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Principal's Report



Dear Parents/Carers and Families,

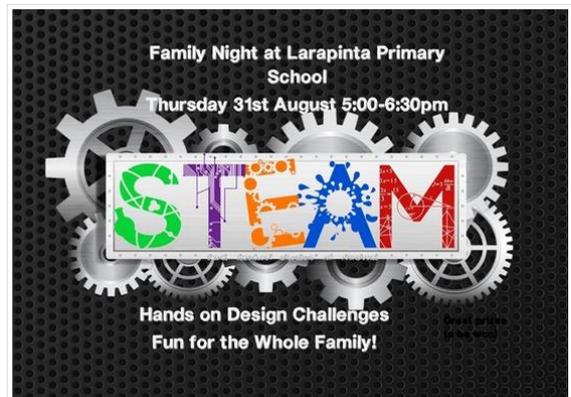
STEAM Family Night 31st August

Please join us on Thursday night from 5:00-6:30pm for a fun night of hands-on learning. We will have five different stations set up around the school. At each station there will be an activity (or two) related to

one of the key areas of STEAM learning – science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics!

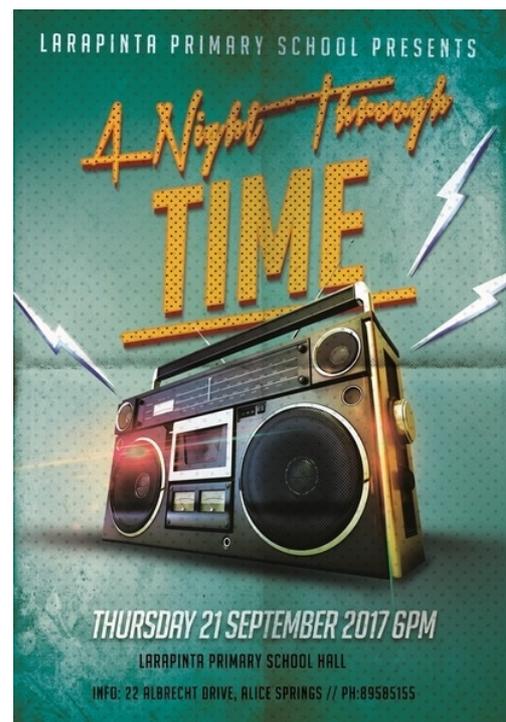
1. **Science** in the **science room** with Mr K
2. **Technology** in the **demountables** – learn coding with Tynker and cup
3. **Engineering** in the **library** – build famous landmarks with spaghetti
4. **Arts** in **A Block** and in the **music room** – make paint move without a brush and make music with GarageBand!
5. **Maths** in **B Block** – make domino runs, participate in matchstick challenges and tessellate with shapes

Complete the activity, collect the letter and stick it on your scrabble board. Once you have completed all five activities, write your name on the back of the scrabble board and put it in the box in the hall. At the end of the night there will be a draw for a great prize!



School Concert on Thursday 21st September

Our annual school concert is scheduled for Thursday 21st September. Students have been working hard to prepare wonderful items so we hope to see all our families on this night.



School Survey

Our annual school survey closes this Friday. The survey is for parents with children in preschool and primary school. If you haven't done so yet please click on the link to complete the survey; it only takes a few minutes. If you'd rather fill out a paper copy come and get one from the front office and return in the box provided.

<https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/larapintaprimarieschoolparentsurvey>

Welcome

Welcome to Renee Hughes who is working in a support staff role and to Leanne Whyte who is completing a ten week pre-service teaching placement at Larapinta working alongside Mrs Morton in Year 3/4.

Kind regards,

Brenda

School Snapshot

Year 5/6 Camp

Kamilla:

The camp was so fun,
My friends and I were playing spotlight.
We slept under stars.

Tanisha:

Ross River is fun,
Waking up in the morning,
It's freezing ice cold.

Eating cereal,
Hot milo with marshmallows,
Having kids' birthdays.

Connor:

Camp - Orienteering.
The camp at Ross River was exciting, fun and surprising. We went on hikes, played spotlight and even did orienteering. I personally liked the orienteering part of the camp. We had to find 19 orange and white squares placed around the campgrounds - in just an hour and a half!



Book Week at Larapinta

What a great day we had celebrating Book Week last Friday. There was all manner of costumes and even the staff got into the swing of things. The ABC news covered our assembly parade. Check this out on our Facebook page if you missed it!



Woolworths Earn and Learn Program

The school is collecting stickers for the Woolworths Earn and Learn Program. Please send these in as our school will benefit with new resources for the children.

Spare School Uniforms

We are always in need of spare uniforms in the front office so if you have any in the cupboard that no longer fit your children, we would really appreciate them. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Preschool News

Woolworths Earn and Learn Program



Thank you to all our families who have been collecting the Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers for us so far. Please keep collecting.

Gardening at Preschool

The children noticed that some of the plants in the barrel containers are old so Mrs Kennedy brought some new flowering plants. The children helped empty the old soil and pull out the old plants and planted the new plants while another group of children helped identify and remove clover from the lawn with the weeders.

Outcome 2 – Connectedness

2.4a explore natural and constructed environments

2.4c respect, care for & sustain the environment



Making Motor Bikes with big blocks

During outdoor play a large group of children made motor bikes and other vehicles with the large blocks. Most understood that motor bikes are made up of different parts such as two wheels, a seat, an engine, handle bars and a place to put your feet. One innovation included making a mirror using materials from the craft table.

Outcome 4 - Learning and Thinking

4.1a develop curiosity, enthusiasm and resourcefulness

4.1b build confidence, cooperation and persistence

4.1c develop creativity and imagination



Picture Products Fundraiser



This term our preschool is doing the very popular melamine picture plates and other products fundraiser.

Products include:

- Melamine Dinner Plate
- Melamine Picture Clock (Large)
- Glossy MDF Clock (Small)
- Aluminium Water Bottle (600 & 400ml)
- Mug (Melamine or Ceramic)
- 2018 Calendar

Your child draws a picture on the template at home which is brought back with the payment to preschool by Thursday 14th September. All completed templates will be sent away and the product you ordered returned. Any family members are welcome to participate. Please contact the preschool on 89585145 for more information.

Father's Day Celebration

When: Wednesday 30th August

Time: 5pm – 6pm

Where: Larapinta Preschool

You're invited to play at preschool with your child. If dads can't make it mums and family members or family friends are more than welcome to come along.

Child and Family Centre (CFC)

The Larapinta Child & Family Centre works in collaboration with families to strengthen the health and well-being of young children (0-5). We recognise and value the local Aboriginal people of Central Australia and acknowledge the significance of the land on which our Centre stands.

Hey Dad!

It's Father Day on Sunday 3 September. A great time to celebrate and support dads. Happy Father's Day to all our awesome dads! We hope you have a great day and spend some special time with your kids!

Being a dad can be tough – everyone needs a little help now and then. Here's some websites where you can find some great tips and support:

- **The Fathering Project** - