

# Newsletter Week 1, Term 3 2024

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Please note, services and events advertised on the Lanyon High School website or newsletter are not endorsed or associated with Lanyon High School. For more information regarding upcoming school and community events please visit our Facebook and Instagram accounts.



Principal: Barbara Monsma

Deputy Principal (Staff): Rebecca Cusick

Deputy Principal (Students): Shannon Carnovale

P&C President: Katrina Reynolds

## Principal's Report

Welcome to term 3! It's wonderful to welcome some new staff to the school in recent weeks and into the future.

- Michael Pearce – starting in English.
- Sharon McPhee – teaching HaSS and Mathematics (based in Green staff room)
- Melissa McKee – returning to Green staff room after a period of maternity leave
- Kate Calley – commencing in week 3, Kate is a new executive teacher joining the team in Student Services
- Kylie Slade – Business Manager

**School Improvement Plan 2022-2026**

Our school is in the third year of its School Improvement Plan. Our two key priorities are;

1. **Improve academic growth for students**
2. **Equip students with the capabilities to learn and live successfully**

One of the important strategies for improving academic growth is for teachers to develop new strategies for teaching in the classroom and to receive feedback about this from peers and/or supervisors through lesson observations. Teachers are continuing to build their repertoire of teaching strategies based on learning data from students as well as current research on those strategies that have the greatest impact. Teachers will be observing each other throughout the term to provide feedback based on a framework that is aligned to the teaching standards of Australian; <https://www.aitsl.edu.au/lead-develop/develop-others/classroom-observation>

During term 2 we were able to recruit a new staff member to assist with careers planning and work experience, Alex Brown. Part of the career's planning process is to help students of all ages identify their strength, interests and to set goals for self-improvement and achievement. Exploring these attributes is part of the school's socio-emotional learning program called Pastoral Care (PC). Ms Brown is working closest with the Pastoral Care Advisors to help plan lessons that are delivered by the PC teachers. The PC teacher then helps students to work through a range of activities that will strengthen their relationships with others and increase self-awareness which will equip them with the capabilities to learn and live successfully, both now and into the future.



### **NAPLAN Results for Year 7 and 9 students**

NAPLAN results for year 7 and 9 students will be posted home next week. I hope that you will find that this report gives you some information about your child's literacy and numeracy progress. It is one piece of information that gives us some indication of how individuals and groups of students are progressing. We analyse this progress data alongside a range of other information to help inform teaching and learning as well as identify students who might need additional support or extension. Click on the link below for more information on how to interpret the NAPLAN results. If you have any concerns about the report or your child's results, please contact their English and/or Mathematics

teacher in the first instance. Attached to this newsletter is a brochure with more information about interpreting NAPLAN results.

<https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/results-and-reports>

### **Enrolments for 2025 Year 7 and Year 11**

Parents/carers who submitted their enrolment form by 5 June last term will be receiving their letter of offer for a school next week. For year 10 students, information about transition visits and college subject selections will be coming out in the next few weeks. We also support students who are seeking other pathways, such as study through CIT or going to full time work. All students are required to attend school or in formal study (e.g., CIT) or work until the age of 17. So please contact the school if your child wishes to seek pathways other than college.



### **Satisfaction Survey**

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents and carers, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their experience of public education. The 2024 surveys will be available online during August/September with more information being sent directly to parents/carers in the coming weeks. The data collected are used to inform government policy and underpin school improvement practices. The results will also help us to identify what we do well as a school and where we can improve. Parents/carers will receive more information and a link to the survey via email. Students will complete their surveys in classes during the dates shown above.

Barbara Monsma

Principal



## Register now for **Parent Portal**

Our school is using Parent Portal – a secure online platform to share information between parents and carers and your student's teachers.



Ask our Front Office team about how to register or scan to find out more.

With Parent Portal you will be able to:

- notify the school when your child is sick or to explain an absence
- book parent-teacher interviews
- receive academic reports
- receive the school newsletter
- receive messages from your child's teachers
- make payments
- access the school calendar and your child's timetable
- update contact details.



Digital Account

## **STUDENT TIMETABLES**

We're pleased to remind you that the Parent Portal is now live and fully operational!

