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Term 2 Week 2
Date – 2 May 2022



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Collaboration Respect Motivation Resilience Positivity

MAY	UP COMING EVENTS
Week 2	Student-led Conferences all week
Tuesday 2	P&C Parent's and Carer's Stall
Thursday 5	Latham Cross Country
Friday 6	P&C Parent's and Carer's Stall

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From the Principal

Welcome Back to Term 2!

It has been so lovely to see all our children back after the school holidays. They have jumped straight back into learning and I am hearing a lot of excitement from the children as they have prepared for the Student led conferences. They are looking forward to sharing their chosen pieces of work with you and working on their learning goals.



Enrolments

Enrolments for 2023 have commenced! If you have neighbours or friends who live in Latham and have a child in their family who will be four years old on or before 30 April, please encourage them to complete the enrolment application as soon as they can. For out of area families, they are welcome to apply if interested in Latham. I do need to advise our community that the Years 1 and 2 cohort in 2022 is our biggest cohort in the school. Next year they will be in Year 2 and Year 3. Our capacity to take out of area children into Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be very limited.

Enrolment Champion

Sometimes, families thinking about enrolling into Latham have questions for us as the teachers and admin team as part of the school. Sometimes, they also like to chat to families who already attend the school. We are looking for someone who might like to be an Enrolment Champion for the school. This would mean that a parent could contact the school and we would provide a way for you to connect with them to answer any questions that they may have about the school for which they would like a parent perspective. Questions about the process would still need to come to the school. If you like to talk to people and think you know a fair bit about Latham Primary please email us at info@lathamps.act.edu.au to express your interest.

RAT distribution

The ACT government has provided advice that Rapid Antigen Tests (RAT's) will continue to be provided on an as needs basis to students in ACT Government schools. Please let us know by lunch time (12 noon) on Tuesdays of weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 so that we can get them into the bags of the children who require them. They will go home on Tuesday afternoons if requested. Please note the following dates for those Tuesdays are 3, 17 and 31 May and 14 and 28 June 2022.

Semester 1 student reports

With the middle of the school year fast approaching our teachers will soon be preparing student reports for semester 1. This semester we will be providing students with an overall A-E grade, and an assessment of achievement standard statements on a 5-point scale. While semester 1 reports will not include detailed teacher comments, parents are encouraged to speak directly with their child's teacher(s) if they have any questions or concerns about their progress. Our teachers will also continue to communicate directly with you when there are any concerns about student learning or other classroom updates.

Staff planning days - Term 2

The ACT Government is supporting all ACT public schools to hold two staff planning days during term 2. These days will provide public school teachers with some extra space to complete student reporting and term planning. Where possible, we ask that students do not attend school on these days. Students who cannot stay at home will be able to attend school and be supervised while undertaking general learning activities. We will be consulting with the P&C this week about the suggested days for Latham Primary. We will provide families with these confirmed dates later this week.

School Board

Following the School Board election process, I would like to congratulate Sujit Mukherjee and Nicole Baillie on their appointment to the Latham School Board as our parent representatives. I would also like to congratulate Isobel Short for her successful appointment as our staff representative. A big thank you to Justin Kerslake and Robbie Coombs for their last two years on the School Board. They have made an outstanding contribution to the Board and their support for the school and our strategic work was highly valued and sincerely appreciated. I am sure that Sujit and Nicole will share some more information about themselves in future newsletters.



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.

Enrolment and Transition information sessions for parents/carers of children with developmental delay and disability

These information sessions support parents and carers of children with developmental delay and disability to understand the enrolment process and to start planning for 2023. All sessions will be held online.

