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**Public Holidays**
- Monday 25th April – ANZAC Day
- Monday 13th June

**Curriculum Day** – Pupil Free Day –

**Monday 23rd May** – Students Do Not come to school on this day.

**Reading Tip - How do I get reluctant readers interested in books?**
- Reading out loud is a really powerful thing. To say to a child, “Please go to your room and do 15 minutes of reading. Don’t come out until you’ve finished your reading” makes reading a chore, when really it is a joy.
- It would be great if your children could see you reading a book, too, for your own pleasure, because that sends a very strong message.

If a child sees a parent reading a book for his or her own pleasure, it becomes a more natural thing.

- Children can read a range of materials. For example, they might light to read a comic book, poem, magazines, or recipe book. Encouraging your child to read signs as you are driving along, or at the supermarket, shopping centre can also introduce them to a range of new words and vocabulary.

**Student Wellbeing Tips**

**Making and keeping friends.**
- The more often you practise saying no to peer group pressure, the easier it will become.
- One of the most important things to have at school is good friends.
- Don’t gossip, spread rumours about others.
- Find friends who like you for yourself and not your brand of runners.
- Choose your friends carefully – they might be the strongest influence in your life.
• When was the last time you complimented your friend?
• Sometimes even friends make mistakes and do the wrong thing. Give them the right to be wrong.

Physical Activity and Children – A Call To Action from the Heart Foundation

Physical activity data for Australian children is not systematically collected at a national level, however the high prevalence of insufficient physical activity in adults (43%) coupled with high rates of over-weight and obesity in children and adolescents aged 10-17 years (21% boys and 23% girls), gives rise to major concern.

Here at school we implement a physical education program for each year level, sports session for children in grades Prep-6, lunchtime sport activities and regular physical games.

As parents you can encourage physical activity significantly by discouraging sedentary activity such as television, video and computer games. You know your child, if you have cause to believe they may face the health problems in later life attributed to overweight and obesity take action now whilst your child is young.

Source: Heart Foundation.

Parent Induction Program 2015

The Lyndale Greens Primary School Parents/Caregivers and Volunteers Induction Program was developed to provide clear guidelines to parents/caregivers/volunteers in relation to their generous support and help within our school community.

Lyndale Greens Primary School welcomes parents & volunteers and we believe that a sincere partnership between the staff at the school and the parents/volunteers is extremely beneficial to our students.

We are very fortunate to have a community of dedicated parents/caregivers and volunteers who work together with the teachers to achieve the common goal of enhancing student learning. For many of our parents/volunteers, it has been a few years since completing their Induction training. For others it may have been more recent. However, to ensure that ALL of our parents/volunteers have the most up to date and comprehensive knowledge, information and training, we will be conducting a NEW and revised program for ALL parent/volunteer helpers.

If you are thinking about volunteering at Lyndale Greens P.S. in 2016 and beyond, you will need to attend one of our NEW Induction Programs, and ensure you have a current Working with Children Check.

We will be introducing some new guidelines, fresh ideas and information to further enhance the support that you can offer our students.

Any parent/volunteer whose is wanting to assist within the school please complete the attached form for our Parent
Induction Program form and return it to Lyndale Greens P.S.

Parent Induction Program – 2016

Name:  (PLEASE PRINT)

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Student’s Grade: ___________

Please tick the box

I am able to attend the parent Induction program on Tuesday, 7th June, 2016.

I am unable to attend this program but would be interested in attending another Parent Induction Program.

Signed___________________

Date:  Tuesday 7th June
Time:   9.15 – 10.30
Where:  Lyndale Greens P.S.

Grade Excursions & CSEF Funding

Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund 2016

Application forms for the Camps, Sports and Excursions funding support program for 2016 are available at the school office. Eligible parents who hold a concession card are able to claim $125 per year for eligible primary students. This money will be paid directly to the school to be put towards payment for camps, sports or excursions. Parents will then be informed of any remaining amount outstanding through the office. A FAQ sheet as well as an application form is available at the office. Please contact the office should you have any further questions regarding this matter. If you have a current and eligible Centrelink Health Care Card or Pension Card, you need to apply NOW!

Some grades will be going on an excursion within the next few weeks – Please makes sure you apply ASAP.

How do I apply for the CSEF funds?

Step 1: Bring your current Centrelink Health Care Card or Pension Card to the office and we will make a photocopy of it.

Step 2: Complete the CSEF application form and hand it to the office.

Small change for a small change

My name is Charlotte O’Sullivan and I would like to share with you a campaign which I would like it run at Lyndale Greens Primary School.

There is a small place located in the city called “The Soup Place”. Not only do they sell lots of soup but for $3.50 you can “pay it forward” and they use that money to donate a
bowl of soup and some bread to the homeless people of Melbourne.

The Junior School Council and I would like to start a campaign called “Small change for a small change”.

We are asking each student and their family to collect their small change (coins or notes) and bring it to school over the next 2 weeks to see how many $3.50 bowls of soup we can donate to this fantastic cause.

The current record for the most bowls of soup donated is 114. We would like to work with the Lyndale Greens community to achieve a goal of 220 meals.

Every little bit of money helps and it would be really nice to know that all the money goes directly to helping someone in need. We hope everyone gets involved in helping us raise money for an important cause.

Charlotte O’Sullivan and the Junior School Coordinators (Ashlin Saggers and Leonie Haggett).

CREST Awards

Last term, students in grades 2 to 6 were able to achieve a CREST Award in Robotics as part of the Science program. CREST, Creativity in Science and Technology, is a program funded and supported by the CSIRO, Commonwealth Scientific Investigation Research Organisation. This scientific organisation encourages students and teachers from Prep to Year 12 to become involved in research and studies in science and technology at their grade level. Most students across the grade 2-6 groups who attended science lessons last term received this award. Congratulations to all these students! The students from Grade 1 will complete a CREST Award program this term. Judith Sise Science Specialist

2016 CSEF APPLICATIONS

Have you applied yet?
There are a number of families who successfully applied for the CSEF payment in 2015 but have not yet submitted an application for 2016. A new application must be completed every year if you still have a current and eligible Centrelink Health Care Card or Pension Card.

Please check to see if you have applied for the CSEF this year. This payment of $125 can be used for sport activities, swimming program or camps throughout the year.

Application forms are available at the office. Please bring your card with you.

If you are not sure if you have applied or have any questions please contact the school office.