

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Kaya, wanjoo. Hello and welcome to this the last official newsletter for 2023. It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of the school year.

SCHOOL LEADERS 2023 / 2024

I want to first thank the School Leaders and Faction Captains for their work as effective school leaders in the 2023 school year. You have done a wonderful job and demonstrated that you have the potential to be future leaders in wider society.

Congratulations to the students who were elected as School Leaders and Faction Captains for the 2024 school year. These leaders are listed in this edition of the newsletter, following a structured election process. I also acknowledge the other students who nominated for these positions, for putting their hand up and presenting their speeches.

2024 STAFFING UPDATE

We are expecting to be fully staffed for the start of the 2024 school year. Our full complement should be finalised in the next few days, as we now only have two part-time positions to be finalised. Having all staff in place ensures that we can proceed with organisation of the school for the year ahead.

Additionally, we have a new gardener starting with us for the holidays and Term One 2024, whilst we run a process for a permanent employee. This is great news considering how late in the year we have had to find someone for this role.

CODE CAMP

You will see in this edition of the newsletter that Code Camp will be running a program at Lathlain Primary School in 2024. This is a private company and provides their program at a cost to families. The school is merely providing the facilities for this group to operate their programs, which some Lathlain students already have attended at other schools.

THANK YOU

In my speech at the Presentation Assembly yesterday, I thanked all of the staff for their passion, commitment and tireless efforts throughout 2023. The impact of the work they all do is great and sets your children up to be successful in the future.

I also acknowledged all parents for their encouragement and involvement in your child's education. I want to especially thank all those who have volunteered in any capacity throughout 2023, whether in the classroom, on an excursion or through the P&C. Your contributions to the school community are invaluable and much appreciated.

Have a wonderful festive season and time together as a family everyone. To those leaving us, all the best for your new adventures. To everyone else, we will see you back here in 2024.

Rick Walters

UPCOMING EVENTS / IMPORTANT DATES

Mon 11 Dec	Kindy Messy Mud K1, K3, K5 Reports emailed to parents	Fri 15 Dec	School Development Day Students do not attend
Tues 12 Dec	Kindy Messy Mud K2, K4 Year 6 Graduation Evening		
Thurs 14 Dec	Last day for Students Ringing of the Bell 2.20pm	Wed 31 Jan 2024	First Day of Term One

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

For many kids, finishing the school year brings relief—they're ready for a break and looking forward to the special events that take place over the holidays. But once the New Year begins, there can be a sense of unease about starting in a new class, with a new teacher and new things to learn. This is normal.

As adults, with all our life knowledge and experience, we can get that same feeling when we change roles in a company or change jobs. We know that this is part of the transition and as we get used to this new challenge that the feeling will pass.

For kids, who's brains are still developing, they can need help from us as adults to support them through this time of change.

**“Have PATIENCE.
All things are
DIFFICULT
before they
BECOME easy.”**

Saadi

Some tips to help your kids get ready for the new school year

Discussing school in a positive way

Most kids will feel a bit uneasy heading into a new year level. They will have new kids in their class or a new teacher to get to know and a new curriculum to learn. As a parent or guardian, discussing the changes that your children may notice at school this year can help them transition more smoothly into their next stage of learning.

When talking about the start of school, it is essential to speak positively with them as they may already feel nervous about it. Reassure them that they will be ok, encourage them to think about the positives aspects of returning to school. Remind them that they always have support available at Lathlain: including friends, teachers, Deputy Principals, Principal and the School Support Officer.



Talk about going back to school

It is essential to give your children a break from school. However, it is a great idea around one week before school returns to discuss their upcoming return to school to help them mentally prepare to start school again. Ask them directly how they are feeling about the new school year.

You can offer support by normalising experiences of worry and nerves. Reassure your child the feelings they have are common and they will likely overcome them once they have settled in. Worries and courage can exist together.



Depending on your child's age, you can also try the following to help:

- Kindy – read the social story on the school website about going to Kindy and the routine ahead.
<https://lathlainps.wa.edu.au/our-school/preparing-for-kindergarten-learning-at-home/>
- Pre-Primary— consider reading the Kindy social story and talking about what things are the same and what might be different
- Primary years – set up a friend/peer to meet your child at the school gate so they can walk in together or you might organise for your kids and neighbours can go to school together.

Connecting with friends and peers is often one of the highlights of returning to school. If you can set up some playdates before school goes back, this can create something for them to look forward to.

