

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Term 2

The end of term 1 continued to hold a number of exciting events for students and staff. It was great that we were able to host a face-to-face **parent-teacher night**. Thanks for your cooperation in using the Check-In CBR app as well as social distancing and hand sanitising. These safety measures will no doubt continue for the long term.

The year 7s and a number of staff had a great time at **year 7 camp**. They participated in a number of outdoor activities and team building games. Thanks to Mr Rasmussen for organising a wonderful trip.



Year 10s participated in either **Road Ready or Work Experience**. I know that a number of students have already got their licence and have spent some time on the roads. All the best to parents/carers as you guide your students into this nerve-racking time.

In the middle of the school holidays the P&C organised a fundraising BBQ – thanks to those parents and students who volunteered their time. Special thanks to Cath Windsor (pictured) who is the P&C president for organising this event.



School Review Report

Last term the school conducted its 5-yearly school review. Thanks to those parents/carers who were able to visit with the Review Team. The Team were able to speak with about 90% of staff and around 170 students, which

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Upcoming Events

6 May:

Cross Country

11 to 21 May:

NAPLAN

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.facebook.com/LanyonHighSchool)



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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.

was an amazing undertaking! The Review Report can be found on the school's website using the link below:

[Lanyon High School Review Report 2021](#)

During the coming term the staff will consider the recommendations from the report, plus learning and wellbeing data, to determine the next 5-year School Improvement Plan. I will be providing feedback to the community throughout this process and welcome input from all members of the community.

Student support funds; cold weather and uniform

As we move into colder weather, I would ask that parents be proactive in ordering uniform such as track pants or jumpers. A reminder to all parents/carers that the school operates a student support fund. These limited funds are available to parents who are experiencing financial difficulty. Funds can be used to help any student access activities that the school would normally anticipate a whole year group, class or specific group of students would attend. They can also be used for uniform and stationery supplies. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact me so that we can discuss accessing this support fund. Information is kept confidential.

Financial support for high school students is also available through the Secondary Bursary Scheme (SBS). The SBS provides \$750 grants to families with students in year 7 to 10 who meet the eligibility criteria. After the difficulties of 2020 and the continuing challenges for families in our community, please consider taking the time to investigate this. For further information please ring the Bursary Administrator on (02) 62058262. More information can be found at <https://www.education.act.gov.au/support-for-our-students/financial-assistance>



Enrolments for 2022 Year 7 and Year 11

Enrolment application for 2022 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 the 4th of June in order to receive their offer in the first round in late July. Completing your enrolment form by the 4th 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 selections 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. So please contact the school if your child wishes to seek pathways other than college.

Lanyon High School Information Night	Lake Tuggeranong College Information Night	Erindale College Information Night
Thursday 29 th April 6.00pm – 7.30pm	Thursday 20 th May 5.00pm – 7.30pm	Tuesday 18 th May 5.30 onwards

NAPLAN and the school value of Resilience

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy) will take place next term in May. Along with this newsletter is a letter with more information about NAPLAN including links to how to

get more details if you wish. I realise that for some students taking a test like this can cause a bit of stress or worry. Learning how to cope with challenges is a way of building resilience. **Resilience is an important skill that can be developed through practice.** Another way to build resilience is to take the time to think about our own thought processes – they ways in which we talk to ourselves when things get difficult. We need to think about how to put challenges ‘into perspective’. In other words ‘How big of a deal do I need to make of this?’. NAPLAN is important to the school because it gives us information about where to focus our teaching and learning for groups of students. It lets us know if some students are perhaps underperforming in class and need more challenge. It also gives the student and parents/carers an idea of where they are at with their literacy and numeracy. It can help with goal setting and measuring growth over time. It’s a ‘piece of the puzzle’ that helps a student learn about themselves. So, I hope that parents will encourage students to try their best and to talk positively about working through a challenging situation like sitting some tests. Please make sure that your child gets a good night’s sleep, has a good breakfast on the days of testing and brings their Chromebook/device fully charged along with other equipment required. For more information, please email our NAPLAN coordinator, Renee Broadbent (Renee.Broadbent@ed.act.edu.a).



Barbara Monsma
Principal



NOTICES

FESTIVAL OF THE SHOE (CROSS COUNTRY)

It is important that all students hand their notes in for the Festival of the Shoe. This permission note is not only for Cross Country on Thursday the 6th of May (Week 3) but also for all the cross country practice that the students are doing in their PE classes. Therefore, notes need to be handed in as soon as possible.

