



**Term 2 – Week 8**  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

## Winter Festival

The continual cycling of the seasons is a very significant rhythm that we have become increasingly detached from by our modern lifestyles. We are no longer as connected to the land in the ways we once were and few of us can share the stories of our ancestors about the world. Our predecessors knew that what happened in the world around them gave them insights into their inner landscape and real prompts for personal development.



*Winter Festival Spiral in the Wattlebee Kinder*

Rhythm is a very powerful tool that is specifically and deliberately employed by Steiner education. Our teachers consciously plan their lessons around an awareness of this, utilising and balancing the active with the still, the intellectual with the practical, the outward gesture with inward contemplation. Our students feel secure in their place within the world when they are supported by the rhythms of their daily routine at home and at school, the cycles of night and day, week, month and year.

As the Winter Solstice draws near, our teachers will be working to bring this outer seasonal experience into the classrooms as an inner experience for the children. As adults, we can be more intellectually conscious of spiralling inwards as the cold and darkness of Winter enfolds us. And as the Solstice approaches, we will find the warmth and light of the spiritual essence that lies within the centre of us all.

On behalf of the School I would like to warmly welcome all in our community to join us in celebrating our Winter Festival together next Thursday evening at 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start.

–John Stewart, Education Administrator

# Calendar

## TERM DATES 2019

Term 1	29/1 – 5/4
Term 2	23/4 – 21/6
Term 3	16/7 – 13/9
Term 4	7/10 – 13/12

## JUNE

Tue 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 5</b> Parent Teacher Evening		7.30 – 9pm
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Music Concerts</b>		
13 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>LYE Junior Tour</b> to Ballarat & Geelong		
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Ring a Rosy</b> Winter Festival		5:00pm
	<b>Class 10</b> Play	Music Hall	7:30pm
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	Gender Ambassador Workshops		
16 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Class 12</b> Queensland Sea Kayak Camp		
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Mother Holle</b> Winter Festival		
Tue 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Classes 6 – 10</b> Cross Country at LYSS		
	Gender Ambassador Workshops		
	<b>Briar Rose</b> Winter Festival		
Thu 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Winter Festival</b>		
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>End of Term Two</b>	<b>School finishes at 12:30</b>	

## JULY

Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Teachers Conference</b>	<b>Student Free Day</b>	
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Term Three begins</b>		
29/7 – 9/8	<b>Class 9</b> Nungatta Camp	Nungatta	
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 2 – 6 Swimming</b>		
	<b>Ring a Rosy</b> Parent Evening		

## AUGUST

5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 10</b> Work Experience		
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 8</b> Play - Matinee	Music Hall	2pm
Tue 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 2 – 6 Swimming</b>		
	<b>Class 8</b> Play	Music Hall	7:30pm
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 9</b> return from Nungatta		
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Gender Ambassador Workshops		
	<b>VCE information Evening</b>	<b>Resource Centre</b>	<b>7 – 9pm</b>
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Briar Rose</b> Parent Evening	Briar Rose	7:30 – 9pm
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 2 – 6 Swimming</b>		
Tue 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 2 – 6 Swimming</b>		
Thu 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Class 9 &amp; 10</b> Musical Soiree		
21 <sup>st</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Class 8</b> Flinders Ranges Camp	Flinders Ranges	

## **END OF TERM MUSIC CONCERTS**

### **WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

Below is the list for the end of term music concerts. Please note that the date has changed to **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June** and the first concert will start at **5:15 pm**. There will also be a band concert following the 6:30 pm concert in the Music Hall.



