

Term 2 Week 2
Date – Monday 6 May 2024

Collaboration Respect Motivation Resilience Positivity

MAY

Mon 6	Dance Club
Tues 7	Breakfast Club 8.30 am – 9.00 am Cross Country Table Tennis Tuesday Pre-School Mother's Day Stall
Wed 8	Wellbeing Wednesday Meccano Enrichment
Thurs 9	Breakfast Club 8.30 am – 9.00 am Kangaroo & Ukulele Clubs Green Team
Fri 10	Feel Good Friday Pre-School and Main School Mother's Day Stall School Disco – P & C 5.30 pm
Mon 13	Dance Club
Tues 14	Breakfast Club 8.30 am – 9.00 am Table Tennis Tuesday
Wed 15	Wellbeing Wednesday Meccano Assembly Year 3
Thurs 16	Breakfast Club 8.30 am – 9.00 am Kangaroo & Ukulele Clubs Green Team
Fri 17	Feel Good Friday National Walk Safely to School Day International day against Homophobia, Bi Interphobia & Transphobia

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Dear parents and carers, welcome back for Term 2, 2024! We hope you all had a lovely break and enjoyed some time to relax. This term is set to be an active one with discos, cross country, gala days and other year-based excursions.

Monday 29 April marked the start the term with the first educator planning day; it really set the scene for a great term of learning, with additional time to plan and prepare resources.

Our morning cross country training has been highly successful with up to 52 students in attendance. A big thank you to Eddy and Sara Fitzgerald for their organisation of these sessions.

On a side note, we have also noticed that the students who have participated in this morning physical activity session are demonstrating settled learning dispositions in the morning literacy block. Perhaps there is something more to this and we could offer activity sessions before school more often? Watch this space! I would also like to thank and acknowledge our weekly volunteers who provide breakfast club for our students. This is yet another initiative that really assists students to be ready for learning.

As previously communicated, Belinda Andrews will be on personal leave for the next four weeks and I will be acting Principal during this period. Greg Taylor will be acting Deputy Principal and Penny Acheson will be the team leader for kindergarten and Year 1.

In other staffing news we look forward to welcoming Seb Halme, who was an intern teacher in Year 6 back to Latham. He will be backfilling leave across the school and supporting with inbuilt relief as we head into the colder months. We also welcome back Brittany McGrath from maternity leave who will be assisting in a similar capacity.

We look forward to a great term of learning. My email is Natalie.Garrett@ed.act.edu.au if you have any questions or concerns over the next few weeks.

Kind regards,

Natalie



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.

World of Maths!

On Tuesday and Wednesday, students were welcomed back to school with an incursion of 'World of Maths'. Throughout this engaging program, our students had the opportunity to dive into the realm of mathematics, with problem-solving at the centre.





In small groups, students participated in rotations of activities, each presenting unique tasks and challenges. There was excitement and enthusiasm as students collaborated, shared ideas, and worked together to tackle each problem.

Preschool at Latham

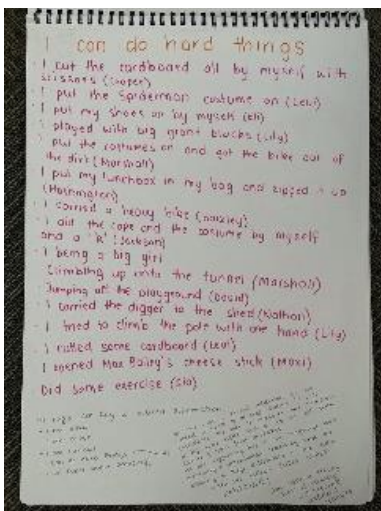
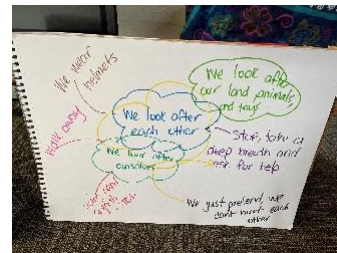
We believe children ...

- Learn through play
- Should be empowered with agency and voice
- Succeed when they feel they belong
- Are all learners

Latham Preschool Philosophy

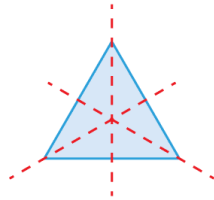
At preschool we create environments that provide the children with access and opportunities to make informed choices, develop their self-help skills and build independence. They always prove they are capable.

