

Term 1 Week 10, 2024

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

It is important for individuals, organisations, businesses and indeed countries to have aspirational goals and to have strategies which support the achievement of those goals. As a school we have a four year Strategic Improvement Plan (SIP) which has embedded in it goals, strategies and benchmarks, which we as a school try to achieve.

At the core of the SIP is student achievement and everything we do is working towards improving student achievement.

Goal setting is also immensely important for students as it provides direction, motivation, and a sense of purpose in their academic, social and wellbeing journey. Here are several key reasons why goal setting is crucial for students:

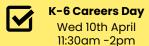
Clarity of Purpose: Setting goals helps students clarify what they want to achieve academically, socially and longer term what they want to do when we they leave school. Whether it's improving results, mastering a specific subject, or pursuing extra - curricular interests, having clear goals provides students with a sense of purpose and direction.

Motivation and Engagement: Goals act as powerful motivators for students. When students have specific, achievable goals, they are more likely to be engaged and committed to their studies. Goals provide a sense of challenge and accomplishment. spurring students to work harder and persist in the face of obstacles.

Focus and Prioritization: By setting goals, students learn to prioritize tasks and manage their time effectively. Goals help students focus their attention on what is most important, allowing them to allocate their resources (time, energy, and effort) efficiently towards achieving their objectives.

Enhanced Self-esteem and Confidence: Accomplishing goals boosts students' selfesteem and confidence in their abilities. As students achieve their objectives, they

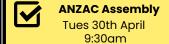
















develop a sense of competence and self-efficacy, believing in their capacity to overcome challenges and succeed in future endeavours.

Resilience and Adaptability: Goal setting teaches students important life skills such as resilience, adaptability, and perseverance. When students encounter setbacks or obstacles, they learn to reassess their goals, adjust their strategies, and persist in the face of adversity.

In summary, goal setting is essential for students as it fosters clarity, motivation, focus, and self-improvement. By setting and striving towards meaningful goals, students can maximize their potential, achieve academic success, and develop important skills for lifelong learning and personal growth.

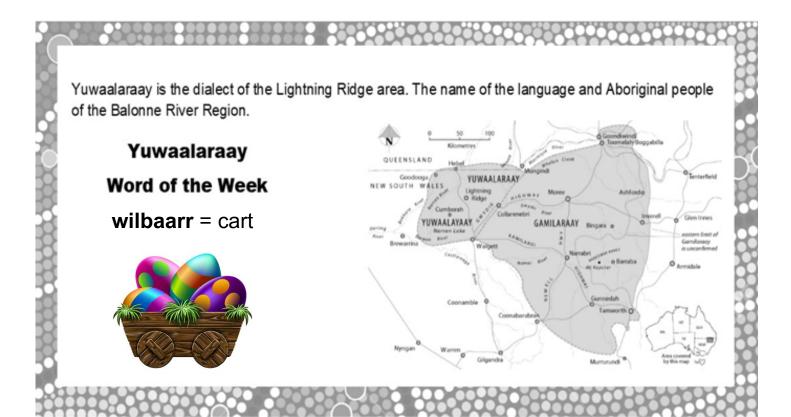
I encourage parents to talk to their students to discuss the goal and aspirations with their students. Even younger students who mention what they want to be when they grow up is indeed a goal even if it is one that may change very quickly.

For older students sometimes goals can be clarified by working out what they do not want to do. This is one of the reasons why the Educational Pathways and Careers program is so important. Students who participate these programs may gain clarity on what careers they do not want to pursue, which can be just powerful as knowing what career a student does want to undertake.

We all need to have goals but nobody more than young people.



Every student. Every day.



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We have finished Term 1 2024 with a BANG!!

As usual LRCS offers a number of opportunities for our students to participate in. During this fortnight students have participated in NAPLAN, Defence force work experience, Zone winter trials, Job Readiness training for students in Year 10 & 11, NRL development day in Coonamble, White card training and the induction of the SRC.

Students who have only positive incidents in our wellbeing system will receive a Deputy Principal award in Week 11. Each term students who display a positive attitude and demonstrate following our turtle goals are rewarded for their efforts.

Staff will be working with some students and parents on completing Personalised Learning Pathways (PLASP's) on Monday 29th April.

