



# Linton Primary School

## Newsletter

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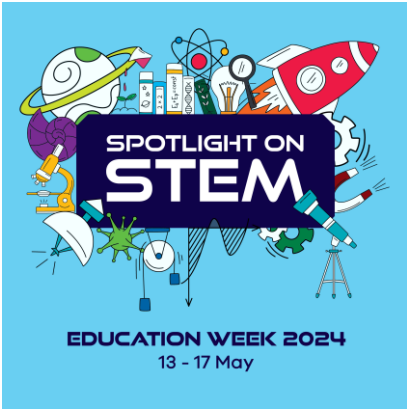


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Important Dates	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Winter Sports
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup>	Sovereign Hill Excursion
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Curriculum day (Student free)
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Term 2 PJ & Movie Day
Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> July	First day of Term 3 😊
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences
28 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> August	Log Cabin Camp

# Education Week!

As I write this, we are already halfway through Term 2. What a crazy thought! It has been a privilege hearing about all the wonderful excursions our senior students have been on over the past few weeks, with another busy couple of weeks ahead.

Hearing how inspired our leaders were after attending the recent GRIP leadership conference with over 400 other student leaders from across the region was brilliant. Our student voice leader Liam was inspired to create some new student learning profiles which can be seen below 😊

Over the last couple of weeks, we have been doing lots of assessments with the students. All students should be acknowledged and congratulated on displaying responsibility and pride in their learning.

**Education Week**

Education Week 2024 was celebrated with a STEM activity morning – students worked in small groups and participated in design, space and AI tasks with teachers. It was a great way to explore and put a spotlight on STEM. Thanks to Miss Walker for a recap which you can read below.

**DET School Saving Bonus**

There was some great information in the recent State Budget. The School Saving Bonus is an initiative to assist with cost of living pressures for all families. Please see detailed information below.

**PLC Focus**

Our teachers have been working hard as a Professional Learning Community (PLC). The goal setting phase has been completed and teachers are focusing on punctuation use in writing and students writing in accurate sentences. We look forward to keeping everyone updated! Staff will also be working with teachers from Cape Clear to complete some writing moderation over the next few weeks – a great chance to be collegial with a neighbouring school.



Linton PS is a  
Child Safe School

**School Bank Details**  
Parents wishing to make payments via direct deposit:  
BSB: 063838  
Account: 10018078  
Please use student or family name in the reference field.



### **National Simultaneous Storytime**

Linton Primary School participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime yesterday. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 24th successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6. This year's book is *Bowerbird Blues* by Aura Parker. Students loved the fact that we read the book simultaneously with over 2 million other people!

### **Education Week Report – Miss Walker - Space Investigation**

My group looked at the maths side of STEM. We viewed the first ever Australian-made orbital rocket be raised into take off position, ready to be launched later this year. We learnt about the brothers who came up with the idea as well as the weight and size of the rocket.

Then we ventured outside to estimate and determine the distance from the Earth to the Moon, to scale. Many students were surprised to learn that the Moon is 9.5 times the circumference of the Earth away! We then had to estimate how far Mars would be away, however on our scale it would be 3 miles away! Finally, we determined the distance of the ISS, and where the Australian Built orbital rocket orbit the Earth would be.





When you are experiencing a negative emotion or an emotion that doesn't feel that good, what are some things you do to **turn your mood around or bounce back?**



# Maths Game of the Week

**Hit the Target – a calculator game!**

**Objective:** Hit the target number before your partner does

## Instructions

- 1.
2. Player A enters a number in the calculator that is smaller than the target number.
3. Player B is challenged to add to that number to hit the target. For example if the target is 50 and Player A enters 32, if player B adds 18 they win the first round.
4. If Player B misses the target, the game continues with players adding and subtracting numbers until the target is hit and the round is won.
5. Player B can go first in the next round. The first to win three rounds wins the match.

## Variations

- Play the game in teams rather than pairs



## Staff emails

Miss Walker – [jacklyne.walker@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:jacklyne.walker@education.vic.gov.au) (Thursday & Friday)

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## Appreciation

I appreciate our staff for their flexibility and support 😊

Stuart Robinson  
Principal  
Linton Primary School



**RESPECT**  
**RESPONSIBILITY**  
**PRIDE**

# Learning Snapshot 😊

F-2	All students have been completing a range of assessments during the past two weeks!
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## Student Profiles – interviews by Liam

**Name -** Millie

**Year -** 4

**Favourite subject –** Maths because she like practising times tables

**What do you play at recess?**

Horses

**What is your opinion of Wheelie Wednesday?**

Millie loves wheelie Wednesday because she loves riding bikes.

**What do you want your future job to be?**

Millie wants to be a jockey when she is older.



**Name -** Griffin

**Year -** 4

**Favourite subject –** PE because it is nice to be outside.

**What do you play at recess?**

Warhammer with my friends

**What is your opinion of Wheelie Wednesday?**

Griffin likes WW but it is not his favourite.

