



Lake Grace District High School NEWSLETTER #1

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Thursday 5th February 2026

Term 1

Upcoming Events

Swimming Lessons

Monday 9th February-
Friday 20th February

LGDHS P & C AGM and General Meeting

Monday 9th February @
6.30pm

Secondary Class Meetings

Tuesday 10th February

Student Leader Election

Wednesday 11th
February @ 11am

Shared Assembly/ Primary Class Meetings

Thursday 12th February
@2.10pm

Sci-tech Incursion

Pre-Primary-Yr6

Monday 23rd February

Mini Industry Roadshow

Yr 9/10

Wednesday 25th February

Labour Day Public Holiday

Monday 2nd March

SCHOOL HOURS

Wednesday (early close)

8.45am—2.30pm

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

8.45am—3.00pm



LGDHS

Welcome

BACK
TO
SCHOOL

February 2nd & 3rd, 2026



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Message from Administration

WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back to the start of another wonderful school year. I hope the holiday break provided time for rest, connection and moments of joy with family and friends. It has been a pleasure to see our school come alive again with the energy, smiles and excitement of our students as they return ready to learn. Term One always brings a special sense of possibility. New classrooms, new friendships and new goals create fresh opportunities for growth and achievement. Our staff are looking forward to supporting every child to feel safe, confident and inspired as they begin their learning journey for the year. We have some new faces around our school from the Kindy classroom to our SIDE classroom, a special welcome to them and their families, we can't wait to see you flourish at LGDHS. Special mention also as a welcome to Indi Minter who has taken on the role as Education Assistant in the Pre-Primary and Year 1 classes and best wishes to Sarah Allen who is taking long service leave for the duration of semester one. Mrs Charlee Garlick will be supporting the Kindy students in her absence.

We value the strong partnerships we share with our families and community and we thank you for the trust you place in us each day. When we work together, our children thrive. We encourage open communication and welcome your involvement throughout the term. We are excited for what lies ahead and proud of the caring, respectful culture that makes our school such a special place. Here's to a positive and successful Term One filled with learning, connection and celebration.

Containers for Change

Our school is taking part in *Containers for Change*! By donating eligible drink containers, you're helping us raise funds for our Breakfast Club, which supports students by providing a healthy start to the school day. Funds are desperately needed so any support would be greatly appreciated, simply bring your empty containers to school or drop them off at a participating collection point and choose to donate the refund.

Our bins are located outside of room one, oval side.

Every container counts—thank you for supporting our students and our school community.



Thankyou Lions Club

The Lake Grace Lions Club has donated our Breakfast Club a generous amount of items which will be a much appreciated contribution to our Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting week 3! Thankyou very much Lions Club!!

Voluntary Contributions

We kindly encourage parents and guardians to make their voluntary school contributions as soon as possible. These contributions play an important role in supporting classroom resources, extracurricular activities, and programs that enrich our students' learning experiences. Every contribution helps make a meaningful difference. Thank you for your continued support of our school community.





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Uniform Policy Reminder

The school's dress code is important in promoting a positive image of the school and in creating a sense of identity. There are also positive safety aspects in being able to readily identify students both at school and on excursions. The School Board has a responsibility in determining what is appropriate for the school's circumstances. School management of the dress code is a delicate balance between establishing school standards, allowing reasonable opportunity for student self-expression and taking into account diverse cultural backgrounds. The school dress code therefore reflects the unique circumstances of our school community. Holders of pension and health care cards are eligible for clothing assistance; generally this applies for students between 12-16 years of age. Details of the assistance scheme are available from the school office. All new students enrolling at LGDHS will be supplied with a complimentary school hat.

Standards: For the health and well-being of all students it is necessary that all students are clean and well groomed including clipped fingernails and long hair tied back.

Permitted Exceptions

- Studs or sleepers for pierced ears
- Small studs only for noses
- Watches
- Cultural/religious/medical jewellery

Not Permitted (unless listed in permitted exceptions list)

- Jewellery
- Body piercings
- Cosmetics (make up)
- Nail polish and extensions
- Coloured or dyed hair

Staff Contact Reminder

If you wish to contact your child's teacher regarding school matters, we ask that you **REFRAIN** from contacting them outside of school hours on personal and/or social media platforms. Please contact staff via professional email outlets, outlined below or call the front office for emergencies on 9865 4500.

Office Hours are: 8:00am-4:00pm , Monday– Friday



Staff Contact List

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Connect and Respect



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Connect and Respect

Every student, staff member, parent or carer has the right to feel safe and be safe in our schools.

We all share a responsibility for providing a safe, supportive and productive environment, free from bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence.

What we can all expect:



mutual
respect



model positive
behaviour



open
communication



respect for each
other's time

We will not tolerate:



offensive, insulting
or aggressive
language



malicious or
judgemental
gossip



using
social media
disrespectfully



any form of
violence or
threats

Appropriate action will be taken to ensure all staff are safe if the need arises.