#### **Curative Eurythmy Room 5:15 pm**

Class 4: Daisy, Finny, James, Zoe, Summer

Class 5: Archie

Class 6: David, Elke, Daylan, Olivia,  
Thomas, Banjo, Tessa, Viola

Class 7: Ella, Lily, Raphaela, Sunny,

Class 8: Valeska, Oscar, Lucas

Class 10: Ben, Lucas, Pearl

#### **Lecture Theatre 5:15 pm**

Class 4: Molly, Cianna, George, Rei, Hakea

Class 5: Emersyn, Gabriel

Class 6: Xander, Audrey

Class 7: Gabriel, Ruby F, Fleur, Jazzlyn,  
Malaika, Stella, Jevan

Class 8: Jayda, Oscar

Class 9: Adrianna

Class 10: Jocelyn

Class 11: Valentina

#### **Music Hall 5:15 pm**

Class 4: Toby, Peta, Oliver, Asher, Ashley

Class 6: Rufus, Sage, Isabella, Maleka, Amae

Class 7: Frankie, Anouk

Class 8: Ronan, Grace, Lizzie, Kiera

Class 9: Luka, Sophia, Chiara

Class 10: Jessica, Finn, Amae

#### **Curative Eurythmy Room 6:30 pm**

Class 5: Seren, Katya, William, Malachy

Class 6: Isla, Lilian, River, Elyssa, Emma

Class 7: Giles, Ruby H, Amber, Riley, Ryder

Class 8: Lily, Will, Ella, Ethan, Stephanie, Matilda, Liam

Class 9: Tamara, Maya

Class 10: Katharina

#### **Lecture Theatre 6:30pm**

Class 5: Bella, Imogen, Miles

Class 6: Angus, Alex, Ochre

Class 7: Hamish, Remmi, Peppa, Marlowe

Class 8: Erica

Class 9: Esther, Edana, Fujina

Class 10: Jasmene, Brielle, Sofia

Class 12: Adam

#### **Music Hall 6:30 pm**

Class 4: Lila, Manu

Class 5: Aislin, Elijah, Maeve, Maiya, Matilda

Class 6: Annika, Indigo, Mani

Class 7: Giselle, William, Pearl

Class 8: Katelyn, Edyn, Julie

Class 9: Ruby S

Class 10: Karuna, Jessica, Nisha

## **BAND CONCERT**

Michael

Please come and support our talented young performers at the Band Concert this Wednesday. It will take place around 7:30pm in the Music Hall after the individual concerts. There will be a couple of exciting new acts as well as the more experienced ones.

## **100 MORE PLANTS IN THE GROUND THIS MORNING**

Claudia & Semi

We have added more reeds and grass at the base of the bank and more shrubs at the top to help manage the water flow down the bank behind our gymnasium. Some plants are already flowering after the welcome rain.



## **BIODYNAMIC DROUGHT BREAKER KIT**

Bernie(Gardener)

I was wanting to invite any parents or staff member that has any time to assist Claudia and I with spraying some BD preparations that make up The Drought Breaker Kit. This involves 3 sequential days of spraying beginning on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> till Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> June. As directed by the moon phases and earthly rhythms. Day 1 Sunday needs to be stirred and applied in the early evening. Day 2 on Monday we need to stir for one hour before sunrise and 1 hour in the evening then apply. Day 3 which is the Tuesday application needs only to be made in the morning and stirred for 20 minutes.

If you have any flexibility and could spare some time please reply to me or Claudia.

We are predicting that the process may take 1 to 2 hours pending on how many hands we have. Starting at 4 in the afternoon sprays and 6 in the morning sprays. Thank you,

## **WINTER FESTIVAL PROGRAM**

Tricia

- 5pm** Families are invited to a shared meal with Primary School Classes. Upper School students will gather to share baked potatoes near the Class 8 building. Class Teachers will provide more information.
- 6.15pm** Families will move down to the gym to be ready for the festival
- 6.30pm** Festival begins. Singing (High School) and Class 5 eurhythmy.

Further details will be in next week's newsletter.

## **CLASS 10 PLAY**

Tessa & Jake

Class 10 invite you to a wonderful Pantomime romp of a play on Thursday night at 7.30pm in the Music Hall.

They have been studying a text in German and then adapted the narrative into a play in English, and used their experience in drama to refine their work for performance. This year the plot was developed from a folk tale of an eccentric Knight: 'Oblong Fitz Oblong' who through unusually kind and ethical means, transforms evil into good, ultimately discovering that 'love' conquers fear. The class have taken great pains to expand their sense of autonomy and ownership of the production through the term and this has allowed them to have a valuable learning experience from the challenges of creating the production they named: 'The Thwarting of Baron Bolligrew'.

## **LITTLE YARRA JUNIOR ENSEMBLE COUNTRY VIC TOUR**

Damien

This Thursday, the Junior Little Yarra Ensemble will set out on a 2 day Country Victoria tour. The tour will consist of students from classes 7 and 8 who have chosen to be a part of this after school group. We will set off very early Thursday morning at approximately 6.45am and head to Ballarat Steiner School for a day of workshops and school performances. The students will stay at a scout camp in Ballarat. The following day will see the ensemble travel to Freshwater Creek Steiner School for more workshops/ performances before returning to LYSS at approximately 6.30pm. We look forward to a couple of exciting days of meeting fellow Steiner School musicians and creating music together

## **CLASS 10 COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE 2019**

Bernie

We have arrived back from our two weeks in the Northern Territory where we worked on a range of projects with the community of Imanpa and visited Uluru and Kata Tjuta.

Along with the creation of murals and artworks in Imanpa there were many games of footy and softball which saw our students integrating harmoniously with the local high school children. We were also fortunate to have the opportunity to help out in the primary school with reading and working on projects with the children.

I would like to congratulate Class 10 for their generosity of spirit towards the community and their willingness to overcome the difficulties of camping in the heat and the dust.

Travelling by bus to this remote community allows us to witness the dramatically changing colours and shapes of the landscape. It also makes us appreciate the lush green valley in which we live.

