



## Lyneham High School

**Care Quality Creativity**



*Lyneham High School is built on the traditional lands of the Ngunnawal people. We acknowledge the traditional owners of this land and pay our respects to their elders, past, present and future.*



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Welcome to Term Four

On a day where I have just had the great pleasure of attending the year 10 Band graduation ceremony (half of which were only beginners in year 7 – unbelievable progress in four short years!), I would like to welcome back to term four for all our current Lyneham families.

I would like to add a particular welcome to all our 2021 year 7 families who will be receiving this newsletter for the first time. We hope that over the coming months, as your child nears the end of primary school that they start reading through this newsletter and become excited about their journey into high school for the next four years. It's exciting for us to see our students come into year 7 as children and leave four years later as young adults. This journey for many of our families will start with the transition day next week for all year 7 2021 students **who have confirmed enrolment status at Lyneham High school**. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions we have modified the transition visits to half days. However, I'm confident that all students will have a great day and will feel more comfortable about moving to high school after this visit.

### End of Year Events

For our current year 10 students, this term can be full of mixed emotions. Students are very often excited about the prospect of moving onto college or alternative education / work placements, whilst at the same time feeling sad that they are leaving Lyneham HS and possibly some of their friends. Our year 10 team has been working hard to ensure that the end of year functions for year 10 students are special and memorable, albeit different in some respects from other years.

The following is a brief outline of the year 10 and whole school end of year events structure for 2020. I know that some of the decisions we have had to make regarding these events

will be stressful and difficult for some families, as they have been for staff. Having worked closely with families over the past four years, we feel a sense of loss that we are unable to celebrate the achievements of year 10 students with all family members as we normally would do; however due to adherence to COVID restrictions and safety protocols, we are very limited in what we are able to offer regarding adults entering the school premises. We will continue to work hard to ensure that families have as much access and participation in these events as we can safely manage. More information will be sent out to families regarding specific details of these events such as times etc.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Year level involved</b>	<b>Important information</b>
Friday 4 Dec	Year 10 farewell assembly	All years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All students will be in the Hall for this event.</li> <li>If parents feel that they do not want their child in this large venue, they can send a note into the school or email and we will provide supervision in an alternative venue such as the library for their child.</li> <li>Year 10 students will hopefully spend the afternoon at Dickson pool – more information to come.</li> </ul>
Thursday 10 Dec	Formal	Year 10 only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More information will be sent in the coming weeks about costs and finer details.</li> <li>The formal will be held on school premises.</li> <li>There will be no formal 'arrivals' at the school. Students will exit from their car and will immediately be ushered into the school foyer.</li> <li>There will be NO opportunity for people to get photos at the school with family members or cars. Adults cannot mingle at the front of the school due to COVID restrictions.</li> </ul>
Friday 11 Dec	Presentation Assemblies	Years 7, 8 and 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Class and Faculty Awards for each year level will be presented in year assemblies.</li> <li>Adults from outside the school will not be invited to attend.</li> </ul>
Monday 14 Dec	Year 10 Graduation	Year 10 only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More information will be sent in the coming weeks.</li> <li>Graduation will be held in the school Hall.</li> <li>Due to COVID restrictions ONE person may attend for each student graduating.</li> <li>A booking system will be in place to record contact details for each person attending. Tickets are not transferable.</li> <li>Students will graduate in their House Groups and with their Home Group. There will be four separate ceremonies throughout the day lasting approximately 1 hour each.</li> <li>COVID cleaning will be in place between each ceremony.</li> <li>All graduating students must be dressed in school uniform.</li> <li>We are planning on live streaming this event for all families.</li> </ul>
Monday 14 Dec	Presentation Evening	Invited families and students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students receiving the top awards in each year level will be invited to this ceremony.</li> <li>At this stage we are hoping to invite two adults per child receiving an award.</li> </ul>

As you will appreciate, if the situation regarding the ACT Government COVID Roadmap changes, some of the decisions regarding these events are also likely to change and

possibly at short notice. We are currently working hard to lock in all details and will ensure that families are notified about finer details as soon as possible.

### **Elective Choices for 2021**

As outlined in previous newsletters, and an email sent to students and families this week, students will make their elective choices for 2021 early next week. Students in Year 8 & 9 will choose their electives at 9:05am during an extended Home Group session. Students in Year 7 will choose their electives at 10:50am. It's important that your child is at school on time and participates in this process. Please see further information in this newsletter about this process. We endeavour to provide students with as much choice as possible and equity in the process.

### **End of Year Activities Week**

We will be offering three days of activities at the end of this school year (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Week 10). Students have already started signing up for these activities and excursions. Notes for excursions with places still available, can be collected from the front office.

