

Lake Grace District High School NEWSLETTER #18

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Thursday 16th November

Term 4

Upcoming Events

Year 9/10 Cadet Hike Thursday 16th-18th November

Final P & C Meeting & Dinner for 2023

Monday 27th November @ the Lake Grace Hotel

Wool Handling Courses

Monday 20th-21st & Monday 27th –28th November

Pre-Primary/
Year 6 Assembly
Thursday 30th November

Year 10 Graduation Dinner

Thursday 7th December @ Walkers Winery, 6pm

Christmas Concert

Wednesday 13th
December

@ The Lake Grace Town
Hall @ 6pm

P & C Fun Day/ Last Day of School Thursday 14th December

Term 1 Commences 2024 Wednesday 31st January 2024

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday (early close)

8.45am—2.30pm

Tuesday to Friday 8.45am—3.15pm





Message from Principal: Kerrianne Mills

Dear LGDHS Community.

Welcome back to week 6, heading to the pointy end of the year where students are busy completing content, participating in assessments and teachers are busy writing reports and finalising grades. Christmas Concert will be in the planning and performance practices in full swing by the next time I write to you all.

This term has seen so much excitement, the energy from the students as the sun comes out-I'm sure it recharges them. We had the wonderful play Alexis and Evie for the entire primary school held in Borden as this terms Good Standing Reward. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Desmond for all her organising and planning around this event. The feedback from students was great and they all enjoyed an adventure out of school.

A shearing demonstration was another highlight with Mr Rob Carter coming to discuss all things wool and sheep, whilst shearing. Thank you to Darren Spencer and the AWI for offering this opportunity once again to our school, it is a pleasure watching the students engaging and asking so many questions!

Our Interschool Athletics Carnival took place, which created for some interesting conversations and further discussions back at school...watch this space for 2024 events.

The 2024 Kindergarten students and their parents had their orientation Day in Week 4. The students all had a wonderful day becoming familiar with their future classroom and playground. I got to share some exciting news with families that a demountable will be arriving at LGDHS in 2024 and the kindergarten students will get their own space to learn, develop and grow as of Semester 2. This is such a wonderful opportunity for our school and students and will service the ECE well in many years to come as our school continues to grow.

Although small, a Remembrance Service was still held last Thursday to honour our fallen and current service men and women that fought so we can remain in a free and democratic country. Thank you to Mrs Trevenen for taking the lead on the service.

The Trade Career Taster was hosted by LGDHS with Kulin DHS year 9/10 in attendance. The day was a huge success and a privilege for LGDHS to host, we look forward to hosting this in the future again. It is another way for our students to experience 'tradie life' and learn some new skills and possibly find an interest in a career for their future.

The Youth Advisory Council is going well with our students having their voices and opinions shared in a formal context, like a council. Students are putting forward ideas on ways in which our youth can be involved in awareness days/ weeks and activities in our community which invite people to be apart of our school. Thank you to Aimee Egan-Reid, our Community Economic Development Officer from the Shire and Mrs Trevenen for putting this council together and arranging the meetings, grants, etc.

Another wonderful initiative that is currently underway is the Mentoring happening every Wednesday afternoon at the Men's Shed. This has been a great collaboration with the Shire of Lake Grace, WA Police and LGDHS and the students attending are having a wonderful experience. Students over 12 can attend and work with the men at the shed on various projects.

The Year 9/10's are off on their Cadet Camp, a huge hike through the bushland around Denmark and Walpole, living off what they can cart and carry. I wish them all the best and that they remain safe, no doubt they will return exhausted! I am sure this will be another lifetime memory and wonderful experience for all. This is another wonderful option that LGDHS offers, through their Cadets Program. Thank you again to the Trevenen Family.

Next week some of our high school students are off to spend two days in a shearing shed. They will become wool handlers and experience these days learning the skills and environment in an operational shearing shed. The school has been working with Darren Spencer and the Australian Wool Industry to bring this program to LGDHS, we hope to make it an annual experience and possibly in the future turn it into a certificate that students can add to their resumes and CV's. A film crew is flying over from the Eastern States to video the students and

use in their promotional material to encourage others to join this industry. The students are very excited about the opportunity, with some students already looking at working in the sheds over the holiday break.

If you have been to the school office lately you would have seen the new defibrillator out the front! Thanks to Ironstone Fabrications for the installation and Mrs Kiri Harwood for the staff training.



Message from Principal: Kerrianne Mills

Two weeks ago I had the privilege of attending the Year 9-12 Ball. WOW! How grown up, beautiful and handsome our students were. A wonderful night was had by all and our guests from Kulin DHS were very grateful and impressed with the event. Thank you so very much to Miss Dew and Mrs O'Neill for making the event happen. Also thankyou to our paparazzi Mrs Prater and the staff who attended as chaperones. What a wonderful event for these high school students to experience!

