



# LANYON HIGH SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 1 2020



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

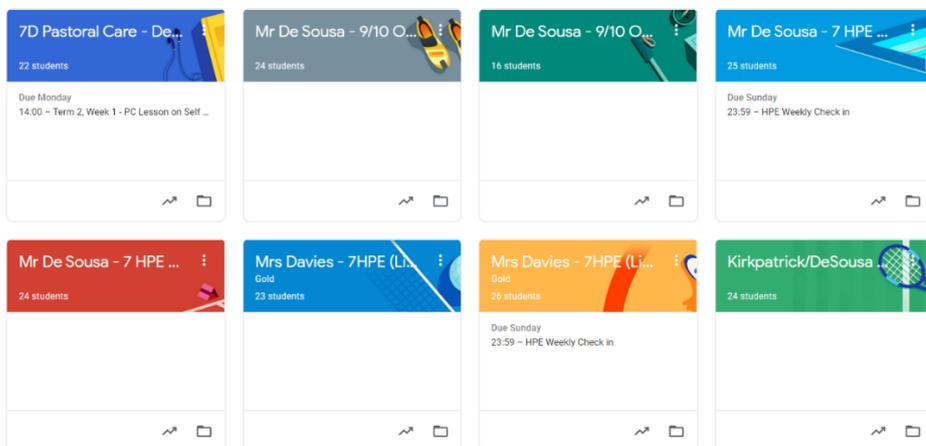
#### Welcome to term 2 - a whole new world

Term 2 has started in a whole new world of online learning. I wish to start with a huge thank you and **congratulations to Rebecca Cusick** who acted as principal at the end of term 1, whilst I was on carer's leave. It was a tumultuous time and I was greatly impressed at how Rebecca led the executive team and whole staff to quickly transform to an online learning environment. Thanks also to Kim Rice, who acted as Deputy Principal, and Emma Menzies, who acted as the executive teacher of Red Staff room during this time. At this stage we will continue with online learning until we receive official advice from the ACT Government with any changes.

Students have quickly adapted to engaging in learning through the **Google Classroom** learning platform. You can see below that teachers operate several different virtual classrooms – thanks to Mr De Sousa who has provided an example below. Teachers are also attached to a few other virtual classrooms so that they can work in teams to share new ways of supporting students in their learning. For more information and advice about online learning, please see the school's website.

[http://www.lanyonhs.act.edu.au/information\\_and\\_communication\\_technologies](http://www.lanyonhs.act.edu.au/information_and_communication_technologies)

Google Classroom



There are still a few teething problems that we all need to work through as we adapt to this new mode of learning. **My advice is that we be patient and give ourselves time to adjust to these changes.** This goes for parents/carers, students and school staff. It is important that we look after each other through this time. Teachers understand that parents/carers have a range of responsibilities to manage and so please encourage your child to ask for help if they are feeling stressed or not sure of how to proceed.

The Education Directorate is helping families with their ICT requirements, such as Chromebooks and dongles/SIM's for internet access. If any of your students/parents need ICT in areas like Chromebooks, ICT, internet and so on please ask them to call us directly on our **ICT Support Line which is 6207 7935.** We expect to receive further information about dongles/SIMs within the next few days.

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#### Webpage:

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[lanyonHSstudentabsences@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:lanyonHSstudentabsences@ed.act.edu.au)

**Principal:** Barbara Monsma

**Deputy Principal:** Rebecca Cusick

**School Board Chair:** Peter Henry

**P&C President:** Cath Windsor

#### Coming Events

**28 April:** First day of Term 2

**1 June:** Reconciliation Day public holiday

**8 June:** Queen's Birthday public holiday

**3 July:** Last day of Term 2

For more details about community events and services please see

[http://www.lanyonhs.act.edu.au/news\\_and\\_events](http://www.lanyonhs.act.edu.au/news_and_events)

Please note: services and events advertised on the Lanyon High School website are not endorsed or associated with Lanyon High School.

- Dwarfism Awareness
- Smith Family help with school costs
- Parentline ACT and Kids Helpline
- Headspace Canberra Youth Ambassadors
- Tutoring before/after school



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.

## Communication and Daily Attendance

Communication at this time is essential to ensure that students can proceed with their learning and are engaged with their virtual activities. If students have questions or concerns, they should email or message their teacher as soon as possible. The front office is staffed from 8.30am to 3.30pm each day, and so parents are encouraged to call or email if you have concerns or questions. The front office staff will then organise for a message to be sent to the most appropriate person.

During the Learning from Home period, **daily student attendance is defined as contact established with the student or parent/carer**. Regular contact is important to support connection to school, student wellbeing and learning from home. The easiest way to do this is for the students to log into their **Pastoral Care Google classroom** and answer the attendance question 'I am accessing my learning from home today', with a simple 'yes'. This will be **between 9:40am and 9:50am**, during the 10 minute brain break. Please be aware that the Pastoral Care Teacher cannot 'see' when a student has engaged with one of their subject Google Classroom pages. That is why it is much easier if students answer 'yes' on the PC page, as the attendance database does not communicate with the Google Classroom platform. If for some reason that a student cannot do this, then we ask that parents/carers call or email the front office to let us know that their child is (or is not) attending online learning for that day. In this way, we are able to identify students who are struggling and allocated additional support and check-ins for those students.

