for return for
check and
service*

Oct 19–Nov 17

*Selective High
School 2023
website open*

Nov 17

*Opportunity
Class
placement test*

Nov 23

*High School
Orientation Day
(to be
confirmed)*

Nov 24

*Student
Leadership
Speeches (to
be confirmed)*

Nov 26

*Book Week
(delayed)
performance:
"Bigger, Better,
Brighter"*

Dec 9

*Year 6 Farewell
(to be
confirmed)*

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

I am so proud of our students! All of them have settled in really well to the routines and expectations of school life. It is so lovely to see their smiling faces when they arrive and to hear their laughter during break times. We are maintaining our Covid safe routines as outlined in our last newsletter and all members of staff are fully vaccinated. While life will probably never return to pre-Covid normal, at least a few things are getting close to it!

School Concert Band School Bands Australia are in the process of recruiting new members for the Training Band in 2022. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students and I urge you to consider taking advantage of it. Information webinar sessions for parents will be coming up later this term. In the meantime, check out their website at www.schoolbands.com.au or watch the video from Martin (head of SBA) at <https://vimeo.com/639447129/756aab5c97>

End of Year Reports You will receive your child's Semester Two report at the end of this term. As per Department guidelines, it will be a simplified version of the report you normally receive. For those of you who were with us last year, the format of the report will be very similar to the one that went home at the end of Semester One 2020. For obvious reasons it would be unprofessional and presumptuous of us to report on aspects of your child's learning that we have no real data on due to the extended Learning From Home period. If you have any concerns about your child's progress, please call the school to make an appointment to speak with your child's teacher.

School Sport The Department has issued the following guidelines on school sport for Term 4:

* School sport can proceed while maintaining cohort bubbles. External providers are permitted provided they are fully vaccinated.

* Inter-school sport (eg PSSA) and school/inter-school carnivals cannot proceed.

Special End of Year Celebrations The department has now indicated that schools may go ahead with planning for events such as Year 6 Farewells and Presentation Assemblies. However, at this point, parents will still not be allowed on site. NSW Health is continually revising its guidelines, so it is entirely possible that things may change as we get closer to the end of the year. In the meantime, we are investigating the possibility of recording or live streaming at least part of our special events.

Kindergarten 2022 We are **currently taking kindergarten enrolments for next year**.

Children who turn 5 before 31st July 2022 are eligible to enrol for the school year commencing on February 1st 2022.

All enrolments – whether in or out of area – can now be made online. Just go to our website: lynwoodpk-p.schools.nsw.gov.au and click on the tab at the top of the page called ENROLMENT. Alternatively, if you would prefer to complete a paper copy for enrolment, please call the office on 9622 2659 to arrange a time to pick one up. If you have friends, family or neighbours who have little ones of kindergarten age, please let them know that we are taking enrolments. The sooner they enrol, the better we can plan for their child.

Book Week Performance (Better late than never!) We have organised for the planned Book Week performance for this year to be presented virtually. It is coming up on November 26th.

See later in the newsletter for details ☺

Have a lovely fortnight!
Leigh Bade - Principal

Quote of the Week

"No-one is perfect – that's why pencils have erasers."

Wolfgang Riebe – author and speaker



Consideration for Our Neighbours



Sadly, we have received several complaints from our neighbours in both Frederick and Turner Streets about the selfish and dangerous behaviour of some parents during drop off and pick up times.

