



# Larmenier Catholic Primary School

## term dates

### November

- 13 - SPC Instrumental Prog Info evening @ St Patricks College
- 15 - Developmental Band Workshop
- 16 - 1st Kinder Orientation day (half class)
- 23 - 2nd Kinder Orientation day (half class)
- 29 - Early years Athletics Carnival (K, Pr, Gr1)  
SPC Instrumental Primary Schools Rehearsal day
- 30 - Kinder Orientation day (full class)  
SPC Instrumental Program Concert & Awards Evening

### December

- 2 - First Sunday of Advent
- 7 - P&F Christmas Picnic - 5.30pm
- 8 - Family Mass and Carols - St Peter's Church 5.30pm
- 9 - Second Sunday of Advent
- 12 - Gr 6 Leavers Dinner
- 13 - End of Year Mass
- 14 - Gr 6 Big Day Out
- 16 - Third week of Advent
- 18 - Larmenier EOY Concert  
Door of Hope, 1 - 2.3-pm
- 19 - Certificate Assembly
- 20 - Last day of school for students  
Grade 6 Farewell Assembly 1.30pm
- 23 - Fourth week of Advent
- 30 - Feast of the Holy Family  
Larmenier's Patron Saint

Just a reminder to all families that we have an increasing number of children who may suffer from a severe reaction to nuts. We discourage nuts at school and hope families will assist in minimising this risk.



8th November, 2018

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Jacqui Lawless  
PRINCIPAL

## Honour thy Spirit

*"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."*  
John 13 34 - 35



This week we commemorate the Centenary of Armistice of World War 1.

At 11 am on 11 November 1918 the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. The allied armies had driven the German invaders back, having inflicted heavy defeats upon them over the preceding four months. In November, the Germans called for an armistice (suspension of fighting) in order to secure a peace settlement. They accepted allied terms that amounted to unconditional surrender.

The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month attained a special significance in the post-war years. The moment when hostilities ceased on the Western Front became universally associated with the remembrance of those who had died in the war. This first modern world conflict had brought about the mobilisation of over 70 million people and left between 9 and 13 million dead, perhaps as many as one-third of them with no known grave. The allied nations chose this day and time for the commemoration of their war dead.

After the end of the Second World War, the Australian and British governments changed the name to Remembrance Day. Armistice Day was no longer an appropriate title for a day which would commemorate all war dead.

Remembrance Day continues to have an important meaning in our society. Our children need to learn about the past, including conflicts, so that better decisions can be made in the future. Many families engage their children by using family history about those who have served, by attending services and sharing traditions.

How do you talk to your child about war and more importantly peace?

### Remembrance Day fast facts

- ♣ The word 'armistice' means a truce or peace arrangement. It comes from the Latin word 'arma', meaning arms and 'stitium', meaning 'a stopping', giving us the meaning: to put down your arms (*weapons*).
- ♣ The famous poem *In Flanders Fields* that made the red poppy such an iconic symbol, was written by Canadian Lieutenant Colonel John McRae. It is said that it only took him 20 minutes to write and that afterwards he threw it in the trash (*from which it was thankfully saved by a fellow soldier*).
- ♣ It was not just men who went to war. In World War I, many Australian women volunteered as cooks, drivers, interpreters and other skilled positions. Female nurses served in countries such as Egypt, France and Greece, often in dangerous conditions, close to the frontline where they were exposed to shelling.
- ♣ The conditions in WWI trenches were so horrifying that they gave their name to numerous ailments that occurred there. These include: 'Trench Foot' (*a fungal foot infection*), 'Trench Nephritis' (*an inflammation of the kidneys*) and 'Trench Fever' (*a painful infection caused by lice*).
- ♣ It is estimated that the WWI trench system on the Western Front measured approximately 475 miles (764km) in length.
- ♣ Rosemary is often worn on Remembrance Day. An old tale describes the Virgin Mary spreading her blue cloak over a flowering rosemary bush. The story says that the white flowers turned blue and from that day on the bush was called the 'Rose of Mary'.

**Larmenier Fair - 1 week to go!**

## St Patricks College Band

On Tuesday we were entertained by Fiona Mowat and her band from St Patricks. It was great to welcome back past students from Larmenier and to hear the skills from all the musicians. The Band Program is a fantastic opportunity for students to learn an instrument and work with specialist tutors.



## Moving in 2019?

We understand that for a variety of reasons families may be leaving us at the end of the school year. If you are leaving can you please let us know as soon as possible.



## 8.30am School Arrival

A reminder to families that the school building does not open until 8.30am, this is also the time that supervision begins. If children have to be dropped off a *little* early they must sit quietly and talk to their friends, they are not to play unsupervised.

## Larmenier School Fair

**Have you sold your RAFFLE BOOK? There are more available at the office.**

As the fair quickly approaches jobs and details are being finalised. Please take the opportunity to help on your class stall for a short time during the evening, remember, many hands make light work!

