



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

Over the next few weeks, leading up to the two week autumn holidays, we will be welcoming back our parents and carers to attend a number of face-to-face information sessions and school events. To do this safely, we still need to put in place a number of COVID-19 arrangements that I would like to mention in advance.

Where we have adults visiting the school, the following arrangements will be in place:

- Check-in on arrival using the Check In CBR phone app or by recording attendee details.
- Venue restrictions based on the ongoing density requirement of 1 adult per 2m². For example, the attendance limit for events held in our school hall is 240 adults. This will require parents and carers to RSVP and/or book a seat to attend. It may not be possible to arrive without a booking and just “squeeze in” up the back of the hall. We will also indicate when we can accommodate only one adult per family for a particular event.
- Household groups should be physically distanced (maintain a 1.5m gap). For example, at the Year 10 Information Evening, an adult can attend and sit with their Year 10 student but should remain distanced from other families. We will be arranging the chairs in the hall to accommodate this requirement.
- Maintain physical distance when moving around the building. For example, at Parent

Teacher Nights we will need to position staff in various areas of the school (not just the hall and LPAC as has been done in the past) and ask that parents and carers are mindful of physical distancing when moving through the corridors and when waiting for appointments.

Progress Reports and Parent Teacher Interviews

Next week, progress reports will be emailed home to parents. This report provides an indication of progress during term one and is an opportunity for teachers to communicate any concerns with a student's achievement or effort in class. It is important for parents to help their child reflect on the report and ensure that continued efforts are focused on maximising their learning for the rest of the semester. End of Semester reports will be issued mid-year.

In addition to the reports, we will be conducting **Parent Teacher Interviews on Monday 29 March between 4:00pm and 7:00pm and Tuesday 30 March between 4:00pm and 6:00pm**. Information about how to book interview appointments is outlined in an article later in this newsletter and more detailed instructions will be included in the email with your child's report.

Year 10 Transitions - Student assembly and Parent Information Session

Next week, we will hold a Year 10 assembly to start the conversation with our students about 2022 college enrolment, careers and other transition information. We will also hold our annual **Year 10 Information Evening** for parents and carers at **6:30pm on Wednesday 24 March 2021**. At this event, you will hear from a range of speakers about requirements for a Year 10 Certificate, 2022 college enrolment processes, careers and work experience opportunities and dates for important events throughout the remainder of 2021 before graduating from high school. We have also invited Craig Edwards, Principal of Dickson College, to attend and provide information and tips for success at college. If you are not able to attend, we will ensure that the presentation and information provided at the information evening is available on our website.

P&C Events - Parent Forum, P&C AGM and Parent Teacher Night Sausage Sizzle

In this newsletter you will find details about upcoming P&C events. We will be presenting a **Parent Forum on eSafety** at 6:30pm on Tuesday 23 March 2021. Following the forum, the P&C AGM will be held at 7:30pm and will be followed by a regular P&C Meeting. Additionally, the P&C traditionally run a sausage sizzle at the two parent teacher nights - if you are able to offer time and support to organise, cook or staff the sausage sizzle, please contact Bob (our P&C president) by email (lynehamhighpc@gmail.com).

Cyber Safety for our students

An important part of ensuring students within our school community are safe is educating both our students and parents about safety on-line (e-safety). In a newsletter last month we included links for parents to look through from the E-Safety Commission website: <https://www.esafety.gov.au>. All year 7 students have also been issued with stickers for their chrome books with a QR code that directs students to this resource. Home Group teachers in year 7 have spent time going through this with students.

In the coming weeks all students will experience a cybersafety presentation called "Take the Lead". This interactive presentation will be run by the Education Directorate's E-Safety branch, and will focus on issues relating to safety on-line at each year level.

To encourage parent conversations and increase awareness of issues relating to on-line safety, we are running a P&C Parent Forum session:

PARENT FORUM ON CYBER SAFETY AND RELATED ISSUES

TUESDAY 23 MARCH - 6.30 - 7.30PM in the Lyneham High School Hall

Issues to be covered include:

- Digital identity and footprint
- Resources available for students and parents
- Where do we go and what do we do when things go wrong?
- Fast facts parents need to know
- How to have difficult conversations with your children
- Getting out of trouble, not in trouble
- Take the Lead sessions - what are they?
- How can you support your young person and the school?

