



**TERM DATES for 2018**

TERM 1: 30th January - 29th March  
TERM 2: 16th April - 29th June  
TERM 3: 16th July - 21st September  
TERM 4: 8th October - 21st December





# NEWSLETTER



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## AUGUST

Thursday 23rd	<p>Newsletter School Banking Junior Unit Discovery Excursion</p>
Friday 24th	<p><b><u>NO BREAKFAST CLUB TODAY</u></b></p> <p>Canteen</p> <p>Book Week Dress Up &amp; Parade 9.30am</p> 
Monday 27th	<p>Breakfast Club Sporting Schools - Junior - Futsal</p>
Tuesday 28th	<p>JSC DISCO 6.45PM - 7.45PM </p> <p>Resilience Parent Session 7.00pm Sporting Schools - Senior - Futsal</p>
Wednesday 29th	<p>Breakfast Club Resilience Project Student Sessions Sporting Schools - Middle - Futsal</p>
Thursday 30th	<p>Newsletter School Banking 1st Pre Prep Visit - 2.15pm Art Father's Day stall in the gym. Gifts ranging from \$1 to \$10.</p>
Friday 31st	<p><b>STUDENT FREE DAY</b></p>
<b><u>Coming Up</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tuesday 4th September Parent Association meeting 9.15am</li> <li>Thursday 6th Pre Prep 2nd visit 2.15pm</li> </ul>

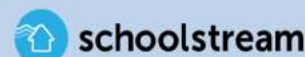
## SCHOOL STREAM

Over the next week our school will be transitioning to a new School App,

### School Stream

From 31st August you can access the absences, Newsletters and notifications on the School Stream App.

Enclosed in the Newsletter is information on how to access the School Stream App.



## WORKING BEE

### SATURDAY

**8TH SEPTEMBER**  
**8.30-12.30 PM**

During this working bee we will be planting all the new front banks of the school.

Please leave your name at the Office if your able to assist. Thank you.



## Term 3 Week 6

Congratulations to our middle and senior unit futsal teams who have competed at Major League this week. All students did our school proud in the way they conducted themselves and worked as part of team. Our middle unit boys made it to the grand final and despite a loss played an incredible game. I am incredibly proud of all students' efforts this week.



**Reminder to parents that tomorrow is our book week dress up parade starting at 9.30am in the GYM and I look forward to seeing all our students in their costumes.**

### Parents and carers – Please check your children's online viewing

I have recently had concerns raised by parents and staff regarding conversations between children at school about an online game called Five Nights At Freddie's (or FNAF) The game is rated 15+ on the App store and is a series of horror games with jump scares and intense psychological fear, later versions include gore and suicide as themes. This game is clearly unsuitable for all primary school age children and I am seeking parent support in asking all parents/carers to be vigilant with their children regarding the use of iPads at home and any inappropriate viewing.

Another game that is causing concern at school is called Fortnite. Fortnite is a free online game in a zombie apocalypse where you are a shooter and you kill the other players to be the sole survivor. (Desensitising children to violence) The game is open online so children play against other people, some of whom are strangers. The rating on this game is 12+ and above. While the games are not played at school, I am concerned that many of our students are accessing games with inappropriate content outside of school hours. I encourage parents to make regular checks of children's online viewing and gaming.

## **NEXT WEEK at CLPS**

**SAVE the DATE..... 28<sup>th</sup> August 6.45pm**

### **Resilience Project Parent Session with Martin Heppell**



On 28<sup>th</sup> August, we will be hosting Martin Heppell from the Resilience Project for our 2018 Parent session. We have purposely placed the JSC disco on the same night in an effort to have as many parents in attendance as possible. Martin is an incredibly engaging speaker and the children will be having their sessions with Martin the next day. A note has gone home to parents regarding both events and you may also receive a call from your child's teacher as we would love to see you all there for this important presentation. Martin will also be referring to our student – resilient Youth survey data that all children in years 3-6 were involved with.

For more information about the Resilience Project, please see their website at <https://theresilienceproject.com.au/about-us/>



### **Sunrise Visits Ballarat and CLPS is invited!**

Sam Mac from Sunrise is visiting Ballarat next Wednesday morning 29<sup>th</sup> August as part of a special A-Z of Australia with Ballarat being a very special second stop. For any students and families interested in being on TV and part of the live crosses – please meet Mr Smith and I at the Botanical gardens main gates at 5.30am on Wednesday morning. I realise this is an early start to the day but its sure to be a lot of fun!! Parents will be required to stay with students to transport them back to school.

### **Learning Behaviour – Student/Teacher Conference**

Over the last couple of weeks all students have been conferenced by their teacher on a self-assessment of our schools agreed Positive Learning Behaviours and this will be sent home to families on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August.

I encourage you to have a conversation with your child as they have reflected on their progress and your child's self-assessment will be sent home with students next Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August, prior to our Student free day next Friday – 31<sup>st</sup> August.

Enrico and Cleopatra pictured with their self-assessments. Both students, incredibly proud of their progress and so are we!