All Students will return to school on Tuesday 30th April, Secondary students start their school day at 8:40am. On Tuesday 30th April our ANZAC Assembly will be held in the secondary cola at 9:30am This is an opportunity to acknowledge the ANZAC spirit.

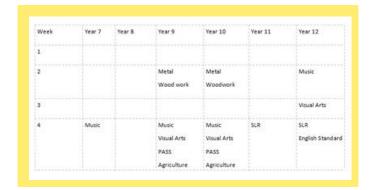
The community ANZAC march will be held on 25th April, we encourage our students to attend the dawn service and the mid morning march, please wear school uniform. Those wishing to march please assemble at the chemist in full school uniform at 10:30am.

Next term students in Years 7-10 will be sitting Half Yearly Examinations in some subjects during week 5. If you know your child will be away during this week please contact the school to organise an alternative time for your child to sit their exams. Half yearly reports will be published early next term for students in Years 11 & 12

Assessment Tasks due Term 2

This is a guide indicating when assessment tasks are due for each year group.

At times the tasks may be moved due to unforeseen circumstances, students will be notified in writing when an assessment task due date needs to be rescheduled.



School Leaders Morning Tea

On Tuesday 26th March, our school leaders, together with their parents and grandparents, attended a special morning tea to acknowledge our School Captains and Student Representative Council for 2024.

Parents and Grandparents took part in pinning the badges on the students, symbolising their support and acknowledgment of their child's achievements and responsibilities.

Congratulations to our school leaders, we look forward to you leading our school with Pride!

















ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Term 1 came and went, as I reflect on the Term it feels like a blur, but what a busy and successful blur it was!

There has been a big focus on literacy in the classrooms, particularly sentence structure and writing interesting sentences. When children understand the basics of writing a good sentence, we see a flow effect in their writing in general.

A great LRCS team are responsible for ensuring school operations run smoothly. The Assistant Principals, teachers, School Learning Support Officers (SLSO), office and ground staff combine to make the day to day running and special events look so easy! A lot of time, energy and usually stress go into making every day a great day.

Our Year 3 and 5 students underwent NAPLAN testing last week. This was a huge ordeal for organiser, Mr Israel Rogers and sometimes students as well. NAPLAN ran to plan and all involved need to be congratulated for their efforts.

Sport has also played a big part of the term. Thank you, Mr Ellery, for your outstanding planning and organisation. This allows us to experience great sporting opportunities, carnivals and particularly for going above and beyond, and supporting our representative teams when they travel far and wide.

The Primary School are working a on a K-6 mural for the Walgett Show. We thank Ms Jillian Gates, Miss Priscilla Martinez and Mrs Kelly Morriss for their dedication and hard work. A lot of the behind-the-scenes preparation was done by the teachers on weekends and after hours. I hope you will have the chance to attend the show and see our fantastic group masterpiece. Show dates are this weekend, 6th and 7th April.

Harmony Day was a huge success. Once again, a lot of hard work happens to ensure the success of such events. A big shout out goes to Miss Clark for her exceptional organisation and for having all ingredients and utensils required for the food preparation readily available so the classes could showcase delicious culinary delights from around the globe- I can confirm the food was "My Kitchen Rules" standard- Yum!

As usual, the Easter hat parade was a huge hit. The students' individuality and creativity shone as they paraded their finery at the parade. Thank you to Miss Clark for organising all the resources they needed for the making of the spectacular bonnets. A fantastic day was had by all.



















Worth your Weight in Opal Tyarhlie Morris ES1J

Tyarhlie was nominated by Mrs Cross for walking responsibly in the bus lines. Keep up the good work Tyarhlie!



Worth your Weight in Opal Willow El-Sheikh S1D

Willow was nominated by Mrs Javis for comforting a friend in need.
Well Done Willow!



Worth your Weight in Opal Josh Kuehn S20

Josh was nominated by Miss Melissa for doing extra literacy work with a great attitude.

Keep up the good work Josh!



Worth your Weight in Opal Harley Platts S3N

Harley was ignoring distractions in Macqlit and trying his best at all times.

Well Done Harley!

Stage 2

This term S2H have been studying the book Fantastic Mr Fox by Roald Dahl. All students have been deeply engaged in the story creating story maps, finding the meaning of unknown words in dictionaries, and debating the morals of stealing food to feed your family or should you let your family starve!













