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NEWSLETTER FOR LYNEHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

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DATES TO REMEMBER

June

- 19th - School Board Meeting 5pm
- 20th - Senior Assembly 3/4 Anita & Rob
- 24th - Mid-Year Reports Home
- 26th - NAIDOC Performance
- 28th - Athletics Carnival

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- * Australian Maths Comp Year 3-6
- * Canva Design Tool 5/6 Elise
- * Chickenpox
- * Preschool Bus Wash
- * Athletics Carnival K-6

Dear Families

Welcome to week 7. It is such a pleasure to be writing to you as Principal of your wonderful school in Annamaria's absence. A sincere thank you to everyone who has made me feel so welcome. It has been great to hear some of your insights and views about Lyneham PS. On that note, thank you to our family members who have brought to our attention their concerns regarding the pick up and drop off areas at the front of the school. A gentle reminder to please follow the signage in these areas and ensure that you are parking in the correct parking spaces. Problems seem to be occurring when cars stop to allow for the afternoon pick up which leads to congestion and buses being unable to enter the school car park road. Thank you for helping us to keep all children safe at these busy times.

During last week it was inspiring to be in classrooms observing the Year 5/6 students in their learning. I heard terrific persuasive speeches, saw reflective and descriptive writing examples, observed research being undertaken on passion projects and watched the explicit teaching of writing. It was great to talk with the students about what they were learning and hear more about the ways that students at Lyneham know that they are being successful learners. Thank you to the Year 5/6 teachers and students who shared their learning with me. Congratulations to the senior school for hosting the Assembly on Thursday. It was great to learn more about your camp adventures. Congratulations also to all of the students who received awards at the Senior Assembly.

Well done also to Tiri Milne Moten, Edith McKerracher, Heidi Davidson, Satya Yogeswaran, Suren Yogeswaran and George Davey who represented Lyneham PS at the ACT Cross Country Carnival yesterday. I would also like to acknowledge the students who participated in the Lyneham PS Soiree last Thursday night. It was a lovely and unique evening that showcased Lyneham students and their diverse talents. Thank you to the students and the families that attended. Special thanks to teachers Vicki Favelle and Kylie O'Brien for their organisation and to everyone else who assisted to make the evening such a success. This week I am looking forward to seeing the Junior Assembly on Thursday hosted by Meg and Kerrie-Anne.

Currently, teachers are undertaking the process of report writing for all students at Lyneham. I admire their dedication and professionalism and am sure you will enjoy reading your child/ren's report. A reminder that reports will be available to families in Week 9 and follow up interview times available in Week 10. Information about parent/teacher interviews and the booking process will be sent home next week.

Kind regards

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School Board

Hello! I'm your new Lyneham Primary School Board Chair. I have three boys at Lyneham Primary, in Kindergarten, year 3 and year 5. In my professional life, I'm a management consultant working across the Australian Government, ACT Government and NGO sector. I'm involved in two other community sector boards. I'll be providing these short reports on Board meetings and activity to parents through the school newsletter, after each meeting.

The Lyneham Primary School Board met on 15 May 2019. It was the first meeting with new Board members, including myself and Tiffany Karlsson (parent representatives), as well as Olivia Neilson and Gerard Clementine (teacher representatives). We considered a paper on IT infrastructure renewal, as quite a bit of infrastructure is coming up to the end of its life. We also talked about future enrolments and the projected increase in population in our enrolment catchment.

If there's anything that you'd like to raise with Tiffany or myself, as the new parent representatives, please get in touch: mia.m.swainson@gmail.com or tiffany.karlsson@hotmail.com

Warmest, Mia



Cross Country

A huge thankyou to all the parent volunteers who helped out at the Belconnen Cross Country on the 30th June! The day would not have been possible without you.

We had five representatives at the ACT cross country held on Wednesday 12th June. Heidi Davidson, Edith McKerracher, George Davey, Satya and Suren Yogeswaren. Special well done to Edith and Suren who came 2nd in their events and Satya who finished 4th and will be invited to join the ACT team!



EAL/D News

The annual assessment of language skills for our August census is underway. Our students who are bilingual or becoming bilingual, with English as an additional language, are being assessed for English language proficiency in the areas of reading, writing, listening and speaking.

