



# Longwood Primary School

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School commences at 9.00am and concludes at 3.30pm.

Morning recess is from 11.00-11.30am. Lunch is from 1.30-2.15pm.

NEWSLETTER 8/24

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024

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## For your information – Term dates 2024

Term 1 30<sup>th</sup> January – 28<sup>th</sup> March

Term 2 15<sup>th</sup> April – 28<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3 15<sup>th</sup> July – 20<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4 7<sup>th</sup> October – 20<sup>th</sup> December

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 <sup>rd</sup> PE	4 <sup>th</sup> Japanese Art	5 <sup>th</sup> Breakfast Club 8.30am	6 <sup>th</sup> Sovereign Hill Excursion	7 <sup>th</sup> Pupil free day
10 <sup>th</sup> Public Holiday	11 <sup>th</sup> Japanese Drama PE	12 <sup>th</sup> Breakfast Club 8.30am	13 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>

## Upcoming Events

The following events are planned subject, of course, to Covid restrictions.

- 6<sup>th</sup> June – Sovereign Hill Excursion
- 7<sup>th</sup> June – Curriculum Day for report writing – Pupil Free Day **\*\*Please Note OSHC will not be available.**
- 10<sup>th</sup> June – Public Holiday
- 12<sup>th</sup> June – School Council meeting
- 17<sup>th</sup> June – NGV Pharaoh Exhibition – Gr 5-6 students
- 28<sup>th</sup> June – Last day Term 2 – 2.30pm finish.
- 15<sup>th</sup> July – 1<sup>st</sup> Day Term 3
- 26<sup>th</sup> July – Applications for 2025 Foundations need to be lodged with the school.

**Sovereign Hill Excursion** - A whole-of-school excursion to Sovereign Hill is set for this **Thursday, 6 June**. Students will have the opportunity to step back in time and immerse themselves in the gold-rush era. Activities on the day will include a tour of Red Hill mine, a gold pour demonstration and an education session about what it was like to live in that time.

Students will be accompanied by all teaching and support staff. Please drop-off students at school by **6.45am for 7am departure - sharp**. Everyone will depart Sovereign Hill at 3pm, arriving back at school for **pick-up by 6pm (we know it's late but Friday 7th is a pupil free day)** - staff will provide updates on pick-up time via uEducateUs as needed.

Students will need to bring snacks, water and lunch only in school bags and be conscious of packing weight as bags may need to be carried around. Extra snacks will be needed given for the trip home!  
The cost of the excursion is **\$30** per student to cover entry fee and coach travel and school will cover the remaining cost of \$38 per student.

Consent for this excursion can be provided via uEducateUs, or alternatively print, sign and return the attached permission slip by **Friday 31 May 2024** to enable your child to attend the event.

**Student Free Day** – School Council have given permission for Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June to be a pupil free day so that teachers can write student reports. Please note that OSHC will not be operating on this day.

**OSHC – Holiday Program** – The OSCH Term 2 Holiday Program is running on Monday 1 July – Thursday 4 July, 8.30am to 5.30pm (inclusive).

The cost is \$90 per day for families that don't normally attend OSCH. The CCS discount applies only to families already enrolled with OSHC during the school term.

Breakfast will be available on the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Please pack snacks, lunch and water per usual for each day of attendance. Ensure dress is appropriate for weather conditions, noting lots of time will be spent outdoors.

LPSC OSHC  
2024/2025  
OSCH fees

Before SC (7.00-8.30am)	\$15
After SC (3.30-5.30pm)	\$20
Pupil free day (8.30-5.30pm)	\$90
Vacation care (8.30-5.30pm)	\$90

\*per day\*

CCS applies for eligible families

Scheduled activities are listed below. Please the permission slip available from uEducateUs or from the OSHC office by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June** so that appropriate arrangements can be made on time.

**Monday 1 July** – Camp Fire and Damper Making. Rockery visit & Community Centre Precinct. All activities weather permitting.

**Tuesday 2 July** - PJ & Movie Day. Pizza lunch – no packed lunch required.

**Wednesday 3 July** – Incursion by My Future Academy. Wear or pack comfortable sneakers for this day.

**Thursday 4 July** – Kyabram Fauna Park. Departing school approximately 9am and returning by 5pm via staff vehicles.

**Taungurung Cultural Experience last Friday** – A message from Wawa Libby - Just wanted to say another big ngun godjin to the group for attending the wawa biik Taungurung Cultural Experience on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Truly an honour to have you all as part of the Taungurung journey. Uncle Shane and Aunty Jo had a lovely time with the group – passing on their thanks also.



**Parent Payment** – Thank you to those who have paid their parent contribution for this year. We appreciate your prompt attention to this as it greatly helps our finances at the beginning of the year when we have made big outlay for our back-to-school supplies. School Council set the voluntary parent payment at \$250.00 per student for 2024. This payment covers the cost of all materials and books that students use at school. Payment can be made in



cash/cheque to the office or by direct deposit to our bank account – 063-682 10025842. This amount can be paid in full or by instalment.

**School Council Meeting** – the next School Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm at Longwood Primary School.

**Pub Raffle** – Dates remaining for the year are:

- 28 June – Thank you to **Kristy & Nellie**
- 23 August
- 18 October
- 13 December

We need 2 volunteers for each raffle. Arrive 6pm and collect raffle book from the counter, sell for an hour before the raffle is drawn. Pair up with a nice meal & bevvie to make an evening out! Please let the school know if you or a group of you can help on one of these dates.