Stage 2 Excursion Fundraiser

Congratulations to Myah Claus for having the closest guess of 290 for the large jar which held 189 chocolate easter eggs.

Congratulations to Lydia Langmead for guessing spot on with 123 eggs in the smaller jar.

Stage 2 would like to thank everyone for their support in raising \$156 towards their Stage 2 excursion to Lake Burrendong in term 3.



Secondary Studies

Child Studies

Stage 5 Child studies class have been busy this semester studying 'play and the development of children.' They have visited Miss Richardson's kindergarten class on Monday afternoon's engaging with students in a variety of activities. Students have also been working on their Art port folio assessment task, creating art works.









Sport, Leisure and Recreation

Year 11 Sport, Leisure and Recreation class have been engaging in a range out outdoor recreational activities during class. They will be putting their skills to test later in the term with an overnight camping trip to Bangate Station.

Secondary MC

Our Secondary MC class has been busy this term. We have been spending time with the newest residents to LRCS Rusty and Dusty, brushing them, feeding them and walking them daily.

We also had the privilege of participating in wheelchair basketball workshops and learning new skills on the court!









Australian Defence Forces

On Sunday 17th March, Tim Wykes and Debbie Manning, from the Educational Pathways Program, headed off with 12 students from the Lightning Ridge region for a Defence Force Immersion week. Isabelle Massey, Work Experience Manager, from the Department of Defence created a unique program for us to allow exposure to as much of the forces as possible.

Starting at the Royal Australian Airforce (RAAF) in Wagga Wagga the students were warmly Welcomed to Country by Flight Lieutenant James Evans and given an overview of what was to come. The first day had the students up bright and early for a PFA (Pre-Fitness Assessment) which is a requirement for anyone hoping to join the RAAF as a cadet. They all gave their best and impressed the PT instructor who advised that they would all pass the initial PFA needed to join.

Students were allowed access to the air simulators and got hands on experience in the ground control of aircraft. They were also able to sit in a cockpit simulator and learn about some of the mechanics and roles that are available as a RAAF member. We were fortunate to be at the base when the Prime Ministers plane landed and had an opportunity to board for a close look at the aircraft.

The students participated in some of the leadership and teamwork scenarios that are given to serving members which required them to work together as a team to achieve their goals. Not easy tasks however they all worked together and were able to come up with solutions and worked towards achieving their goals.

Students were provided with a 'kit' to utilise during the week and were taught to form up, salute and march when moving throughout the base. They were able to tour the RAAF recruit training facility to see and hear firsthand what life on the base as a recruit would be like.

From there we moved on to Canberra for a more reflective day. After a hike up Mount Ainsely students attended the Australian War Memorial where Indigenous Liaison Officer, Michael Bell met with us at the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Memorial. Michael explained the significance of the memorial and the continued efforts being made to research and acknowledge the sacrifice of the many Indigenous and Torres Strait Islanders who fought for our country and sadly have not been given the recognition for their efforts. Two students, George Kennedy and Izabella Mallouk were honoured with the laying of a wreath at the pool of reflection during the Last Post ceremony.

Up bright and early again, the next day was spent at the Australian Defence Force Academy (ADFA). Students were able to speak one on one with serving members across the forces whose careers ranged from months to years and ask any questions that they may have had. Further activities had the students working together in a range of challenges. Students were placed into pairs and worked together on the rock-climbing walls, which was not as easy as it looked. Following that they were split into two teams and working together had to enter a simulated tunnel system to achieve a set task and find their way out, which both teams achieved. Then it was on to one of the most popular physical activities – the over water obstacle course. This was a very physically demanding course, and the students did exceedingly well.

The final destination on the tour was the HMAS Albatross at Nowra to experience the Navy. A great presentation gave everyone more information as to the options available within the Navy – a lot more than most thought. There was an opportunity to look firsthand had some of the weaponry used and further explanations about life at sea on the 'big' ships, along with life on the 'small' boats. Students were taken into the air technical area to see the training that cadets undertake when learning to work upon helicopters and weaponry.

Then they were off to the pool for sea survival training. Students were supplied with overalls and jumped 3 metres (and 6 metres for those who wanted to test themselves) into the pool. They learnt about water survival techniques in solo situations and how to work as a team to survive as a group. After a few very busy and informative days it was time to have a well-earned break and an afternoon trip to Vincentia beach finished off the week's activities.

