

HEADS UP!

A Weekly Update from Lyons Early Childhood School



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

WHERE IS MY CHILD'S TEACHER?

Dear Families

The arrangements that are made with teachers around their leave and off-class time follow the *ACT PS Education and Training Directorate (Teaching Staff) Enterprise Agreement (2014-2018)*.

Staff members are entitled to take leave for a range of reasons. When this happens, every effort is made to ensure teaching and learning remains consistent for children. Schools in the ACT share the same system for relief teachers so while we try to book teachers that are familiar with our school, it is not always possible. Our team approach to planning is the best way to maintaining consistency when relief teachers are in the school. Relief teachers are supported by other teachers in the teams to organise tasks for the day and knowledge about children is shared. Other teachers in the team also take shared responsibility for the children to ensure they are settled and comfortable throughout the day.

In line with the Enterprise Agreement, teachers have a maximum face-to-face teaching time. The rest of the time is for planning and administration. During this time, our release teachers work with the children on different programs such as library, music and sustainability. The release teachers and regular classroom teachers collaborate across the week to ensure these transitions are as smooth as possible for children.

At LECS, we release team teachers together so they can have time to collaborate and plan their teaching, assessment and reporting together.

Please ask if you have any questions about class teaching arrangements for your child.

Kind regards and happy long weekend,

Principal Mary

REMINDERS

Friday 15 June

Grin & Bear It School Photo Orders close permanently
Outstanding Orders should be placed ASAP

Thursday 21 June

Reading at Home Information Session @ LECS
from 8.30 – 9.30am in the school library

*“We make a living by
what we get.
We make a life by
what we give.”*

Winston S. Churchill

PHOTO ORDERS CLOSING 15 JUNE



GOOD NEWS!

Photos are now ready to view and order

If you registered you will receive an email with instructions on how to log in and view your photos. If you didn't have a chance to register, your child will bring home a note with all the information you need to view and order their photos.

Photos will be posted directly to the parents, not distributed by the school.
REMEMBER: Delivery is free using the Rebate Code in your email or on your proof note.

Contact us with any questions: schools@grinandbearit.com.au



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Last Chance to Order Photos

Unfortunately due to an unexpected change, Grin and Bear It has decided to close its doors. After nearly 10 years of photographing children in the Canberra region we are really going to miss it.

Grin and Bear It photos taken this year or in previous years are only available to purchase until 15 June 2018.

If you are unable to access your photos email us with your child's name and class at info@grinandbearit.com.au and we can help.

Thank you for inviting us to photograph your children and families. We have loved every minute.



KIDS' MARKET

We are preparing for a Kids' Market at LECS in Term 3.

Families are asked to do a clean out and donate unwanted toys to the P&C corner (in the LECS Atrium, outside the toddlers' Bodalla room).

PLEASE, NO CLOTHING: ONLY TOYS

If you are interested in holding a stall, register at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/Q4Q8T>
More info to follow...

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS AVAILABLE

Please continue supporting our school by purchasing the 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Membership today.

2017 | 2018 Entertainment Membership expired on 1 June 2018.

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READING AT HOME INFORMATION SESSION FOR EAL/D (ENGLISH AS AN ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE OR DIALECT) FAMILIES

Does your family speak a language other than English at home?

Please come along to an information session being held for families in our community that want to know more about the way we approach the teaching of Literacy skills here at Lyons Early Childhood School.

We will explore the different approaches to the teaching of essential reading and writing skills within a play based curriculum. There will be a particular focus on those children and their families for whom English is an additional language. There will be opportunities to ask questions and gain some helpful tips to help your child continue their learning at home.

The focus for this session will be the unique learning styles and needs of EAL/D children but all families are welcome!

Please come and hear all about the amazing learning that is happening here at LECS.

When: Thursday 21 June 2018 8.30-9.30am (Morning Tea to follow)
Where: Merindah (the Library at Lyons Early Childhood School)

Please RSVP to Aimee.Hunter@ed.act.edu.au or complete the slip below and return it to the LECS Front Office by Monday the 18 June 2018.

Aimee Hunter
EAL/D Teacher

I/ We _____ will attend the Information Session for EAL/D families on Thursday 21 June 2018 at 8.30am.

Signed _____

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