## Enrolments for 2019

I am currently booking in parent tours for new students for 2019 so if you have not yet enrolled a sibling who will be joining us in 2019 please come and see Lisa for an enrolment pack and transition program details for our Prep students for 2019. We already have a number of enrolments which is very pleasing and I am expecting that this will continue as the year goes on. I look forward to welcoming many new families to the school.

## WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

This is the final week that the Parent Opinion Survey will be open and we have sent out reminder emails to families because currently we only have 55% response rate. I am seeking as many responses as possible to this survey to assist us in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** to **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones.

The survey results will be reported back to the school at the end of September. The survey results will also be communicated through our school council meeting later in the year. If you receive an email asking you to complete the survey, please make the time to do this as your views are important to us.

Thank you  
Darlene Cameron  
Principal.

## HEAD LICE

I have been made aware of cases of head lice in the senior unit this week and encourage all families to check their children's hair as it seems that children are continuing to re-infect one another. I am aware that many families are treating their children on a regular basis and I am very grateful for this level of attention. We have included some further information regarding Head Lice in this week's newsletter for families.

# Book Week Parade 2018

**When:** Friday 24th August at 9:30am

**Where:** The gym

**Who:** All teachers, students and families

**What:** Dress up as your favourite book character.



**Students can come to school dressed up as their favourite book character on Friday 24th August**



# SPOOKY DISCO



**Tuesday 28th August in the GYM!**

**6:45pm - 7:45pm**

Wear something SPOOKY!

Gold Coin entry per person.

Items on sale include lolly bags, glow sticks and crazy hair spray, so bring along some loose change!

Free water and cordial will be available too.

Please note the DISCO is for CLPS students only.



# SCHOOLSTREAM

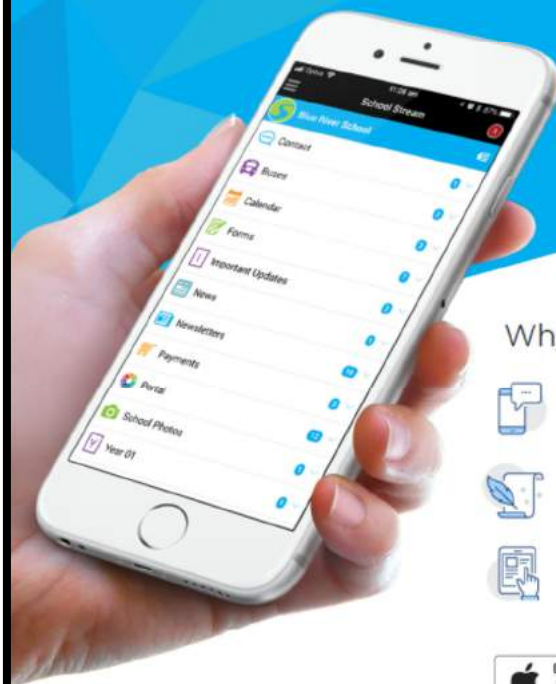
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Make sure you **allow push notifications** to get the most of the app.

When School Stream has finished installing, open the app, search for and select **Canadian Lead Primary School**.

## Download our school app for free!



Why download the app?

-  Receive instant notifications for important news.
-  Easily register absentees and excursions.
-  Keep up to date with events and set reminders.



### Download instructions:

1. Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.
2. Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the school's profile.
3. Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.



# Wanted

## Reading Tutors!

Do you have one hour a week to volunteer to work with children with their reading?

Do you have a Working with Children's Check?

(or are you willing to get a free volunteer card?)

Training sessions will be on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August at 9 am and then again on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 10 am at school.

For further details please contact Leslee Sullivan on 53337170 or catch up before or after school Mondays-Thursdays.

## No Breakfast Club Friday

### 24th August

We apologise that there will be no Breakfast Club this Friday 24th August.



Just a reminder to all parents, teachers are on duty and children are supervised from 8.45am so please ensure that your child/children are arriving as close to 8.45am as possible to ensure they are supervised at all times.

This year we will be continuing our focus on student attendance and following up promptly with all parents regarding any unexplained student absences. Please contact Lisa by phone at the office on 5333 7170 to report if your child is going to be away from school. You can also use the 'Canadian Lead APP' which you can put on your phone.



**MEDICATION & ASTHMA** Please update your child's medication forms and medication. If medication is brought to school there is a procedure for having medication on the school site and a form needs to be completed.

ASTHMA forms will need to be reviewed if necessary. I will be contacting all parents whose children have ASTHMA, hopefully this term, with new Department/Asthma Foundation forms.

**IT IS PARENT'S RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT MEDICATION HAS NOT PASSED IT'S EXPIRY DATE.**



**School Banking Day is every Thursday.**

### **LOST PROPERTY BOX**

The lost property box is located in the middle of the school. If your child has lost any school jumpers/ coats please come in to see if they are in the lost property box.

**Due to unforeseen circumstances, the shopping night has been cancelled, we hope to try again next year.**

### **HEAD LICE**

There have been a number of cases of Head Lice reported within the school. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat if necessary.

