

HEADS UP!

A Weekly Update from Lyons Early Childhood School



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This week I want to mention the work our school is doing around the 'Curriculum of Giving'. This is the "BE KIND" part of our school philosophy.

At LECS we work closely with Dr Thomas Neilsen (University of Canberra) who advocates a 'Curriculum of Giving'. His research shows that giving and service to others increase wellbeing and resilience in students. We support Thomas's research and we explicitly teach children the act of giving. In giving, the product is not necessarily of most importance. Our aim is to build in patterns so it becomes second nature for children to serve their environment, their community and each other.

There are many ways for children to give. It is not what is given or how 'efficiently' it is given that matters. The giving in itself may be the reason, as a practical way, for building into children's lives. Younger children are not always able to articulate their need to give, yet this need is often more observable in them than in older students.

A curriculum of giving can create positive change in a child's world and beyond. At LECS we believe it is important that, from an early age, children are allowed daily experiences where they can give and serve each other, their environment and their community.

This year we welcome Dr Nielsen to our Festivals of Learning. I hope you will have a chance to meet him.

Regards

Principal Mary

REMINDERS

Monday 5 March 11.00am
School Board Voting closes

Tuesday 6 March
Karobean 1 walking up Oakey Hill

Wednesday 7 March
Whole School Gathering 9.15am
Year 1 hosting

**DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR YOUR
SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES**

THE NAMES OF OUR LEARNING SPACES

At our school we acknowledge the traditional owners of our land. Our learning spaces take on an aboriginal name with a meaning that honours our school ethos.

<u>Learning Space</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
Tatham	<i>Baby</i>
Bodalla	<i>Haven</i>
Tathra	<i>Beautiful place</i>
Anuna	<i>We</i>
Karobean	<i>Together</i>
Aruma	<i>Happy</i>
Euroa	<i>Joyful</i>
Nunkeri	<i>Beautiful, excellent</i>
Merindah	<i>Beautiful</i>

KINDERGARTEN HEALTH CHECKS

All kindergarten students in the ACT are eligible to receive a free health check.

Information packs have now been sent home.

Please complete the Kindergarten Health Check Consent and Questionnaire and return to Lyons Early Childhood School by 7 March 2018.

ROSTERS

Library Roster

Karobean 1 – Monday
Karobean 2 – Friday
Cooinda – Friday
Euroa – Monday
Nunkeri – Friday

Loose Parts Roster

Karobean 1 – Wednesday morning
Karobean 2 – Wednesday morning
Cooinda – Friday
Euroa – Monday and Thursday
Nunkeri – Wednesday

CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR CIRCUMSTANCES

If you have changed your address or your contact details or circumstances have changed, please email the updated information to us at info@lecs.act.edu.au.

FINANCE REMINDER

Payments for school uniform items, Stationery Fees and Family Contributions are accepted either by cash at Front Office or via direct debit.

Your prompt payment supports the effective financial management of our school 😊

Thank you



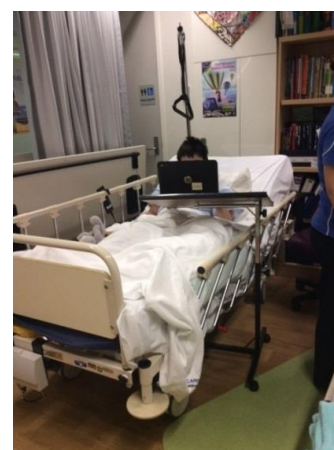
Children, Hospital and School

What happens to education when children and young people are in hospital? The ACT Education Directorate provides a program at the Canberra Hospital School.

The hospital school is located at The Canberra Hospital in Garran. When students are admitted to hospital the teachers from the Hospital School work with you and your child's teachers to help keep your child connected to their learning. Children who are well enough can go to the Hospital School whether they are in hospital for a day, a week, or even longer.

If you know that your child is going into hospital, please let the school know, so we can contact the staff at the Hospital School. There is a brochure about the Hospital School at the front office if you would like some more information.

Imagine going to school in your pyjamas, or even in your bed!



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FROM THE P&C

LECS Learning Space contact lists

The purpose of this form is to create a contact list for parents and carers.
Full details and FAQs are at the link below.

<https://goo.gl/forms/ETFn3BsPoKo1Cgi33>




Did you miss out on last year's Tea Towels?

Creating Lasting Memories!

- Our limited edition tea towel design made up of self-portraits drawn by all our children and staff.
- We have very few tea towels left over and are opening it up for a second chance buy as a first in situation.
- If you want to purchase please EMAIL lecspscandc@gmail.com with your name, child's name & the required class name. You will receive a confirmation email and instructions for payment and collection.

Only \$16 each

Our Designs!



Join us for a coffee!

Before the Whole School Gathering
(or just because you're passing by)



Wednesday, 7 March
8am to 9.15am

Nellie's Café coffee cart will be selling tea, coffee, hot chocolate etc
outside the school hall (organised by the P&C)

P&C EVENT

Our Summer Bike n BBQ

Join us for our Bike n BBQ at Stromlo Forest. A get together for families & kids to ride, play and eat. *BYO food & drinks*

Saturday 3 March 3-6pm

Opperman Avenue Canberra
RSVP to: lecspscandc@gmail.com
Or join on Facebook
My LECS P&C Group



