



Larmenier Catholic Primary School

term dates

March

- 29 - Holy Thursday
- 30 - Good Friday - begin of Easter Break

April

- 1 - Easter Sunday - End of Daylight Savings
- 2 - Easter Monday
- 3 - Easter Tuesday
- 4 - Return to School
- 9-11 - Grade 6 Camp
- 12 - End of Term 1
- 13 - Staff PD-Student free day
- 22 - Earth Day
- 25 - ANZAC Day
- 30 - Beginning of Term 2

Winter uniform

May

- 7 - School Photos - full uniform
- 8 - P&F Mtg 7pm
- 13 - Mothers' Day
- 20 - Pentecost Sunday

June

- 1 - Kinder 2019 applications close
- 5 - Band Soiree 5.30pm
- 11 - LONG WEEKEND
- 12 - Strings Soiree 5.30pm
- P&F Mtg 7pm
- 13 - NJSSA CrossCountry
- 21 - Winter Solstice

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.



29th March, 2018

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HAPPY EASTER



The gospel of Matthew records that on Easter Sunday “an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it.” The stone was rolled away not to let Jesus out, but to let us in.

Our role is to let the stone be rolled away, to reach out for forgiveness, and to forgive others. Jesus can make everything new. Even the largest

stone can be rolled away by the power of God and the resurrection of Jesus. He does not promise smooth roads and a happy life; he promises a life that can be used in service to others. Jesus carried the ultimate cross for us, but he also asks us to take up our cross and follow him in a life of peace, joy, courage, love, and unity. Easter is the perfect time to seek that new life.

The explanation to children about Easter is a challenging one, it extends to an explanation on faith, which is often a matter of the heart. A good starting point is to realise that Easter is bigger than any of us ever fully understands so we do not have to know all the answers. No one ever does. Easter is new life, an empty tomb, forgiveness, resurrection, and more. That is not something to understand. It is a reality we have to grow into.

Easter is a time to celebrate. It is a time of sharing love and hope with our friends and family. It is a time to be grateful for all that we have, a time to reflect and a time to look forward to our ‘new lives’. A life where we are stronger, more loving, giving and forgiving than we have been in the past.

We hope your Easter is filled with love and hope.

Jacqui Lawless
PRINCIPAL



We return to school on Wednesday the 4th of April

Little Athletics Success

A few weeks ago Toby Morrison and Nina Quill participated in the State Little Athletic Championships at St Leonards. Children from all over the state come to participate, there were over 1000 children joining in.

In the running, there are heats and you need to qualify for finals. The throwing and jumping are a single event.

Toby (Under 11's) participated in high jump and javelin. High jump is his favourite because he is better at it. He came third in the event.

Nina (Under 8's) participated in Turbo javelin and range of running races. Nina likes the 100m best because she likes running fast. She won the gold medal in this event.

Congratulations to Nina and Toby for doing their best.



Save the Date – ANZAC Day



ANZAC Day once again falls in the school holidays. Larmenier has a proud tradition of marching on ANZAC Day and laying a wreath. We will be participating again this year. More information will be given closer to the day.

Visual Art

Our children are loving the new specialist art space and curriculum. Their work is certainly reflecting their enthusiasm. All children (Prep – Year 6) NEED A SMOCK for art. We are conscious how expensive uniforms are and want to protect them.



St Peter's Parish- Easter Mass Times:

Holy Thursday - 7pm St Peter's

Good Friday - 10.30am St Augustine's (Stations of the Cross)
- 3pm St Peter's

Saturday Vigil - 7.30pm St Peter's

Easter Sunday - 8am St Augustine's
- 9.30am St Peter's

Year 5 & 6 Sports Gala Day

The first Gala Day for the year is on Friday the 6th of April. There will be a day each term where our children play sport against the other Catholic and Independent schools. These days replace the Friday sports afternoons.

For this term our children are participating in Cricket, Handball and Tabloid sports. We are hoping parents are able to support teams on the day. If you are available, please contact your class teacher.

Celebration Assembly

Our last day of term is Thursday the 12th of April. We will finish the term with a Celebration Assembly at 2.00pm. In this assembly one award for each grade will be given as a special 'End of Term Award', both the Junior and Senior Choir will sing and the whole school will join in performing 'This is Me'. Parents and families are warmly invited.



Farm Dates

Our Farm Days have been busy and enjoyable for the beginning of the year. Produce is being cooked in a variety of dishes with the help of our ever enthusiastic Mrs Miller. We are looking forward to the rest of the term.

Upcoming dates are

Friday 6th April – Year 4

Wednesday 11th April - Prep



Student Free Day

The last day of Term 1 – Friday 13th April is a student free day. There will no school on this day for children.

Kindergarten 2019

Do you have a sibling ready for Kindergarten next year?

Enrolments for Kindergarten 2019 close on Friday 1st June.

If your child turns 5 in 2019 then they are eligible for our Kindergarten. If you have friends who are also considering our school please advise them of the closing date. Applications forms can be found online at www.larmenier.tas.edu.au or from the school office. Please return it completed as soon as possible to the school.



Kings Meadows' Parish

Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist in 2018

The Catholic Parish of Kings Meadows welcomes expressions of interest from parents of Catholic students who would like their child to prepare for and receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist in 2018. Preparation will begin early in Term 2. Further details, including dates, will be sent out at the end of term for those who have enrolled.

Please contact Maureen Fontyn **before Thursday, 12th April** on 63391910, or email: maureen.fontyn@catholic.tas.edu.au if you are interested in enrolling your child.