## CLPS PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

There are **3** boxes left of Freddo and Friends chocolates available to sell. If anyone would like a box or you know of someone who would like to sell one, please come in to the Office to collect one. We are hoping to raise \$2000 to go towards upgrades for the playground. Each chocolate sells for \$1, and each box returns a \$20 profit to our school.

**Please return any unsold boxes and money raised to the school office.  
Thank you for your support.**



## FATHERS DAY STALL

### Parents Association

*Fathers Day Stall on Thursday 30th August in the Gym from 9am—11.30am. Gifts ranging from \$1 - \$10.*

## BREAKFAST CLUB

**Breakfast Club is every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings starting at 8.20am.**

**Come and enjoy breakfast with your friends before school.**



## CANTEEN NEWS:

**Reminder for students to please put their lunch orders in to the Office when they arrive at school - all lunch orders to be in by 9.30am. THANK YOU**

# Head lice Scratching for Answers?

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## Frequently asked questions

### Where do head lice come from?

Head lice have been around for thousands of years. As with any insect, they learn to adapt to their environment in order to survive. We are never going to be completely rid of them, but we can make managing them easier.

### Do head lice fly or jump?

Head lice do not have wings so they cannot fly. They can't jump because they do not have 'knees'.

### So how do head lice move around?

Head lice crawl very fast and require head to head contact for transmission. It is possible that because of the way young children play, head lice are seen more widely amongst primary school children than adolescents or adults.

### Can head lice spread disease?

No. Head lice cannot transmit or pass disease on to people.

### Who is responsible for checking and treating head lice?

Like similar health conditions such as scabies, and ringworm, it is a parent or guardian's responsibility to treat and care for their child.

### Do head lice live in carpets, clothes, hats or sheets?

No. Head lice very rarely fall from the head. They require blood to survive. Head lice feed three to four times a day and without blood, will dehydrate in six hours in a dry climate and 24 hours in a humid climate.

An egg requires warmth to hatch and is the reason why they are laid close to the scalp. The further away from the scalp, the less likely they are to survive.

### Is it true that head lice only like clean hair?

No. Head lice are not selective. They don't care if hair is long, short, blonde, brown, washed this morning or last week. As long as they are warm, and have blood to drink, then they are content.

### What treatment kills 100% of head lice or eggs?

There is no single treatment that kills 100% of head lice or eggs. Whichever treatment you choose it can take time and persistence to get rid of head lice. Use a method that will not risk the health of your child.

### Is there a way to prevent head lice?

No. It's important to check your child's head regularly with conditioner and comb even when you don't think your child has head lice. There is no research to prove that chemical or herbal therapies can prevent head lice.

### How does the conditioner and comb method work?

It's a very cheap and effective way of finding head lice. Hair conditioner does not kill lice, but it does stun them for about 20 minutes, meaning they do not move around, and it is difficult for them to hang on. This gives you time to comb through the hair with a fine tooth (head lice) comb.

### How does a chemical treatment work?

Only use products that are licensed or registered for head lice. There are four different active chemicals that target head lice, each works differently and aims to kill lice and/or eggs.



### Do some products work better than others?

Over time, head lice may develop resistance to some chemicals. It is important to check if a treatment you used has worked, and if not, treat again with another product that has a different chemical in it.

### Why do you have to treat again in seven days time?

Head lice eggs take six to seven days to hatch. And when you treat, it's easy to miss an egg or two. By treating again in seven days, you are aiming to kill and comb out any head lice that have since hatched from eggs, which were missed.

### Should I treat everyone in the family?

It is important to check each family member, using conditioner and comb, for head lice but only treat those with live lice.

### What should I wash or treat at home?

As head lice only live for a short time off the head, the only extra cleaning needed is to wash the pillowslip on the hot cycle or place in clothes dryer. Head lice combs can be cleaned in water hotter than 60 degrees.

### Why does my child keep getting re-infected?

Re-infection is the least likely reason for head lice returning in a week's time. If eggs do not die, or were not removed during the original treatment they may hatch and the lifecycle starts all over again. To break this lifecycle you must re-treat (regardless of treatment method) seven days after the first treatment and continue with weekly checking.

### Does my child have to miss school?

According to the Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2009, children with head lice can be readmitted to school after head lice treatment has commenced. A certificate from a doctor or council is not required before your child goes back to school. Head lice are not the fault of schools, other families or children.



[www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice](http://www.health.vic.gov.au/headlice)

Information and photograph used are courtesy of Assoc Professor Rick Speare and the team of researchers at the School of Public Health, James Cook University, Queensland.

### Helpful hints

- Using the conditioner and comb method every week is the best way to detect head lice early and minimise the problem.
- Tying back hair can help prevent the spread of head lice.
- Many parents will complain that they are doing the right thing but other parents aren't. Placing the blame will not achieve anything. Instead of pointing the finger, help each other.
- A school with a head lice education program and policy in line with *Scratching for Answers?* is a proactive school attempting to help families address a common health concern.
- The department's head lice management strategy is supported by the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

### Treatment choices

- Chemical: Treat and comb to remove the head lice and eggs; and repeat in seven days.
- Non-chemical: Use conditioner and comb to remove the head lice and eggs; and repeat every two days until no live lice have been found for 10 days.