The activities and information provided to the students throughout the week gave them all insight into the opportunities – and responsibilities - that are available with the Australian Defence Forces.

















Music Awards

Each week all students who have been following our Turtle Goals and displaying positive behaviour are put into a draw. Students from primary and students from secondary are drawn out. These students then get to choose a song which will be played for our new bell music. Congratulations to our Week 9 &10 winners.

Primary: Allegra Kaluski, Halo Alchin, Elysha Geli, Kimora Bailey, Deucum Vrtacnik,, Ellie Turnbull, Lucy Barwick, Eli Jacobson.

Secondary: Austin Hallet, Parker Bevan, Milli McCabe





Lots of Socks Day

Last week we celebrated 'Lots of Socks Day' at LRCS for World Down Syndrome Day!

Together on this day we raise awareness of Down syndrome among the community, as well as raise funds for the Down syndrome association who continue their valuable work in providing support, advocacy, and empowering people with Down syndrome now and into the future. Thank you to our staff and students we raised an amazing \$147!

The idea behind the 'Lots of Socks' initiative is acceptance of all our differences, and what makes us unique as an individual. Socks come in all shapes, sizes, and designs, just like each of us!





If you need to get a message to your child please contact the school office by 2:30pm

Easter Hat Making

On Monday the 25th March, it was great to see so many parents and carers join us for K- 6 Easter Hat Making!

Parents and children dove into the creative process, sharing ideas and techniques, demonstrating the power of collaboration and the joy of creating something beautiful together. It was a sight to behold as each hat began to take shape, reflecting not only the artistic vision of its creators but also the warmth of the bond between parent and child. This activity highlighted the importance of family involvement in education, showing that learning and fun can indeed go hand in hand.



K-6 Easter Hat Parade

The annual Easter Hat Parade was held last week, showcasing the creativity of our students with their Easter hats that were made in class.

It was lovely to have so many families attend to encourage and support our students as they paraded around the Primary Cola. They were even treated to a special visitor... the Easter Bunny!











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P&C Uniform Shop



Uniform Shop Opening hours

Wednesday's

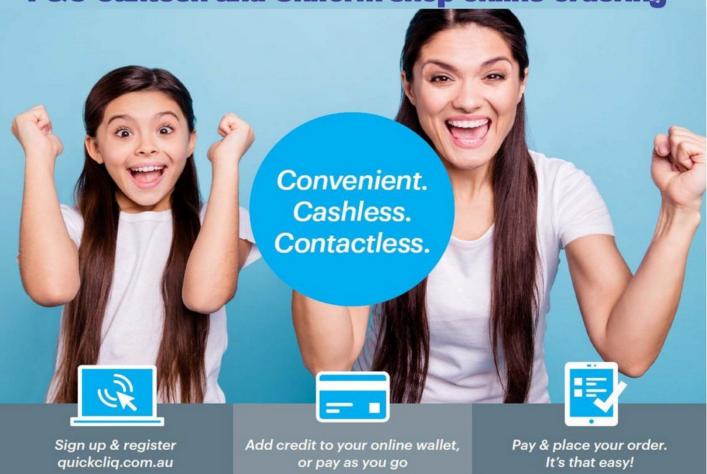
8:30am - 9:00am

Order forms are available from the School Office.





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WHOLE SCHOOL ITEMS	PRICE	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Hats – Bucket (replacement if hat provided is lost)	\$5.00			
Library Bags	\$7.00			
Sports Shirts – House colours	\$7.00			
PRIMARY K-6	PRICE	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Shirts K-6 – Red	\$20.00			
Shorts – Black	\$15.00			
Skorts – Black	\$15.00			
Sloppy Joe – Red (limited stock and sizes)	\$5.00			
Hoodie – Red	\$30.00			
Jacket – Red	\$35.00			
Trackpants – Black Microfibre	\$25.00			
Trackpants – Black Fleecy	\$20.00			
SECONDARY 7-12	PRICE	SIZE	QUANTITY	TOTAL
Shirts Years 7 – 10 Red/ Black	\$25.00			
Shirts Year 11 – 12 Senior Red/Black	\$25.00			
Shorts – Black	\$15.00			
Jacket – Black (limited stock and sizes)	\$35.00			
Hoodie – Black	\$30.00			
Canterbury Jersey	\$65.00			
Trackpants – Black Microfibre	\$25.00			
Trackpants – Black Fleecy	\$20.00			
Caps – Black	\$7.00			
			TOTAL:	

