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Term 3 Week 2
Date – 25 July 2022



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JULY	UP COMING EVENTS
25-29 July	Learning Conversations Aquasafe Year 2
Tues 26	Breakfast Club 8.25am - 8.55am
Wed 27	Meccano Enrichment
Thurs 28	Breakfast Club 8.25am - 8.55am
AUGUST	
Mon 1	Learning Conversations Hats on
Tues 2	Breakfast Club 8.25am - 8.55am
Wed 3	Meccano Assembly – Year 5/6
Thurs 4	Breakfast Club 8.25am - 8.55am
Fri 5	Planning Day – Pupil Free Day

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Welcome back to Term 3.

Our children were particularly settled last week and have got straight back into learning. Your term letters will go out this week so you can see the learning that is planned and the events we have on.



Kindergarten - 100 days!!!

Congratulations to our Kindergarteners who are celebrating 100 days at school today! I have seen each of our classes and I am loving the T-shirts that have been created. I hope they enjoy their day.

Athletics

Thank you so much to our families who supported us by volunteering at the Athletics Carnival last week. We could not hold events like that without our parent volunteers and also the JETS from Kingsford Smith School. The JETS did a great job helping to set up and keep things flowing over the day. We were lucky with the weather, being cold but sunny and most of the children had a great time. I was particularly impressed with the children who persisted right until the end of their race even though they might not have been the winner. I got a wide range of feedback from the children from "I could run forever" to "I hate running! I never want to run again", but overall a great day was had.

Learning Conversations

This week and Monday of next week are our Learning Conversations. This is a chance for us to be able to connect as teachers with families to talk about our children. Your insights and reflections are important to us. We still have times available so you can still make a

time to connect with your child's teacher. We do have some staff absences so apologies if we have to reschedule but we will try to reconnect as soon as possible.

COVID

COVID continues to impact the school and we are doing our very best to be as consistent as we can be. It remains a complex situation that changes daily. We know when teachers are away that school can be unsettling for some children. If your child's teacher is away and you have a concern please contact the executive teacher for your child's year group. The following executive teachers can help you

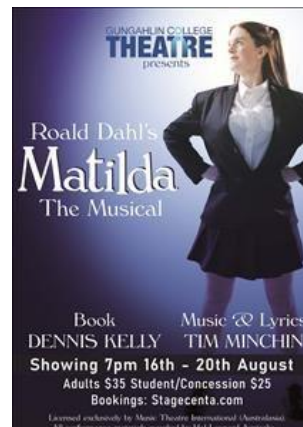
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Years 5 and 6	Greg Taylor at Greg.Taylor@ed.act.edu.au

Families are also welcome back onto school grounds for drop off and pick up. There is no change to other arrangements.

Staffing

Danielle Godwin is finishing up with us for a little while at the end of the week as she heads off to have her second baby. We wish Danielle and the family all the very best and look forward to meeting one of our new members of the Latham family in the next little while.

Adam Salter will be joining us and continuing on with our performing arts program. Adam also works at Gungahlin College and is part of the team who are putting on their production of Matilda. The link follows if you are interested in buying tickets. [Gungahlin College Matilda Booking Link](#). Adam will introduce himself in the next newsletter but please join me in welcoming Adam to the team.



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Last week the staff team shared in some very informative maths professional learning run by Greg Taylor, our Years 5 and 6 executive teacher. In teams we worked through some warm up/focus activities and then also looked at some open ended maths experiences that children can engage in at any level. Keep an eye out for the next newsletter as Greg will include some activities that you might want to do at home as a family.

Kind regards
Lyndall Read



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.

2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their experience of public education. The *2022 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey* will be available online from **19 August to 9 September**. The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents and carers will receive:

- An email about the **parent survey**, including a link to access the survey.; and
- A letter about the **student survey** outlining the reasons for collection and privacy provision for the data

If you do not receive the survey invitation, please check your Junk email folder; if it is not there, contact the school and you will be provided a survey link. If you do not have an email listed with the school, please contact the front office for it to be updated.

The Parents and Carers Survey will be available online in other languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Urdu, Vietnamese, Punjabi, Bengali, Spanish, Telugu, French and Italian. Respondents can select their preferred language when they start the survey. A shortened paper-version of the Parents and Carers Survey is also available in the following 5 languages: Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Karen and Mon. These surveys are available at the Front Office.