At preschool, we can do hard things!

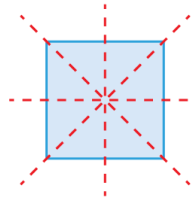


MATHS CHALLENGE!

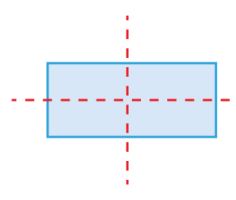
Most shapes have a Line of Symmetry – which is a line through the shape that *cuts it perfectly into two identical halves* where each half is the exact reflection of the other.



(Equilateral) Triangle



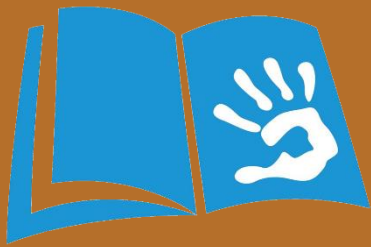
Square



Rectangle

Assuming that Hugh is perfectly symmetrical, can you use the grid boxes below to draw the exact mirror half of Hugh's photo? Hand in your mathtastic mirror images into the Front Office or Hugh before the week 6 assembly! Have fun!





Latham
PRIMARY SCHOOL
living to learn



**Is your child
enrolling in
our
preschool
for 2025?**

**Latham
Preschool
Welcome
Morning**

**If you have any questions please
contact the school on 6142 0077 or
isobel.short@ed.act.edu.au**

**Thursday 9 May 2024
9:30am - 10:30am**

2025 school year enrolments are open!

Enrolments for the 2025 school year are now open for students starting at a new school. Visit education.act.gov.au for the online application link and information about the school in your child's Priority Enrolment Area. School information sessions for prospective students are being held throughout May. Alternately, visit school websites to find out more or contact the school directly. Apply by 7 June to receive an offer from 29 July 2024.



Enrol now for 2025

**ACT public schools –
where going local
leads to great things!**

There's a place for every child in their local primary and secondary school.

ACT public schools are accepting enrolments for the 2025 school year for preschool to year 12.

Apply by 7 June 2024 to receive an offer from 29 July 2024. Applications received after 7 June will receive an offer later in 2024.



Find out more
Visit education.act.gov.au



Literacy and Numeracy Inquiry Final Report available

The Final Report from the ACT Government's independent inquiry into literacy and numeracy performance in ACT public schools is now available.

The report contains 8 future-focused recommendations to strengthen literacy and numeracy outcomes for all ACT public school students.

The ACT public school system is strong, and this report provides the ACT Government with practical recommendations to build on its current successes.

All ACT public schools are committed to ensuring every student is provided with a great education and the foundations for a good life.

To read the Full Report visit the [ACT Education website](#).

Donations Wanted!!

Preschool would love donations of size 4 or 5 clothes to add to our spare collection. Wet weather gear (including gumboots) is also very welcome.

With many thanks,
The Preschool Team



Reconciliation
Day

POSTER Competition

Winner will receive \$1000 for their school

The Reconciliation Day Council invites you to complete a poster that represents this year's theme 'Now More Than Ever'

Submit your entries to
reconciliation@act.gov.au

Entries close: 10 May 2024



Resilience Program – Mindfulness

Working on mindfulness gives us opportunities to develop our ability to pay attention to the present moment and our thoughts. Practising mindfulness daily can help us stay focused on set tasks and reduce stress and anxiety.

Whole Family Activity:

Mindful Walk

- As a family, go on a walk outside in nature. This might be around your local walking track, at your local park, or just around your streets.
- While walking, tune into your senses and observe what you can see, hear, and feel. Or you might choose to focus on one of the senses. Eg: Hear: what are all the noises you can hear on your walk?
- On your way home or when you return home, share what each person saw, heard, or felt.



Family Habit Builder:

Each night at dinner, ask everyone to take one mouthful of food more mindfully than the rest and think about the flavours they can taste and how it makes them feel. (They can also thank the chef!).