- Impact of social media on life at school
- Occupational hazards of IT use and best practice

Rob Emanuel

Principal

Support for students affected by community discussion on sexual harassment and assault

Over the last few weeks, there has been extensive media and political coverage, as well as discussions in the community about sexual harassment and sexual assault. The ACT Education Directorate recognises that this can be a distressing and uncomfortable subject for some of our students.

Our school is committed to providing a safe, inclusive and supportive learning environment for our students. Bullying, harassment, sexual harassment and sexual assault have no place in our schools and broader community.

Students impacted by any of these issues can access support through our Student Wellbeing team and/or school psychologist.

There are also ACT Government and community organisations that provide support outside of school hours. You can find a full list of services on the ACT Education Directorate website.

Services include:

Lifeline Australia: 13 11 14

Beyond Blue: 1300 224 636

Suicide Call Back Service: 1300 659 467

Kids Helpline: 1800 551 800

MensLine Australia: 1300 78 99 78

Canberra Health Services Access Mental Health: 1800 629 354 or 02 6205 1065

Additional resources can also be found on our school [Lenni Page](#):



Parent-Teacher Evenings 29 and 30 March

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be conducted on Monday 29 March between 4:00pm and 7:00pm and Tuesday 30 March between 4:00pm and 6:00pm. Bookings are made using the Parent-Teacher Online (PTO) system. Login details and instructions will be included in the email with your student's Progress Report.

For those who do not have access to the internet, or if you experience difficulties with the online system, please phone the school on 614 21176 and a member of our friendly front office staff will provide assistance to make the appointments.

If a teacher has asked to have an interview on your child's report, you are strongly encouraged to take this opportunity to meet with them. Of course, if your child's report does not indicate that an appointment is requested, all parents are still welcome to attend.

So that we can follow COVID regulations, some teachers will be located away from the hall. Details will be provided about this upon your arrival. See you at the upcoming Parent-Teacher evenings!



Round 1 Immunisations

Round 1 of Year 7 Immunisations are on the 29 and 30 of March 2021. Round 2 dates will be later in the year.

If you have submitted the consent card in earlier weeks, then you do not need to worry about anything. Unfortunately, the school cannot provide any medical advice so please contact the number provided in the below leaflet for any further information regarding the immunisations.



The following vaccine will be offered FREE as part of the ACT High School Immunisation Program in term 1 or 2

✓ Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Dose 1

Keep an eye out for consent cards which are sent home with students during the first week of school and due back to school as soon as possible.

🔍 **Find** a consent card at your school OR download one from our website

📝 **Sign** and complete the card

👉 **Return** it to your school ASAP

For more information:

www.health.act.gov.au/adolescent-immunisation

Ph: 02 5124 1585

health.act.gov.au



Music Notes

Tour Commitment Forms

Reminder that the Year 8 Concert Band Tour deposit and commitment-to-attend forms were due Friday 12 March (week 6). If this form has not been filled out and returned students will not attend the tour.

Year 9 Concert Band, Year 10 Concert Band, and Year 7 Beginner and Concert Bands deposits and forms are due by week 8 and 9 of this term.

Musical Production "Camp"

Each year in term 1, the musical production class will have a short "camp" to buckle down on building the intricate parts of an amazing show. This year, the "camp" will be held at school, from 8:30am, until 5pm on 17 and 18 March (week 7). Band rehearsals during this time will be in the hall.

10BC Primary School Concert

The Year 10 Concert Band are gearing up for their upcoming performance for the local primary schools. This concert will present to the year 6s what Lyneham High's band program is all about, featuring student speakers and demonstrations from each instrumental section of the band.

Second Instrument Issuing

By now, students who were issued a second instrument should have received it in the past two weeks. If there are any further questions or concerns about these instruments, students can come visit our Band ASO, Renee, in the Music Staffroom on Tuesdays and Thursdays, or email Renee at mikayla.radojkovic@ed.act.edu.au.

Spotlight on 8CB Flutes

This year, we in Music will be shining the spotlight on our bands' instrument sections. Centre stage this week is the flutes of Year 8 Concert band, as represented by keen players Grace Hetherington, Catherine You and Oliver New.

Grace told us that she'd been learning music since the young age of 2 years old! She's played recorders of all shapes and sizes which has geared her up well for playing flute.

Catherine mentioned that she has recently learnt a tonguing technique on the flute, called "flutter tonguing", a skill which is best explained as rolling your 'R's, while playing the flute!

