Dear Parents,

I would like to begin by thanking Brigit, Gaynor, Jo and Sue for the manner in which they have not only welcomed me, but for also being such a great help with the many questions that I have asked of them. It is clear to me after one week, that the staff are very supportive and that they work extremely well together. It is also wonderful to have Erin as part of the school community on Monday and Wednesday. Another very positive aspect about Loveday School is the recent purchase of 5 iPads. Children have already started to explore them and use them in class. There will be many exciting learning opportunities for the children with their IT skills, as they use them to support their learning.

FINANCE MEETING.

Governing Council Meeting – 3.15pm.

Choir rehearsal at Waikerie Primary School 10am-1pm.

Excursion to Glossop Primary School to watch Hail, hail, rock n roll.

STUDENT FREE DAY.

Staff attending First Aid training.

MOTHER’S DAY ☺

NAPLAN testing.

Walk Safely to school day.

Fun Run.

National Simultaneous Storytime – 11am.

VALUES: Respect, Honesty, Caring, Cooperation, Responsibility, Self Discipline

CURRENT FOCUS VALUES

Honesty and Respect

As a way of making sure that school communication with the newsletter reaches you, we have added a newsletter reading sheet to the coloured envelopes which were given out at the beginning of the year. Could I ask you to please date and sign it to indicate that you have seen the newsletter. Could you also return the envelope to school as soon as possible after you have read the newsletter.

A special thank you to the Wilkinson-Thompson family for representing the school at the Dawn Service on ANZAC day and laying a wreath.

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We are a Solar School

Loveday Primary strives for learning and growing together in a fun and safe environment.
ATTENDANCE AND CYBER SAFETY ARTICLES

With the newsletter, I have included two complimentary articles I received in the mail about attendance at school and also cyber safety, both of which make interesting reading. Regular attendance and arrival at school by a reasonable time are both key messages in the article. On the topic of school attendance, may I remind you to please contact the school if your child is absent. This can be done either by a written note or a phone call. Our system for keeping the school roll and attendance information requires us to record the reason for any child being away. This also includes occasions where a child arrives at school late. Thank you for your ongoing assistance and understanding with this.

PLEASE NOTE: As from tomorrow if your child is late for school, after school commences at 8.50am, they must call into the front office to sign our book. They will receive a ‘late token’ to show the teacher. Late arrival is one of the entries we need to record in our roll books. Thank you for your support ☺☺ ☺☺

S.A.P.S.A.S.A. HOCKEY

Last Friday, Jamie, Leanne and Emma participated in the SAPSASA Hockey carnival at Glassey Park. Mrs Trimper’s passion and enthusiasm for Hockey was very evident with her coaching and supporting of the students. I was pleased to also have 5 boys join our team from Loxton Lutheran, plus one boy from Barmera. We also welcomed home schooled students, Stuart and Beatrice Walladge and Morgan Arnold. Please read Jamie, Leanne and Emma’s report after the joke.

PUPIL FREE DAY

Friday 11th May

Late last term, some initial plans were put in place for staff to update their First Aid training. The training day is now set for Friday May the 11th, which is next week. For this day to go ahead, we have organised for a student free day. I have contacted all members of the Governing Council, who have given their approval for the school to be closed on this day to allow all staff to attend. I have also received approval from Mr. Brian Featherston, the Assistant Director. The training day will be held here at Loveday and will also involve the staff from Barmera Kindy, plus three or four other staff from other schools.

WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM

Woolworths is about to commence the 2012 Earn and Learn program. We have registered for the program that commences on May the 9th. One sticker can be collected for every $10 spent at Woolworths. The sticker(s) can then be placed on a sticker card and dropped in the collection box which will be kept in the office area with more sticker cards. The program runs until the 1st July 2012.

READING REWARDS

This Friday, we will be rewarding our students for their home reading. For this to occur, children should have read at least 20 times during the second half of Term 1. The reward time will be in the last half an hour on Friday afternoon. Congratulations to Brittany, Emma, Leanne, Jamie, Joel and Jessica.

PERFORMANCE AT GLOSSOP PRIMARY SCHOOL – Wednesday 9th May

We will be attending a performance at Glossop Primary School called Hail, Hail, Rock n Roll. Students will be travelling in staff cars. The performance commences at 1.30pm. There is no cost to the students.
Hello everyone 😊

I hope you all had an enjoyable break and are ready for a great term at Loveday Primary! I would like to welcome Rod to our team as Principal and Primary teacher! It is wonderful to have you here. We have many things planned for Term 2, such as more pottery, a Fun Run and Tuck Shop will start - which will be wonderful coming into the cooler months.

Winter is almost here. Well, it feels like winter already. One of the challenges I have as the days get shorter and the weather gets colder is finding time and motivation for exercise. It’s easier to stay in the warmth of your home, rugged up with a hot chocolate! However, it is important to keep active if you want stay healthy. Here are some tips to remember:

**Wear suitable clothing:** Fabrics that keep moisture away from your skin will prevent you becoming wet and chilled. Also wear brightly coloured or reflective clothing to increase visibility.

