

West Leeming Primary School Board Meeting Summary 12 May 2025

The School Board convened on 12 May 2025, chaired by Mark Molloy, with a focus on strategic planning, school performance, and community engagement. Principal Jennie Dawson was formally welcomed, marking a smooth leadership transition supported by outgoing principal Lisa Tucker.

Board Membership and Governance

- Mark Molloy was re-elected as Parent Representative and Board Chair
- A new staff representative will be elected as Kim Saw's tenure concludes this term.

Annual Report and Strategic Progress

The 2024 Annual Report was reviewed, highlighting progress across the Business Plan's six focus areas:

- Student Leadership: Expanded roles and structured opportunities for student voice.
- Staff Wellbeing: Enhanced support through professional learning and leadership development.
- Community Engagement: Strengthened through workshops, surveys, and partnerships.
- Cultural Responsiveness: Initiatives include a Cultural Responsiveness Working Party and cultural learning experiences for students.
- Teaching Quality: Continued implementation of the Teaching for Impact framework and the development of the "West Leeming Way" pedagogical playbook.
- Use of Resources: Focus on technology upgrades, asset planning, and inclusive outdoor spaces.

Finance and Resources

- The Finance Committee reported a stable budget.
- Technology infrastructure upgrades are being planned and investigations into new leasing options for iPads.
- A financial audit was completed as part of the principal handover.

Neurodiversity and Inclusion

- A subcommittee was formed to support neurodivergent students.
- Plans for a sensory garden are underway, with community involvement encouraged.
- Staff training and parent workshops (e.g., "ADHD with Me") are ongoing.

Public School Review

- Scheduled for Term 3, with self-assessment in Week 1 of Term 3 and validation day in week 3 of Term 3.
- The review aligns with the school's Business Plan and requires board representation as part of the validation day.

Teaching for Impact and QTS Initiatives – Presentation by Natalie Smallman and Chrissy Marcelli

- The school continues to embed high-impact teaching strategies as outlined in the Department of Education Teaching for Impact.
- Participation in the Cultures of Teaching Excellence program was confirmed for 2025, involving all leadership levels and requiring completion of the School Culture Survey this term.

Principal's Report

- Early NAPLAN data is being used for internal planning.
- Staffing updates include minor FTE adjustments and a temporary French teacher appointment.
- Performance management processes are underway.

The meeting concluded at 7:30pm