

Larmenier Catholic Primary School

term dates

August

- 15 19 Catholic Education Week
- 19 Gr1 farm day
- 22 Book week begins
- 23 Pyjama Day
- 26 Gr4 farm day

September

- 1 Fathers' Day Breakfast
- 2 Prep farm day
- 6 Gr6 visit Aust Maritime College
- 7 Bravehearts 1.30pm (incursion)
- 9 Gr6 farm day
- 15 Gr3 camp
- 16 Gr5 farm day
- 23 Gala Day Grs 5 & 6 Gr3 farm day
- 30 Last day of Term 3 Gr2 farm day

October

17 - First day of Term 4

November

- 4 NIJSSA Athletics Carnival
- 7 LONG WEEKEND
- 11 Remembrance Day Kinder 2023 Orientation Day 1

18 - Gala Day



Just a reminder to all families that we have an increasing number of children who may suffer from a severe reaction to nuts. We discourage nuts at school and hope families will assist in minimising this risk.

18th August, 2022



We can only be said to be alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures.

Thorton Wilder

Happiness researchers speak at length about the links between happiness and gratitude. For many people daily thoughts of gratitude have become a part of their daily lives. How often so you act on this gratitude and say thank you to those around you?

Thank you - it's an everyday etiquette and a simply courtesy that takes just a moment. It costs nothing, not even effort. But it's also one of the most important ways in which we interact with others, both those closest to us and those who we meet in passing.

What is it about a simple thank you that can, by its absence, drain energy out of your life and when used with intention, create a powerful feeling of optimism and well-being in people? Two simple 'golden words' that have can have such power and meaning when used with intent and care.

How often do you say thank you? Do you thank the people who assist you in shops, show a courtesy, or is it so ingrained that you thank the ATM when is gives you money?

What are we modelling for our children in articulating this simple courtesy? Do our children know the importance of these simple words? Our society is continuing to grow and change. Many people are becoming more empowered and more outspoken. We need to teach our children to use their words powerfully and positively. Saying 'thank you' to loved ones, friends and those around us can change situations and relationships. Our children need to experience and practice making this change.

'Thank you' has something truly magical about it. Thank you shows our appreciation and conveys our gratitude. But more than that, it is a sign of respect to the person who has helped you (or given you something). It is an indication you do not take them for granted, and an acknowledgement that they matter. That is why saying thank you matters

Today was good Today was fun! Thank you Thank you Everyone! Dr Seuss



Jacqui Lawless Principal

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Book Week

The more that you read, the more things you will know: The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.

Dr Seuss

Next week we celebrate Book Week and the 'joy of reading'.

Reading is an essential life skill.

Research shows that learning to read is one of the most important factors in school success and that an early exposure to books and stories substantially contributes to success in early literacy. There are strong links between literacy, school performance, self-esteem and life chances, with poor literacy skills being linked with lower education, earnings, health and social outcomes.

Figures from the <u>Australian Bureau of Statistics</u> show that 44% of Australian adults don't have the literacy skills they need to cope with the demands of everyday life and work.

Children need to become proficient at reading so they can experience the joy reading can bring independently, however, children of all ages generally enjoy being read to.

Reading is so important to success in school. Parents can and should play a role in helping their children to become interested in reading and in encouraging their growth in reading skills.

Parent can support their children by:

- Providing varied reading material some for reading enjoyment and some with information about hobbies and interests.
- ◆ Encouraging activities that require reading for example, cooking (reading a recipe), constructing a kite (reading directions), or identifying an interesting bird's nest or a shell collected at the beach (using a reference book).
- Establishing a reading time, even if it is only ten minutes a day. (this includes for proficient readers)
- Writing notes to your school-age child; encourage written responses.
- Asking your child to bring a library book home to read to a younger sibling.
- ★ Encourage your child in all reading efforts.
- ◆ Read the same book as your child, discuss what has happened and what you think will happen next.

On Tuesday we will be wearing pyjamas to school to celebrate the theme

'Dreaming with eyes open!

Father Des

At the end of this year Father Des will be leaving the Kings Meadows parish, St Peters and Larmenier. He has been moved to Queensland.

Father Des has been with us for 6 years. His gentle and supportive nature has been appreciated by everyone within our community. His warm presence will be greatly missed.

We will formally farewell Father Des at the end of the year.



Fathers Day Breakfast

On Thursday the 1st of September at 8.00am we will celebrate Fathers Day with breakfast followed by a liturgy at 9.00am. Fathers, Step Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles and all the men we love are invited. An invitation and catering information has been posted on compass.



Aboriginal Cultural visitor

Over the next few weeks, we welcome Bianca Templar to our primary classrooms. Bianca will be talking to and working with our children around a range of aboriginal teachings and learning. We look forward to hearing about them in future newsletters.

Naming Items

We are continuing to return lost items to children, but can only do this when they are clearly named. Please ensure all items (clothing, lunch boxes, drink bottles etc) are clearly named.

Do you have plans for 2023?

If you have plans to leave Larmenier at the end of the year, please let us know as soon as possible.

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Kindergarten Bible Character Day Last week our Kinder children (and staff) dressed up as bible

Last week our Kinder children (and staff) dressed up as bible characters. We were joined by Noah, Moses, Mary, Martha, Deborah, many animals from the ark and angel among many others. This was a fun was to explore who is in the bible and a how they dressed and lived. Children loved seeing each other in costume and had a great day.



















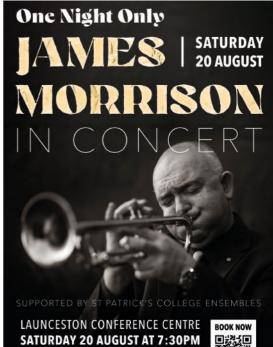


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