Mindfulness

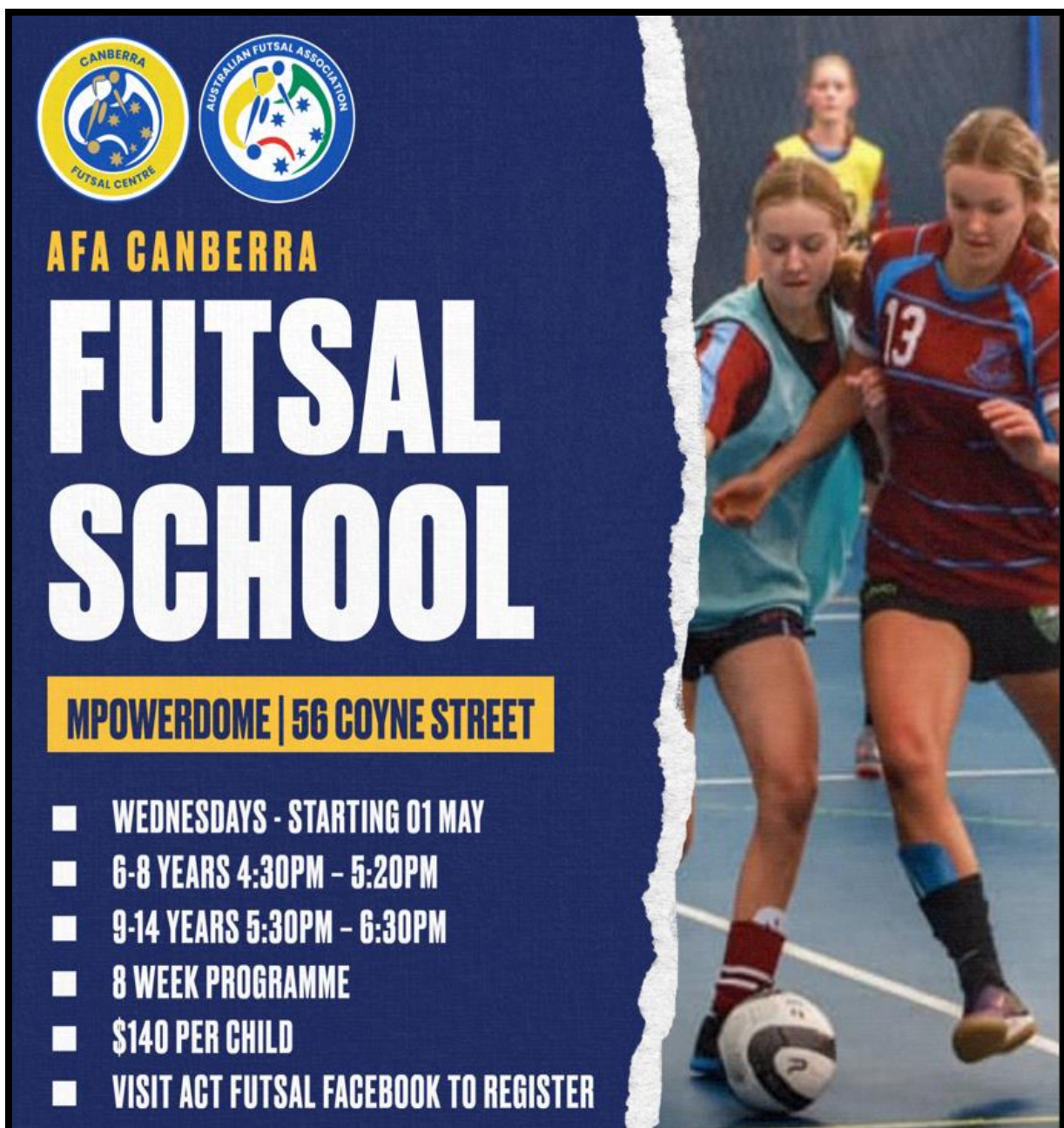
Intentional awareness generated by remembering to pay attention to the whole of your experience while differentiating that which is helpful vs. unhelpful for you.

FUTSAL

During Term 2, ACT futsal is running some programs out of school hours for students interested in getting involved! Please read these flyers below and get in contact with the appropriate people at Futsal ACT if your child is interested.