SCHOOL FINANCES

We have upgraded to a new finance system that will now automatically split educational costs across responsible billing households – if you have split billing arrangements for your child, please contact the front office to confirm that invoices will be made out for the correct amount for each responsible party. If you have a split household, but only one party is responsible for finances, please contact the front office to let us know.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The Health and Physical Education team are taking donations of second hand sports uniforms. If your child has grown out of their sports polo shirts, please bring them to the front office.

2021 Medical Information and Consent Forms

All parents/carers are asked to complete and return the **Medical Information and Consent Form** annually. Please let the front office staff know if you need a hard copy provided and this will be sent home with your child.

If your child has a medical condition, please ensure that you have completed and returned a **Medical Condition Response Plan** as soon as possible. Along with this, please ensure that the school has your **up-to-date contact information** such as email address, phone number and an alternative emergency contact person, just in case we can't get in touch with you.

CHIEF MINISTER'S READING CHALLENGE

Challenge Dates: 24th Feb 2021 – 6th August 2021

Every year, tens of thousands of students across the ACT participate in the Chief Minister's Reading Challenge. The hope for the Challenge is that every young person in the ACT discovers the joy reading can bring. Once you discover this joy a whole world of adventures awaits you, and the knowledge you can attain is limitless.

You need to read 15 books but you have two ways to be involved in the challenge.

1. **The Traditional** - Students can make their own book choices, including novels, non-fiction, poetry, books in a language other than English or audio books.
2. **Challenge Yourself** - Students can challenge themselves to read a range of different texts. A list of different type of texts are available in Green Staffroom.

By participating you can win book vouchers for your school library. You can choose your own books or ask your parents, teacher, librarian at your school or Library for their suggestions. This year, why don't you challenge yourself to read something different? Join the Challenge and marvel at all the journeys reading can take you on! If you are interested you need to speak to Ms Farrelly, in the Green Staffroom, to organise your entry.

MATH

Lanyon High recently had students participate in the BEBRAS challenge, a computational thinking competition where students are given a range of scenarios to solve. The BEBRAS Challenge is an international competition that is open to all school students and is administered by the CSIRO in Australia. We had a fantastic turnout for the first round that was run towards the end of term 1, with over 60 students participating across the school. The feedback from the students was positive, with most saying that they found the questions much more interesting than they were expecting. The BEBRAS challenge is run twice a year. Round 2 will be run towards the end of term 3 and will be open to all students, even if they did not participate in Round 1.



This term, the year 7's will begin with an introduction to Algebra, while the year 8's will be building on their knowledge of Algebra from last year. Year 9 are currently looking at the proofs on congruence and similarity and year 10 are exploring the connection between algebraic equations and the different types of graphs that they form.

ENRICHMENT – HAMA BEADS

For the Hama Bead Enrichment class, many students have been enjoying working on small quick designs created from their own imagination to get instant results! These often involve students' favourite colours and shapes. Colourful love hearts are very popular. Other students like to work on larger pieces guided by images they find using their Chromebooks. These works take a few lessons to complete, but are well worth the time and careful effort needed to make them.



SCHOOL SPORT TOUCH FOOTBALL ENRICHMENT

Touch Football was one of two sports focused enrichments during term 1. The aim was to prepare 4 teams to compete at the Southside Touch Football carnival and attempt to qualify for the ACT Finals. Students participated in specific drills focused on improving skills and knowledge of the game, as well as trial games. The enrichment proved to be successful, with all 4 teams competing strongly at the carnival, 2 teams narrowly missing the finals and 1 team making it to the finals, eventually finishing 4th in the ACT.



I would like to thank Kelly-Anne Guy, Joh Davies, Jonathan McCaskill and Rebecca O'Brien for doing a wonderful job coaching the teams during enrichment and at the carnivals.

James Plowman
Sports Coordinator

COLLEGE INFORMATION NIGHTS

INFORMATION Evening at Lake Tuggeranong College

Date: 20 May 2021

Day: Thursday

Time: 5:00-7:30pm



We invite you to attend the LTC Information Evening to discover more about Lake Tuggeranong College and how to enrol for 2022.

Lake Tuggeranong College provides an exceptional education for students entering Year 11 and 12. The transition to College is very important and the LTC Information Evening is your first chance to experience our college. The evening involves introductory information about the ACT College system and how this works at LTC. You will have the opportunity to visit all the learning areas we offer and meet the friendly

and passionate staff and students who will answer questions about college life and courses you may be interested in.

For further information on courses, programs and tours please visit our website www.ltc.act.edu.au. Videos about our learning areas are also available at [http://www.ltc.act.edu.au/Learning/Course and Faculty Videos](http://www.ltc.act.edu.au/Learning/Course_and_Faculty_Videos) or you can email us at info@ltc.act.edu.au for any other questions.



