

LAKEMBA LINK

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Term 1 Week 4



Important Dates

Monday 26 th February	Meet the teacher
Friday 1 st March	Clean up Lakemba Day
Monday 4 th March	Swimming carnival (Year 3 to Year 6)
Wednesday 6 th March	Online High School applications open
Thursday 7 th March	Leadership badge ceremony
Friday 8 th March	Crunch and Sip launch
Wednesday 13 th March – Monday 25 th March	NAPLAN
Thursday 21 st March	Harmony Day
Friday 22 nd March	Earth Hour
Thursday 28 th March	Online High School applications close
Tuesday 2 nd April – Friday 5 th April	Wellbeing conversations



Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we had a special visit from our school Mascot, Spud, who came to celebrate a new school year by giving each class a plush toy mascot. These mascots match the Australian animal that each classroom is named after. You may like to talk to your child about their class mascot and even do some research to find out more about what their class animal eats, where it lives and how it has adapted to it's environment.

Thank you for supporting the transition to School Bytes by activating your parent portal. On your portal you will find all permission notes and payment notifications. You will also be able to explain why your child was away from school, arrived late or left early. Newsletters will also be posted on School Bytes from Week 6. Any questions about your portal please speak to the office.

Our swimming carnival for all students in Years 3 to Year 6 is very soon. It's a great day out at Ashfield pool so please make sure you give permission and pay on School Bytes. As it is a school day, students not attending the carnival are expected to be at school.

Amber Mangraviti

Relieving Principal

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Attendance Matters

The first part of the day is an important learning opportunity. Being at school on time is extremely important as it ensures your child connects with friends, is ready for learning and understands the routines for the day. Please make sure your child is at school before 9am. If your child is running late please provide an explanation via the School Bytes parent portal or via email.

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Every Day Matters



When it comes to attending school, every day matters

If your child misses as little as **1 day per fortnight**, they will miss **4 weeks of school per year**, which adds up to over **1 year missed over their school life.**



Scan the QR code to learn more

Make sure your child doesn't miss out on the important things like:

-  Learning
-  Strengthening friendships
-  Build skills through fun



School Bytes

This term our school will transition to using School Bytes for communication including messages, permission notes and absent notes. Please ensure we have the correct contact details including phone number, email and address. Please send a note or call the office to update your details.

Respect at School posters

This term, you will notice new posters around the school that aim to help support a safe and respectful culture at our school. These posters are part of an initiative to remind everybody to treat our hard-working school staff with kindness and respect. Every school community around the state is very different. While most schools are respectful and harmonious, violence and unsafe behaviour in any form is not acceptable in schools. School staff and students have the right to learn and work in safe and respectful learning environments. With that in mind, I encourage you to join everyone at our school in getting behind this important work to make a positive change. We value our partnerships with you to support our students to learn, grow, and belong. It is up to us – the school and the parent-body - to be good respectful role models to our students. Together, we can create a safe and harmonious environment for our students and staff.

I hope you will support this initiative. What do you need to do? It is easy: Please treat our students and staff with kindness and respect, at all times. We are here to help you. I invite you to contact me if you have any questions.

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Everyone deserves to feel safe at school



Please treat our staff and students with **kindness and respect**



Aggressive behaviour will **not be tolerated**

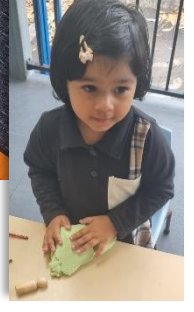


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School as Community Centre News



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Welcome to week 4 of the newsletter for the community centre. The week has been both thrilling and bustling for both children and families.

Playgroup sessions on Mondays and Fridays are designed to integrate key elements of Early Learning through hands-on activities, encouraging exploration, sensory experiences, and fostering creativity in both indoor and outdoor environments. Each week, a comprehensive program embracing all facets of Early Learning Years is presented to support children and their families. The Lakemba Community Centre is privileged to have Koorana Early Childhood teachers leading our Playgroups.

The Community Services Certificate 4 Course, scheduled for Tuesdays, is approaching its Orientation/Induction Day on the 5th of March, commencing at 9:30 am. While current participants have completed their enrolment, if you are still interested, please reach out to the Community Centre facilitator directly for further information.

The Rohingya Group engages in weekly Yoga sessions on Wednesdays, promoting the connection of body, breath, and mind. Following the yoga sessions, the 'Circle of Security' course is offered, aiming to enhance not only healthy relationships between parents and children but also to provide lifelong benefits for the child.

Starting on the 7th of March, The Sydney University is resuming its programs over a 9-week period. The Language Learners program is tailored for children aged 4-5 years, empowering their lifelong learning journey through targeted communication and literacy activities. Simultaneously, the Toddler Talk program for children aged 2-3 years focuses on enhancing communication and play skills through interactive language and play activities. These programs require enrolment for your child.

For all programs and information please contact the Community facilitator on 0476 288 811 or leonie.williams15@det.nsw.edu.au

Have a wonderful week!