Hopefully we will be fortunate enough to welcome Ray the teacher at Nyangatjatjara College and some of the high school students to our school later this year.





## WAYFARERS

Damien

Last term I asked for expressions of interest in billeting performers from the Musical/Drama group of Judy Clingan's Wayfarers at the beginning of term 3. They will be arriving on the first Wednesday of Term 3 (17<sup>th</sup> July) and staying to do 2 days of workshops and an evening performance on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Music Hall. This ensemble is made up of students and teachers from all over the world. Judy is really creative and the group promises to be a fantastic opportunity for students to partake in workshops and for the community to enjoy a fantastic performance on the Thursday evening. I have had many generous offers to billet a number of the performers but am still looking for a few more families. If you have the ability to take 2-3 performers for the Wednesday to the Friday 17 - 19 July please email me at [dcallan@lyss.vic.edu.au](mailto:dcallan@lyss.vic.edu.au) or phone school and leave a message.

## RESPONDING TO AN SMS FROM SCHOOL

Monique

Dear parents – when responding to text messages from school, if you put an emoji in your response, this is what we receive: -

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To make it easy for the office staff to read your response, please do not add emojis to your responses. Avoid using a smiley face, or a thumbs up or any other picture. Please respond with just words. Thanks!

## STUDENT WITHDRAWAL REMINDER

Leanne

This is a reminder that written notice of student withdrawal is required at least one full term in advance. This means that if we have received notice after the 23<sup>rd</sup> April this year, you will be charged full fees for Term 3. If you are leaving for financial reasons but still wish to continue with the school please do come and speak to me as we have options to support you. Email – [lsarah@lyss.vic.edu.au](mailto:lsarah@lyss.vic.edu.au) or phone 5967 1953

## FEE REMINDER

Leanne

Thank you to everyone who have been in touch with me and made arrangements to suit your circumstances. Regular communication can help us to help you to keep your children at the school. If you have an outstanding account with the school and haven't contacted me, we will be following up everyone by phone and email before the end of term.

## UNIDENTIFIED FEES

Roy

We have received a payment with no identifying information; \$50 on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April. If you believe this might be intended for your parent account please contact Sara or Roy in Finance. [accounts@lyss.vic.edu.au](mailto:accounts@lyss.vic.edu.au) . We will require proof of payment, a screen shot of your bank statement will suffice in order to credit them to your account. To avoid this situation please always use your invoice number as a reference for your payment (five digit number included in your invoice/statement). Thank you

We are delighted to announce the Coordinators for this year. Thank you for your generosity and fantastic support. We still need Class 2, 3, 7 and 8 for the Craft Stall and Children’s Activities to go ahead.

CLASSES	ACTIVITY	COORDINATORS
<b>Kinder, Prep and Class 1</b>	<b>Children’s Treasure Trove</b>	<b>Angela Monahan and Team</b> Sourcing and making handmade crafty treasures with love for a Children’s Tent. Exclusively for children under 8 to discover and explore the treasures with reverence and wonder.
<b>Classes 2 and 3</b>	<b>Craft Stall</b>	These classes lovingly create a craft stall selling craft wares made by parents and the wider community, by organising an array of beautiful, natural craft supplies and craft items.
<b>Classes 4 and 5</b>	<b>Curry Kitchen</b>	<b>Danielle Kostovski</b> These teams coordinate the curry kitchen on the day. The school’s kitchen becomes the hub for this popular and much loved food stall.
<b>Class 6</b>	<b>Sausage Stall</b>	<b>Bill Simpson and Francesca Ronalds</b> This class coordinates the barbeque and drinks stall with healthy biodynamic sausages, vegie burgers and organic drinks
<b>Classes 7 and 8</b>	<b>Children’s Activities</b>	This team chooses and organises the rides and activities for young and older children including Rope Ladder Challenge, Rock Climbing Candle making, Circus skills, sand treasure hunt, donkey rides, face painting, boomerang throwing, and garland creation. Artisan workshops can also be included.
<b>Rest of School</b>	<b>Waste-free</b>	<b>Claudia Howells</b> Put your name down for the wash up roster, help with recycling set up and monitoring on the day

**CHILDREN'S TENT DONATIONS NEEDED**

Angela

The Open Day & Fair Children’s Tent preparation is getting underway for 2019. Class 1 and Pre school families please keep an eye out for information from your class carers and also for flyers in the classrooms with further details and positions vacant.

**Donations needed!** Donations of natural craft materials needed, specifically:

- wool felt and soft natural fabrics to sew treasure bags
- Matchboxes - all sizes welcome. We need 50 per year!

Co-ordinator: Angela Monahan (Briar Rose), [angela@monahan.id.au](mailto:angela@monahan.id.au)