Erindale College

Information Night

Tuesday 18 May

5:30 pm

ADDITIONAL NOTICES

Has your child become interested in yet another activity? What are you meant to do with that keyboard that's taking up half the closet?

Hey Fritz is an online platform where people can lend and hire items from one another within the same community. Hey Fritz promotes more sustainable choices by allowing communities to make better use of household items. Items included on the platform include instruments, items for kids' parties, and more practical sport, camping or gardening related items.

With Hey Fritz your family can explore a range of interests through renting rather than owning. Let's band together to help each other get access to what we need, and show our children a positive example of living in a more sustainable way. To list an item, or find something you need, go to www.heyfritz.com.

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Managing hazardous materials in Lanyon High School

The ACT Government is committed to ensuring all public school buildings are safe and have the infrastructure to support high-quality education.

Most ACT public schools were built at a time when asbestos and lead paint were widely used in the building industry. As [a recently published list of schools shows](#), 76 of our 89 schools have lead paint and/or asbestos. Nearly all asbestos in ACT public schools is non-friable, also known as bonded or sheet asbestos.

Lanyon High was opened in 1996 and lead paint is present at our school.

We know where these materials exist, or are likely to exist, we monitor the locations regularly and we have a management strategy in place to keep our school community safe. Detailed reports are kept at the front office in a Hazardous Materials Register which you are welcome to view.

If you have any general questions about how we manage hazardous materials drop by the front office, or come along to an information night at Lake Tuggeranong College on Wednesday 12 May from 6-8pm.

The session will include members of the Education Directorate's Hazardous Materials Taskforce, and lead paint expert Professor Mark Taylor. He is one of the specialists guiding hazardous materials work in ACT public schools ensuring our management is informed by international best practice.

The ACT Government has committed \$15 million to remove hazardous materials from public schools during the next four years. This is in addition to a school upgrade budget of \$99 million which will also help manage lead paint and asbestos.

You can learn more about how hazardous materials are safely managed in our public schools [on the Education Directorate's website](#). It has a fact sheet about lead paint, details about the Directorate's commitment and approach to managing hazardous materials, and it links to a new [ACT Health fact sheet about lead exposure and your health](#).

Kind Regards
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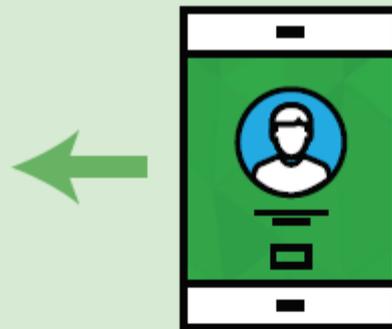


1. REGISTER YOUR ACCOUNT

Register on any device, simply login to www.myschoolconnect.com.au and click on "Create Account", follow the prompts to add your email and password.

2. ADD YOUR STUDENT

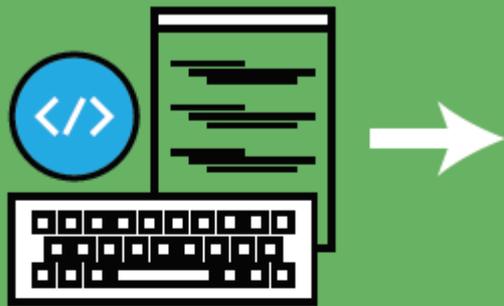
And make sure that you select your school and classroom details.



3. SELECT "TOP UP"

To add money to your account via Credit Card or Paypal, you can choose Direct Deposit but allow 3-5 working days to process prior to ordering. You can also pay as you go, simply skip the pop up screen for adding funds and start ordering.

(Please note Merchant Fees applies to Credit Card or Paypal Transactions)

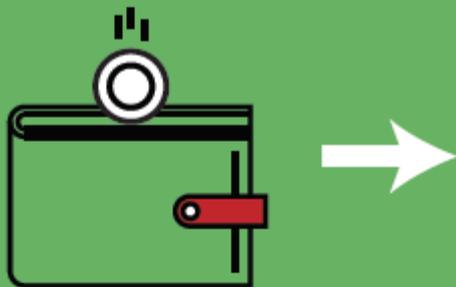


4. ORDER

To start ordering lunches simply select your Student and click "Buy Now", and you can order for the day, week. It's that simple!

5. CHECKOUT

Once you have completed your order, view your order summary in the "cart" and proceed to "checkout". Select your preferred form of payment and submit, all orders are confirmed via email.



NOTE ON PAID ORDERS

Note that only paid orders will be sent to your canteen, not those still sitting in your cart. To start ordering lunches simply select your Student and click "Buy Now", and you can order for the day, week. It's that simple!



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Chief Minister's READING CHALLENGE 2021

Join the Challenge!

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