**Wear a hat:** About a third of our body heat loss occurs through the head.

**Dress in layers:** Wear plenty of light layers so you can gradually peel them off as you become warm.

**Exercise caution:** Beware of slippery surfaces, and exercise in daylight wherever possible.

**Keep your fluids up:** It’s sometimes easy to forget to drink when the weather is cold. Drinking water regularly is just as important during winter as it is in summer.

This term I will be at the school on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10am-3pm. Please feel free to come in and see me or leave a note in my message box if I’m not here and I will get back to you! I hope you have a great week and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Love, Erin

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To support our Healthy Eating program can you please make sure that your child brings a water bottle and a healthy snack for our 10.00am Healthy Eating break.

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Rod Hanna 😊

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**Tuckshop**

Wednesday 9th May will be the next Tuck Shop. It will be Ham and Cheese Toastie or Spaghetti Toastie. Please make sure your order form with money is in the plastic money bag supplied and is given to Brigit by Tuesday morning.

Sorry, we can’t take any late orders. Tuck Shop will be held each week either on a Tuesday or Wednesday. Please check the lunch order each week.

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**S.R.C News**

**Adidas School Fun Run**

Today with the newsletter please find your child/children’s sponsorship form for the "Adidas School Fun Run". Please read and sign the front of the booklet. The Fun Run will be taking place on Wednesday 23rd May. Please return all booklets to Brigit with your sponsor money on Monday 26th May so your prizes can be ordered and they will be back before the end of the term.

**PLEASE NOTE IF YOU DON'T GET ANY SPONSORS YOU STILL HAVE TO RETURN YOUR BOOKLET.**
Birthday wishes go to:
Mr Griffin 4th May
Brittany 7th May
Aidan 11th May

Student of the week awards
Jessica
Emma – for a great effort with her school holidays Power point presentation.

Spellingdrome Awards
Gold bike award
Jamie

Participation Award
Emma

JOKE CORNER
What do you get if you cross a crocodile with a flower?
I don’t know, but I’m not going to smell it!
By Joe

SAPSASA HOCKEY
On the 27th April we had SAPSASA Hockey. We won 4 out of 6 games. We had five Loxton Lutheran boys, one boy from Barmera and three children who are home schooled. We scored 21 points out of 6 games. We came 4th overall. We won against Berri, OLR, Loxton and Glossop. We lost to Waikerie White and Waikerie Blue. We all liked it and hope to do it again next year.

Emma, Leanne and Jamie

COMMUNITY NEWS

NEW SMOKE-FREE LAWS FOR PLAYGROUNDS AND COVERED PUBLIC TRANSPORT STOPS
From 31 May 2012, World No Tobacco Day, new State Government legislation will come into effect that:
- bans smoking within 10 metres of children’s public playground equipment
- bans smoking under covered public transport waiting areas, including bus, tram, train and taxi shelters and other areas used to board or alight from public transport that are covered by a roof.
- gives local councils and other incorporated bodies the ability to apply to have an outdoor area or event declared smoke-free.

Anyone aged 15 years and older can be fined for these offences committed under the Tobacco Products Regulation Act 1997. These changes will further protect the health of children and the community, and reduce exposure to second-hand smoke. They will also increase the comfort and amenity for non-smokers and reduce the exposure of young people to smoking. Outdoor smoking in confined spaces is a potential hazard, particularly for children and people with pre-existing health conditions. Increasing the presence of smoke-free outdoor areas will also de-normalise smoking in the eyes of the community.

For further information or fact sheets, please visit www.tobaccolaws.sa.gov.au or call the SA Health Tobacco Information Line on 1300 363 703. For assistance in quitting smoking, call the Quitline on 13 7848 or visit www.quitts.org.au.

RIVERLAND YOUTH THEATRE
Riverland Youth Theatre presents Nunga Rhythms FREE Hip Hop workshop with Angera McMillian (Kurruru Youth Arts)
Saturday 28th April @ Barmera Primary School
11 years and under 11am-12noon
12 years and over 12-1.30pm
Wear loose and comfortable clothing. Bring a water bottle.
Families welcome to stay and watch.
Contact RYT 08 85863437 for more information.
More than just fun and games
Riverland Youth Theatre’s After school workshops begin April 30!
Come along, meet new friends and get Arty!
Monday
Drama 12 years + Loxton High School Drama Room 3.45pm-5.45pm
Dance - Loxton Community Theatre 3.45pm-4.45pm
Tuesday 3.45pm – 5.45pm
Drama all ages Renmark Institute
Wednesday 3.45pm-4.35pm
Dance Renmark Institute
For more information contact RYT 08 85863437

BERRI AUSKICK
Berri Auskick has started. If you would like to join the Auskick go to the Berri no2 oval at 9am.

WORKING WITH OUR NEW IPADS.