



Larmenier Catholic Primary School

term dates

November

- 4 - NIJSSA Athletics Carnival
- Gr1 Farm Day
- 7 - LONG WEEKEND
- 8 - Learn to swim Gr1&2 (2weeks)
- 11 - Remembrance Day
- Kinder 2023 Orientation Day 1
- Gr5 Farm Day
- 18 - Gala Day
- Kinder 2023 Orientation Day 2
- Prep & Gr4 Farm Day
- 25 - Gr6 Farm Day

December

- 7 - Leaver's Dinner
- 8 - End of Year Mass, St Peters Church
- 9 - Concert at Door of Hope
- 14 - Last Day of 2022
- Final Farewell Assembly



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.



27th October, 2022

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Jacqui Lawless
Principal

Welcome to Term 4

The straight line belongs to men, the curved one to God.
Antoni Gaudi

Term 4 always feels like the home straight of a long and busy year. The weather clears, the germs leave, smiles return and the end is near.

It would be easy to think that the term will move along smoothly, as predicted. But we know that this is rarely the case. There will be twists and turns, challenges and success. This is another great opportunity for us to both model and to teach our children about resilience and perseverance.

Resilience refers to one's ability to successfully manage life and to successfully adapt to change and stressful events in healthy and constructive ways. In simple terms, it is our survivability and 'bounce-back-ability' to life experiences and that means both the really advantageous ones as well as the really challenging ones.

Some things we can do to support our children include;

- Try not to accommodate every need and over protect children. They need to work on problem solving
- Give children an appropriate amount of freedom to take risks and make mistakes
- Teach problem solving skills. This includes embracing nervousness and planning with strategy

Perseverance is the quality that allows someone to continue trying even in the face of difficulty, adversity, or impossibility. Perseverance is a necessary skill for discovering new ideas, and experiencing setbacks or failures; re-drafting and re-planning are all necessary steps toward developing it.

Ideas to support our children include

- Provide challenges that are not easily achieved, not everything should be easy
- Understand it is OK for children to be frustrated, that they don't need rescuing from this, but supported in moving through it
- Offer praise and encouragement for effort

As the next term takes its curved path with gravel roads, paved roads and dirt tracks, as we move our way up hills and mountains to slip quickly down the other side, sometimes landing in a heap, and as we travel together may we take the opportunity to practise resilience and perseverance in all we do and wherever we are.



Athletics Carnival

Although the forecast of rain did not eventuate, we braved a blustery day to participate in the Year 2 – Year 6 Athletics Carnival. The children ran hard, threw well, participated in everything and cheered with great enthusiasm. It was a great day! We will announce the winners and conclude the formal parts at assembly next week. This was made impossible by the wind on the day.

We have many parent helpers on the day. Thank you for giving up your time to support our children and community it was greatly appreciated. Thank you to those who were able to come along and support the children.

Thank you to Ms Hughes who once again worked hard to organise, set up and run a successful carnival.

Uniform Shop

After over 10 years for Lanai and 6 years for Jo they have decided to leave the Uniform Shop. On their advice and advice from other schools, we have decided that we will no longer have a Uniform Shop at school but uniforms will be sold from Midfords in the city.

The advantages include

- Open 6 days a week, all day
- Greater ordering capacity
- They deliver to school each week if needed
- An online store will be set up for Larmenier

Midfords will provide us with information that will be sent home to families to ensure the transition is a smooth one. Our Uniform Shop will close in late November for stocktake and removal.

Finance System

During the holiday we ‘rolled over’ from our old finance system to a new system, known as Tech One. You may notice a few slight changes as outlined in a letter that has been sent home via compass.