Prepare early - set up a back-to school routine

In the week prior to going to school, try the following:

1. Return to the 'school sleep pattern'. For many kids, holidays include staying up later and sleeping in more. Put a bedtime in place and encourage them to wake up when they usually would during the school term.
2. Get your child to check their bags and equipment to ensure they have everything they need. If you can, get them involved- checking off what they have, counting the number of items or labelling their things.
3. Create a practical chart for getting ready - this link has some great ideas. <https://raisingchildren.net.au/school-age/school-learning/school-homework-tips/morning-routine-for-school>

CELEBRATING STUDENTS

Room	Honour Certificate Winner	Room	Honour Certificate Winner
		8	Oscar P Eliza E
3	Aria I Felix G	9	Julia G Freddie F
4	Mila R Gillon M	10	Jace P Aniket P
5	Gemma R Augusta K	21	Hamish D Sylvia E Cooper B
6	Vivoda G Flynn D	22	Archer E Tobias S
7	Anamta S Max M	23	Brooklyn D Luke E Senan M Ahmed A

Room	Student of the Month	Room	Student of the Month
		8	Suneeta F
3	Evelyn T	9	Jessica B
4	Baylin P	10	Zach A
5	Harry P	21	Mila H
6	Maximilian K	22	Adam W
7	William B	23	Matilda C

Room	Attitude Value Winner	Room	Attitude Value Winner
		8	Reagan N
3	Oliver J	9	Rachel C
4	Abby H	10	Malakai W
5	Shreya P	21	Payton D Lachlan S
6	Lara G	22	Louella K
7	Raghavan N	23	Leo S



ARE YOU LEAVING LATHLAIN PS IN 2023?

To enable us to staff the school effectively, we need to be aware of any students who are not returning to Lathlain Primary School in 2023.

If your child(ren) is not returning for 2023, please complete the following exit form:

<https://lathlainps.wa.edu.au/forms/students-exit-form/>

Thank you

AWARD RECIPIENTS



Seek

Room 1	Indianna C
Room 2	Jack D
Room 3	Jye O
Room 4	Finley P
Room 5	Zavier E
Room 6	Vivien B
Room 7	Haylee W
Room 8	William L
Room 9	Frankie M
Room 11	Madelyn H
Room 12	Evie D
Room 13	Ava H
Room 14	Leon S
Room 15	Georgia H
Room 16	Connor O

Strive

Room 1	Ely C
Room 2	Lola W
Room 3	Annabelle B
Room 4	Paris-Raine B
Room 5	Ella E
Room 6	Liev H
Room 7	Aria J
Room 8	Julian D
Room 9	Mila R
Room 11	Makaylee D
Room 12	Saoirse N
Room 13	Ihaia K
Room 14	Emmy G
Room 15	Jacob C
Room 16	Tomomasa D

Learn

Room 1	Charles T
Room 2	Rahel K
Room 3	Simran I
Room 4	Leo M
Room 5	Theodore E
Room 6	Vera S
Room 7	Hamish W
Room 8	Hannah D
Room 9	Iris J
Room 11	Esther W
Room 12	Ellie M
Room 13	Charlie M
Room 14	Cathyna H
Room 15	Ella B
Room 16	Ryan L

2024 Leaders & Faction Captains

School Leaders

<i>Ellen W</i>	<i>Eva D</i>
<i>Olivia T</i>	<i>Jarvis C</i>
<i>Connor O</i>	<i>Georgia H</i>
<i>Ella B</i>	<i>Lawson C</i>
<i>Juniper E</i>	<i>Cooper C</i>

Faction Captains

<i>Curtin:</i>	<i>Beau W</i>	<i>Lexi B</i>
<i>Stanley:</i>	<i>Hugo S</i>	<i>Annabelle B</i>
<i>Cowan:</i>	<i>Jensen B</i>	<i>Erica Q</i>
<i>Forrest:</i>	<i>Jules C</i>	<i>Imogen S</i>

