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Latham Link

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Term 2 Week 10
Date – 21 June 2021



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Collaboration Respect Motivation Resilience Positivity

JULY Term 3 UP COMING EVENTS

WEEK 1

Mon 12 First Day Term 3

Tue 13

Wed 14 Enrichment 2.05 pm

Thurs 15

Fri 16

WEEK 2

Mon 19

Tue 20 Breakfast Club – 8.30am – 8.50 am

Wed 21 MECCANO – 10.00 am
Enrichment 2.05 pm

Thurs 22 Breakfast Club – 8.30am – 8.50 am

Fri 23

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From the Principal

It is hard to believe that 2021 is nearly over and that we are nearly at the end of term two. As we head into the break please take care to stay updated with any COVID-19 restrictions and information.

School Reports

Our reports were sent home last week. The Directorate's email system only lets us send to the first contact on each child's information. If a child needs a second report this is sent out manually. If you have not received your child's report please contact the front office and we will rectify this ASAP. Our teachers would love the opportunity to discuss your child's report if you have any questions or concerns so please contact them to make a time.

School Board

Thank you to our new School Board members who met for the first time last week. I would like to welcome Julie Edgerton as the newly elected parent member of the Board. Justin Kerslake was elected as our School Board Chair and Robbie Coombs was elected Deputy Chair. Emma van Smethills and Sandy Newberry round out our board as our staff representatives. We will have some more information in future newsletters about the strategic role the Board plays in supporting Latham Primary.

P&C Movie Night

It might have cold last Friday night but that did not stop our families from braving the cold and joining together for the P&C Movie Night. Thank you to the P&C for putting this night together. There was delicious food and drinks provided by Bonnie in the Canteen and it was lovely to see our community gather together.

Why should children be bored?

At our last school assembly I spoke to the children about the fact that I hope that they will have some time over the holidays to be bored. Following is a link to one of many articles about why children should have times in their lives when they are bored. www.melbournechildpsychology.com.au/blog/the-benefits-of-boredom. I know that this is not possible for every family or every child but it certainly is something to think about. The children at assembly were not very happy when I said that I hoped that they would be bored in the holidays and horrified when I said that I hoped their parents would turn off screens! I love technology as much as anyone but I do know that when we give our brains space, often that is the time when we can be our most creative selves. So maybe think about a morning or afternoon or even a whole day when you can turn off your devices and just be. Like anything in life this might need practice!

See you in Term 3

We hope that you have a safe and relaxing break and that you can read some great books, have fun with family and friends and re energise for the second half of the year. We have lots of learning and living to do in semester two and we cannot wait to get started!

On Friday the 28th of May, Heidi Willis and I (Abbey Brookes) were lucky enough to attend the ACT Minister's Student Congress at Canberra College as Student Leadership Representatives. The focus for the congress was "how to create a respectful learning environment". Many other schools from the ACT were represented from Early Learning to College and we collaborated with student leaders from Macgregor Primary School. We shared what respect looks like at Latham Primary School with others and our ideas on how to build more respectful environments. It was an interesting day with lots of activities to help build our knowledge to then bring back to share to our other students leaders and our peers. We will be working together with our SLT to implement some of the new ideas that we learnt. We also got to meet Yvette Berry, The Deputy Chief Minister of the Australian Capital Territory! The next congress is in October and we are looking forward to attending again.



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 the 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



Hello Latham community!

How fast is this year going? We are halfway through the school year already and the growth and maturity of so many students has been amazing.

Over the term, while I have been out on playground duty a quite few students in the senior cohort have been a little confused when something doesn't go their way. Using words like bullying and harassment. I thought a little clarification may help.

Discrimination occurs when a person, or a group of people, are treated less favourably than another person or group because of their background or certain personal characteristics, such as race, sex age or disability.

Harassment involves behaviour causing humiliation, abuse, offence, or intimidation, and is based on a person's particular characteristics. Harassment can be written or verbal.

Bullying as repeated unreasonable behaviour by an individual towards another person which creates a risk to health, wellbeing and/or safety.

One off incidents, random accidents, or incidents months apart do not constitute bullying.

Mike Smith

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Latham Primary School

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Konnichiwa (Hello/Good Afternoon),

At the start of term 2 students learnt about “Kodomo no Hi/Children's Day”. Latham students celebrated this event in several ways. Koinobori/carp streamers are an important part of this festival in Japan. The Koi fish represents strength and determination, due to their ability to swim upstream against the current. Pre-schoolers made a small koinobori and kindergarten did a colouring poster of the koinobori. The year 1-6 students each created an origami ‘samurai warrior helmet’ or ‘Kabuto’. Over the rest of the term many students have been collaboratively painting and connecting these origami to create large koinobori displays to hang in the corridors around the school, there are several and they are all nearly finished. It has been a big project that was lots of fun.