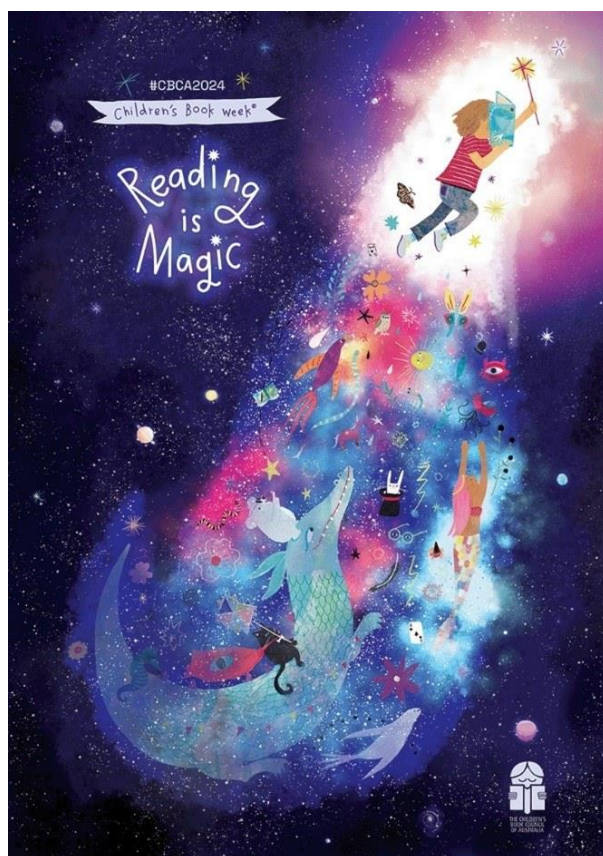
In the coming weeks, you will be able to schedule parent-teacher interviews directly through the Parent Portal. Additionally, starting next week, you'll have access to your student's timetable.

### Celebrating our students

Congratulations to Jeremiah Hill who represented Lanyon High at the Australian Senior Schools Fencing Competition this weekend in the epee event. He placed 9th overall and was one of only two students representing ACT schools.



## Library News



Welcome back to Lanyon High for Term 3! We at the library are hitting the ground running in preparation for Book Week in week 5. This year's theme is "Reading is Magic". As always, we will be having a costume day, which is currently scheduled for Wednesday Week 5. Costumes do not have to match the theme so long as it is some sort of book character, but you are welcome to use it as inspiration!

We will also be holding a gold coin book sale at some point through the week. Having processed the books on offer myself I can say there are some real hidden gems in there. Proceeds will go directly back into the library to buy some of the student requested books. I hope to see all our keen readers there to give some of our well-loved classics a new home.

## First nations shirt orders

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to offer another opportunity for families to order our LHS First Nations shirt (an optional addition to our uniform range). The shirt has been designed in collaboration with local Aboriginal artist, Eddie Longford, and Lanyon High School students, and it incorporates elements of the mural Eddie designed for our student reception courtyard. This shirt can be worn in place of the standard uniform shirt or standard PE shirt. The shirts will be available to order online from Monday 22nd July to Friday 9th August 2024. Orders placed during this time will be available for collection

from the school late in term three. Orders and payments are made directly with One Sport. There will be another opportunity to order the shirt later this year for the beginning of the 2025 school year.

The price of the shirt is \$39 and can be ordered online from One Sport via the link below:  
<https://shop.onesport.com.au/product/lanyon-high-school-polo/>

