

#### ISSUE 27 November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Office Hours - 8:30am to 4:00pm - Monday to Thursday 9:00am to 3.30pm – Friday

#### DATES TO REMEMBER:

<u>NOVEMBER</u> Fri 13th – Prep Transition Day Fri 20<sup>th</sup> – Prep Transition Day **NOVEMBER** Fri 27<sup>th</sup> – Prep Transition Day

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#### Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope everyone had a wonderful break over the long weekend and that you enjoyed the amazing weather. Since schools have returned to onsite learning, the Department of Education has identified 3 key priorities; student and staff wellbeing, learning and transition from kinder to primary school and primary school to secondary school. As a school we have been focussing on these priorities, staff have completed well-being professional development, our classroom programs strongly differentiate for every student to ensure all students achieve maximum learning growth this term and we have begun to transition our kinder students to grade prep. The latest School Operations Guide now allows for small groups of Grade 6 students to participate in Secondary College transition programs. We will keep you posted on any updates as we get them.

### Science Talent Search

Congratuations to our students who entered the State Science Talent Search. The results are back and we are very proud of the hard work and effort put in by our students who entered. In the experimental research category Tom and Charlotte were both awarded Major Bursaries.

The aim of Tom's project was to find out if the price of different brands of 50 SPF general use sunscreens effected the level of sun protection they provide. His conclusion was that the price of different brands of 50 SPF general use sunscreens does not affect the level of sun protection they provide.

The aim of Charlotte's project was to find out what is the best combination of glitter and adhesive to give the greatest glitter coverage and make the least amount of glitter mess over a week. Charlotte discovered that double-sided tape, with fine glitter gave the best glitter coverage and the second-best glitter mess result.





# Science Talent Search continued...

Emily and Sara received distinction awards in the Creative Writing category of the Science Talent Search. They wrote and illustrated picture books based on this year's theme Deep Blue: innovations for the future of our oceans. Their books were illustrated using water colours, their books were stunning and very informative.

### Teacher Placement

Since the beginning of Term 4 we have been lucky enough to host James Clarke for his teaching practice placement. James lives in Lakes Entrance and has loved learning the craft of teaching with the students in the Grade 3/4 room, Miss Sowa and Mrs Ingram. Thanks very much James, we have loved having you and wish you well for your future career.



### Kinder Transition



Today was the second of our 2021 Prep transition sessions. I just had to take a photo of our first transition group lined up and ready to go! Well done team, Mrs Stringer is very excited about her Prep Grade for next year.

# Parent Survey

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

Thank you to the parents who have already filled out our parent surveys. The surveys will be open for one more week only. If you haven't had a chance to complete them yet, it's not too late.

One is a school based survey to collect data for our school review next term and the other is the annual Department of Education Parent Opinion Survey. If families could please complete both surveys that would be greatly appreciated. If you would like the links to be resent please contact the school office. An outline of the Department of Education Parent Opinion Survey is provided below.

#### <u> DET Parent Opinion Survey – closes next Friday!</u>

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst all parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour, student engagement and experiences of remote and flexible learning. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

All parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year, the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October** to **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November**.

# Can you help?

### LINDENOW PRIMARY SCHOOL CELEBRATING 150 YEARS

To commemorate the occasion Lindenow Primary School are publishing a book highlighting the last 150 years of education.

If you are a past student, teacher, staff member, school councillor, PFA or community member with a connection to LPS, now is the time to put pen to paper and send us your memories.

Post to Lindenow PS or email <u>lindenow.ps@education.vic.gov.au</u> All submissions will be considered but must be received before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021. Please contact Heather Armit or Judy White on 5157 1340 or email as above if you have any questions.