### **Lenni Reminder**

During the COVID lockdown we had many students and families access our [Lenni Google Site](#). It's a great site for students and parents to access extension and enrichment activities, academic and social support, transitions information and a parent support section with updated and relevant information for parents. I encourage you to have a look through this and ensure you are familiar with the many resources we have pulled together to support our community.

Currently Rob Emanuel is working with the Education Directorate on school review panels. For this first two weeks I have been acting Principal. Rob is back in the seat next week. As always, term 4 will fly by for all students and staff. It's sometimes a stressful term for students as they complete assessment tasks and participate in end of year events and activities. Please assure them that there are people at the school they can talk to if they require some support during this time.

Kind regards

Julie Collins



## Music Notes

### Welcome Back to Term 4!

Welcome back students and parents to Term 4 of 2020! We look forward to another great term to round off the end of the year.

### Term 4 Performances

All Band Program families have been sent an email outlining the performances and events that are planned for term 4. The link to the performance calendar is [here](#).

### Instrument Stocktake

With the end of the school year, the Music Team is continuing to take the steps to complete the annual instrument stocktake. As Covid-19 health and safety is very important, we are asking that students assist us in this process by completing a short quiz about their instruments and their quality. This form also touches on whether the instrument needs to be repaired, and if they want to keep the same instrument for band in 2021. The link to the form is [here](#).

We are chasing the individual students who have not yet completed the form, however it would be helpful if you ask your child whether they have completed it and if they say no then please encourage them to do it from home.

We want to remind students and families that any school instrument matters will be managed by our ASO Renee on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

### Band Uniform Donations

We want to thank all of the families who have returned and donated band uniforms, however we are always looking for more. Specifically, we are hoping for donations of blue band polo shirts, blue band hoodies, black trousers and black socks. Additionally we would like to thank the families who have donated instruments to the Band Program; your generosity is very much appreciated.

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## Visual and Performing Arts News

### Northside Spectacular

The Art Faculty have been very busy this week facilitating the virtual Northside Spectacular. Some of our Live Production and Media students have made up the sound and lighting crew and have been amazing in their application and willingness to learn the huge amount of 'backstage' work that makes up any production. I would like to extend my thanks to Mr Ashley and his crew - Amber, Rafi, Khoi, Ace, Kaab, Eric, Owais, Solomona and Xavier. Assisting in the whole process were a couple of ex Lyneham High School students - Sam and Perrin. The Spectacular will be a virtual experience this year and will feature performances from right across our cluster. I would also like to thank the students and teachers who have helped produce this event.

Mr Bowyer

### Year 7 Art

Our Term 3 Year 7 students investigated artworks by various Australian Indigenous artists as well as Australian artist, Gus Leunig, to explore ways to tell stories through painting. We explored both aerial and ground-view painted artworks to see how we could blend the two styles together. The students were each asked to think of a place that had some significant importance or meaning to them. We explored ways to use the lines from this map to create interesting spaces on the page where we could tell stories about this place. The map itself presented the aerial view, while the pictures represented the traditional ground view of painting stories.



### Year 8 Art

Students looked at the works of Gustavo Ramírez Cruz, a Colombian artist specialising in creating playful Papier Mache sculptures. They then researched a variety of other bottle figurines to gain inspiration for their own artwork. These were made using empty plastic bottles, wire, das clay and paper mache. The students finished by painting their figurines and adding embellishments such as hair, wings etc.

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### Seek Information Session for Students and Parents

In 2018 we commenced the Seek class, a project-based inquiry learning class in Year 8. This class combines English, Mathematics, HaSS and Science curriculums into interdisciplinary units of learning that develop social cohesion and deep thinking.

We are currently seeking applications from interested students in Year 7, 8 and 9. Students selected for LEAP or STAR / DARE cannot participate in Seek without relinquishing their placement in their current program due to timetabling restraints. During Week 2 we held an information session for Year 8 and 9 students, and during Week 3 we will hold an information session for Year 7 students.

