

# Newsletter Week 10, Term 1 2024

'We wish to acknowledge the Ngunnawal people as traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on and recognise any other people or families with connection to the lands of the ACT and region. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region'.

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.



Principal: Barbara Monsma

Deputy Principal (Staff): Rebecca Cusick

Deputy Principal (Students): Shannon Carnovale

P&C President: Katrina Reynolds

## Principal's Address

### **A fabulous term 1**

The last few weeks of the term have continued to be very busy. Year 7 and 9 students have completed NAPLAN for another year. They participated with resilience and maturity – well done! In week 9 we celebrated Harmony Day which is a way for our community to express and enjoy aspects of different cultures, backgrounds and heritages. Parent teacher night was once again very well attending – thanks to the understanding of parents who were there around 6pm when the fire alarm went off!! It was a false alarm and congratulations to everyone for being flexible with appointments after we returned to the Learning Space to complete the evening. A few staff were unexpectedly absent and so those parents can expect a phone call over the next week or so to follow up with teachers on the progress of their child/ren.

This week around 100 students enjoyed a **Poetry in Action performance** with a lot of fun and energy in connections with literacy learning. I watched for around 5 minutes and could see the palpable engagement and enjoyment of our students. Our year 9/10 Outdoor Education classes have been preparing diligently for next week's Outdoor Education trip to Kangaroo Valley. Year 7s are also preparing for year 7 camp at the end of next week. For those not attending there will be an alternative program provided at school.



Outdoor Education – Canoeing practice and tent set-up in preparation for their trip to Kangaroo Valley next week.



### **Enrolments for Year 7 and Year 11 2025**

Enrolment applications for the 2025 school year will open on the first school day of term 2 – Tuesday the 30th April. During term 2 Lanyon High School will have an Information Night on 14 May from 6.00pm to 7.30pm to showcase the school to prospective parents, carers and students. Parents/carers of year 10 students should check out the websites of Lake Tuggeranong College and Erindale College to find out more information about their information nights.

Finally, be aware that it's an 11 week term this term and that we finished on Friday 12th April. Also, the first day of term 2 is a **PUPIL FREE DAY** – 29th April.

Barbara Monsma

Principal

Term 2 Day 1 is  
pupil free

## School Board Update

School board nominations have now concluded. Please congratulate our parent members: Cath Terrell and Alex Gundry. And our student member: Abbey Lawson.

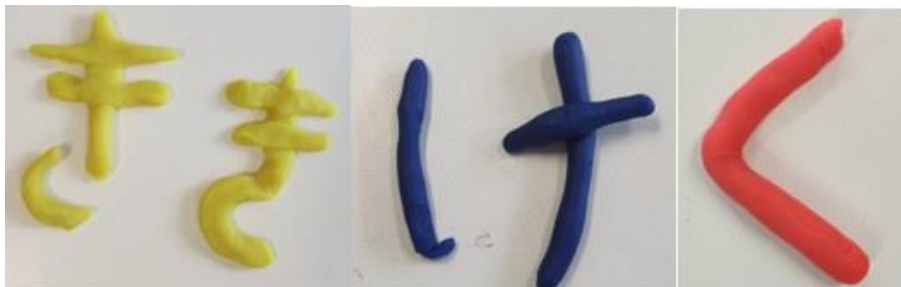
## Japanese News

Year 7 have had a great start to learning Japanese at Lanyon this year. We have looked at why we learn a language, where Japan is in the world and our link to Japan.

More recently year 7 have begun learning to introduce themselves in Japanese. This includes name, age, nationality and using appropriate greetings. Students have been encouraged to use Japanese regularly in the classroom, improving their confidence and pronunciation. They have also been introduced to Hiragana, learning to recognise and write each character.



1 - Year 7 students asking each other their names.



2 - Hiragana characters made using playdough.

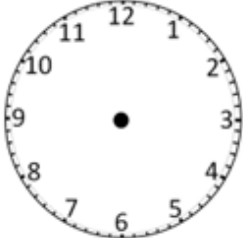
In Year 8 Japanese students have been learning about daily routines and time. As part of this unit students have focussed on identifying and comparing parts of English and Japanese sentences and sentence structure. They have then applied this knowledge to create sentences and respond to questions such as what time do they eat breakfast? Or What time do they go to school?

In our study of time, we looked at reading the time in Japanese and how to read analogue clocks. In one of our activities, students were given a group of times, written in Japanese, to draw on the clock on the board.



### Time – Hour (Practice)

Draw the hands on the clock to show these times:



- 十一時
- 九時
- 八時
- 六時
- 十時
- 四時

3 - Ask your student! Can they read these times?

In year 9 and 10 Japanese, students have been refining Japanese language learning skills through research in an inquiry task. In this task, our young people are accessing a range of written texts in Japanese and identifying new language (vocabulary and grammar) to investigate as an individual or in partnership with a classmate. Students are encouraged to search for Japanese language out in the wild and use these new words or grammatical features when producing new texts, either through written or through spoken created texts.

## Talking with our school

Our teachers and school staff work hard every day to provide the best outcomes for every student.