Kind Regards,
Maureen Fontyn (Sacramental Program Coordinator)

I, would like my child, to prepare for the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist.

My contact details are:

Phone (H):

Phone (Mob):

Address:

Email:

Signed:

Mothers' Day Stall

We are now collecting for donations for the Mothers' Day stall. This will be held early in Term 2. Please bring your donations to the school office. Ideas for donations include: candles, hand cream, chocolates, soap, mugs and travel mugs, note paper and pens, key rings, lip balm, photo frames, and nail files.



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Door of Hope - Main Auditorium
7pm Monday 30th April
Tickets \$10 Child \$15 Adult
Available at the door



Studio Space School of the Performing Arts



There are a few more weeks of this promotion. So if you shop at Coles and they offer them to you send them to the school office please.

SATURDAYS - 10AM-1PM

Studio Space Theatre Company presents *SING DANCE ACT!* - The Studio Space School of the Performing Arts which is run on Saturday mornings during the school term for all kids aged 6-16 years.



SING DANCE ACT! runs every Saturday during the school term from 10am to 1pm at Melissa Wimmer's School of Theatrical Dance at 11 Talune Street in Youngtown, Tasmania. The morning will consist of three 50 minute classes from three specialised professional teachers of drama, dance and singing. Students are given a break (BYO snack) between 11:50am and 12:10pm before they start their last class and finish by 1pm.

GROUP 1 - AGES 6-8 YEARS
GROUP 2 - AGES 9-11 YEARS
GROUP 3 - AGES 12-16 YEARS



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How to grow kids into leaders

By Michael Grose

Here are seven ways you can foster rather than inhibit your child's or young person's leadership potential.

Recently I bumped into Stephen, a friend's son in the local supermarket. "G'day Steve". I hear you're School Captain this year."

Seventeen-year-old Stephen shuffled a little and looked down at his feet before he said, "Yeah, I got the job." His voice was low as if he didn't want the news to get out.

I continued, "Congratulations. You should be pleased with yourself. That's quite an honour."

Finally, a smile spread across his face as he said, "Yeah, thanks for that. I'm stoked actually."

Stephen's reticence to accept praise I think was due partly to his modest personality and partly to the fact that he is not a classical school leader type. Academically he holds his own but he's not an outstanding student. He's not sporty, musical and he doesn't excel in the performing arts or other fields.

But he has leadership-potential written all over him. He's a wonderful young man with solid values. He's very likeable, very caring and could be described as a 'doer'. He gets stuff done.

He's also raised by parents who have inadvertently nurtured his leadership

potential by not molly-coddling him or over-managing him. Neither have they over-inflated his ego telling him how wonderful he is, even when his behaviour or efforts fall short of an acceptable level.

If you believe as I do, that leaders are made, not born then the way we raise our kids has a massive impact on their leadership potential.

Here are seven ways you can foster rather than inhibit your child's or young person's leadership potential:

1. Allow children and young people to experience risk

Currently our community is risk averse when it comes to our kids. It's a parent's job to protect our children and young people but that doesn't mean we completely insulate them from risk-taking behaviour. One European study found that if children don't play outside and have never experienced skinned knees and other small hurts, they frequently develop phobias as adults. Just as young children need to learn to fall a few times to learn it's normal, teenagers need to experience some friendship break-ups along the way to appreciate the maturity that real relationships require. When we remove risk we increase children's dependence on others, which is the antithesis of strong leadership.

Stephen felt uncomfortable receiving my praise because it hadn't been overly lavished on him as a child or young man. He had to earn his parents' praise so he hasn't been conditioned to expect it as a right. Praise and feedback should be realistic and given sensitively rather than handed out like a nervous tic whenever children or young people do something well. Young people generally learn at some stage that their parents are the only people who think they're awesome, which can come as a rude shock when they hit the real world of the workforce.



POSITIVE PARENTING



2. Give kids a chance to solve their own problems

If your child left his lunch at home would you take it to him or her? If you teenager forgot a sports uniform would you take it to school if you were able? If so, you'd be inhibiting their resourcefulness by solving their problems or, alternatively, not allowing them to cope with inconvenience. Flexibility, coping skills and resourcefulness are trademarks of good leadership in both adults and young people.

3. Be realistic with praise

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4. Expect them to earn the rights

A common trait among many children and young people is their strong and increasingly, false sense of entitlement. That is, many kids expect they have a right to (pick any of the following and feel free to add to the list): go where they want; use their mobile phone wherever they want; play in the living room without cleaning up. Alternatively, we can insist that children and young people earn their rights through hard work, responsible behaviour and being cooperative. Learning that a right needs to be earned, rather than something that's simply handed out to you, is a valuable lesson for an aspiring leader in any field of endeavour.

5. Focus on character

Currently as a community we neglect character at the expense of personality. In this current era of reality TV and social media it's not hard to get fifteen minutes of fame whereas in the past your spot in the limelight needed to be earned usually by applying yourself to a sporting, artistic or other endeavour. It's quite a turnaround. However, character strengths such as grit, conscientiousness and reliability consistently appear in discussions about leadership. Parents can actively promote their character strengths of children and young people in many ways - including focusing on character



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Special note: I'm thrilled to announce that my latest book *Spoonfeed Generation: How to raise independent children* is out. It's available at parentingideas.com.au



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*Stephen is not the real name.

Focusing on the above strategies won't necessarily mean that your child will hold a leadership position in primary or secondary school. There are many factors involved in holding a school leadership position and being made of the right stuff is just one of them. But the qualities and traits we nurture in children and young people today will manifest in our future community, sporting and business leaders. That's why great parenting matters.

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