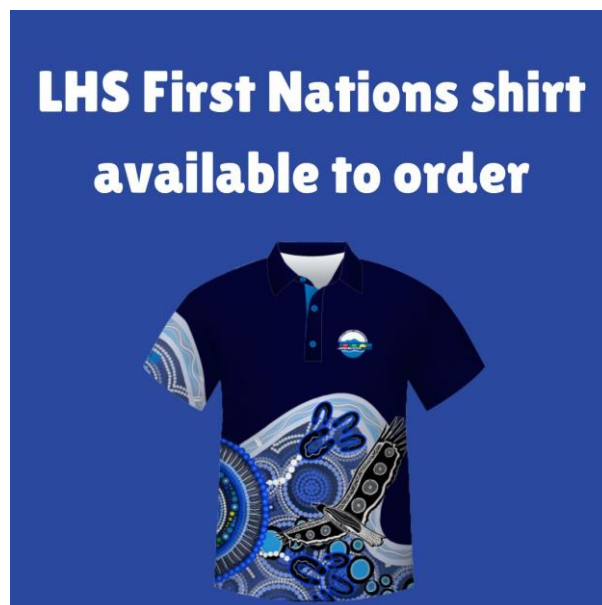
The shirts are available in Youth 10-16, Ladies 8-24 and Mens XS-5XL. There is a detailed size guide on the OneSport website. Alternatively, there is a sizing kit available at our front office.

Should any families be experiencing financial difficulty in meeting these costs but wish to purchase a shirt, please contact the principal (Barbara Monsma) to discuss the options available.

Individual records of contributions are strictly confidential. Please do not hesitate to contact the school on (02) 6142 1800 if you have any questions. Thank you.

Yours faithfully

Barbara Monsma Principal



NAIDOC Celebration at LHS



**KEEP THE FIRE BURNING!  
BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD**  
7-14 JULY 2024

In Week 10 of term two we celebrated NAIDOC Week at Lanyon High School. Our youth worker Jess organised art and craft activities in break times during in the week, and celebrations culminated in a whole school barbeque and celebration on the last day of term. We were honoured to host Ngunnawal elder Selena Walker who gave a Welcome to Country for students before the feast began. Students enjoyed a sausage sizzle as well as damper and sop sop, a traditional vegetable and coconut dish from the Torres Strait Islands.









## Chromebook chargers

As we prepare for the new school term, we kindly remind you that students should leave their Chromebook chargers at home. To minimize the risk of misplacement or damage, we encourage students to bring fully charged devices to school each day. Should a device require charging during the day, spare chargers are available for use.

For safety reasons, all chargers used at school must be tagged and tested. Leaving chargers at home will help us ensure that devices are accounted for and kept safe for everyone's benefit.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain a secure and efficient learning environment.



## Year 10 Immunisations



### Attention Year 10 parents




Your child's vaccinations are due in Term 3 or 4



The following vaccine will be offered FREE as part of the ACT High School Immunisation Program in Term 3 or 4.

#### Meningococcal ACWY

Please keep an eye out for consent cards being sent home with students late in Term 3 and due back to school on **30th August 2024**.

-  Consent cards are available at your school OR download one from our website.
-  Sign and complete the card.
-  Return it to your school ASAP.

If your child misses this vaccine at school and you have returned a consent card indicating your wishes to have your child vaccinated, you will receive a letter in the post.

The vaccine will be available FREE from your GP or a participating pharmacy until your child's 20th birthday.



Scan for more information or call **02 5124 1585**

#### Acknowledgement of Country

Canberra Health Services acknowledges the Nganraman people as traditional custodians of the ACT and recognises any other people or families with connection to the lands of the ACT and region. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and contribution to the life of this region.

 **Accessibility**  
call (02) 5124 0000

 **Interpreter**  
call 131 450

[canberrahealthservices.act.gov.au/accessibility](http://canberrahealthservices.act.gov.au/accessibility)

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A message for families of year 10 students. Lanyon High will have year 10 immunisations on November the 6th in term 4.

## Online Safety Webinar for Parents & Carer



**Parent & Carer  
Online Safety  
Webinars - 2024**

**RSVP**

**Help your family be more confident and safe online by:**

- understanding online safety and risks young people face,
- learning strategies to prevent and respond to online issues,
- supporting your child to be safe online, and
- knowing where to go for further support.

**Multiple webinars per term.  
Afternoon and evening times available.  
All RSVP's receive video content and resources.**

**SCAN THE QR CODE OR  
TYPE THE LINK BELOW  
INTO YOUR BROWSER**

[bit.ly/2024\\_OnlineSafetyWebinar\\_RSVP](https://bit.ly/2024_OnlineSafetyWebinar_RSVP)

**ACT**  
Government  
Education

## Medical note



An updated medical form must be updated yearly for students to participate in excursions. If you have not completed one for 2024 forms are available at the front office and the school's website.

