LAKER NEWS

A note to you, from our Principal, Ms Wright

Prep 2016
Enrolments are now invited for Prep 2016. If applicable, families are welcome to come to our office to pick up an enrolment package. If you know of anyone in the community who is planning on enrolling a child in Prep next year, please encourage them to make contact with us.

Attendance 96%
We have put in some new incentives in place for our students to raise their attendance levels this term. Classrooms have their own short rewards for students arriving before 9:00am. Students with 100% attendance continue to go into our Friday raffle for attendance badges. We will also be having pizza parties for students with 100% attendance for two weeks to recognise their achievement of their goal. Last weeks party was very successful with 90% of our students attending. Students will receive an invitation to the parties with the Principal. Tree Planting
Friday saw us hosting the schools tree planting day. We had visitors from Lockyer High, Laidley High, Hatton Vale SS, Coominya SS, OLGC and the Lockyer Council Environmental Club. We planted 300 trees along the road which we hope will grow into a beautiful hedge for our school. We would like to thank Chappy and Mr Tapper for their work in preparing the trees for planting and then cooking the sausages on the day. No mean feat when we didn’t have exact times to run with.

Teacher/Parent/Student Interviews
Term 3 Parent /Teacher interviews Including Mrs Sweepers S.A.I.L.S. Class has been set for Thursday 13 August. A letter with preferred times has been sent home with your child. We will endeavour to give you your preferred times but please understand this may not always be the case as generally the best times are the early appointments and everyone wants them.

Please note: Ms Hohn will only be available for an interview on Thursday 20 August. If these date don't suit you please email your child's class teacher and arrange a more suitable time.

Prep – Ms Catriona McAll - cmcal50@eq.edu.au
Prep/Year 1 - Mrs Megan Litzow - mlitz1@eq.edu.au
- Mrs Linda Miller - lmill1@eq.edu.au
Year 2 – Mrs Renee Pennycuick - rpenn32@eq.edu.au
Year 3 – Mrs Janine Hannant - jhann85@eq.edu.au
Year 4/5 – Ms Kylie Hohn - khohn13@eq.edu.au
Year 5/6 – Mrs Michelle Minehan - mmine6@eq.edu.au
S.A.I.L.S. - Mrs Sweeper - aswee35@eq.edu.au

Upper Lockyer Sports Day
This event will be held on Friday 14 July at Ropehill Community Centre. Students have received a note home if they have qualified for the next level. Starting time for this day is 9.00am. Please report to the Lake Clarendon tent for roll marking and to collect your name tag.

Family Photo
The date is now confirmed Saturday 12 September. Please see Terri to book in your preferred time. 0428654595. Book Now as Popular Times Fill Up Fast!!!

Year 3 Trip
An excursion has been organised for the year 3 class together with the year 3 class form Forest Hill to travel by bus to Ipswich THIS Friday 7 August. The students will be visiting the Nature Centre and then will be able to have some free time at Queens park. Entry to the Nature Park is a gold coin. Please put this in your child’s lunch box. Students will depart at 9am and return to school by 2.30pm.
Little Lakers Early Learning
This semester our playgroup will be running on Friday from 9am to 11am for 0-5 year olds. This is a great opportunity for children to interact, play and learn with their peers. It’s also a great chance for parents to meet new adults in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere!! Please register your interest with our qualified early childhood educator - Amanda Best 5466 6333 or abest22@eq.edu.au or come to school in on Friday morning. If you have friends or family with little ones please extend this invitation to them also. We look forward to seeing you.

LitPro Legends
Woohoo! Kudos to these groovy readers:
Super Space Cadets (20pts) Gordon O & Matisse G.
Space Astronauts (30pts) Madelyn M, Travis S & Jacob U.
Super Space Astronauts (40pts) Travis S.
Purple Ribbons:
Space Rangers (50pts) Brenton M & Travis S (again!)
Super Space Rangers (60pts) Luke D Riley W and TRAVIS S.
Rocket Reader (75pts) TRAVIS S (for the last time:)
The prized BLACK ribbon:
Out of this Universe reader (125pts) Minh V
Extra points AND links for these students for reading consistently at their Lexile level:
Year 3 class - Felicity B & Karla C.
Year 4/5 class - Cale G, Clayton H, Julian L, Madelyn M, Hayley R & Hanna W.
Year 5/6 class - Matisse G & Leon G.

AusKick
Auskick has begun & the children involved are having a great time.
This is being held at the back oval and the children who have registered are to meet at the parade shed at 11am on Tuesdays.

Photos from the information afternoon in July.
The BRISBANE LIONS mascot came to visit our school!!!

