



Lake Grace District High School NEWSLETTER #19

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Thursday 30th November

Term 4 Upcoming Events

Year 10
Graduation Dinner
Thursday 7th November

Wear Pink for Cancer
Awareness (Gold Coin
Donation)
Friday 8th December

Reports Emailed Home
Friday 8th December

End of Year Concert
Awards Night
Wednesday 13th
December @ 6pm

Last Day of School
Thursday 14th
December

Harvest Festival
Thursday 14th
December

Office Open 2024
Monday 29th and 30th
January 2024

Students Recommence
Wednesday 31st
January 2024

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday (early close)
8.45am—2.30pm

Tuesday to Friday
8.45am—3.15pm

Kindergarten Orientation 2023

Levi



Darcey



Archie



Arnold



Louie



Emalee



Georgie



Zoe



Poppy



Layla



Bridie



Mackenzie



Axel



Welcome to LGDHS!

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Message from Principal: **Kerriane Mills**

Hello LGDHS Community,

As we definitely enter the final stretch of our final term for 2023, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the staff, students and wider community for what I deem to be a successful 3 terms under my leadership. Teachers are wrapping things up for 2023 with final reporting, assessments and completion of work whilst the Administration Team are planning and looking ahead to 2024, with some positive improvements to make around the school. Exciting times to come.

The last two weeks have seen so many wonderful opportunities for our high school students, with the highlight being the Wool Handling Course. Our Year 9, 10 and 11 students have been on site in the shearing shed with a shearing team learning how to be a Shedhand. The feedback has been astronomical and all the students have been non-stop talking about their experiences. A huge thank you to Darren Spencer and the staff at Australian Wool Innovations for working with the school to ensure this was a successful inaugural event. Another thank you goes to the Marshall family along with Kevin Naisbitt and Sarah Allen for allowing our students to be on their farms and learning on their livestock! I will continue to work with Darren to make this an annual program for our school, leading to recognition certificates.



The past two weeks have seen the final Board and P&C meetings held, these committees are full of people that support the school, students, staff and leadership team whole heartedly, with all that is best for Lake Grace DHS. Thank you goes to them, for making my transition into this role such an inviting and supportive one. I look forward to 2024 and what exciting initiatives this may bring.

The Orientation Day was held this week for our Year 6 students, a practice run in the high school environment. We had three extra students join us, one from Nyabing and two from Kukerin which was lovely to see. The students experienced the classes they will be participating in next year, including electives and all students had smiles on their faces by the end of the day. Thanks goes to the high school staff for their inviting and engaging lessons.

Reports will be emailed out on Friday 8th December, week 9. This allows parents to make appointments with staff should they need any clarification, please contact the teacher through the school to make a mutually agreeable meeting time. If you would like a hard copy of your child's report please advise the school front office.

Sadly, we will be looking for a new Chaplain for 2024, should you or anyone you know be interested in this position at the school please contact Youthcare for further information or go to their website [YouthCARE | WA's leading provider of Chaplaincy | Employment](#).

This week is the Graduation Event for the Pre-Primary and Year 6 students. What a milestone for them all to be graduating to the next phase of their schooling, I am sure it will be a wonderful event and proud moment for all involved.

Finally, a reminder that covid and gastro are still lurking in our community, if your child is felling unwell we would greatly appreciate you keeping them home.

Kind Regards
Kerriane Mills | Principal





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Bushfire Emergency Plan

Bushfire Register

Our school has been identified as a school at increased risk of bushfire. Therefore, a comprehensive Bushfire Management Plan has been written to ensure the health, safety and welfare of students, staff and visitors. This plan has been written collaboratively by DFES, Workplace Health and Safety Directorate and the school.

The Plan deals with two types of occurrences.

1. A fire danger rating of concern is forecast (catastrophic, extreme or severe) on the afternoon prior to a school day.
2. The school is impacted by a local bushfire threat when the students are at school.

The school will only receive notification of a concerning fire danger rating after school hours the day before the forecast is issued and we will contact the LGDHS community as soon as we are notified. To assist the school in contacting all parents, please ensure that you have provided the school with up-to-date mobile and home telephone numbers and let us know immediately if your contact details change.

We would like to assure all of our parents that our school is prepared for the event of a bushfire emergency and that your child will be safe and secure in the care of the staff of Lake Grace District High School.

As a key part of being on the Bushfire Register we will be practicing our fire evacuation drills during the next few weeks. If you have any questions of concerns, please contact us.