## Support for Parents & Carers



ACT Council of Parents & Citizens Associations



### SUPPORTING NEURODIVERGENT CHILDREN

For parents & carers

Presented by Christina Keeble

- EXPERIENCED EDUCATOR WITH LIVED NEURODIVERSE EXPERIENCE
- HIGHLY RECOMMENDED BY PARENTS
- NEUROAFFIRMING APPROACH
- PRACTICAL HELP FOR PARENTS & CARERS
- COREGULATION & INTERROCEPTION

💰 \$20 per person

📅 Tuesday 11 June

🕒 10:30am - 1:30pm  
OR  
6:00 - 9:00 pm



Register: [www.actparents.org.au](http://www.actparents.org.au)

## Operation Formal Wear 2024



Canberra Lions Club  
Lake Tuggeranong  
[laketuggeranong.act@lions.org.au](mailto:laketuggeranong.act@lions.org.au)

### Operation Formal Wear

#### We Need Your Help!

Last year, the first Operation Formal Wear was deployed, with over 700 individual items of formal attire being donated to students across the ACT and surrounding regions. The Lake Tuggeranong Lions Club was inundated with donations that the shopping days had to be extended from one to two days. It was truly a successful event.

For 2024, the Lake Tuggeranong Lions Club is proud to commence Operation Formal Wear, where we will provide Canberra students with beautiful formal wear for their formal. And, again, we will do it for free.

We are collecting donations of new and second-hand formal attire (male and female), and offers for services, from the community and small businesses to help families save on the cost and enable graduates to confidently attend their formal.

"Shopping Days" will be Saturday 31 August and Sunday 1 September, from 10am at the Lions Youth Haven at Westwood Farm on Kambah Pool Road.

Members of the public wishing to donate or become a drop off point can contact us via our Facebook event page [Operation Formal Wear](#).

#### About Canberra Lake Tuggeranong Lions Club

The Canberra Lake Tuggeranong Lions Club has been servicing the Tuggeranong and the wider Canberra community for over 30 years. You'll often see us at the Bunnings at Majura Park cooking/selling sausage sandwiches and leading up to Christmas our famous Lions Christmas Cakes and Puddings.

In our 30 years we have sponsored numerous Lions Hearing Dogs and most recently our club has sponsored the first Lions Medical Alert Dog in the NSW/ACT region. Our club also supports Lanyon Pantry, Backpack Beds for the Homeless, Beyond Blue, Orange Sky, ACT Cancer Council and several Canberra region families.

The club meets in person on the second Monday of the month at the Erindale Neighbourhood Center and visitors are welcome. We can be contacted on the email address above or via our Facebook group [Lake Tuggeranong Lions](#).

## Leavers form

A reminder for all parents and carers if your student is no longer attending Lanyon High, you must fill out a leavers form.



### LEAVERS FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ PC Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

New Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Leaving Date: \_\_\_\_\_

New School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### OFFICE USE ONLY

Chromebook charger and internet dongle (if applicable) returned  
(only applies if student will not be attending another public school)

Absence print out

Student file sent to new School  
or archived

High School Record  
(years 9 and 10 only)

Library books returned  
 Taken off XERO

Process student departure on SAS

Deleted student from Timetable

*We are a community fostering excellence in  
learning, inclusivity and active citizenship*

## Updating of details

Just a reminder for all parents and carers that if you have changed any details for example, email address, residential address or phone number. Please let us know via email [lanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:lanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au) so we can ensure all details are correct and up to date.

## Support services



Parents or carers who are struggling with any element of parenting can reach out to Parentline ACT.

This is a free telephone counselling service who can offer support and advice for on any parenting concerns.

Contact them on the number below or at this website.

<http://parentlineact.org.au/>

## Contact Us

### **Lanyon High**

20 Heidelberg Street

Conder, A.C.T, 2906

**Phone:** [6142 1800](tel:61421800)

**Absences:** [6142 1800](tel:61421800) or [lanyonHSstudentabsences@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:lanyonHSstudentabsences@ed.act.edu.au)

**Email:** [lanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:lanyonHSinfo@ed.act.edu.au)

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