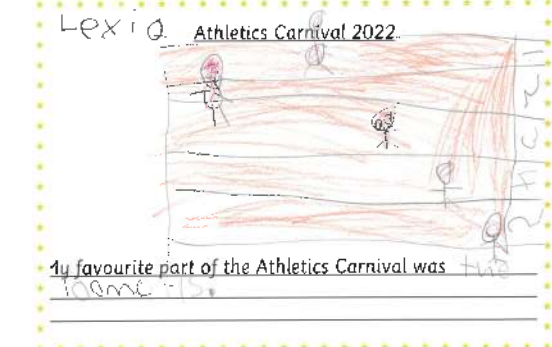
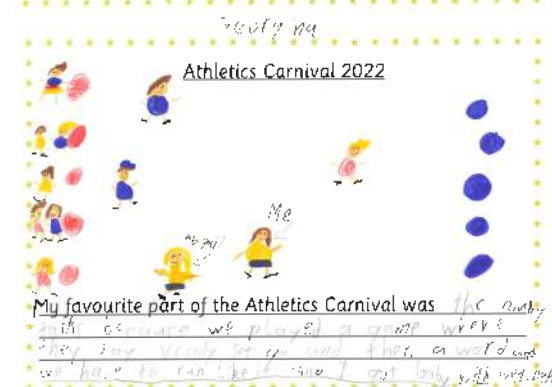
Thank you to Mary Williams who has worked hard during this time to ensure the change has gone smoothly. We ask for your patience as we navigate the new processes ahead.

Surveillance System

Over the holiday period we installed a fantastic surveillance system in the grounds of Larmenier. This system will hopefully work to protect our grounds and facilities from those who don't do the right things. It will also assist us in reporting to police as necessary.

Families are always welcome to play in our grounds over the weekend or holidays and we hope this continues. These cameras are only for those who are doing the wrong thing.

Grade 2's Athletic Carnival writing



Emergency Practice

In the near future, whilst at recess or lunch we will hold an unannounced emergency practice with staff & students, to test our response to a potential scenario that staff identify a threat warranting the school go into lockdown (opposite to evacuation).

Like for fire evacuation drills, we recognised the worth to test this process.

We have plans in place to make this practice as least disruptive as possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regional Basketball

Over the past weekend and for the following weekend many children from Year 3 – Year 6 will be representing Larmenier at the Regional Basketball tournaments. It is great that many of our children are not experienced basketballers but are willing to try something new and have fun with their team mates.

Thank you to the parents and families who have been able to support their children over these weekends. Thank you also to Sam Milbourne who has organised these teams.

PAT Testing

Over the next few weeks all children from Prep – Year 6 will sit the PAT tests. These tests help us see how much children have improved and in what areas they still need support. The data is used by the teachers next year to ensure the learning is cohesive and purposeful from the beginning of the school year.

December Dates

Wednesday the 7th of December – Leavers Dinner
Thursday the 8th December – End of Year Mass at St Peters
Friday 9th of December – Concert at the Door of Hope
Wednesday 14th December – Last day of the school year and Final Farewell Assembly

Lost Property

There are many items of lost property (uniforms and lunch boxes) that have not been claimed. What is not claimed will be repurposed.

Please encourage your children to look carefully, these items are expensive and need to be looked after.

It is a timely reminder to name all items clearly.

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.

Did you know?

The End of Year activities incorporate everyone.

The **Leavers Dinner** is for our leaving Year 6 students. This is usually held at the Kings meadows Golf Club. Parents drop excited children at the door and collect them when the fun and dancing is over.

The **End of Year Mass** is for all children and parents and families are welcome to join us. This is a Thanksgiving Mass, where we give thanks for our year. There is a blessing for our Year 6 children at the end of mass. This year we will also be farewelling Father Des from our community.

The **Concert** is for all children from Prep – Year 6. The children spend Term 4 rehearsing for a performance that involves everyone. Younger children have a smaller part (perhaps a class song and the opening and closing pieces) and as children get older their parts become larger. Information is sent home regarding costumes for all children. The show changes every year. It is not usually Christmas based. There is always plenty of room for parents and families to join us. We do not sell tickets. We encourage everyone to come on the day and enjoy the show.

The **Final Farewell Assembly** is to farewell our Year 6 children. It is in this assembly that Year 6 handover the leadership of the school and are presented with a range of awards. Although is this a predominately Year 6 occasion, everyone is welcome to attend.

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.

Story Box

Perhaps it is a night where you are just too busy to read a story to your child, perhaps all the children want a different story or perhaps your child just loves being read aloud to. This is a great resource for everyone!

We continue to subscribe Larmenier Catholic Primary School to **Story Box Library**, an online reading room rich with Australian stories, diverse storytellers, detailed classroom notes and short films - giving students valuable insights into the process of storytelling.

You can access the library here: <https://storyboxlibrary.com.au/schools>

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Athletics Carnival

24th October 2022



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