BUSHFIRE EMERGENCY PLAN – PARENTS GUIDE



| STUDENTS HAVE GONE TO SCHOOL | | FIRE RATING PROCEDURES | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| FIRE IN THE AREA | IMMEDIATE EMBER ATTACK | SEVERE OR HEAVY SMOKE AFFECTED | EXTREME | CATASTROPHIC |
| Bushfire signal initiated | Lockdown signal initiated | SCHOOL STILL OPERATES Unless conditions make it impossible | | SCHOOL TEMPORARILY CEASES OPERATION OR RELOCATES |
| Notice on school Facebook page and Schoolstream app | Notice on school Facebook page and Schoolstream app | Parents notified the day before if possible via school Facebook page and Schoolstream app | | Parents will be advised the day before if possible via school Facebook page, Schoolstream app. Check local radio and DFES website. |
| <i>‘Students safe in the art room-don’t come to school’</i> | <i>‘Students locked down and safe-stay where YOU are safe, don’t come to school’ in the art room-don’t come to school’</i> | Students with an Asthma Plan should stay at home. | | Students will stay at home |
| School relocates to the art room to wait for the all clear from DFES | Students, staff and visitors relocate to the art room to wait for the all clear from DFES | No outdoor activities | | DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL |
| Do not come to school to get your child | | Students should bring extra water in drink bottles to school | | All excursions will be cancelled or postponed |
| Check school facebook page, Schoolstream app about collection of students–time, place and method | Check school facebook page, Schoolstream app about collection of students–time, place and method | Excursions to bushland or isolated locations will be cancelled | | Students away on excursions will not return to school but will be billeted at a local school until the rating is lifted |
| STAY CALM - KEEP YOURSELF SAFE | | Monitor notifications on school Facebook page and Schoolstream app, local radio and DFES websites for updates | | Parents will be advised when students may return to school by school Facebook page, Schoolstream app and local radio |

➔ **Activate your family’s Bushfire Survival Plan**

Breakfast Club is open to all students each Tuesday and Thursday **at 8.30am** in the Home Ec. Room.

Orientation Continued..

In Week 4 we welcomed 13 new students to school as they prepared for their first year in the school next year. The students engaged in many activities that involved indoor and outdoor play. The bikes were a favourite, as were the doll's prams. All students were very content whilst parents attended the information session and then joined Mrs Desmond for a guided tour around the school. We look forward to seeing them in their uniforms on their first day of school next year. Whilst the new students were visiting their space, the pre-primary students got a taste of year 1.



Year 7 Orientation

On Tuesday the Year 6 students got to have a taste of high school. They spent the day as Year 7s and were joined by three new students, Dakota Bielby, Phil Adams and Luca Fernandes, who will be starting high school at LGDHS with them in 2024.

The "Year 7's" had a great day, experimenting in Science, cooking in Home Ec., building in D & T and experiencing high school life! Safe to say we have some excited students ready to start the 2024 school year!

Welcome to the new students, Dakota, Phil and Luca, we look forward to having you full time at LGDHS in 2024!



Whats been happening in Highschool Term 4

Wow- what a busy term the high school students have had this term!!

On Friday of week five, the Year 9/10 were visited by a group from the Department of Training and Workforce Development to deliver a Career taster program.

In English we have been heading over to listen to the Pre-Primary students read. It has been a great way to get to know the little kids a little better as they all look up to us but don't get many opportunities to interact with us!



In week six Mr and Mrs Trevenen, (with the support of Mrs Trevenen's Mum and Dad), took the Year 9/10 group on the section of the Bibbulmen Track near Walpole. The students covered approximately 35km in 2 nights and 3 days, exploring the sights and camping at campsites dotted along the way. The students spent the week prior preparing for the hike and were required to prepare their own packs for the adventure! What an experience it was! They returned home on the weekend, very tired, a little smelly but happy and proud of what they had achieved over the last 3 days!



Whats been happening in Highschool: Mrs Amanda Trevenen

In weeks seven and eight we have successfully completed a wool handling workshop. The students learnt about wool, sheep, the importance of shearing and how to process a fleece from when it hits the board to being pressed in a pack! The students were lucky enough to be shown how to shear a sheep by none other than the Australian Junior Wool Ambassador, Mr Ethan Harding (Bruce Rock). Ethan shored his first 100 sheep when he was eight years old and is the current champion of the Perth Royal Show Quick shears. Safe to say there were some very tired and inspired students leaving the sheds Tuesday afternoon!