ありがとうございます

Arigatou Gozaimasu

(Thank you very much)

Louise Sensei



Merit Award

Congratulations to the following students on receiving a merit award at the assembly on Wednesday 17 June 2021.

Ella S, Felix C, Andre P, Eric H, Harry P, Bradley K,
Dean S, Hazel C, Fox M, Zara J, Geraldine M, Asta C,
Edith B, Summer A, Maple Y, Ibrahim A, Liliana R,
Lylah W, Eleanor M, Lucas Behnke, James S, Ben F,
Allan W, Eadie W, Suyana R-T, Jarrod S, Ziva B, Rory W,
Jake W, Ashton S, Nathan H, Karleah F and Abdullah A,



ACT Cross Country

Latham would like to congratulate our Cross Country super star, Audrey Robinson. Audrey competed in the ACT Cross Country on Wednesday 16 June. She came 4th in the under 9s race out of 27 students from across the ACT. Congratulations Audrey and thank you for representing our school!



LATHAM PRIMARY P&C ASSOCIATION

Supporting our school and community together.



Canteen News

Seeking help!

The last day of term is historically a busy day in the canteen. Bonnie is seeking assistance to help this coming Friday to ensure orders are ready and out in time.

Don't forget about the Canteen Cash cards available for both \$3 or \$5. Make the purchase on Flexischools and it will be delivered to your child, complete with name and class printed on the back. Children can use the cards like cash at the canteen window. So easy! 🍌



Are you interested in sharing ideas and supporting our school canteen in the background? As we've been unsuccessful in placing a new Canteen Coordinator to support Bonnie, we're looking to form a Canteen working party who will work together as a group. Please let us know if you can help! Contact the P&C Committee at lathamprimarypandc@gmail.com

Next Meeting

The next P&C Meeting will be Tuesday 20th July at 7.30pm location TBC. Everyone welcome!

Want to get in touch?

Email lathamprimarypandc@gmail.com or search 'Latham Primary School P&C' on Facebook (don't forget to answer the group questions, so Admin know to add you!).



Breakfast Club News

Did you know breakfast club is free and open for all students to attend?



Whether your child has already eaten breakfast or not they are welcome to attend. We always have plenty of food to go around. By having it open to everyone there is no stigma attached to coming along. It's a great social time and provides everyone a chance to start the day with a full tummy.

Breakfast club runs on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, weeks 2-9. |

Remember no Breakfast Club this week – we look forward to seeing you week 2 of next term!

If you have any questions please email breakfast.lathampancd@gmail.com

Thank you!

Thank you to our wonderful community for joining us on a magical movie night in the toasty school hall! 🍷🎬

Huge thank you to our coordinator Lesley, our Canteen guru Bonnie and most of all our Principal Lyndall for supporting our P&C to run the event. ❤️

Movie Night Survey: Click [here](#) to complete our survey and make the event even better next time.



Next term we hope to hold a much-awaited school disco and our popular mango tray sales. Start sending your disco song requests to Lesley at

socialevents.lathampancd@gmail.com



Build Your Tomorrow. Today!



Holiday STEM Incursions

PROPOSAL



Young Engineers, Canberra

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Workshop Objectives

Young Engineers provides STEM workshops for children in primary school years with a hands-on approach. Our sessions are designed around a STEM principle with the practical application in mind. It is a fun educational experience for the children with a lot of creative Lego building.



Bricks Challenge Workshop

Children will make a motorised Lego model based on a STEM principle.

Age Group - Kindergarten to Year 6

Cost - 15/- AUD per child (+GST)

Coding & Robotics Workshop

Children will make a model based on a STEM principle and learn to code it using LEGO WEDO software.

Age Group - Year 3 to 6

Cost - 17/- AUD per child (+GST)

Duration - 1 hour per workshop

Maximum no of students - 20 per workshop

All equipment supplied

All our staff are from a STEM background, trained as Young Engineers Instructors and holds a WWVP Card.

We maintain a 10:1 students to instructor ratio.

**We are open for negotiation on the price per student for booking over 60 students or multiple workshops within your organization.





NDIS Care, Support & Planning

**Recreation
Day Programs
Small group activities
One-on-one support
Support Planning
Male and Female staff**

ABN: 846 456 317 14

Spirited Kidz provide one-on-one support and small group activities for NDIS participants. Our staff are qualified and experienced professionals who specialise in providing personalised care.

We work in partnership with our clients and are dedicated to improving their lives.

This school holidays we will be running a holiday program between **28th June to 9th July 2021 for people aged between 5 and 16 that focuses** on having fun and learning new skills in a supportive and caring environment.

If you would like to join our school holiday program or discuss how we can support your family please call

Andrew - 0433 031 053 or

Nicole - 0425 872 696