AWARD RECIPIENTS

2023 APLS RECIPIENTS

ACADEMICS

Eva D	Sally A	Oscar W	Ji Rui L	Samuel M
Raihan A	Talen W	Olivia T	Ellen W	Ellie M
Cathyna H	Tomomasa D	Viet D	Leon S	Nicoletta G
Brianna K	Uzieli K	Esther W	Zoe DG	Abi Needham
Charles T	Ana T	Max W	Luke S	Jensen B
Ely C	Indiana C	Olivia L	Luke F	Emily D
Umar M	Shorya V	Ben Y	Joseph B	Teddy B
Sarina S	Elijah F	Elling S	Xavier S	Arthur L
Harper A	Sebastiano G	Uzi K	Mehr B	Anurag P
Tomas W	Indian F	Ryan L	Olivia L	Matias M
Lawson H				

SPORTS

Lawson C	Archer V	Samahra D	Hugo S	Beau W
Xavier S	Talen W	Olivia T	Ellen W	Isabella D
Chloe D	Sophie W	Jonathan W	Imogen P	Harry R
Imogen S				

ARTS

Daniel P	Ella B	Bella C	Eliana G	Aurora S
Xavier S	Saoirse N	Juniper E	Tomomasa D	Isabella D
Vincent H	Naieh N	Jonathan W	Fergus B	Nicoletta G
Abigail T	Brianna K	Levi M	Uzieli K	Judah G
Emily S	Carter B			

ALP

Ana T	Ely C	Indiana C	Olivia L	Emily D
Zoe DG	Esther W	Charlie M	Sophie Y	Arnie S
Umar M	Ellie M	Harper A	Indiana F	Saoirse N
Cathyna H	Brodie C	Emmy G	Heidi D	Fergus B
Leon S	Max W	Viet D	Teddy B	Jensen B
Matias M	Jack C	Charles T	Imogen P	Hugo S
Ryan L	Sam D	Tomomasa D	Olivia T	Jonathan W
Tomas W	Shorya V	Talen W	Willow C	Roisin W
Ji Rui L	Sally A	Medeleine J	Nasreen H	



to all our Award winners, School Leaders, Faction Captains and APLS recipients.

2024 Term dates:

Semester 1		Semester 2	
Term 1	Wed 31 January - Thurs 28 March	Term 3	Mon 15 July - Fri 20 September
Break	Fri 29 March - Sun 14 April	Break	Sat 21 September - Sun 6 October
Term 2	Mon 15 April - Fri 28 June	Term 4	Mon 7 October - Thu 12 December
Break	Sat 29 June - Sun 14 July		

TheirCare Holiday Program:

TheirCare will be running a School Holiday Program at Lathlain Primary School. For further details, please click [here](#)



2024 Requirement Lists:

The personal items requirements for 2024 are available on the school website. Follow the link below for your child's 2024 year level. Be sure to check if your child has any surplus supplies that can be used next year prior to ordering.

[Kindy 2024](#)

[Pre-Primary 2024](#)

[Year One](#)

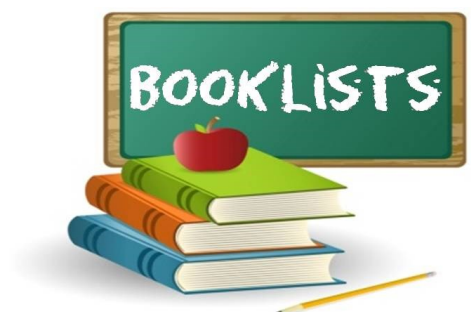
[Year 2](#)

[Year 3](#)

[Year 4](#)

[Year 5](#)

[Year 6](#)



Code Camp 2024:

From Term 1 next year, Code Camp will be running after school classes at Lathlain Primary School on Thursdays.

Parents will receive a \$15 Early-Bird saving using the discount code **T124EB** if they enroll by 15 December.



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Skate Zone Design Workshop

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Victoria Park-Canning Level Crossing Removal Project

**We need your help to design a new skate zone
for the Oats Street Station youth plaza.**

**Drop into our design workshop
hosted by Skate Sculpture.**

When: Thursday 14 December, 3.30-5.30pm.

Where: Somerset Park, 2 Read St, East Victoria Park.



MORE INFORMATION

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METRONET

South Perth Growing Cricket for Girls Holiday Program!



2 Day Pop-Up Holiday Program

Program for girls 5-12 years old

The Growing Cricket for Girls program provides girls with the opportunity to come and try cricket in a safe and fun environment.

Cost – Free! Includes your own special program pack!

Where – Raphael Park, Victoria Park

When - Thursday 18th & Friday 19th January from 9am until 11am

Register Here:



<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/48b53b>

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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**Register today to
avoid missing out!**