When inquiring about a fact Oliver had learnt about this year, he demonstrated how to play the flute without the headjoint, prompting Catherine and Grace to practice this trick too!

Grace, Catherine and Oliver all agreed that their least favourite section in the band is the very loud trumpet section, who sit right behind the flutes.

They all enjoy the friendships they share with the other students of the band, Oliver saying it's not like other classes of just one or two friends. Grace enjoys playing music with all her friends.

A word of advice Grace wished to share with the Year 7 Band students was not to worry about what you sound like, as people will always have you covered.





Band Calendar

Band Tours

Languages at Lyneham

Welcome to the 2021 school year in Languages! Those students and staff that are new to Lyneham High School have settled in and started the year's program. Lisabeth Hemming has joined us in English and Sally Goodspeed is teaching Indonesian in Ibu Idris' absence.

English classes are well into their first units and year 7s are reading and writing autobiographies as part of 'My Life Story'. The English and Writing ICAS competitions will give talented entrants in all years a chance to compete. They are being organised for the 12 and 13 August.

Indonesian classes are enjoying their cultural and language studies and will be able to participate along with French students in the Education Perfect World Championships from the 16-23 March. This is an excellent way to consolidate and revise vocabulary and grammar.

Semaine de la Francophonie from Sunday 14-21 March is a celebration of Francophone culture. The High Commission of Canada will be visiting Lyneham High on Thursday 18

March and performing 'Tiguidou' for years 8-10.

Congratulations to Iris Wang, Lam-Anh To and Benji Light, who were voted by their year 9/10 peers as the winners in the 'Dis-Moi Dix Mots' poetry competition. All entries have now been submitted to Alliance Française. We will be visiting Alliance Française for the afternoon on the 29 March.

Easter is just around the corner, bringing with it more opportunities for extra-curricular activities.



eSafety Parent Forum and P&C AGM

Please join us for our first parent forum of the year which will be around eSafety. Deputy Principal for Students, Julie Collins, has arranged for a representative of the Office of the eSafety Commissioner to join us for this very important and topical issue.

6:30pm

Tuesday 23 March

LHS Library

The forum will be followed by the P&C Annual General Meeting at 7:30pm so please

stay and join us if you can. The P&C is very keen for anybody who is interested to attend. We will be holding elections for all positions and would love some new office holders but are also very happy to welcome general members.

Academic Competitions

The note for 2021 Academic Competitions is now available. Please refer to [this link](#) for information on each competition, including closing dates and costs. Paper copies are also available from the front office and faculty staffrooms.

Remembering Paul KIMLIN (1976 – 2005)

Paul was a student at Lyneham High School, studying here from 1988 to 1991. From an early age, he had a passion for aviation and was an Air Force Cadet while at Lyneham High. Here's how he was featured in [1991's "Between the Lynes" year-book](#):



After Lyneham High, he attended Copland College before commencing an Applied Science degree at Canberra University. Paul subsequently went on to a military career in the Royal Australian Navy, qualifying as a helicopter pilot in 1997. During his military career he served in East Timor with the United Nations, Christmas Island for border security and, Iraq during the war of 2003.

His final deployment was to Indonesia following the tsunami of 2004, supporting recovery

efforts, where he was one of nine Defence Force personnel tragically killed in a helicopter accident on 2 April 2005.

With a 15th anniversary memorial service unable to be held due to COVID, a memorial service will be held at the Australian War Memorial on the 16th anniversary, 2 April 2021. Paul's family would welcome any current members of the school community at the ceremony. If you or your child would like to participate, please contact the school on 61421176 or at lynehamhs@ed.act.edu.au so that we can provide you with the details.

Biklinc - Bike Registration

Is your bike registered with Biklinc?

Many bikes stolen in the ACT are not returned to their owners as they cannot be accurately identified. It is your responsibility to prove to police that you own a recovered bike.

You can use [Bikelinc](#) to keep information in one convenient online platform, which police can check to reunite you with your bike:

- Record your bike's serial number
- Take a photo of the bike
- Keep a description of your bike including any markings or characteristics that make your bike easily identifiable.

Bikelinc is a joint initiative with Crime Stoppers ACT and is safe, secure and confidential. The searchable online database allows anyone to check if a bike is registered as safe, lost or stolen.

Visit <https://bikelinc.com.au/> to register now!

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