## Enrolments for 2021 Year 7 and Year 11

Enrolment application for 2021 Year 7 and Year 11 are now open. The link to the online application form is below. Parents/carers are asked to submit their enrolment form by 5th June in order to receive their offer in the first round in late July. Completing your enrolment form by 5th June helps schools to prepare effectively for the following school year. It provides time for information transfer and transition activities, as well as planning for subject sections for students going to college. All students are required to be attending school or in formal study (e.g. CIT) or work until the age of 17. Please contact the school if your child wishes to seek pathways other than college.

<https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/enrolling-in-a-public-school>

For those of you who are interested in **Lake Tuggeranong College** and **Erindale College** here are links to their website and social media site. Parents/carers and students are encouraged to check out the information available and to phone or email if you have any questions about enrolment at the college. More information will be added to these sites in the coming weeks;

### Tuggeranong College

Website: <http://www.ltc.act.edu.au/>

Blog: <https://laketuggeranongcollegeblog.com/>

Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/LEARNTHRIVECONNECT/?modal=admin\\_todo\\_tour](https://www.facebook.com/LEARNTHRIVECONNECT/?modal=admin_todo_tour)

### Erindale College

Website: [www.erindalec.act.edu.au](http://www.erindalec.act.edu.au)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Erindale-College-Canberra-503060086374789/>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/erindalecollege>



Barbara Monsma  
Principal



## FOOD AND HOSPITALITY

Thank you to all the amazing students who took on the cooking challenges I set at the end of term 1.

1. Design a healthy lunch with only 5 ingredients- This challenge had many dishes sent in and some fabulous looking and I'm sure delicious results.



5 Ingredient Lunch Challenge dishes by Tara Hoffman, Riley Reid, Oliver Drew

2. Some students even took on the Easter baking challenge with spectacular results.

Emma Menzies  
Year 10 PCA



Easter Baking Design Challenge cakes by Emily Flanagan and Brady Asher

## WELLBEING SUPPORTS



On Thursdays  
between  
11:00am-12:30pm the  
following staff will be  
available online or via  
phone to meet with  
you.

Please book a meeting  
by emailing in  
advance.

| Staff Member     | Area of Expertise             | To book a meeting:                                       |
|------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Mrs Townsend     | Student Services              | teegan.townsend@ed.act.edu.au                            |
| Mrs Davies       | Pastoral Care                 | joh.davies@ed.act.edu.au                                 |
| Gavin and Andrew | Youth Workers                 | gavin.smith@ed.act.edu.au<br>andrew.taylor@ed.act.edu.au |
| Megan Tomlins    | School Psychologist           | megan.tomlins@ed.act.edu.au                              |
| TBA              | School Nurse                  | CHS.SYHN@act.gov.au                                      |
| Mrs Johnston     | Careers Advisor               | lisa.johnston@ed.act.edu.au                              |
| Mrs Farrelly     | Year 7 Pastoral Care Advisor  | louise.mccutcheon@ed.act.edu.au                          |
| Mrs Harris       | Year 8 Pastoral Care Advisor  | katherine.harris@ed.act.edu.au                           |
| Ms Hubbard       | Year 9 Pastoral Care Advisor  | cattlin.hubbard@ed.act.edu.au                            |
| Mrs Menzies      | Year 10 Pastoral Care Advisor | emma.menzies@ed.act.edu.au                               |

Online Student Support Handbook

[http://www.lanyonhs.act.edu.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0010/467164/Student\\_Support\\_Handbook\\_-\\_Online\\_Learning\\_and\\_Wellbeing.pdf](http://www.lanyonhs.act.edu.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0010/467164/Student_Support_Handbook_-_Online_Learning_and_Wellbeing.pdf)



## 2021 school enrolments now open



ACT  
Government

Education

1. Go to [education.act.gov.au](https://education.act.gov.au) for information on your local school and to enrol online.
2. Apply before **5 June 2020** to receive an offer from 27 July 2020. This means there is ample time to submit your application to be included in the initial round of offers.

Education costs made easy with \$500 from Saver Plus

[www.saverplus.org.au](https://www.saverplus.org.au)

Hi everyone,

My name is Kathleen and I have been the Saver Plus Coordinator on your community for the last 3 years.

Saver Plus is a free program that helps people with a Centrelink concession card to pay for educational costs. We have provided almost \$100k towards school costs in ACT since 2017.

Participants save \$25/fortnight for 10 months and attend 4 financial skills workshops. At the end of the program, we will match your savings with up to \$500 that can be used towards uniforms and shoes, extra-curricular sports, camps and excursions and other supplies.

Eligibility criteria applies

Visit [saverplus.org.au](https://saverplus.org.au) or contact me on

0448 730 305 to find out more