We currently have gastro and a nasty cold/flu sweeping through the school. If your child is unwell we strongly encourage you to keep them home please as we are currently sending several children home a day. We greatly appreciate your support in this, so that we can try to eliminate these illnesses through the school. Please see Nurse Laura's page for more information.

Our Year 12 SIDE students have finished their ATAR exams, much to their relief. We know they have done an outstanding job and we wish them all the very best. Leila and Evelyn, your faces will be missed around the school and we wish you all the successes in the world for your future endeavours. Congratulations on

your achievements. A **HUGE** thank you to the Lake Grace Shire for allowing us to use the shire chambers to conduct the exams, they are such a huge event for these students who study hard all year! Leila Lemin has actually ranked top scorer in her Geography subject in the State. Leila has been acknowledged by the department of Education - SIDE and will be receiving a 2023 Year 12 course award as a result of achieving the highest final mark in the **Geography General** course. We are so very proud of you Leila and commend you on your dedication and hard work. Well done!

We are pleased to advise that **Leila Lemin** and **Evelyn Oatridge** will be receiving a 2023 Year 12 student services award later this month.

Well done ladies! (pictured right). Your hard work over the last 12 years has paid off!

Who to Contact When ... Flowchart

For General Enquiries please email: lakegrace.dhs@education.wa.edu.au or Phone: 9865 4500

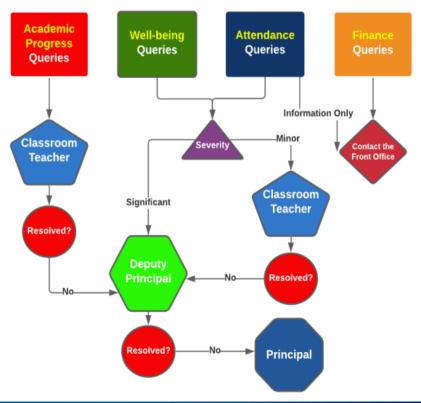
Finally, it has come to the attention of the school board that their roles and responsibilities are quite unclear to the LGDHS community. Please see the table on the following page that outlines the purpose of School board and their roles and responsibilities. It is important to understand what they do and that they are volunteers in these roles.

"The who to contact when" flowchart to the right, is important to consider when you are requiring assistance with a school matter. If assistance is required it is important to use these avenues and please **refrain** from contacting staff on social media or other private avenues.

I wish you all a wonderful couple of weeks ahead.

Kind Regards

Kerrianne Mills | Principal





Roles of School Board

Role of the council/board

The council/board has distinct functions provided under the legislation. Parents and the community can be involved in school decision making and giving advice through their council/board. The Act prohibits the council/board from being involved in the day-to-day running of the school.

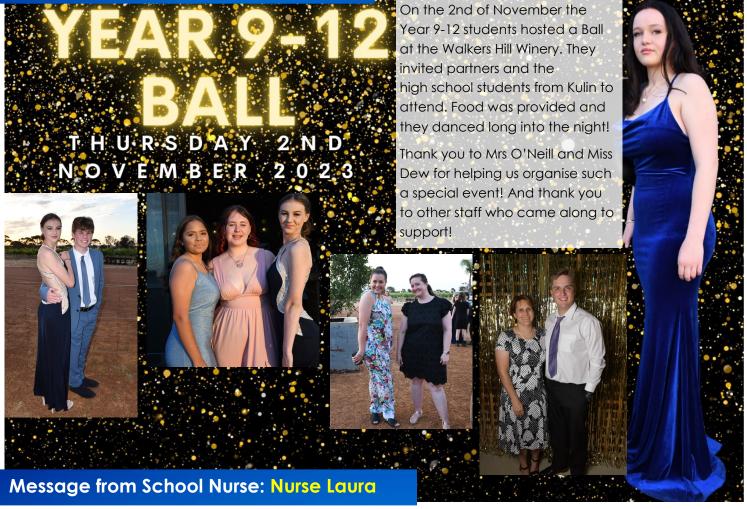
The table below explains different legislated roles of council/boards.

Role	Approval role	Advisory role	Do not participate
What does it mean?	Council/board contributes to decision making. The Principal consults the council/board on issues and takes on their advice prior to making decisions. Council/board is directly and deeply involved. Decisions are documented in council/board meeting minutes.	Council/board is consulted and helps to brainstorm and resolve issues. Discussions are documented in the council/board meeting minutes.	Council/board and their members cannot intervene in the control or management of a school; or intervene in the educational instruction of students; or exercise authority over teaching staff or other persons employed by the school; or intervene in the management or operation of a school fund;
Examples of council/board involvement	Council/board approves: voluntary school contributions (charges) payable by parents/ guardians for materials, services and facilities; fees for optional programs such as excursions and incursions; book list (or equivalent) items that school requests students to have for personal use; sponsorship and advertising agreements; and the dress code for students in consultation with students, staff, parents/guardians.	Council/board: advises principal about the local community context; reviews allocation of resources to meet school plan targets; reviews and monitors school objectives, priorities and policy directions; takes part in the reviewing of the Annual Report; takes part in developing school code of conduct for students; advises principal about religious practices in school (for example, use of prayers); advises on selection but not appointment of principal and other staff(where approval is given); takes part in development of and monitoring of the school plan; takes part in review of the DPA; and takes part in reviewing the financial arrangements of the school.	Council/board does not: manage day-to-day running of school, for example staff performance and student assessment; discuss individual cases relating to teachers, staff and parents/guardians; represent special interest groups or allow special interest groups or allow special interest to dominate council/board discussions; intervene in education instruction; borrow money; purchase property; exercise authority over teaching staff or other persons employed at the school; and manage complaints processes.

