

Lyndale Greens Newsletter

Keeping Our School Community Informed

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DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday	2 June	Book Club closes
Tuesday	6 June	Parent Induction Program
Thursday	29 June	Parent/Teacher Meetings

Student Reports & Parent/Teacher Interviews

Students Reports will be sent home on Tuesday 27th June.

Parent/Teacher interviews will be conducted on Thursday 29th June. Notices and information will be sent out to parents.

Attendance Excursion for 95% - 100% Attendance during Terms 1 & 2

Each year we focus on improving our student attendance, and we reward students who have achieved 95-100% for Terms 1 & 2.

To acknowledge and reward outstanding student attendance for semester 1- (terms 1 & 2), every student who has an "Attendance Rate between **95% - 100%**, will be rewarded with a "Special Activity Day Excursion". The special attendance day is being organised for a day at the start of term 3.

Please check your child's report to see if your child is eligible for the "Attendance Excursion".

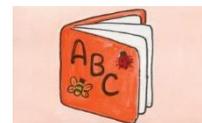
Students who are eligible, will receive a permission notice at the start of Term 3.



Reading Tips

Parents often think about how they can help their children to do well at school. Research has shown that giving your children time is one of the best things you can do. Children who spend time with their parents, sharing activities often achieve better school results. Some activities you can share include:

- Looking at books or reading stories
- Going shopping
- Preparing food and trying new recipes
- Playing sport or games outside



If your child is stuck on a word remember the **3 P's**.

Pause – give your child time to think about the word, story.

Prompt- give your child a meaning clue e.g. *What is the picture about?*
Where are they going?

Be supportive; make it easy not hard for your child. Remember how you helped them learn to talk and walk, high support that is gradually withdrawn.

Sometimes you will need to tell them the word so the meaning of the story is not lost.

Praise- respond positively to all your child's efforts.

*That was great reading, you sounded like a reader,
You used the pictures to help with the story,*

Sometimes actions speak louder than words.

Read and share what you are reading with your child. Show them what you are learning, what you are interested in, why you are reading. Children learn best by example, so convey to them reading is a valued and pleasurable activity. Reading together is a way you can spend precious time together.

Children love to spend time with you alone. In years to come, they will not remember most of the toys you bought them and probably not even notice if the house was tidy and clean. They will remember the things you did together.

- Playing board games together.
- Doing arts and crafts
- Building and making things.
- Sharing their hobbies with them.
- Just talking to them.

Reading isn't just with novels, non-fiction, recipes, instructions, newspapers etc. all involve reading.

Uniforms and Lost Property

We have a significant amount of lost property. Please remember to name your child's clothing as it makes it much easier to find or return. If your child has lost any items, please ask them to check the lost property, alternatively, parents are welcome to come up to the school and check. At the end of term any unclaimed items will be removed sent home in the next couple of weeks.



Cool and Wet Weather

This week we have seen the start of the cool and wet weather. It is a good idea for children to pack a waterproof jacket each day. Many children also wear a hat and scarf to help keep them warmer during their recess and lunch breaks.



It's Cool To Be At School

Congratulations to students in Grades 2B, 3A, 5A and 5D for the highest attendance of 99% for the week. Well done!

Attendance – Term 2, Week 5			
Prep A	93%	3C	94%
Prep B	95%	3D	85%
Prep C	89%	3E	95%
Prep D	93%	4A	98%
Prep E	87%	4B	96%
1A	94%	4C	94%
1B	95%	5A	99%
1C	94%	5B	97%
1D	94%	5C	86%
2A	92%	5D	99%
2B	99%	6A	94%
2C	88%	6B	92%
2D	93%	6C	97%
3A	99%	6D	95%
3B	92%		

Little Scientists- Big Science

Last week, Shraddha, Amina, Destinee and Ruth presented their projects at John Monash Secondary College's Science Night. They took part in the Little Scientists – Big Science program over four weeks and then the girls prepared an investigation on Colouring Bubbles and Testing Plants Water. They were invited back to share their research projects at the same time view all the Secondary College students' projects and wow the projects were amazing. **Destinee** was captivated by the mathematics of making 3D boxes. "I took 6 pieces of square coloured paper and glue. First, we had to fold one of our squares into a triangle diagonally and then into another triangle the other way.

Then I opened it up and folded the corners into the middle. Next it was folded into a rectangle, and then a square again. I repeated this 6 times and finally I stuck it all together and there it was a square box! **Shraddha** enjoyed looking at the secondary school students' projects. She particularly liked "Optical Illusions". There were a variety of photographs of Illusions which were very interesting. When I looked at them, the photographs seemed to move or even spin. There were two glasses with a written piece behind them and the glasses turned the writing up-side down. My favourite was a box with two peepholes and a dot behind so when you look inside you feel like you're moving. I really enjoyed the whole night. **Ruth** was intrigued by the plate cell display. She and Destinee took a plate and joined the queue for a plant cell and an animal cell. Destinee's animal cell started with a spoonful of yellow jelly and Ruth's plant cell was green jelly and then we moved along the line receiving the parts of each cell in the form of lollies so in the end we also got to eat it at the end. It was a great presentation. **Mrs Sise's** favourite display was the Astronomy section. The student groups had to plan where the next space probe should go and which was the best site for establishing a space colony. The students really tried to convince us that their project was the one to choose and we were given plastic token to vote on the best. **Amina** loved the marine display where some students had been enterprisingly created marine environments with recycled products. They were happy to explain to us about their projects. It was a great night!

Parent Induction Program 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. 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 2017 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 who is considering the opportunity to volunteer within the school, please complete the attached form for our Parent Induction Program and return it to Lyndale Greens P.S.

Parent Induction Program – 2017

Name: (PLEASE PRINT) _____

Student's Grade: _____

Please tick the box

I am able to attend the parent Induction program on Tuesday 6th June, 2017

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

Signed _____

Date: Tuesday 6th June
Time: 9.15 – 10.30
Where: Lyndale Greens P.S

School Banking Has Begun

At Monday's assembly, "Pat the Dog", the mascot for the Commonwealth Bank, visited us to tell us about how children can learn about the benefits of saving and the value of money by having their own Dollarmite Bank account.

How do you get a Bank Deposit book for your child?

You will need to take your child into a Commonwealth Bank branch, or apply on line, to open a bank account in your child's name. Once you have a bank deposit book from the Commonwealth Bank, you can bring this to school with your money and make a deposit into your account. Each time you do this, you will receive a reward token that can be used to gain prizes. Banking day happens every WEDNESDAY, so join us to be a Dollarmite Saver!