Classroom Meetings



CLASSROOM MEETINGS



HIGH SCHOOL

Tuesday the 10th at 4:30 in Rm 11



PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thursday the 12th

Kindy & Pre-primary 3:05 - 3:15

Year 4/5 3:20 - 3:30

Year 1 - 3:35-3:45

Year 2/3 - 3:50 - 4:00

Year 5/6 - 4:05 - 4:15



SHARED ASSEMBLY

Shared Assembly will be held at 2:10pm. Please note PP & yr 1 will not attend due to swimming lessons. The ECE area and quadrangle area will be supervised after school.



Zooper Doopers for sale \$1 each.

Rotary Exchange Opportunity

INTERESTED IN AN INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE IN 2027?



Applications open in January and close 24 March 2026 for Exchanges starting January 2027



A Rotary Youth Exchange allows you to:

- Travel, live & study overseas for a year
- Learn another language
- Develop a network of friends from around the world
- Experience a new culture

To find out more:

www.exchangestudentwa.org.au

For further information please email

ryechair9423@rotarywa.au

Open to all WA students who will be between 15 – 18.5 in January 2027 and have completed at least year 10.

Financial assistance may be available.



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Scitech Incursion



PROGRAM DETAILS

Junior Science Shows and Workshops (Kindy - Year 3)

Bend, pour, twist, shake – there are so many ways to investigate using our hands.

Hands on! Science Show

Together we're going to play a game – roll the giant dice to determine which scientific investigations we will do. Land on 'spin' and we'll defy gravity, spinning a cup of water over our heads without spilling. Land on 'shake' and we'll change the colour of water just by shaking it. There is no better way to explore the world than through science – observing closely, getting curious and experimenting. We've loaded the dice for maximum science fun and are ready to join students on an odyssey through the everyday. Expect the unexpected as we stretch our minds and spin out with exciting demonstrations and maybe even a touch of fire. See what we can discover when we get hands on!

Hands on! Workshop

Students use their senses and our science equipment to investigate and explore a collection of interesting objects.

Senior Science Shows and Workshops (Year 4 - Year 6)

Use scientific thinking to explore surprising mysteries!

Mystery Hunters Science Show

Scientists are always observing the world and trying to explain the way it works. But sometimes mysterious things happen – things that defy our expectations. This is exciting, because it helps us better understand the world we live in – and can lead to amazing new science and technologies.

This show will astonish you and make you think with gravity-defying, colour-changing, mind-bending demonstrations and a whole lot of fun. You'll leave ready to go hunt your own mysteries using the scientific process – with a greater appreciation for the amazing ways science is part of everyday life.

Mystery Hunters Workshop

Using their best scientific thinking, students compete to design the strongest electromagnet.

Times	Science Shows – Venue 1 <i>Location: Covered area with a 3x3 for stage, access to power and water i.e. Hall / Undercover area/ Gym</i>	Science Workshops – Venue 2 <i>Location: require a cleared, sheltered area with access to power i.e. Classroom, art/science room, wet area</i>		
11:20 – 12:20	Scitech presenters arrive to setup			
12:20 – 12:50	Hands On! SHOW Kindy - Year 2/3 55 students	Mystery Hunters WORKSHOP Year 5/6 21 students		
12:50 – 13:20	Lunch			
12:50 – 13:20	<i>Scitech Staff Lunch Break</i>			
13:20 – 13:50	Mystery Hunters SHOW Year 3/4 – Year 5/6 39 students	Hands On! WORKSHOP Kindy – Pre-Primary 25 students		
14:05 – 14:25	Mystery Hunters WORKSHOP Year 3/4 18 students	Hands On! WORKSHOP Year 1/2 - Year 2/3 30 students		
14:25 – 15:25	Scitech Staff pack-up and depart			
Bell Times	08:45	10:40	12:50	15:00



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Triple P Workshops



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Free online workshops for parents

Term 1, 2026

Who is running the workshops?

School Psychologist Consultants from the Department of Education WA.

What are the workshops about?

We are offering free, live online workshops to help parents and carers support their children. Most workshops are part of the **Triple P – Positive Parenting Program**, which gives simple ideas to help children learn skills, behave well, and feel confident. Some workshops may focus on other topics to support families.

Who can join?

All parents and carers are welcome. The workshops are free and online.

How do I join a workshop?

Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register. You will receive a confirmation email with a Webex link and reminder before the session.

Note: Webinars are live and not recorded. For the best experience, we recommend downloading the [Webex app](#) before the session.



Want to learn more?

You can register for a range of free face-to-face, live online, or self-paced parenting programs via the [Department of Education WA](https://www.education.wa.edu.au/triple-p) website: <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/triple-p>.

Child and Parent Centres also support families across WA with early learning programs, health services, and family support. Visit the [Child and Parent Centres WA](https://childandparentcentres.wa.edu.au) website to find a centre near you: <https://childandparentcentres.wa.edu.au>.