Preparing for great teaching takes time. It is important that our teachers and school staff have time outside their core hours to rest and reset.

Communication with parents and carers is important to us and our staff will always work to get back to your enquiries within a reasonable timeframe. We aim to do this within 3 workings days. If your matter is urgent, we will get back to you as quickly as possible.

There is no expectation that teachers respond to queries from families during their personal and family time.

Every student and every family are important to us. By respecting the time of our teachers, you are helping to make time for great teaching.

We want to continue to work closely with you on your child's learning at school and do our best to respond to you in a timely manner.

We update families on what is happening at our school in a number of ways from information nights, emails, notes, newsletters, and social media. We encourage you to stay in touch with our school through these channels.

## Yerrabi April School Holiday Program

A great program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and/or families. Please read the information provided on the pamphlet

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS AT YERRABI**

Parent/carers must stay and be with their kids

**Activities on offer:**

- Lawn games
- Craft activities
- Kids cooking classes
- Early childhood activities
- Learn Wiradjuri language
- ... and more

**Join us at**

**Yarramundi Cultural Centre**  
245 Lady Denman Drive ACT 2601

**Wednesday 24 April**  
**10:30-3:00**

- A culturally safe experience
- Lunch, morning and afternoon tea provided
- Fun community activities

**REGISTER NOW**

## Canberra Careers Xpo



**Canberra CareersXpo**

Wed 7 August 2024 - 9am to 3pm and 4pm to 7pm  
Thurs 8 August 2024 - 9am to 3.00pm

**Open to all college, high school & tertiary students, postgraduates and career changers (anyone who is currently a student or considering a career change).**

We have over 120 local and national exhibitors, including universities, businesses, hands-on experiences and career placement organisations all under the one roof!

**Parent and Student Information Program Wed 4-7pm**

**careers Xpo** Exhibition Park, Canberra  
[careersxpo.com.au](http://careersxpo.com.au)

## YWCA School Holiday Program

The YWCA Canberra Youth Programs Team provides a FREE school holiday program to young people aged 10-25 in Tuggeranong. Please email [LanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:LanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au) or find out more at [www.ywca-canberra.org.au](http://www.ywca-canberra.org.au)

**YWCA CANBERRA YOUTH PROGRAMS**

# AUTUMN SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM



The YWCA Canberra Youth Programs Team provides a **FREE** school holiday program to young people aged 10 to 25 in Tuggeranong.

**Email to register** activities will be run from the Mura Lanyon Youth and Community Centre, 22 Sidney Nolan Street, Conder. You must email us to register to attend, [youtheywca-canberra.org.au](mailto:youtheywca-canberra.org.au).

**For excursions**, the bus will pick up and drop off at the Mura Lanyon Youth and Community Centre. Excursions require a signed permission form, which are available on the website.

Get in contact for more information:  
[www.ywca-canberra.org.au](http://www.ywca-canberra.org.au)  
[youtheywca-canberra.org.au](mailto:youtheywca-canberra.org.au)  
(02) 6185 2090  
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## AUTUMN SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

MON 15 APRIL	TUE 16 APRIL	WED 17 APRIL	THU 18 APRIL	FRI 19 APRIL
<b>National Zoo and Aquarium excursion</b> Come along to see an array of animals and sea life. 10.30am - 3.30pm	<b>Limelight Cinema excursion</b> Grab yourself some popcorn and settle in to watch the big screen. 10.30am - 3.00pm	<b>Zone Bowling excursion</b> Knock down some pins with us. 10.30am - 1.30pm	<b>Bounce Trampoline excursion</b> 9.30am - 1.00pm <b>Kooky Olympics excursion</b> 2.30pm - 5.00pm	<b>Miniature Golf excursion</b> 9.30am - 2.00pm <b>Sunset Festival excursion</b> 3.00pm - 6.00pm
MON 22 APRIL	TUE 23 APRIL	WED 24 APRIL	THU 25 APRIL	FRI 26 APRIL
<b>Black Mountain - On Country Tour excursion</b> Enjoy a guided tour and learn about the history of Black Mountain! 1.00pm - 4.30pm	<b>CLOSED</b> Staff planning day!	<b>iPlay excursion</b> Join us in a world full of arcade games! 1.00pm - 4.30pm	<b>CLOSED</b> Public Holiday!	<b>Bouldering excursion</b> Climb an indoor bouldering wall! 1.00pm - 4.30pm

\*Excursions require a signed permission form. These are available on our website, [www.ywca-canberra.org.au](http://www.ywca-canberra.org.au)

### Medical note



An updated medical form must be updated yearly for students to participate in excursions. If you have not completed one for 2024 forms are available at the front office and the school's website.

### Updating of details

Just a reminder for all parents and carers that if you have changed any details for example, email address, residential address or phone number. Please let us know via email [lanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:lanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au) so we can ensure all details are correct and up to date.

## Support services



Parents or carers who are struggling with any element of parenting can reach out to Parentline ACT.

This is a free telephone counselling service who can offer support and advice for on any parenting concerns.

Contact them on the number below or at this website.

<http://parentlineact.org.au/>

## Contact Us

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