

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### Returning to the new normal!

School life is slowly returning to relative normality. I wish to express my thanks to all members of our community for working together to keep each other safe by staying home if they had cold or flu-like symptoms. Unfortunately, this has meant there has been large numbers of staff absences, so I ask for your patience, as this has had some impact on classes. We are monitoring the staffing situation closely, working with the Directorate, and should we need to shift to remote learning we will communicate clearly with the community. Students appear to enjoy being able to get together for year assemblies and whole school assemblies, whilst also enjoying excursions and many of our support programs.



It was great to be able to hold our Information Night on Wednesday evening. We had over 200 people attend the event. You could feel the excitement from the year 6 students, eager to begin their high school journey. A big thank you to staff and current students who organised and ran events during the evening.

Wednesday was also our pupil free day, and we thank the community for their support on this day. Teachers used the time to meet in teaching teams for planning as well as completing marking and moderating. It was a very productive day

#### Year 7 Team building day

On Monday 23 May Year 7 students and staff from spent the day at Birrigai. The students enjoyed a day of team building and challenging activities. They had a great day and were all sufficiently tired when returning to school!



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#### Upcoming Events

**Term 2, Week 5, 27<sup>th</sup> May:**

Secondary Southside Girls Volleyball Carnival

**Term 2, Week 6, 30<sup>th</sup> May:**

Public Holiday - Reconciliation Day

**Term 2, Week 6, 31<sup>st</sup> May:**

9/10 Boys Rugby League Tournament

**Term 2, Week 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> June:**

Lake Tuggeranong College Careers EXPO

**Term 2, Week 6, 3<sup>rd</sup> June:**

Secondary Southside Boys Volleyball Carnival

**Term 2, Week 7, 6<sup>th</sup> June:**

Secondary Regional Cross Country

**Term 2, Week 8, 13<sup>th</sup> June:**

Public Holiday - Queen's Birthday

**Term 2, Week 9, 22<sup>nd</sup> June:**

Staff Planning Day

**Term 2, Week 9, 23<sup>rd</sup> June:**

9/10 Girls Rugby League Tournament

Please note: services and events advertised on the Lanyon High School website or newsletter are not endorsed or associated with Lanyon High School. For more information regarding upcoming school and community events please visit our Facebook and Instagram accounts.

[Lanyon High School](https://www.lanyonhs.act.edu.au)

Lanyon High School acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, the traditional custodians of this land. We would also like to pay respects to the United Ngunnawal Elders Council and to the Elders, both past and present of the Ngunnawal nation. We would also like to extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in our community.

## Changes to semester 1 reporting

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 won't 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.

Rebecca Cusick  
A/g Principal



## RESOURCES FOR CARERS AND FAMILIES

Below is a link to register for a free webinar, presented by Dr Emily Stocking from the Matilda Centre for Research in Mental Health and Substance Use.

### The webinar will:

- Give an overview of e-cigarette trends in Australia
- Summarise potentially effective interventions for schools
- Give an update on upcoming trials and resources
- Provide tips for engaging in conversations about vaping with young people



**FREE WEBINAR:**  
**E-cigarettes and vaping  
in young people –  
where to from here?**

**Wednesday 1st June 2022**  
12:30pm AEST

**Presented by**  
Dr Emily Stocking

*Positive Choices*

### Link for registration:

[https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/9116486874855/WN\\_571ftzcHRiOt2e4bd7pNsA](https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/9116486874855/WN_571ftzcHRiOt2e4bd7pNsA)

### How carers can protect students against drug and alcohol use and related harm

Check out the link to a factsheet below for useful tips on how you can protect your teen against drug and alcohol use and related harms.

**Link:** <https://positivechoices.org.au/parents/how-parents-can-protect-against-drug-use>



**Positive Choices** is an excellent resource for carers and families; sharing knowledge to help carers and families talk about alcohol and other substances with young people. There are a variety of resources and information created with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, assisting young people to stay strong and safe.

**Link:** <https://positivechoices.org.au/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-peoples/>

## BIRRIGAI LONG DAY CAMP

On Monday, students in year 7 attended the long day camp, held at Birrigai Outdoor School. Arriving just after 9:30 in the morning, we were welcomed with a biscuit and sunscreen. We then headed straight into the first activity.

Students were split into four groups, each trying various activities that focused on teamwork and building leadership skills. The activities involved crate climbing, team initiatives, vertical playpen and bushwalking. After a hard-earned lunch halfway through the day, the groups swapped between the ropes and walking activities. Students and staff had a great day at Birrigai and were very thankful to the Birrigai staff for ensuring the day ran as smoothly as possible.



## JAPANESE

### 日本語へようこそ



#### Year 7 Japanese

Students in year 7 are currently learning about family. They have learned about the words used for different family members and how, when and why the Japanese people use the family terms for their own family as well as for people who are not in their family. They used this knowledge to identify when and why family terms were used in clips from Totoro or Spirited Away. In the next couple of week students will learn about Pets and then combine their knowledge about family and pets to describe their own families.

#### Year 8 Japanese

Year 8 students have been learning about food in Japan and have enjoyed trying some tasty snacks such as daifuku and mochi. They have looked at how to say what they eat for different meals during the day and are using adjectives to describe what they think of different foods.

#### Year 9/10 Japanese

Students in the senior Japanese class have been describing their holidays, learning the difference between speaking to a teacher or boss and speaking to a friend or family member. They have also been furthering their kanji knowledge and have started practising their kanji, learning about and using Japanese calligraphy tools and techniques.

## CAREERS NEWS

#### National Careers Week

ACT Careers Association (ACTCA) will be holding a small stall in the Market place (or Learning space if raining) on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May at 1:30pm. Please come down and chat with the career practitioners and start thinking about your career Journey.



Lanyon High School will celebrate  
**National Careers Week**  
by holding  
**mini careers market**  
at lunch in the school quad.  
Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022

**Career. It's more than just a job.**

National Careers Week 16-22 May 2022



#### Careers Expo @ LTC

Year 10 students are invited to attend Lake Tuggeranong College Careers Expo Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. The event aims to provide students with information to make informed choices to assist them to develop pathways to further education and /or employment. The focus of the event will be on providing students with a range of career options and possible pathways to achieve success. This event will also be the beginning of LTC 2022 prospective students transition from high school to college.

**Please see your year 10 PC teacher for Details. Or See Glenda Johnson in the career's office.**

2023 College enrolments are now open <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school>

#### Career Interviews

To make an appointment for a career interview, WEX information or college Information please email [Glenda.johnson@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:Glenda.johnson@ed.act.edu.au) or write your name in the calendar on the career office door.