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Triple P Workshops

Workshop	Date and Time
<p>Doing well in high school (children who have started secondary school) A challenge for parents of teenagers is knowing how to encourage them to make the most of their time at school. This workshop will help you teach your child key skills as they transition into high school: developing self-discipline, problem-solving, getting involved in school activities, following school rules, having supportive friends, attendance, and study habits.</p>	<p>Tuesday 17th February 7.00pm – 9.00pm</p>
<p>Learning to use the toilet (toddlers & pre-schoolers) Teaching children to use the toilet independently can be challenging for parents. This workshop will provide tips on when your child may be ready, the skills needed to use the toilet and some common behavioural issues related to using the toilet. This workshop is suitable for parents of children with neurotypical development and does not address medical problems related to using the toilet.</p>	<p>Monday 23rd February 8.00pm – 10.00pm</p>
<p>Now you've started school (children who have started primary school) This workshop is designed for parents and carers whose child has recently begun their school journey. We'll explore ways to strengthen independence skills like getting dressed, eating and using the toilet confidently. You'll also learn strategies for building routines, teaching responsibility and managing separation calmly, helping your child thrive in their new environment.</p>	<p>Power Hour: Lunchtime Session <i>A condensed, impactful session</i> Friday 6th March 12.00pm – 1.00pm</p>
<p>Helping children develop healthy screentime habits (children under 12 years) Living in the digital age has benefits and risks for children and parents. Parents can help children learn to use devices responsibly and make sure screentime doesn't stop children doing other activities that are important for their development. This workshop gives suggestions to help you set up healthy screentime habits and respond to common screentime problems.</p>	<p>Monday 9th March 8.00pm – 10.00pm</p>
<p>Spending time apart (toddlers & pre-schoolers) All children learn to cope with temporary separations from their parents. Learning to be apart can be difficult for children and parents. This workshop gives suggestions to help you teach your child to be comfortable with others and separate calmly from you.</p>	<p>Tuesday 10th March 7.00pm – 9.00pm</p>
<p>Routines and attendance (children who have started primary school) Discover why routines matter and how they make family life easier. Learn practical strategies to create routines that support your child's independence and wellbeing. We'll also cover why regular school attendance is essential, your responsibilities as a parent and tips to help your child attend every day.</p>	<p>Power Hour: Lunchtime Session <i>A condensed, impactful session</i> Friday 20th March 12.00pm – 1.00pm</p>
<p>Power of Positive Parenting (children under 12 years) Children of all ages need a safe, secure and loving environment to do well. This seminar will discuss children's behaviour, how to create a safe, interesting and positive learning environment, how to use assertive discipline, and taking care of yourself as a parent.</p>	<p>Monday 23rd March 8.00pm – 10.00pm</p>
<p>Promoting digital wellbeing (pre-teens & teenagers) A challenge for parents is knowing how to monitor and manage their teenager's use of technology. This workshop will help you set rules and appropriate limits to encourage responsible, safe use of these evolving opportunities.</p>	<p>Tuesday 24th March 7.00pm – 9.00pm</p>

School Notices

SWIMMING LESSONS

Start!

MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

DON'T FORGET TO SEND YOUR FORMS BACK TO FRONT OFFICE ASAP IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY!



WHAT WILL I NEED FOR SWIMMING LESSONS?

- BATHERS
- GOGGLES
- SPARE CHANGE OF CLOTHES (JUST IN CASE)
- SUN PROTECTION

PP – YEAR 7



Slip



Slop



Slap



Seek



Slide

SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEARS 7-12

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO :

\$350

(TOWARDS SCHOOL EXPENSES)

DO YOU HOLD A: - CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD
OR - CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD
OR - VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

Applications Close: Thursday 2nd April 2026

Ask School Reception for More Information

Student Update Forms

Student update forms will be sent home shortly with your children. Please ensure you check, make any necessary corrections, sign and return to the front office as soon as possible. This is the information we hold on our school student information system and is vitally important we have your correct contact details and student medical details. We will also require updated immunisation details from 4/5 year olds who received their school entry immunisations after they commenced Kindy. Thank you. LGDHS Admin.



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Admin Planner | Term 1 2026

Please note: This Planner is subject to change

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT/SUN
	26 Australia Day	27 Admin Commence	28	29 SDD	30 SDD	31/1 FEB
1	2 Students Commence	3	4	5 Newsletter	6	7/8
2	9 Interim Swimming Lessons P & C Meeting @6.30pm	10 Secondary Parent Meetings	11 Student Leader Elections 11am	12 Shared Assembly/ Class Meetings	13	14/15
3	16 Interim Swimming Lessons	17	18	19 Newsletter	20	21/22
4	23 Scitech Incursion Yr P-6	24	25 Mini Industry Road Show Yr 9/10	26	27	28/1 March
5	2 Labour Day Holiday	3	5	5 Newsletter	6 Faction Swimming Carnival	7/8
6	9 ASET Testing	10 ASET Testing	11 NAPLAN	12	13 Cadet Leader Training	14/15
7	16 NAPLAN	17 BMX Incursion	18	19 Year 1 Assembly and Open Classroom Newsletter	20	21/22
8	23	24 Ranger Red Zoo	25	26 Parent Meetings Half Day Closure	27 Interschool Swimming Carnival @ Gnowangerup	28/29
9	30	31	1 APRIL	2 Last Day of Term Newsletter	3 Good Friday Holiday	4/5