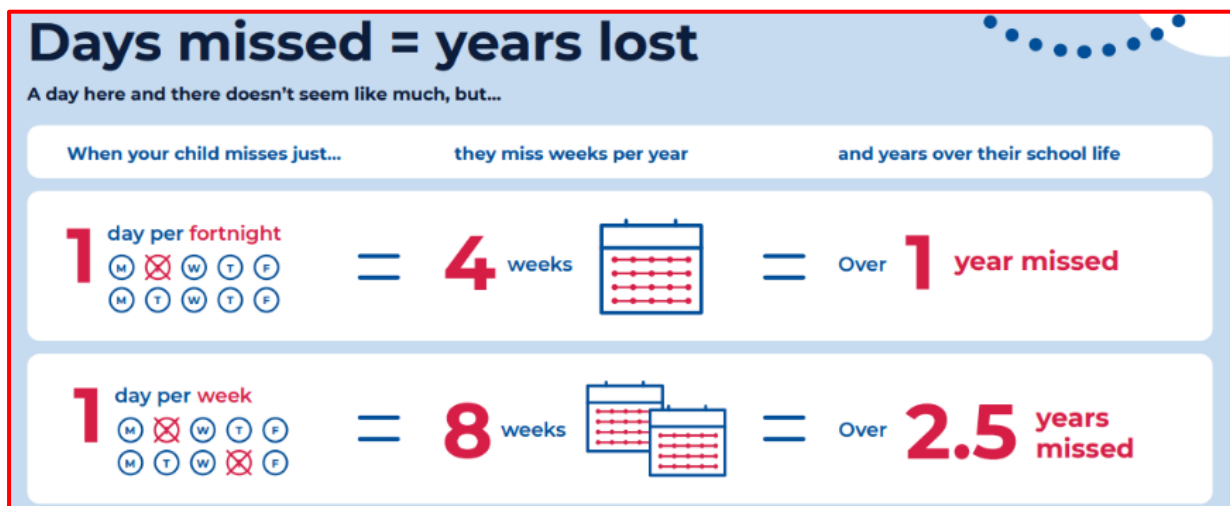
The complaints include; parking across private driveways, parking dangerously and illegally, blocking the turning access in the cul-de-sac, pulling up in the cul-de-sac turning area to pick up children. As far as pedestrian behaviour is concerned, complaints include; congregating in private driveways and out the front of properties for prolonged conversations, not following Covid safety recommendations such as social distancing, calling out to each other across the street.

Please show consideration for our neighbours. We know that everyone is happy and excited to be returning to normal but please don't use drop off and pick up time as an excuse to socialise. Maintain social distancing and find a more appropriate time and place to get together and have a chat. Also, please don't try to drive right up to the school gates to collect your children. Park down the street (legally) and walk up to the the gate to collect students. While waiting for them, keep your voices at a reasonable level and maintain social distancing guidelines.

Finally, we have also noticed that some drivers, who are collecting students, are breaking the law with regard to where children are allowed to sit in cars. All children between 4 and 7 years must sit in the back seat and each must have a seat belt. If there are too many children for the back seat, a child who sits in the front passenger seat and who is between 4 and 7, must have a properly fitted booster seat and must be fitted with a seat belt.

Our neighbours have indicated that if things don't improve, they will be asking Council to send rangers to issue infringement notices. We are sure that as a community, we can do better and can be respectful of others.

Thanks for your continued co-operation, understanding and commitment to working with us in order to keep our children safe.



Book Week – Live Stream Performance - BIGGER, BETTER, BRIGHTER! **Whole School Incursion – Friday 26th November**

One day a girl named Marley woke up to discover that 'Something' was missing...

And so begins a quest that will lead Marley through destinations that are strange and challenging but often oddly familiar. However, first she must determine what it is that has disappeared from her life that is causing such a sense of emptiness.

*Fortunately, her story has a narrator to help her. The thing is, Marley sometimes has her own ideas as to how the story needs to be told. There are books around to provide clues and directions which is a great help –if you can figure out what they mean. Marley is determined to sort it out no matter where she travels or what she encounters. One thing is certain - once the 'Something' is recovered, everything will become **Bigger, Better, Brighter!***

This is the storyline behind the livestream incursion planned for Friday 26th November. **The whole school incursion has been heavily subsidised by the school so that we are able to offer the performance for just \$5 per student or \$10 per family.** A permission note and request for payment will be coming home soon. **In a year that has been full of disappointments and missed opportunities, this is a chance for our children to have a bit of fun and to escape into the magical world of books.**

We hope you will permit your child(ren) to join Marley and characters from a selection of **The CBCA (Childrens Book Council of Australia) 2021 Shortlisted Books**, as she seeks to discover what it is that is missing and how best to recover it. This interactive and educational musical adventure is a fun filled and energetic celebration, and brings together all the elements of great storytelling - a hero, a mystery, a quest, and an exploration!