Matt Gray

Sports Co-ordinator



CANBERRA FUTSAL CENTRE **AUSTRALIAN FUTSAL ASSOCIATION**

AFA CANBERRA

FUTSAL SCHOOL

MPOWERDOME | 56 COYNE STREET

- **WEDNESDAYS - STARTING 01 MAY**
- **6-8 YEARS 4:30PM - 5:20PM**
- **9-14 YEARS 5:30PM - 6:30PM**
- **8 WEEK PROGRAMME**
- **\$140 PER CHILD**
- **VISIT ACT FUTSAL FACEBOOK TO REGISTER**



AFA CANBERRA

LITTLE FEET

MPOWERDOME | 56 COYNE STREET

- TERM 2 - Tuesdays 4pm - 4:45pm
- STARTING 30 APRIL 2024
- 3-6 YEAR OLDS
- 8 WEEKS OF FUN
- \$120 PER CHILD

Visit the ACT Futsal Facebook page to register



Belconnen Netball Association

Charnwood



Website



Facebook



Contact: belconnen.netball@gmail.com

The 2024 Winter NET skills program will run for 10 weeks from 9.30am - 10.15am on Saturday mornings commencing on Saturday 11 May 2024

BNA's fee for the program is \$20.51

Netball AUS fee: \$4.49

Netball ACT fee: \$80 (includes NSG pack)

Total: \$105

For more information please contact: belconnen.netball@gmail.com



ACTION

TAE KWON-DO

MARTIAL ARTS CLASSES IN YOUR SCHOOL!

 **LATHAM PRIMARY**



CHILDREN: MON & WED 6 PM

ADULTS & TEENS: MON & WED 7 PM

HURRY!

**LIMITED SLOTS
AVAILABLE**



KIDS DEVELOP

- ✓ DISCIPLINE
- ✓ CONFIDENCE
- ✓ FOCUS

AND LOTS OF...

FUN!



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INFORMATION

FOR PARENTS

SOCCER PROGRAM FOR JUNIORS

3 TO 9 YEARS OLD

Programmes run weekly on weekends for 45 minutes.

This sports program will have the following:

- ✓ Skills Practice
- ✓ Ideal for Beginners
- ✓ Modified Games
- ✓ Indoor Sessions
- ✓ Match Play
- ✓ Suitable Equipment

This weekly programme gives children skills and confidence in a fun and enjoyable environment. It also encourages their enthusiasm and participation and the life skills that such involvement brings – giving them increased confidence in the future.

\$105 FOR A 7 WEEK PROGRAM

Location: Copland College - 97 Verbruggen Street, Melba

Day: Saturdays

Start Date: Saturday 4th May 2024

End Date: Saturday 29th June 2024

No sessions on Long Weekends.

Times: 3 + 4 year olds - 9:45am to 10:30am

5 + 6 year olds - 10:30am to 11:15am

7 to 9 year olds - 11:15am to 12pm



Shared Equipment is provided. If you wish to practice at home, soccer balls are available for purchase when you sign up online or email Scott for more details.

Website: kellysports.com.au/act

Contact: Scott McTaggart

Email: scott@kellysports.com.au

Phone: 0418 399 139

Facebook: Kelly Sports Australia

 **KELLY
SPORTS**
BOOK ONLINE NOW AT
KELLYSPORTS.COM.AU



Move • Connect • Share • Grow

JOIN
omj

Oh My Jog exists to help women get moving and stay moving for improved mental and physical well-being. We do this through:

- Movement and adventure opportunities
- A welcoming and supportive community
- Providing accountability

omj WINTER
WALK &
WELLNESS

A 31-day challenge during July to keep you well during winter.

- Winter Wellness and nutrition workshop
- Walking Program
- Weekly meal prep
- Facebook Support Group
- Celebratory Dinner

Registrations close 20 June

omj GROUP
COACHING

- Weekday sessions
- Build strength
- Learn how to jog gradually and sustainably
- Connect with supportive, encouraging women

Try a free session or join the next round starting 1 Aug 2024.

JOIN **omj**

@ Umbagog Parkun every 4th Saturday of the month!

omj HIKE

- Join our Sunday morning hiking adventures in August.
- Join a 3-day/2-night mini-break retreat and hike through Murramarang National Park.



For more info and registration:
www.ohmyjog.com.au