Dear parents and carers,

Term 3 is rapidly coming to an end, and what an end it will be! So much has happened already this term and there is yet more to come. We are privileged to have such an active and vibrant school that offers so many opportunities for involvement.

Hats
We thank you all, both caregivers and students alike, for your diligence in ensuring that hats are worn during play times. Every year over 10,000 Australian’s are diagnosed with melanoma, Australia’s 4th most prevalent cancer. Thankfully over 91% of people diagnosed within the first 5 years survive. Understandably, being sun safe is high on many school agendas!

We are seeing a number of hats (and other clothes items) turning up without names. Our wonderful Student Leadership Team works hard to get lost items back to students, so please help them out and make sure all items are clearly labelled with your child’s name and class.

Swimming – Royal Life Saving Swim and Survive
Pink coloured enrolment forms have gone home with all students who have paid for swimming. If you have paid, but have not received a pink note, please contact our front office and a replacement will be sent home. The notes allow your child to be allocated an appropriately levelled group for their swimming ability. The notes are due back no later than Wednesday 24 September, but if we could have them back sooner it would help!

We still have a few places available; please contact the front office if you are interested. The cost for the program is $70.

School Satisfaction Surveys
Thank you to all of the families and students who completed our School Satisfaction Survey. More families than ever responded, providing us with valuable information to inform future planning for Latham Primary.

Literacy and Numeracy Day and Art Show
Literacy and Numeracy Day, and our Art Show, were a huge success! A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the students, caregivers and teachers who invested their time in these events. Celebrating, as a school community, the learning and achievements of our students is an important part of school engagement. On a personal note, I was blown away by the Art Show, the displays were simply incredible!

Trivia Night
Who was the first Australian-born Governor-General? Sir Isaac Alfred Isaacs, who was born in Melbourne on 6 August 1855.

Friday 19 September is the annual P&C organised trivia night, make sure it’s in your calendar, and book early to secure a table! The evenings are always fun, even if the teachers seem to frequently lose...

This week’s trivia question: Which Melbourne transport system is the largest of its kind still operating, anywhere in the world?

Yehuwdiy Dillon

We acknowledge the Ngunnawal people – traditional custodians of the land on which our school stands.
Merit Awards

MATHS AT HOME
Cuppa and Chat
For parents with children aged 4-8 yrs
Wednesday 22 October, 9:30 am
We know you as parents want to support your child at home with maths, but times have changed!
To assist you, we will be having an informal chat, over a cuppa in our school staffroom, showing you some of the things we do in the classroom to teach maths, as well as give you some fun, practical and easy ideas on how to help your children at home.
We look forward to seeing you there!

MATHS MOMENTS
To assist you in talking about maths at home we will be including a mathematical brainteaser in our newsletters.
Here is our first one...
I am an odd number.
Take away one letter and I become even.
What number am I?
Answer: Seven (take away the ‘s’ and it becomes ‘even’)

LIBRARY NEWS
Hi everyone!
Hope you a having a great week!
Just a reminder that we are coming to the end of Term Three so please make sure that you return any overdue books back to the library.
Also I just wanted to send a BIG ‘shout out’ to all our wonderful Library Assistants that have been helping out in the library this year. Your help is most appreciated and for those who are continuing in Term Four I look forward to seeing you back.
QUOTE FOR THE WEEK
“Fill your house with stacks of books, in all the crannies and all the nooks.”
— Dr. Seuss
Heather Govender

Fete & P and C News
School Disco
The school disco is on tonight:
Junior school (Preschool to year 2) is 5:15pm-6:45 and the senior school (year 3 to year 6) is 7:00-8:30pm in the school hall. The theme for the disco will be rainbow — wear your favourite colours.

Latham Lap-a-thon
Is on tomorrow the day is finally here. Lots of kids are talking about their costumes with their teachers. Sponsor sheets and money due back Monday 22 September. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Trivia Night
The Trivia night is on next Friday 19 September — 7pm at the Raiders Club in Kippax. If you would like to book a table please email trivianight.lathampandc@gmail.com, there are still a few tables available. The theme for the evening is all things Aussie. So grab some friends and come along to what is always a fun community event.

Hampers
For our annual fete we are asking families to donate an item to our Hamper Stall. The hampers are then raffled off at the Fete which means 100% profit to the school!! Each year group has a specific hamper, however if you are out shopping and you see something on special that would be great for any of the other hampers grab it. There is a list of suggested donations on each hamper box located in the staff room.

Raffle Tickets
We have had a fantastic response to the Golden Ticket. So many students want to win that free day at the Fete (who wouldn’t?).
REMEMBER – We have a legal obligation to track each and every raffle ticket. If you did not receive a book at home please let me know NOW so we can reprint your numbers and get them sold. So far 32 books of tickets have been sold and returned. You don’t have to sell tickets, simply return your unsold book and it will be passed onto to another student. Tickets are due back Week 1 of Term 4 (Monday 13 October). Notes were sent today to anyone who still has raffle books in their possession.

Thank you
Latham Primary P&C
Community News

Dendy Cinemas has a Family Films campaign running this September. They are offering $9 tickets for children and accompanying adults. Upcoming films included in this campaign are Tarzan (11th Sept), Boxtrolls (18th Sept) and Planes: Fire & Rescue (18th Sept). Jump on the website for more details - http://www.dendy.com.au/Promotion/Great-Value-Family-Films-At-Canberra

Take the family to a movie and support one of our supporters!!