This week the Year 10's have been completing Work Placement with their chosen business in town. Thank you to Mr Steve Lankford, Lake Grace District High School, Lake Grace Early Learning Centre, Lake Grace Hospital, High Valley Stud for taking the time to guide our students and give them the working experience to prepare them for their journey on their chosen career paths.





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Message from P&C President: **Nikki Lewis**

Dear LGDHS Community,

On Monday 20th November, we had our final P&C meeting for 2023, thank you to the twelve amazing ladies who came for dinner and a meeting. We had to battle with the noise of a buzzing Lake Grace Hotel but managed to discuss everything on the agenda.

The final decision was made to move forward and order a new oven for the canteen, thank you Annie for sourcing quotes and looking into the different options. Can't wait to see how many cheesie's and pizza's we can cook in the new oven next year.

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent "Nacho Special," a grand total of thirty five serves of nacho's were sold with lots of positive feedback from lots of students.



A big thank you to Jo Morgan who this week completed her last canteen roster. Thank you for your many years of support and help in the canteen, for your time as co-ordinator and numerous canteen rosters. Without the efforts of all our many amazing canteen volunteers we wouldn't be able to offer such an amazing canteen each week.

Uniform Shop

As the end of another school year nears a close, Debb is stocking up to ensure we have plenty of sizes ready. We encourage parents to check uniforms and if you require new sizes for early in term one of 2024, please place your orders or notify Debb. If the uniforms you are looking for are not in stock sufficient quantities will be ordered.

For all uniform enquires contact

Debb Carruthers via
lgdhs.uniforms@gmail.com



Download the *FlexiSchools*
app to get started today!

Our next P&C meeting and AGM will be held

Monday 12 February 2024 @ 6.30pm

in the Padley Room

As always we warmly welcome new members and attendees to our meetings,
please send any agenda items or apologies to lakegrace.pandc@gmail.com

Regards

Nikki Lewis | P & C President



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End of Year Concert Awards Night

END OF YEAR CONCERT

LAKE GRACE TOWN HALL

Wednesday | 13 December | 5:45 PM

*Dancing Through the
Ages*

Breakfast Club is open to all students each Tuesday and Thursday at 8.30am in the Home Ec. Room.



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Parent Planner | Term 4 2023

Please note: This Planner is subject to change

| WK | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SAT/SUN |
|----|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 9 October SDD | 10 Faction Athletics Carnival | 11 Yr 5/6 Camp | 12 | 13 | 14/15 |
| 2 | 16 Book Fair | 17 | 18 | 19 Newsletter Growth & Devel- opment Yr 4/5 & 5/6 | 20 Margaret Cotton Festival - Kulin | 21/22 |
| 3 | 23 High School Exam Week Book Fair | 24 Physio (Scoliosis) visit Yr 5/6 Board Meeting | 25 Teachers Appreciation Day | 26 Yr 4/5 Assembly | 27 Interschool Athletics Ravensthorpe | 28/29 |
| 4 | 30 | 31 Year 11/12 ATAR Exam | 1 Nov Shearing and Wool handling demonstration | 2 Newsletter Kindy Orientation Year 9-10 Ball Year 11/12 ATAR Exam | 3 Good Standing Reward Excursion PP-6 | 4/5 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 Year 11/12 ATAR Exam | 8 Year 11/12 ATAR Exam Youth Advisory Meeting 1:30-2:30 | 9 Remembrance Day Service Year 11/12 ATAR Exam School Nurse Visit -Handwashing | 10 Career Taster Program Yr 9/10 | 11/12 Remembrance Day |
| 6 | 13 | 14 | 15 Yr 5/6 Back Ed Program | 16 Newsletter Yr 9/10 Cadet Hike School Nurse Visit -Handwashing | 17 | 18/19 |
| 7 | 20 Wool Handling Course Day 1 | 21 Wool Handling Course Day 2 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25/26 |
| 8 | 27 Wool Handling Course Day 1 P & C Dinner/ Meeting @ 6pm @ LG Hotel Year 10 Work Placement | 28 Wool Handling Course Day 2 Yr7 Transition day | 29 | 30 Newsletter Yr 6 & PP Grad Assembly & Open Classrooms | 1 December | 2/3 |
| 9 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 High School Good Standing Reward Grad Dinner | 8 Wear Pink For Cancer Awareness Day (Gold Coin Donation) | 9/10 |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 End of Year Concert and Awards Night | 14 Newsletter Harvest Festival Last Day of School | 15 Staff Development Day No Students Attending | 16/17 |