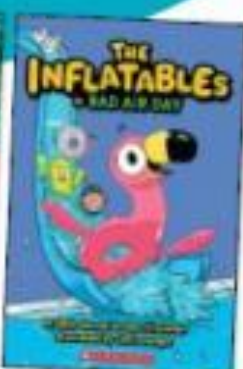
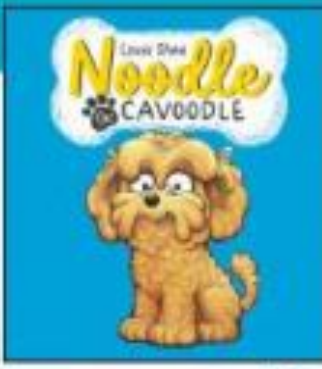
For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents and carers, staff and students as possible to complete the survey. Your feedback is important, and we hope you will take part.

For more information, visit: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/school-satisfaction-and-climate-survey>

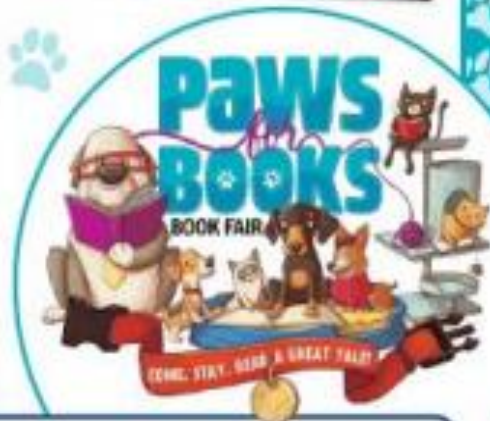


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EVERY PURCHASE YOU MAKE EARNS LEARNING AND LITERACY RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL

Date 15th – 19th August

Time 8:30-9:00 and 3:00-3:30

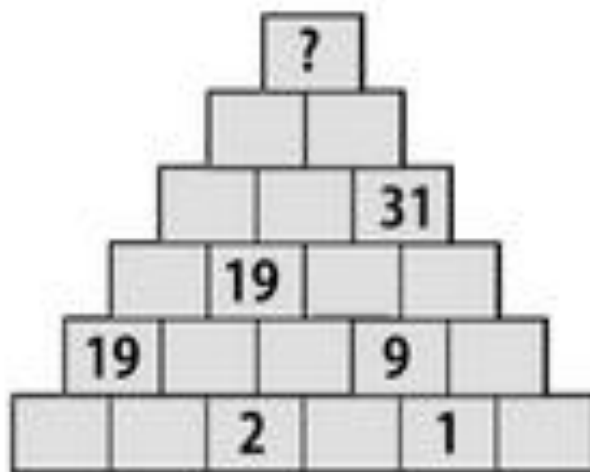
Place The Library!

(Before and After School)

WEEK 2 TERM 3 MATHS CHALLENGE

CAN YOU FIGURE OUT WHAT THE TOP NUMBER IN THE PYRAMID IS? (COMPLETE THIS EITHER BY YOURSELF,
OR WITH PARENTS AND OR SIBLINGS)

ADD EACH PAIR OF BLOCKS TOGETHER TO FIND OUT THE NUMBER THAT APPEARS IN THE BLOCK JUST ABOVE
THEM.



Hand in your completed pyramids to the front office or your teacher.
Also for students who want to extend their knowledge of numbers can you
create a think board for the number 412.



Week 5 2022 National Science Week

Dear parents,

In week 5, the students and teachers will be involved in National Science Week (15-19 August).

The whole school, from preschool to year six, will be involved in presenting a showcase of what they are learning in science. If parents wish to attend their child's showcase, they are required to contact the school prior to the day and time of the showcase. Please note places are limited and please RSVP to the info@lathamps.act.edu.au email to book your spot.

The schedule for the showcases are as follows:

Monday 15/8	Tuesday 16/8	Wednesday 17/8	Thursday 18/8	Friday 19/8
Grades 5 / 6 10:00-11:00	Preschool Mon/Tues Group 10:00-11:00	Year 3 and 4 10:00-11:00	Preschool Thurs/Fri Group 10:00-11:00	Kindergarten 10:00-11:00
		Year 1 and 2 12:15-1:15	LSUA 12:15-1:15	

Some students from years 5-6 will be conducting some fun science experiments with junior students during lunch times. We will have on display students home task stain glass window designs. Hopefully your child/ren have been busy making their creations for this event.

We look forward to seeing you throughout the week.

Trudy Grant
Science Week Coordinator