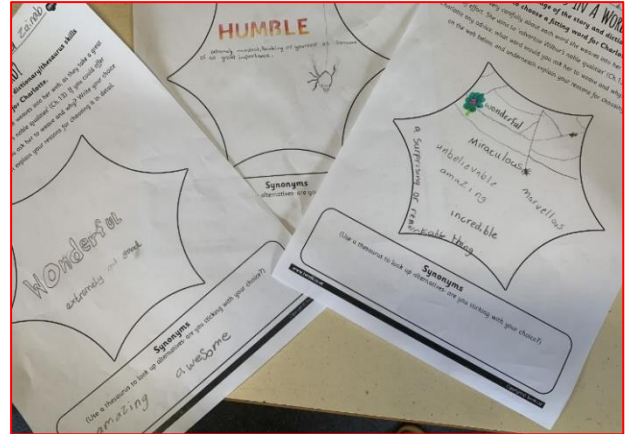
News from Seven Hills High School

Students enrolling at Seven Hills High School for Year 7 2022 have the opportunity to apply for the Self Select program.

This year the application process is online and the nomination form can be found at the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HNWCYMQ>.

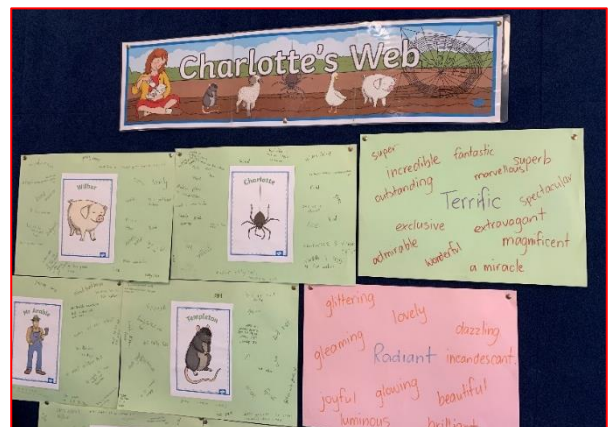
Further information regarding the criteria can be found on the school website: <https://sevenhillsh.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/doe/sws/schools/s/sevenhillsh/www/news/2021/10/self-select-program-2022.html>

Should you have further questions, please contact the school on 9624 3329.



Stage 2 have enjoyed a positive return to learning at school this week.

Students were reunited in the playground and have enjoyed working cooperatively in the classroom. Our classes have continued their literacy unit of work on Charlotte's Web, completing character mind maps and vocabulary lessons to describe key characters from the book. Keep up the fantastic work, Stage 2!





What has 2P been up to?

While reading the book 'The Little Refugee' by Anh Do and Suzanne Do, students of 2P looked up Vietnam on the world map. As an extension activity, students identified the seven continents on the world map.



In Mathematics, students in 2P are learning to add three-digit numbers using the MAB Blocks.



In Mathematics, students in 2P are learning to add three-digit numbers using the split strategy.

SIGN UP TODAY FOR YOUR SCHOOL BAND

Simply go online at
www.schoolbands.com.au
and fill in the form to receive more info.

Four great reasons to be in Band:

- ♪ To learn an instrument
- ♪ To understand music
- ♪ To have fun
- ♪ To learn how to learn

LIMITED
SPACES
AVAILABLE



Take the next step to a musical future here!

We will be back to your school soon to assess students and guide them to the best choice of instrument. Go online to choose your favourite three to try!

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| ■ Flute | ■ Trumpet | ■ Bass Guitar |
| ■ Clarinet | ■ Trombone | ■ Percussion/Drums |
| ■ Saxophone | ■ Low Brass | ■ Glockenspiel |

Please note: Bass Guitar & Percussion/Drums are limited in numbers. Whilst every attempt will be made to allocate first preferences, it may not be possible in every case.



For more information:
Go to www.schoolbands.com.au
or Email: principal@schoolbands.com.au
or Call: 1300 1 BANDS (1300 122 637)



Seven Hills Community Youth Sports Club.

SWIMMING CLUB

**A friendly community club for
swimmers of ALL abilities. Improve
your swimming, make friends and
have fun.**

Ages 4+

Swimming distances

- **25m, 33m 50m. Freestyle,
Breaststroke and Backstroke**
- **100m Freestyle**
- **75m medley (no butterfly)**
- **100m medley**
- **200m medley**

**Season Start 7.30pm Tuesday 19th October
2021**

Please arrive by 7.15 for race registration.

Blacktown Aquatic Centre

Boyd Avenue Blacktown

Weekly Race entry fee \$5 per swimmer

(pay only for the weeks you race)

First week trial free.

**Registration fees \$45 for first child
\$35 for second child and \$30 for
third and all other siblings.**

**Government Sports Voucher
accepted.**