**Vic Biodiversity Landcare Grant Project** - Following on from the seed sowing incursion by Euroa Arboretum last year, students in years 2-5 helped to plant out 320 native wildflower tube stock in the old oval. The flowers, low shrubs and ground-cover species were planted into some bare patches, which in time is hoped to suppress weeds and add some colour and diversity to the remnant grasslands occurring there.

A sign will be installed shortly to highlight why these grasslands are so important and show that there is perhaps more to them than meets the eye. Student artwork will feature on the sign.

Thank-you to Cathy Olive from the Euroa Arboretum for leading an enthusiastic planting crew!



**Gr 5-6 NGV visit to see the Pharaohs Exhibition** - Thanks to the **MACC Art Program** our Gr 5-6 students will be travelling to Melbourne to see the Pharaoh Exhibition at the National Gallery of Victoria on the



17<sup>th</sup> June. The NGV has partnered with the British Museum to present Pharaoh, a landmark exhibition that celebrates three thousand years of ancient Egyptian art and culture. Through more than 500 works, including monumental sculpture, architecture, temple statuary, exquisite jewellery, papyri, coffins and a rich array of funerary objects, the exhibition unpacks the phenomenon of pharaoh, those all-powerful kings claiming a divine origin.

The exhibition comprises seven thematic sections that explore the pharaoh's roles and duties, including as the high priest officiating in temples, the head of the country's administration, the leader of the army and the head of the royal family. The pharaohs were responsible for protecting Egypt against its enemies and ensuring universal order; they ruled the Two Lands – Upper and Lower Egypt – from the 1st Dynasty (c. 3000 BCE) until the Roman conquest in 30 BCE.

From imagery on rings, bracelets and personal treasures, to statues and monuments of colossal scale, the pharaohs presented an idealised image of themselves as invincible warriors and fervent worshippers of the gods, who held a unique position as intermediaries between these divine beings and the rest of humanity. Nevertheless, behind these idealised representations the reality of kingship was much more complex. Not all the pharaohs were male, or even Egyptian. Despite the king's supreme status as ruler over all, Egypt was periodically wracked by civil war, conquered by foreign powers and even ruled by competing kings. Through a carefully curated selection of exceptional works, Pharaoh explores the realities, mythologies and iconographies of kingship in ancient Egypt.

**Comedy For A Cause** - With over 100 people in attendance, the schools' Comedy fundraiser was loads of fun and raised around \$8,000 overall - what a fantastic result!! The line up included Billy Stiles (also emcee), Matt Stewart and Wayne Deakin, who has headlined in 28 countries and has toured with our diggers. They are all well worth looking up, or seeing in person if you get the chance.

A massive shout out to the Parent Group for pulling this one together, with special mention going to Irais and Alex for motivating and helping the crew navigate the course. Another big thankyou goes to those who helped to secure amazing donations for the auctions and to the families that made generous donations of vouchers, goods or cash towards the auctions, raffle hamper & bar stock. It really goes a long way.

Apart from the funds raised, it was great to see so many people enjoying the night. Thanks for coming!

PS if anyone has lost a black vest or black jacket (both men's), please contact Rose to retrieve 0424 372 587.





**Celebrating National Simultaneous Day.** The book this year was called **Bowerbird Blues**! We read that, learnt about Bowerbirds, did a craft and then at the end of the day we went out to the plantation and made nests for the birds! Just like in the book.





# Sculpture Making

**June 8**  
10:00 am - 1:00 pm



**BYO**  
found and gathered botanical material to add to the sculpture

**FREE**

**Euroa Arboretum**  
Growing Back the Bush



# WINTER SOLSTICE GATHERING

It's on again!

- ✓ Bonfire
- ✓ Dampier
- ✓ Music
- ✓ Lantern Parade
- ✓ Stories by the campfire

**JUNE 21 @ 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**Euroa Arboretum**  
Growing Back the Bush

**UNDER 12'S FREE**  
**\$5**




**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**



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# What's on at Avenel Library

June 2024



**Craft and Coffee – Jump Ring Jewellery**  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm



**Rhyme and Story Time**  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 10.30am

**Refugee Week Rhyme and Story Time**  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 10.30am

**Refugee Week Film "Limbo",  
Afternoon Tea and Discussion**  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm



**Carer's Information Session**  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm

**Digital Drop-in**  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm

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ESC Transition information for parents of Yr 6 students.

## Transition 2025 - Years 6 into 7 Euroa Secondary College

**Thursday 18th July**  
Enrolment Packs delivered to Primary School from this date.

**Friday 23rd August**  
Enrolment information due back to ESC.

**End of August/  
September**  
We will organise a meeting with each future student's family to ensure we meet their needs.

**Monday 9th December**  
Day 1 of Transition into Year 7  
Parent breakfast, information session / tour.

**Monday 10th December**  
Day 2 of Transition into Year 7.

**Wednesday 29th  
January 2025**  
Day 1 for Year 7s. Starting a 4 day orientation program.

### School Tour Dates

Monday 13th & 20th May - 10am or  
Wednesday 15th & 22nd May - 4pm

### Tours

We also have some times available if you are interested in a personal tour.

If these times do not suit, contact us to organise a tour time best suited for your family or please contact us if you have any questions.

Teagan Kohn via  
[Teagan.Kohn@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:Teagan.Kohn@education.vic.gov.au)  
or 5795 2512



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