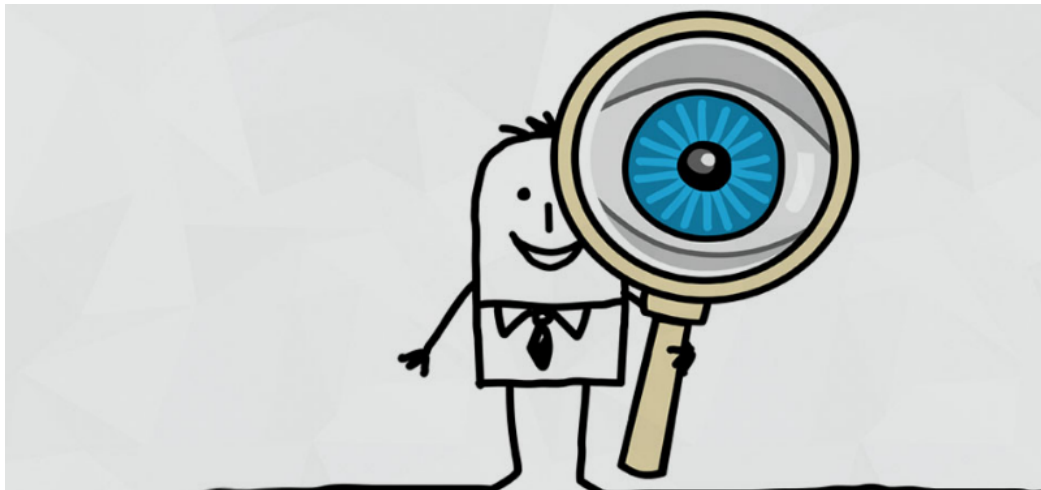
We invite parents and interested students to come along for an information session and to meet the teachers on Wednesday 4 Nov, at 5.00 pm. The sessions will be held:

Year 7 in the hall

Year 8 and 9 in the school library.

We look forward to seeing you there.

The Seek Team



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## Outward Bound

On the 22nd of September the line 5 Outdoor Education class had a rare opportunity in 2020 to go on an excursion to Outward Bound. Due to COVID restrictions, the usual term 3 Snow Camp for Outdoor Ed was forced to be cancelled. However, thanks to Ms. J, our class had the chance to still go on an important excursion to Outward Bound.

At Outward Bound, we did teamwork activities and went on a high ropes course. Before we started, the team at outward bound split us up into two groups. One half of us had Jed and the other half had Pat. Aside from our two main team leaders, the rest of the staff as well as Pat and Jed were amazing people to work with and really helped us push ourselves and each other further. The Teamwork and initiatives activities consisted of us working together to complete tasks using our teamwork and communication skills. We did many different activities.

The most enjoyable activity was trying to get everybody through a cube that was suspended from a cable without going the same way, without touching the cube itself. For Mr Blackburn's group, the activity that helped us as a class to connect and work together best was the first activity, where we had to try and hold everyone up using nothing but ourselves. For Ms J's group, that activity for us was the human body scanner. We had a rope and had to get everyone to go through it as fast as we could. We had 12 people and our record time as 10 seconds. It was great to be able to go on an excursion after not even being able to be at school earlier in the year, and test out our rope and resilience skills in a new environment.

By Anielle & Elliot

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The LHS Bike Maintenance Collective will be back for the first time since Term 1.

A well-functioning bike is easier and more fun to ride than one that is noisy, has squishy tyres and the brakes and gears don't work properly.

Come and find us near the bike cage after school and we can show you a couple of tricks to sort your bike out.

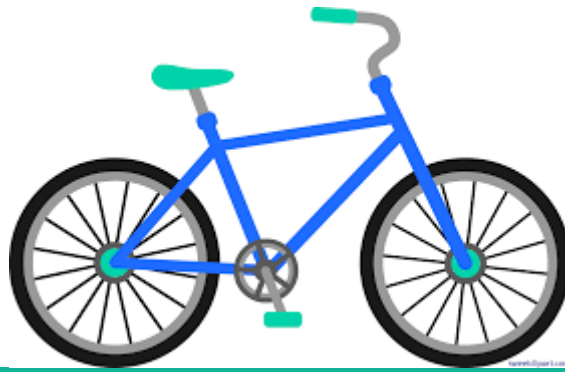
Upcoming dates are:

Thursday 12 November

Thursday 3 December

Contact [lhsbikes@gmail.com](mailto:lhsbikes@gmail.com) if you are a parent, student or teacher who would like to help out on one of these days or at the Sly Fox Community Market on Saturday

31 October.



### P&C Meeting

Please join us for the Lyneham High School P&C meeting at 7:30pm on Tuesday 27 October in the Library.

Entry from the south carpark.

### Immunisations

Round 2 of year 7 Immunisations are on 26 and 27 of October (week 3 of term 4).

If you have submitted the consent card earlier in term 1 for your child, then you do not need to worry about anything. Please read the document (linked below) and contact ACT Health directly as the school does not keep track of all the consent forms submitted.

### Year 7 Immunisation Information

### Community

**Subject Selections Online (SSO)**

**Term 4 Planner**



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