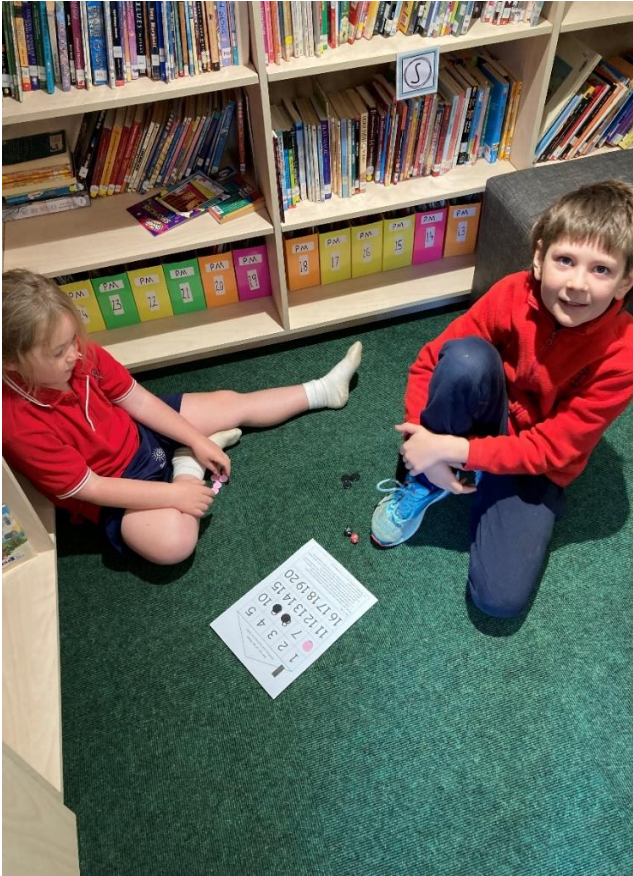
**What do you want your future job to be?**

Griffin would like to be a Personal Trainer

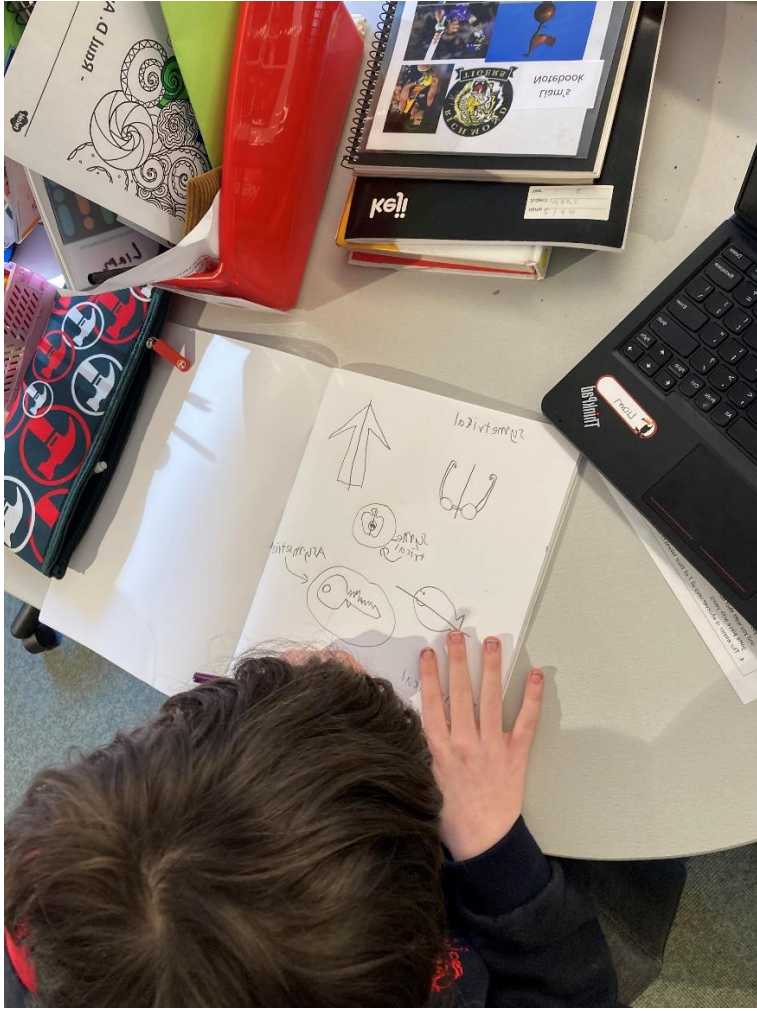
Bonus – Griffin likes most subjects at school 😊



















# School Saving Bonus

Dear parents and carers

You may have seen the recent announcement of the School Saving Bonus, as part of the Victorian Budget 2024/25. We are sharing more information about how families will be able to access and use this support.

This one-off support will include \$400 for each eligible student to help families cover the costs of school uniforms and activities in 2025.

It will be available to parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025.

Cash will not be paid directly to individuals or families. Instead, families will receive the bonus as credits on their school accounts that will help meet the costs of your children's activities and uniforms.

## Existing supports

The School Saving Bonus support will be in addition to existing and continuing means-tested supports for [camps, sports, excursions](#) and uniforms.

The application-based [Affordable School Uniform program](#), through State Schools' Relief, will continue to be available to families experiencing financial hardship or other forms of vulnerability and short-term crisis. This program allows schools to make multiple applications for support on parents' behalf throughout the year if needed.

There will be more information and guidance about the School Saving Bonus in Term 3, 2024, ahead of its implementation in 2025.

Kind regards,

Stuart Robinson

Principal

Linton Primary School

**Do you have a child or young person in primary school and are worried about how to start Relationship and Sexuality (including Puberty) conversations at home?**



**Free and open to parents/carers**  
at all primary schools across the Ballarat region

**Sexual Health Victoria**  
**Parent/Carer Information Session**

**Thursday 6th June, 2024 5:30pm-6:15pm**

at **Ballarat Community Health**

12 Lilburne Street Lucas (Multipurpose Room)

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