For Sale
4 x Guinea Pigs & 6 x Silky Chickens for sale all from $20. Please contact Susan K for more information: 0412790879

Woolworths Earn & Learn is back!! and it is now easier than ever to earn valuable resources for our school!! It's simple to participate. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September 2015, when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator or through an online order and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet. There’ll be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the Sticker Sheet in our Collection Box, either at school (in the library), or at the local Woolworths store. The more stickers we collect the more resources you will earn for your school! So be sure to tell your family and friends and start collecting today!! Any questions please see Tracey Wiseman
Good Ones
Congratulations to the Good One winners for:
Wk 2                           Wk 3
Prep - 2...Mikaylee B          Prep - 2...Mikaylee
3 - 6... Zoe B                3 - 6... Luke D

Rewarding positive behaviour
Your child receives a Good One as a reward for positive behaviour during the week. This Good One slip goes into a box in the office. One lucky name will be drawn out on parade and receive a prize. All of the Good Ones are then entered into our behaviour system and sent home with a stamp.
This is your chance to praise your child about positive behaviour & how important it is to help others.

Attendance Raffle
Congratulations to the Attendance Raffle winners for:
Wk 2                           Wk 3
Flynn D                       Leon G
Bella                         Houng V
Hannah                       Tyler E
Cole T                       Gordy M

Attendance Trophy
The winner of the attendance trophy for Week 3 is the 4/5 class. Congratulations!!!
Congratulations also to the 4/5 class for winning the trophy in week 1 and to the Prep class for winning in week 2.

Pizza Party
This Friday is Pizza Party Day. Students will be given an invitation to attend if they have 100% attendance for the past fortnight. Ring the school if you have any queries.

Book Fair
Come to our Book Fair!! In the Library 7 - 14 August. Our school will receive benefits form any purchases you make. For more information please see Terri. A colouring competition has again been organised. Please collect your picture to colour form the library. Make sure you take the colouring-in appropriate for you class group.

Family Information
In the case of an emergency, it is very important to have all family information, especially address & phone numbers, kept up to date on our system.
Please notify the office of any changes to any of your contact details promptly.

Australian Raw Honey Orders
Cedarbrook Agriculture has a representative in our area and he is will to take orders for their Australian Raw Honey. An information/order sheet is attached to the notice board in the walkway opposite Chappy’s room, or you can place your order at the office. All payments are to be made at the office and you will be phoned when the order has arrived at school. This raw honey is sold for $6 for 1Kg or $12 for 2Kg.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform shop is open every Monday & Friday mornings from 8.30am.
Please contact Allison 0427675879
If you need to access the uniform shop at a different time.
Chappys Corner

Often we are tired, uncreative or out of touch. Our limited imaginations stop us from expecting something great. We wake up in the morning, proceed with our mundane, routine day, pay some bills, do some chores and then go to bed, only to reluctantly repeat the process day after day. Is life unfair?, Is the way we live our fault or are we manipulated by our culture? Perhaps circumstances are to blame. These are real situations and questions that some of us face. So what's the answer? When I was on a remote island in the northern province of Vanuatu, a young man was helping us build a school. He lived in a small grass house and survived day to day by fishing, gardening or foraging for coconut etc. I imagined that to be the perfect life, no worries, no bills, lots of freedom and relaxation. To my surprise he was desperate to have our lifestyle. (refer to top) Whatever our lot in life, we can choose to be happy and content (considering what others are going through - war, disasters etc) or we can grumble and feel miserable.

There is another option, do something about it! Prioritise what is important to you. Make time for you! Whether that involves running, hiking, camping, knitting, painting, riding, joining a club, tennis, decoupage, marbles, collecting, canoeing, sport, join a church, volunteering, gliding, drawing, wood-working, sewing, renovating, humanitarian aid, swimming, croquet, writing, join the library, travel... do I really need to go on. Make sure you eliminate what isn't necessary or important, or at least put them further down your list.

LIFE IS SHORT!

Councils, libraries, notice boards are often a good source of information.

Have you ever been deceived? I have. It is so easy to believe in something especially if you hear it from a reliable source. However reliable sources can also be deceived at times. With technology being so advanced many concepts can be fabricated or at the very least exaggerated. I remember watching a short documentary several years ago on the subject of walking on water. Since water was a topic I was researching for a church talk I thought it would be interesting to look into it. About 5 guys went on a journey in Europe to a sheltered lake in the early morning when the conditions were just right. A narrator explained certain techniques required, special shoes, and of course top athletes.

These guys had been in training for a long time and the moment of truth had arrived. Hitting the water at the right speed at a slight angle 10 steps were achieved!

So I shared this information as part of my talk. Fortunately I stated that it was from the internet and therefore could not verify their claim.

Less than a week later I discovered it was a hoax and was sponsored by the company who made the shoes the athletes were wearing.

The funny thing about being deceived is you don't know you are. Otherwise you wouldn't be deceived. So to avoid the embarrassment, always check and double check your information before forwarding or sharing - good luck.

Humour

I'm not sure life is passing me by, or trying to run me over.
You never know what you have until you...... clean your room.
What kind of fly has a frog in its throat? A hoarse fly.
What do you call 2 ants that run away to get married? Ant elopes
What do you get from a pampered cow? Spoilt milk.

Finally... everyday it's someone's birthday, so go ahead, eat some cake.