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SNACKS		SANDWICHES (Gluten Free available add 50c)		HOTFOODS		
				Party Pie	\$2.00	
Fruit Salad	\$2.50	Vegemite	\$3.00	Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender	\$2.00	
Cheese Stick	\$1.50	Strawberry Jam	\$3.00	Garlic Bread	\$2.50	
Muffin (chocolate or blueberry)	\$2.00	Cheese & Salad	\$4.50	Chicken or Beef Noodles	\$2.50	
Red Rock Deli Chips (Sea salt)	\$1.50	Ham & Cheese	\$4.00	6 Chicken Strips	\$4.00	
Yoplait Yoghurt 100grams (vanilla,		Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50	Ham & Cheese Pizza	\$4.00	
strawberry or mango)	\$2.00	Ham & Salad	\$5.00	Sausage Roll	\$4.50	
Crunch Cup (carrot, celery, cucumber & cheese w/ garlic aioli)	\$3.50	Egg, lettuce & mayo	\$4.00	Travellers Beef Pie	\$5.00	
Milky Max Chocolate custard 100g	\$2.00	Egg & Salad	\$5.00	Chicken & Gravy Roll	\$6.00	
(111) 3		Chicken & mayo	\$4.00	Cheese Burger	\$0.00	
DRINKS		Tray of mixed sandwiches	\$5.00	(beef pattie & cheese)	\$6.00	
Spring Water 600ml	\$2.00	(5 quarters)		Beef Burger (lettuce, tomato, beef pattie		
Spring Water 1.5L	\$3.00	WRAPS		& cheese)	\$8.00	
Just Juice Poppers 200ml		(VIA ORDER)		Chicken Burger		
(apple, orange, apple/blackcurrant	1	Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$8.00	(lettuce, flame grilled chicken,	20000000	
or paradise punch)	\$2.00			cheese & mayo)	\$8.00	
M2Go Milk 250ml carton		Salad Only	\$8.00	Hot dog		
(strawberry or chocolate)	\$2.00	Ham & Salad	\$8.00	(your choice of mustard, tomato sauce or BBQ sauce)	\$5.00	
Classic Milk 300ml (strawberry or chocolate)	\$3.00	Chicken & Salad	\$8.00			
	\$0.00	Chicken chilli tender, mayo,				
Classic Milk 500ml (strawberry or chocolate)	\$4.50		lettuce \$8.00		ICE-CREAMS (LUNCH ONLY)	
		1/2 wraps available \$5		Snap-Stix (pineapple, sour blackcu	rrant	
Nippys 250ml	00.00			sour grape, sour blueberry, sour ras	spberry,	
(strawberry or chocolate)	\$3.00	CMALL CALADO		sour watermelon or sour strawberry	y) \$1.50	
Chill J 250ml		SMALL SALADS (VIA ORDER)		Ice Mony (sour red Berry,		
(watermelon, raspberry, orange	60.00			lemon ice or sour watermelon)	\$1.50	
or blackcurrent)	\$3.00	Salad Only	\$6.50	Vanilla Dixie Cup 100ml	\$2.00	
TOASTED SANDWICHES		Ham & Salad	\$6.50	Berri Juice Cup 110ml	\$1.00	
(Gluten Free available add		Chicken & Salad	\$6.50	Bern baloe bap 110111	Ψ1.00	
Cheese	\$3.50	Ham & Coleslaw	\$6.50	MISCELLANEOUS		
Ham & Cheese	\$4.00	Chicken & Coleslaw	\$6.50	Tomato or BBQ Sauce	\$0.50	
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50	All salads include lettuce, tomato, carrot, cheese, beetroot, cucumber, onion & your choice of either mayo or aioli sauce)		Bundle of Bags	\$3.00	
Chicken, Mayo & Cheese	\$5.00			PLEASE WRITE RECESS A	ND	
CANTEEN CLOSES AT 0.00 AM		choice of entire mayo of alon sauce)		LUNCH ON SEPARATE BA		
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