With many new families in our community we thought a few 'Fair Tips' might help make the evening easy for new families



### Fair Tips

- Make sure you have cash and small change
- School toilets are open
- If you have allergies you may need to bring an appropriate snack, there are some gluten free options
- The Fair is held in the school grounds
- Parking is on the street or the bottom oval (this will be signed)
- There is no eftpos
- If you are helping on the stall, your child can help you
- First Aid will be located in the Home wares Stall (bottom of the ramp)

## NIJSSA Carnival

Due to terrible weather the NIJSSA Carnival was postponed until this week. We look forward to seeing our children do their best and sharing it next week.

## Parents & Friends AGM and Fair Celebration

The P&F AGM will be on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm at the Newstead Hotel. This will also be a celebration of what will undoubtedly be a successful Fair. All parents and friends are encouraged and welcome to attend, this does not mean you will have to have a 'job' if you do not want one. We would love to see you there.

## 2019 Fee Information

The 2019 schedule of fees, together with the payment arrangements form, has been mailed out to all parents this week. The payment arrangements form is due back to the office by **23 November 2018**. Please advise the office if you have not received one.

It is important to note that the payment arrangements form advises the school of each parent's responsibility for the payment of fees. It also advises the school if a family discount is applicable - assumptions cannot be made by the school.

We are happy to assist with any queries you may have.

You can also find a copy of the letters on the school website or click on this [link](#).

**2018** - If you have fees outstanding and feel that assistance is needed, please contact the office as soon as possible to make an appointment to see Ms Jacqui Lawless. Assistance cannot be offered without contact being made and may result in the school pursuing amounts owing through our fee recovery company. This is a last resort and we are happy to discuss any circumstances with you to resolve any issues.

## Farm Dates for Term 4

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November – Year 4

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Year 3

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November - Year 1



## Parents Taking Photos at School Events

Whilst it is lovely to have pictures of your children at school events please do not upload these pictures to social media platforms unless you have the permission of the parents of other students in the photos



## Grade 2 Farm Day

Last Friday Grade 2 had their very last farm day for the year. We were very unlucky with the weather as it was very stormy. But the day went on!!! In the Kitchen we made jam drops and oat bar slice that had melted chocolate over it. We all liked it. Isabella gave us all a surprise by trying something new!!!

We had fun making a mess doing paper mache chickens. We had to cover a balloon with glue and newspaper. We had Elmo the bird inside our classroom and some of us heard him talk for the first time.

For lunch we had fried rice. It was delicious and tasty.

Because it was raining we couldn't go out in the garden so we did some research on chickens. We found out that chickens are related to T-Rex.

It was the best day!

By Grade 2



Our P.O.O.L (Place Of Outdoor Learning) is looking great.

Congratulations to our former Larmenier students (Yr6 2012) graduating from Year 12 at St Patrick's College this year. We wish them all the best in their further endeavours.

*Back row:* Dylan Pether, Cameron Doyle, Beau Cornelius, Jordan Sutherland, Lochie Spotswood, & Jack Lanham  
*Front row:* Isabelle Rush, Maddie Robinson, Tori Milbourne, Grace Flaherty, Keilin Fagan, Erin Luttrell, Piper Heerey, Emma Cowling & Chloe Bessell.  
*Absent:* Ethan Marsden, Tristano Ercole, Owen Elmer and Jonathan McCormack



Congratulations to our students who celebrated their first Reconciliation.

*Bryce Harrison  
Maizey Mansell  
Mia Merritt  
Lachlan Bell  
Bronx Buis and  
Aziel Buis*

## Grade 5 Camp

On Tuesday the 30th of October Grade 5 went to Camp Banksia in Port Sorell, we arrived there late because we stopped at Tasmazia near Sheffield and bowling in Devonport. When we arrived we unpacked in our cabins and after that we ate tea, chicken and vegetables and apple pie. We went on a penguin watch and got to see 6 penguins walk past us! When we got back we went straight to bed because we were tired.

The next day we woke up, ate breakfast, then went for a long bike ride to the beach where we stopped and ate lunch. While we were at the beach we had a sand sculpture contest. After that we rode our bikes back to camp, had a snack, then we had a challenge to make clothes to wear out for tea but the challenge was we had to make them out of garbage bags, it was a lot of fun! We then went on a trust walk, we had to close our eyes and walk in the dark and try and trust Mrs Rice to lead us to the beach. When we got there we had to wear a t-shirt and hold hands and try to get the t-shirt over one person onto the next, then Mrs Lawless got out her phone and used an app called Sky View and we could see Aquarius, Scorpius, and lots more.

The last day at Camp Banksia when we finally woke up, we had breakfast and then we packed up our luggage and cleaned our cabins and had some beach and bike riding time. Then we got on the bus and went to the raspberry farm and we ate ice cream, it was delicious. We went to Deloraine train park and we walked to Mrs Donald's house and took a photo outside of her house, sorry Mrs Donald, then we got on the bus and we went back to school and then went home to catch up on much needed sleep.



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