

**Term 2 Week 8**  
**Date – 14 June 2022**



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Collaboration Respect Motivation Resilience Positivity

JUNE	UP COMING EVENTS
Wednesday 15	School Board Meeting – 5pm
Friday 17	PJ Day
M 20 & Tues 21	Kindergarten Health Check
Wed 22	Assembly
Friday 24	Reports Sent Home
Monday 27	Staff Planning Day

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Dear families,

Well another two weeks have flown by in a flash. I have it on good authority that Lyndall will be back Monday 20 June.

We moved into our newly refurbished front office area last week. It is so bright and spacious! We are settling in and working out how to work most efficiently out of these spaces. Please excuse any boxes that may still be seen, especially in Lyndall and my offices, as we move back in.

Thank you for supporting the staff by keeping your children home on the pupil free day. Staff have been diligently collating evidence to complete the reporting process for semester 1. Please remember that this semester's reports will have no comments. Reducing student academic reporting requirements is one of the workload reduction strategies from the Education Directorate. We will be providing an opportunity for you to connect with your child's classroom teacher in the more traditional style parent/teacher interview early term 3. Reports will be sent home via email on Friday 24 June 2022.

We have our second pupil free day on Monday 27 June 2022. Staff will spend time auditing progressions of learning and developing teaching and learning programs for term 3. Thank you in advance for your support in keeping your child home.

I had the opportunity to join the campers at Borambola for a day last week. It was pretty brisk, but nothing a few layers of clothing could not fix. As usual, the adults felt the cold more than the children. A couple of students even had shorts on – my word! Thank you to the staff who gave up their homes and families for two nights to make this event happen. Staff attendance is not mandatory and would not happen without the goodwill of those involved to provide this opportunity for our students.

Thank you to the P&C for the biscuits. They are greatly appreciated. One day last week I went into the staffroom in the morning and there was a full jar, thinking I would eat one later. No luck!! By second break they were all gone.

Warm regards,

Karen



Acknowledgement of Country

Dhawra nguna, dhawra Ngunawal.

Yanggu gulanyin ngalawiri, dhunayi, Ngunawal dhwara.

Wanggaralijinyin mariny balan bugarabang.

We at Latham Primary would like to acknowledge and thank the Ngunawal people for letting us play, learn, and live on this land. We respect your connection to this country, ongoing culture, and elders. We will help pass on knowledge of Ngunawal culture, languages, and traditions.

*Ngunawal Language Revival Project Working Group 2018*

*Latham Primary School Cultural Integrity Project Team and Student Acknowledgement Working Group 2018*

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## Year 5/6 Camp to Borambola

It was a cold and dreary morning when 65 excited campers turned up to school in readiness for what was to be an amazing adventure after our Term 1 camp had to be postponed. While the activities had changed from those with a focus on getting wet to those that would keep us warm and dry, we were sure everyone would have an amazing adventure.

The bus trip to camp was unadventurous but as soon as we had unpacked our bags and had our first camp meal, we were off to activities. Whether it was archery, BMX, pioneering or any of the other activities the year 5/6 students showed how amazing they were at teamwork and taking the initiative which all camp instructors commented at was at a level they rarely see.

Perhaps the night activities were the most energetic, with the Borambola Show taking place on Thursday night. In small groups, they had to run a stall and make as many bottle tops as possible, which was the currency of the night. My highlight was the nail polish stall which saw many a student and adult have their nails painted by pure professional.

After an amazing adventure we reluctantly took the buses back to school, where with the gentle humming of the engines most students had a well-deserved sleep. I must say that after being on 28 school camps, this one was one of my absolute favourites. The students were totally amazing with their respect to each other and adults, willingness to give things a go and most importantly to let us adults get a good night sleep.

Greg Taylor  
Executive Teacher



### **PJ Day - hosted by the P&C**



Friday 17th June is PJ Day, children can wear their PJ's or Oodles to school and have a hot choc and a warm cookie to blast away the chilly Canberra weather.

Order a \$3 Hot Chocolate and a Warm Cookie for recess via Flexischools.



### **Breakfast Club**

The Breakfast Club is normally run on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30-9:00 and offers a free breakfast of toast, cereal and hot chocolate to all students.



To get the Breakfast Club up and running again, we need a Breakfast Club Coordinator (and/or a team of people to share the role). The processes are already established and we have suppliers and donations all ready to go.

The role consists of:

- Being in charge of organising the breakfast club including food purchases/donations and volunteer roster.
- Advertise the Breakfast Club on Facebook and work with the P&C with newsletter and website content.

Unfortunately, we can not run this service for the kids without a Coordinator and regular volunteers.

If you would like to know more or have time to assist please email us at [lathamprimarypandc@gmail.com](mailto:lathamprimarypandc@gmail.com).

### **Old Latham Primary School Memorabilia**

As part of our 50th Anniversary celebrations, we are currently searching for Latham Primary School memorabilia, such as photos of the school or area, original school uniforms, school books, etc.

If you have anything to share please contact Kath via [thevicepresident.lathampandc@gmail.com](mailto:thevicepresident.lathampandc@gmail.com).

# Pyjamas



on  
Friday the  
17th of  
June

Special  
Treats  
order

Cookie and  
hot chocolate

Wear your pyjamas to school  
day!

(gluten and dairy free options available)

It's a free event



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**TUESDAY**  
**5 JULY 2022**  
**5-12 YEAR-OLDS**