

HEADS UP!

A Weekly Update from Lyons Early Childhood School



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

MATHEMATICS AT LECS

At LECS, we use the Australian Curriculum within a balanced numeracy program to teach mathematics. A balanced numeracy program is made up of the following components:

- Warm-up (a quick activity to practise mental computation and concepts)
- Whole group explicit teaching of concepts and skills
- Small group work (to practise concepts and skills)
- Guided mathematics (a teacher with a small group of children working on similar strategies)
- Reflection (sharing with the whole group about the strategies used during the session).

Teachers use a range of assessments to inform the teaching of mathematics. Teams analyse these assessments and make plans for meeting the individual needs of children.

Mathematics is everywhere!

Authentic representations of mathematics are in children's everyday environments. You can discuss mathematical concepts with your child in the following situations:

- At the café (have your child read numbers on the menu, count the cakes they can see or pay for items)
- Playing with puzzles and games (Snakes and Ladders, Monopoly, Dominos, Yahtzee, Uno, playing cards)
- Cooking (measure and compare ingredients)
- Telling time using analogue and digital clocks at home.
- Sandpit play (measurement and capacity)
- Block play or LEGO (measurement, fractions, counting and symmetry)
- Reading picture books that include mathematical concepts
- Marking significant events on a calendar and counting down the sleeps until the event
- Recognising and creating patterns in natural environments.

Rose
Numeracy Coordinator

REMINDERS

Monday 10 September

Reading at LECS Training Session @ 8.30am

Tuesday 11 September

Karobean 1 Festival of Learning @ 8.45 – 9.30am

Friday 14 September

Reading at LECS Training Session @ 8.15am

Friday 14 September

Karobean 2 Festival of Learning @ 8.45 – 9.30am
Cooinda Festival of Learning @ 8.45 – 9.30am

Tuesday 18 September

Nunkerri Permission Notes/Medical Forms Due for National Film & Sound Archive Excursion

Saturday 22 September

LECS P&C Kids' & Babies' Market – Second Hand Toys and Cake Stalls @ 10am – 2pm

Tuesday 25 September

Nunkerri Excursion to National Film & Sound Archive @ 9.45am – 12.30pm

LOST PROPERTY COLLECTION

Lost Property has been displayed on a trestle table in the LECS atrium. Please check the table next time you pass through the atrium and claim any items belonging to your child.

Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity before the end of the term. Thank you ☺

READING MORNING AT LECS

Did you miss the 'Reading Morning at LECS' Information Session?

It's not too late to be involved.

Do you have a spare half an hour a week (or even more) to come in and support our students to become more confident readers?

In Term 3 we will begin running small groups for children across K-2 to continue to build their skills in reading. If you can help, you will be provided with full training and support (and of course, a hot beverage).

Please email me Aimee.Hunter@ed.act.edu.au if you would like to know more about the program or have yet to book in for a training session. Training sessions will run on the following dates:

- 10 September from 8.30am
- 14 September from 8.15am

Who can help with reading?

Everyone! - Mums, dads, carers, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends and neighbours! We require you to commit to at least one 30 minute time slot a week (and we would love if you can commit to more). This will most likely be at 9am on Monday and Friday. You will also need to hold a *Working with Vulnerable People Card*. We will happily assist you with the application process for this card.

Thank you

SPRING HAS SPRUNG



Spring is here!

We are getting busy in the garden and are replanting our herb, fruit and vegetable gardens soon.

Any donations of seedlings, cuttings, strawberry runners or seeds would be greatly appreciated 😊

Please drop them off at Front Office. Thank you!



KIDS' MARKET IS APPROACHING

Your help is needed for the Kids' Market at LECS on Saturday 22 September

We are calling for volunteers to contribute to our upcoming Kids' Market.

Please give an hour to help set-up, pack-up, man the very popular cake stall or bake a cake to donate.

We are also looking for volunteers to run the BBQ between 11am and 1pm otherwise we will have to scrap it. Register at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/DRE9H>

AWESOME PRIZES TO BE WON!

Kids' Market Raffle

We are running a raffle for the Kids' Market with some **awesome prizes**; movie tickets, craft kit, photo session, gift vouchers, entertainment book, Questacon membership, and more. Tickets have been sent home with each child to sell to family and friends.

When selling tickets, please write the buyer's name and phone number on each ticket butt so that we can inform winners.

Thank you for your continued support.

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FARRER PLAYSCHOOL ENROLMENT DAY INFORMATION FOR 2019 SESSIONS



FARRER PLAYSCHOOL 2019 ENROLMENT DAY

MONDAY 15
OCTOBER 2018
8-10AM

Is your child turning 3 before 30 April 2019?

The FARRER PLAYSCHOOL is a non-profit, community based educational facility for 3 year olds. Our fully qualified teachers use a structured program to help the 'Playschoolers' develop the social skills and confidence that will be of value to them in their Preschool year and most importantly it is LOTS OF FUN!

Playschool sessions are held:

Monday 9.30am to 2.30pm @ \$59.50 per session

Tuesday 9.30am to 2.30pm @ \$59.50 per session

Wednesday 9.30am to 2.30pm @ \$59.50 per session

(Due to the popularity of our classes a child may only attend 1 session per week)

If you are interested in having your child attend one of our sessions, please come and fill out an expression of interest on our enrolment morning on Monday 15 October from 8am

At Farrer Playschool,

Located next to Farrer Primary School Preschool Unit

If you are unable to make our enrolment morning, enrolment forms will be available to download from our website, www.farrerplayschool.com.au from 10am on Enrolment Day. (Please note positions are offered to children in accordance with our enrolment policy.)