Check out the awesome displays the students put together for our NAIDOC Assembly that was held on Tuesday! The School would like to extend our gratitude to Gay Harris for making the Welcome To Country speech.
This term has been a busy, however, fulfilling one and I am pleased to be able to say to parents that the reports that you will receive this week, record a marked improvement in both attendance patterns and academic achievement for a large percentage of our students. Please read the reports carefully and don’t hesitate to make contact with the teacher should you require clarification on any aspect of your child’s progress. It was also pleasing to see parents participating in our NAIDOC week assembly and I would like to acknowledge the student and teacher input into ensuring an entertaining and informative gathering celebrating Aboriginal Culture. We will be having further celebrations in September when the school will invite all families to a day of celebration in the bush. More information will be sent home to parents early next term.

The school has again had the privilege of hosting the Awesome Arts Creative Challenge program over a two week period. The Creative Challenge is AWESOME’s two week creative program that celebrates our bright young Leonora students’ artistic talents. This year, Awesomes’ team of artists Mel & Dan presented an arts project that encouraged our students to consider their individual and collective community identity. We were fortunate to have Mel & Dan choose to come back to Leonora and continue their strong relationship and rapport with the students and share their knowledge and skills. The program involved the participants undertaking research, conceptual development and implementation of an artwork that communicated the uniqueness of our Leonora Community. The program culminated in a celebration where the works created were showcased for our community to enjoy. Again this year the aim of the Creative Challenge to celebrate the talents, perceptions and stories of our young people in Leonora and to instil a sense of pride, ownership and place within the communities was well and truly realised.

On other matters, our school has been invited to be part of a national project about students with disability and or learning difficulties. We have been asked to provide data about the number and learning needs of children at our school. The name of the school and the name of the students will not be reported. Information about the different types of needs and the programs and resources the school uses to overcome barriers and support children with special needs will be collected. We believe it is important to contribute to this because it will help Governments and the Education Department develop better policies that acknowledge the level of resources needed in schools to meet the needs of all students in Western Australia. If you do not want your child/ren to be included please sign the form attached to this newsletter and return it to the school. I will make sure we don’t include them in the information we provide to the Commonwealth. If you would like to learn more about the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data for School Students with disability you can visit the website: www.deewr.gov.au/students-disability.

In closing I wish all staff and students a restful and happy break and look forward to seeing everyone next term. Please be aware that school resumes for students on Tuesday July 22 as Teachers will be involved in a Professional Learning Program on Monday July 21.

Ian Masarei
Merit Awards

Kindy
Jackson T.
Harry C.
Alexis F.
Theonie G.

Pre Primary
Harlen A.
Ketaya A.
Joshua H.

Form A
Jet B.
Trimmer H.

Form B
Timmy G.
Dakota S.

Form C
Tenah B.
Tyrese V.
Eleisha-Ray A.

Form D
Kellicia B.
Tylen J.
Tesa W.

Personal Points

Bronze Awards
Elizabeth O.
Dakota S.
Maddy-Rae T.
Roscoe W.

Silver Awards
Sierra T.
Manie W.
Riley T.
We were lucky enough to have Mel Dodge and Dan Giovannoni return to Leonora for two weeks as part of Awesome Arts Creative Challenge. This year’s project, Shaping Stones, saw Mel and Dan explore the art of storytelling with our students. The students were involved in a range of activities which saw them creating stories using their bodies to create images and narratives, along with them writing their own stories. This culminated in a whole school performance on Friday 27 June.
Well, we have had our second term of guitar lessons for year 4 to 12 students and we have seen some great advances in all of our budding guitarist’s.

The students this term, have learnt to:
- Read the notes on a stave
- Read the rhythm on a stave
- Learn all whole notes on all strings up to 3rd fret
- Played songs ‘Hot cross buns’, ‘Ode to Joy’, ‘Peter Gun’ and ‘Sunshine of your love’
- Learnt rhythm and beats on drums

In all, I have taught over 30 students music this term and with more lining up to learn I think we will be able to provide entertainment for Leonora for many years to come.

Keep jamming guys!
Brenton Meynell

It’s been a very fun and busy term for P&C members and volunteers. The P&C wishes to thank Gavin Taylor for his time in the position of Vice President over the last few years and to welcome Angela Clinton who has now joined the P&C as our new Vice President.

P&C secretary/treasurer Brenton Meynell has formed a Junior AFL team (grades 4-12) seeing many of our boys and girls signed up already. Saturday saw our first match with a great turn out of kids and fun had by all. Brenton wishes to extend a special thank you to Karthi M. and Craig O. for their assistance on the day. Training for Junior AFL (grades 4-12) is held weekly after school on Wednesdays and a schedule of future match dates will be circulated soon. We look forward to challenging juniors from both Menzies and Laverton in the very near future. The P&C will be holding a sausage sizzle at each future game as a fundraiser.

Friday night saw this year’s first P&C disco with a fantastic turnout and fun had by all. Several high school students volunteered their services for the junior disco as well as parents and community members. A very big thank you to all volunteers and to all who came along and showed us their awesome dance moves (we even had a dancing cat!). The P&C would like to acknowledge Manie W. and Elizabeth O. for their assistance in the canteen. These two students managed food service to over 70 kids with calm, relaxed attitudes showing a great level of maturity and community spirit.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 5th August at 3:15pm in the staff room and we would love to see some new faces so come along and share your ideas.
Kid-Friendly Minestrone

Instructions
- 3 Tbsp Olive Oil
- 1 medium onion, finely chopped
- 1 medium leek, trimmed, washed and finely chopped
- 2 stalks celery, trimmed and finely chopped
- 2 medium to large carrots, chopped
- 14.5 ounce can chopped tomatoes
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 quart vegetable stock
- 5 ounces (about 2 cups) green cabbage, grated or finely chopped
- 1 Tbsp fresh parsley, chopped
- 2 tsp fresh oregano, chopped
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 Tbsp tomato paste
- 1/4 cup frozen peas or peeled fava beans
- 1/2 cup dried pasta, small shapes
- sea salt and black pepper, to taste
- grated Parmesan or other hard cheese, to serve

Heat the olive oil in a large, heavy bottomed saucepan over medium heat, then add the chopped onion, leek celery and carrots, stirring well, and cook for a couple of minutes to allow the flavours of the vegetables to release.

Stir in the chopped tomatoes, and the garlic. Cover and simmer for 15 minutes, checking and stirring often. Pour in the vegetable stock, then add the cabbage, herbs, and the bay leaf, and mix in the tomato paste. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat, and let it simmer for 15 minutes.

Add the frozen peas, or fava beans and pasta and continue to simmer gently for a further 15 minutes. Add more stock if it's too thick. Taste, and season with sea salt (only if it needs it, as the stock may be salty enough) and ground black pepper. Ladle generously into soup bowls and sprinkle grated Parmesan cheese over the top.

Prep Time 15 Mins
Cook Time 40 Mins
Yield 4-6 Servings
Bushranger and Pre-Primary Dinosaur Excursion
## Leonora District High School
### Term 3 Planner

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**School times:** 8:40am - 10:40am | **Teaching starts** | 10:40 - 11:00am | **Recess** | 1:00 - 1:30pm | **Lunch** | 2:55pm | **School finishes** (Early close on Wednesdays) | 1:30pm - 2:35pm | **Country Week**

| Students not at school |