In addition to students for whom English is an additional language, our census now recognises that Indigenous students may speak a dialect of English, which differs from other dialects because of location or cultural influences and recognises the linguistic value of their cultural experience. These students' language proficiency is also being assessed.

This time-consuming process is always a rewarding time for teachers, as we see how our students have developed over the last twelve months.

Lauren and Leonie

G.A.T.EWAYS Eureka

On the 29th May seven students from Lyneham Primary school attended the G.A.T.EWAYS Eureka program called 'The places you will go'. It was a day long event where the children participated in three hands-on workshops based around Literacy. The feedback from the children was positive with all recommending it to others.

Emma White from Gerard's class said

It was so much fun! I really, really, really like not having to switch my brain to maths or science. I got to just do English. I learnt that when doing English you have to be creative too. My favourite activity was 'Between the Magic and the Mundane'. There was no right or wrong and we got to create lots of stuff. I would definitely do it again.

Maya Farrall from Gerard's class said

I had fun! We got to do lots of activities. My favourite one (session) was the third one. It was called The Faraway tree. We got to use our imagination to design our own tree house. I had an invisible lab, trampoline and a fun house. I learnt that if you're going somewhere all you need is you. One of my teachers, Zuzi Fort said you just need your mind. You don't need anything else, but your mind. I would do it again. I really want to go to the one in term four.

Caitlin from Becky's class said

I enjoyed it. I learnt a new style of writing. I also learnt how to manage historical time and use it when writing stories. I would recommend it.

Akira from Belinda's class said

It was very enjoyable. You got to have different workshops to do different things. I learnt things from going. I would do it again if it was offered to me.

Tiri from Elise's class said

I liked it. It was really fun. There was writing and drama. I tried lots of new things that I'd never done before. There was a style of writing I had never done before. I would do it again.

Millie from Gerard's class said

It was fun. I like the treehouse session the best. I would do it again.

Violet from Aiden/Kylie's class said

It was good that we got to meet students from other schools. We got to do workshops like "Between the Magic and the Mundane". I would like to do it again.

Mr Tim Presentation

Dear Parents

This term our amazing Mr Tim has been working with our three Kindergarten classes and with our Preschool classes.

We would like to invite parents and carers to come along to the final lesson of the term to see what the students have been learning about.

The last lesson will be on Tuesday 2nd July at 2.30pm. Please come along if you would like to see our Kindergarten students and some of our preschool students in action!!

Kind Regards
Ben

School Parking

The school has received reports by concerned parents regarding the parking areas before and after school, that people have been parking dangerously and not obeying the signs. We have a dedicated bus zone in the front car-park as well as a disabled park and a drop off zone. Please help us keep the children safe. The following is information from Transport Canberra regarding parking.

Children are more at risk than adults around schools because they are smaller and less visible to motorists. They are also less predictable and less experienced, which makes them more likely to make errors of judgement. Failing to follow road rules increases the risk to children around schools. While schools can become congested during the peak times, illegal driving and parking behaviours are not acceptable as it increases the risk of injury for children.



Parking Operations regularly patrol school zones to support school communities to keep children safe. Please do the right thing to create a safe environment around our school.

Parking restrictions are used around schools to increase safety for children. Some of the common signage used in school zones includes:

No stopping – vehicles are not permitted to stop or park for any purpose

No parking – vehicles are permitted to stop, however only to pick up or set down passengers and must drive on within two minutes of stopping

Bus zone – the area is reserved for use by buses only, unless signposted for other use at certain times

Children's crossing – a part-time crossing that operates when one or more crossing flags are displayed, giving all pedestrians priority over vehicles.

Parking Operations and police regularly patrol school zones to enforce safe behaviours, so please remember to play your part in helping to build a safe school environment.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Keep those stickers coming in! You get one sticker for every \$10 you spend at Woolworths until the 25th June. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. Our points goal is 10000. Currently we have 7500 points, almost there!

There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn & Learn program, and we would like to get lots of new gear! Products in the range include resources for mathematics, English, science, art & crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more.

If you would like more information please visit:

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