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Curriculum Day – Monday 5th September – Students DO NOT come to school on this day.

Our Interschool Sports Teams
On Wednesday, Mr. Grinsted and the Tee-Ball team went to the School Sport Victoria - Region Finals at Wilsons Road Reserve, Mornington. I want to congratulate them for putting in their best.

Our Inter-school sports teams have performed extremely well during the various sporting events and many of our teams have runners up or won the zone competitions. Thank you to the teachers and students for their efforts, training and persistence.

Ready-4-Prep Commences
In Term 4, 2016 our highly successful Kinder to Prep transition program, Ready-4-Prep commences.

Children have the opportunity to learn about life at school and get to know other children, attending Lyndale Greens Primary school in 2017. They will also meet our experienced Prep teachers, specialist teachers, as well as familiarise themselves with the school environment.

Providing your child with the opportunity to attend our Ready-4-Prep transition program is a great way to help build your child’s confidence and readiness for school.

Where: Lyndale Greens Primary School
1 – 19 Oakwood Avenue, Dandenong  North
Ph: 9795 2271

When: Every Thursday afternoon
Thursday 6th October to 1st December 2016

Time: 2.15—3.15pm
Parent and Emergency Contact Details – Please Update

During the past couple of weeks we have attempted to contact a number of parents/families and found that we did NOT have the correct contact or emergency contact details. It is extremely important to ensure that ALL of your details are correct. Have you changed home phone, mobile, address or have your emergency contacts changed? Please see the office if any of the above has changed.

Immunisation Certificates

As part of enrolling in a Victorian government primary school, or transferring between schools, you need to show your child’s immunisation status certificate to the school. Children who are not immunised can still attend school but they will still need to present an immunisation status certificate. (See attached brochure about Immunisation requirements).

Library News

Next week is our annual Book Week Parade and Activities.

This year's Book Week theme is Australia- our story.

Children need to dress up for the parade as a character from a book.

They can be creative and make their own costume or use clothes already at home.
Extra ideas can be found on 'Google'.

Parents are invited to the Parade at 9.15 on Tuesday morning.

The students will participate in Book Week Activities on Tuesday and Wednesday.

F. Mangonis, Library Teacher

Swimming Program For Year Prep -2

Swimming permission forms are going home today for students in Years Prep, 1 & 2.

Swimming starts in Term 4, but the money needs to paid by the end of this term. There are only 150 places available, so if you want your child to take part in the swimming program, please complete the permission form and return it to your child’s class teacher as soon as possible. A place cannot be held for your child without the $84 payment or CSEF eligibility.

Tee-Ball Team

Yesterday, Wednesday 17th of August, the Teeball team travelled to Mornington to compete in the Regional Finals.

The eleven players to represent Lyndale Greens P.S. were Parash, Binura, Soul, Sam, Kishan, Lucas, Swarup, Moin, Chetan, Jerald and Jamal.

We played four games and were victorious in two of them. The results were as follows:
Game 1: Cheltenham East P.S. 26 defeated Lyndale Greens P.S. 13
Game 2: Lyndale Greens 17 defeated Hampton Park P.S 16
Game 3: Dromana P.S 14 defeated Lyndale Greens P.S 12
Game 4 Lyndale Greens 3 defeated Hampton Park P.S 2 (one innings game)

The boys put in some amazing efforts, especially with their outfield catching and controlled batting.

In game 2, Swarup was placed under extreme pressure when sent in to bat. The bases were loaded and the team had two batsmen already out. He hit a superbly placed grounded ball that allowed the other three members to get back to the home plate and for Lyndale Greens to steal the victory.

Overall, it was a fabulous effort by the team.

Acknowledgement also needs to go out to the other members of the original squad that assisted this team to reach this stage. These students were: Tutanekai, Shyam, Guru, Farhan, Sami and Rabia

**Father’s Day Stall**

We will be holding our Father’s Day stall on Thursday 1st September. Grade 3 students will be on an excursion that day. The Grade 3 children will be able to make their Father’s Day purchases on Wednesday 31st August.

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**The Grade 5's Integrated Studies focus for Term 3 is the 'Australian Gold Rush'.**

Grace researched and produced her own information report on the living conditions the miners endured during this period.

**Life on the Goldfields**

*Researched and written by Grace 5B*

At the beginning of the Gold Rush, many people all around the world, especially from England, left their jobs to find a fortune on Australia’s many goldfields. As a result, many towns were left deserted because shops closed down, which was caused by the depleting number of people living in the residence. Schools also had to close down as the many teachers’ absences resulted in no one to educate the students.

Harbours lay empty as the crew and passengers set sail for Australia.

**Living Conditions**

When miners first arrived they would live in Calico tents. The miners would sleep on makeshift
mattresses stuffed with leaves. Outside their tent, they would have a bonfire for cooking purposes, a bucket of water and something distinctive to help the miner recognize the tent as their own. As time went by, stone buildings were created as a replacement for the tents. The government contributed by building camps which consisted of timber barracks for the soldiers and a log jail for criminals.

**Food**

A miner’s diet was very dull and plain; they only ate Mutton, (Lamb) damper, (made from flour and water) and tea. Butchers, who would have tents set up in the camp, sell the Mutton; their tents were like landmarks, as you would easily find it because it was always surrounded by flies that would swarm the many carcasses left hanging outside. Fresh food like Fruits and Vegetables were scarce, because they would often spoil before reaching the goldfields.

**Health**

Living on a goldfield is a risky path to take: take the Healthcare, for example. There were barely any full-fledged doctors, surgeons, pharmacists or dentists on the scene, so treatment for the sick and injured was unreliable. Even if you did stumble across a qualified doctor, the price you would have to pay is extremely high: 5 Pounds for an injury or illness and 10 Pounds to deliver a baby. Then again, doctors can deceive you. Many of the medications that doctors supply you with are toxins, and miners back in the 1850s could not tell the difference.

**Not a place for a Lady**

During the years of the Gold Rush, women and children were omitted from the goldfields. The Government announced that the dangerous mine shafts were not a place for a lady or a child. Eventually, though, as conditions improved, Women and Children joined the men on the Goldfields. Wives rejoiced and rushed to find their husbands, with children following close behind. In January 1853, there were 5 000 Women and Children and by June, there were approximately 10 000.