All council/board members are obliged to act in the best interests of the school and its students. Council/board members are not on the council/board to represent the interests of any subgroups of the school community. Those wishing to raise issues that are not related to the legislated role/functions of the council/board should do this through the school's complaints management processes.



School Ball continued..



Last week Nurse Laura visited to teach the students about the importance of hand washing! This turned out to be perfect timing giving the gastro outbreak the town of Lake Grace is currently enduring! Below are some photos of the students learning the most effective handwashing technique

Gastroenteritis, or 'gastro' is a common condition in children of all ages. It occurs when the bowel is infected by a virus or bacteria. Symptoms include diarrhoea, vomiting, stomach cramps and sometimes, fever. Gastroenteritis, or 'gastro' is a common condition in children of all ages. It occurs when the bowel is infected by a virus or bacteria. Symptoms include diarrhoea, vomiting, stomach cramps and sometimes, fever.

Most cases in children are not serious, but it is very important to make sure that a child with gastro **receives enough fluid**.

If your child has gastro, keep them away from school for 48 hours after vomiting and diarrhoea have stopped. If symptoms persist see your family doctor.

The easiest way to prevent gastro is to make sure everyone in the family washes their hands regularly, especially before eating and after going to the toilet.





Message from P&C President: Nikki Lewis

Just like that we are in week 6 of term 4 already, this term really is flying by. As we are on the down hill run to the end of the year, I would like to say a massive thank you to all the P&C committee members and numerous volunteers who help keep our P&C running. To show our appreciation the P&C will be contributing \$15/ person towards our end of year dinner at our final P&C meeting for 2023. Please see details on the invite below and RSVP to Symone by Friday 24th November.

Canteen Update

Nacho's will be available **Monday 20th November**. This item has been added to the Flexischools App and will be available with or without sour cream.

Fruit salad cups and fruit salad and ice cream have also been added to the menu and can be ordered in the frozen treats section of the menu. These can be collected from the canteen counter at lunch time.

Please note Flexischools have added a new feature which allows orders to be cancelled via the app if required.

Simply click the 'Orders' button on the bottom of the home screen and you can then view and cancel open orders before the 8.30am cut off time on the day of Canteen.



Uniform Shop

If you have any queries regarding uniforms email Debb Carruthers via lgdhs.uniforms@gmail.com



Download the *flexischools* app to get started today!

Our final P&C meeting for 2023 will be held

Monday 27th November at 6pm

at the Lake Grace Hotel on

Please send any agenda items or apologies to

lakegrace.pandc@gmail.com

RSVP to Symone by 24 November

Kind regards Nikki Lewis | P & C President

You're Invited, Join us for our last..... P&C Meeting and Dinner Hosted by: LGDHS P & C 27.11.2023 Monday | 6:00pm Lake Grace Hotel RSVP Symone 0437 430 093 24th November

Canteen Roster

Date			
20/11/2023	Elizabeth Castaldini	Annie Argent	Nikki Lewis
27/11/2023	Teneeka Morgan	Jo Morgan	Amy Elefsen
4/12/2023	Elizabeth Castaldini	Kelly-Anne Gooch	
11/12/2023	Annie Argent	Teneeka Morgan	Elizabeth Castaldini



Morrison Orders

Now is the time to order your copy of this year's school magazine Morrison.

The Morrison is a whole school annual magazine which features highlights of the students school year. It is also a great memento of all events, excursions, assemblies, camps, carnivals and academic exploits undertaken at Lake Grace District High School.

The magazine is sent to a printer to be produced as a high quality book.

Please fill out the order form below and return to the front office by:

Friday 17th November, 2023

Please include the total cost of \$20.00 with your order.

If you would like to EFT your payment - BSB: 036167 A/C: 279263

Please include your surname and 'Morrison' as the reference.

NAME:

NUMBER OF COPIES:

SIGNATURE:

Included is my \$20.00.

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

Orders due by Friday 17th November 2023



Lake Grace District High School 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	Book Fair High Schoot Exam Week	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 Grad Dinner	8	9/10
10	11	12	13 Christmas Concert	14 Newsletter Harvest Festival P & C Fun Day	15 Staff Development Day No Students Attending	16/17