Enrolling for Preschool 2023

- Monday 9th May 1.00-2.30pm
or
- Thursday 12th May 10.00-11.30am

Register and forward questions to: preschoolpathways@act.gov.au

Enrolling for Kindergarten to year 6

- Tuesday 10 May 1.00-2.30pm
or
- Wednesday 11 May 10-11.30am

Register and forward questions to: exemptioncertificates@act.gov.au

Enrolling for year 7 to year 11

- Wednesday 11 May 1.00-2.30pm
or
- Friday 13 May 10.00-11.30am

Register and forward questions to: exemptioncertificates@act.gov.au

For further information contact: jean.walker@act.gov.au

Latham Cross Country

The Latham Cross Country Carnival will be held on Thursday 5 May 2022 from 9:20am to 1:00pm. All students will move to the oval and sit in their house groups. Junior competitors (preschool and kindergarten classes) will be marshalled straight to the warm up area. All other students will be cheering for their house groups until their races are called.

Students are encouraged to wear house colours on the day.

HOUSE COLOURS

UMBAGONG – GREEN

BRINDABELLA – BLUE

CASUARINA - YELLOW



Fresh Taste Local Community Information

Hello everyone and welcome back to term 2. I thought I would start this term with a healthy eating message around encouraging children to eat a rainbow. A rainbow I hear you ask. Offering a wide range of colours in children's food is not only visually appealing, but also ensures that children are receiving a great variety of nutrients. Here are some healthy ways you can interest children into the marvellous, colourful world of fruit and vegetables:

Create your own fruit and vegetable Rainbow

A great way to keep track of the colours children eat each day is to create a fruit and veg rainbow poster. Every time the children eat a colourful fruit and vegetable, they can place a corresponding-coloured sticker on the rainbow or get them to colour in a small section on the rainbow. This is also a great activity that parents can do with their children at home.

Create a rainbow on your plate

Make a tropical rainbow fruit salad with fruits of each colour: oranges, strawberries, mango, rockmelon, kiwifruit, bananas, and blueberries. Stir fry your own mix of vegetables using each colour: red onions, carrots, baby corn, broccoli and mushrooms. Your children may not accept the offer to eat these fruits and vegetables at first but after constant exposure most children start to experiment.

Read a book – [I can eat a rainbow by Annabel Karmel](#)

I can eat a rainbow teaches kids how to eat healthily by enjoying a 'rainbow' of food, from purple plums to red apples to greens like spinach and celery. Each two-page spread focuses on food of a different colour.

Remember to offer your children a variety of fruits and vegetables from all colour categories. Plus try fun activities to encourage trying new fruit and vegetables.

Kind regards

Fresh Tastes Coordinator

Mike Smith



LATHAM P&C'S

PARENTS & CARER'S STALL

PRESCHOOL

TUESDAY 3RD - BEFORE SCHOOL
THURSDAY 5TH - BEFORE SCHOOL

NEW DAY

PRIMARY SCHOOL

FRIDAY 6TH - MIDDLE PERIOD

BRING YOUR COINS!



LATHAM PRIMARY
P&C ASSOCIATION

ITEMS FROM

50 CENTS TO \$5.00

- > ITEMS INCLUDE CARDS TO COLOUR IN
- > CRAFT ITEMS TO DECORATE
- > CANDLES, BATH BOMBS, SLIPPERS
- > MUGS, PENS, NOTEBOOKS
- > EARRINGS, NECKLACES, BRACELETS
- > AND MUCH MORE!

Action Tae Kwon-Do

Martial Arts Classes at Latham

Time: Mondays Adults 7pm

Wednesdays Children 6pm, Adults 7pm

Location: Latham Primary School

Age: Children 5 - 12yrs, Adults 12+

Wear: Sports clothes to start

Action Tae Kwon-Do is running exciting martial arts classes right here at Latham Primary School. No contracts or term payments, pay as you go. This is a fantastic opportunity for you or your children to be taught invaluable life skills in a safe environment.

Enrolling NOW

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Location: Melba

Melba Copland College, enter from Verbrugghen St Melba

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Starts

Saturday 14th May

3 + 4 year olds - 9.45am to 10.30am

5 + 6 year olds - 10.30am to 11.15am

7 - 9 year olds - 11.15am to 12.00pm

\$84

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