

A stylized, layered landscape illustration. The foreground features rolling green hills in various shades of green, with a dark brown path or stream winding through them. On the left, there are three distinct plants: a green tree-like bush, a purple flower-like bush, and an orange flower-like bush. Above the orange bush, a small red bird is flying. The background consists of light blue and white wavy bands, suggesting a sky or distant hills.

# Luddenham Public School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 7

# Principal's message

Welcome to our latest newsletter. I'd like to begin by offering a huge congratulations to the students of Luddenham Public School for continuing to display excellent behaviour and strong effort at school.

We had over forty entries in the arts and crafts sections at the Luddenham Show this weekend. Congratulations also to these students for supporting a community event. I look forward to hearing of your results.

I would also like to use this opportunity to thank Brody McIntyre (parent) for replacing the backboard on our new basketball hoop with a much stronger one. Shooting hoops is definitely a popular activity with students from Kindergarten to Year Six. Thank you, Brody.

Until next time,

Shannon Jansen  
Principal (Rel)

# Assembly Award Winners

Congratulations to all of our award winners.

Every student in our school is doing a fantastic job of being a safe, respectful and responsible learner.

	Class Award	PBL	Library	Luddenham Award	Luddenham Legend
K/2	Darius Riley	Loui	Nova		
3/4	Jesse Elliott	Ariana	Maximus		
5/6	Jett Chaise	Gimima	Madelyn		Alina M

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# 2023 Student Representative Council



# SRC Zooper Dooper Fundraiser

Every  
Monday,  
the SRC are  
selling  
Zooper  
Doopers  
for \$1 each.



# SRC Crazy Hair (or hat) and Sock Day- Friday 17th

## Gold Coin Donation



# 2023 Library Monitors





## Swimming Carnival

Nevaeh, Chaise and Samara represented our school at the small school swimming carnival at Warragamba Pool.

Congratulations on representing our school with so much pride and passion. We are all so proud of the effort you showed.

Nevaeh was successful in reaching the next level. Good luck, Nevaeh.

A stylized landscape illustration featuring rolling green hills in the foreground, a small tree with a brown trunk and purple and pink foliage on the left, and blue and white wavy bands in the background representing a sky or distant hills.

Reminder

P and C AGM  
Thursday 9th March at 6pm  
Hubertus Club

# Office Information

We are always looking for systems which will help you to be aware of what is happening at school and to help you with making payments for excursions, sporting programs etc. We will always try to give you at least two weeks notice whenever a payment is required.

We have an online payment system where you can log onto the school website and make a payment. This will make it easier for parents who are used to paying their bills online. Instructions for the Parent Online Payment system or POP is available on our school website.

**Payment methods:** At the moment, you are able to make payments by cash, cheque or EFTPOS at the school office. You are also able to make a payment online using the Parent Online Payments feature on our school website. Being a small school with limited administration staff, our preferred method of payment is the Parent Online Payment feature.

**Communication:** We do our best to communicate with our community in lots of different ways to keep you informed about what is happening in our school. Please ensure you regularly check for information so that your child does not miss out on any programs offered throughout the year.

**Absentee Notes:** If your child is away from school, they should bring a note explaining their absence on the day they return to school. You can: · Reply to the automatic SMS message sent out when a student is absent · Use the absence form the school website · Write a note, remembering to include your child's name, class, date of absence and reason · Send an email.

Everyone has busy lives these days, so we hope that the systems we are putting in place are useful for you. Please do not hesitate to call the school if you have any concerns.

# Harmony Day- 24 March

Harmony Week is a week to celebrate Australian multiculturalism. It is an opportunity for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common. Harmony Week is a community celebration. Our cultural diversity in Australia is one of our greatest strengths and is at the heart of who we are.

On Friday 24th March the whole school will be involved in activities related to Harmony.

***Your child can either come dressed in orange or wear their national dress.***



# Attendance News– Week 7

Every day of school matters. It is important that all students attend school to learn and be the best they can be.

We are asking parents to please ensure that students do not take a day off for no valid reason. (We understand that students do get sick and that there are times when circumstances dictate that leave is required).

We ask that parents and families use our SMS system to respond when their child is away from school. Please continue to send medical certificates and doctor's reports to our school as well. Please do not send absence explanations via Facebook Messenger.

We thank all of our families for their continued support of our pursuit to improve attendance at Luddenham Public School. Please contact our school if you require any support.

NSW Department of Education

## Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:

- Learn
- Make friends
- Build skills through fun

### Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight W X W T F W T W T F	= 4 weeks	= Over 1 year missed
1 day per week W X W T F W T W X F	= 8 weeks	= Over 2.5 years missed

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# NAPLAN and Check-in Assessments

This term, our students will be participating in NAPLAN (Years 3 & 5) and a Check-in Assessment (Years 4 & 6). These assessments are used to identify how students are performing in literacy and numeracy and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs. If you have any questions at all regarding this, feel free to contact your child's teacher to discuss any queries you may have.

NAPLAN will be held from 15-27 March.

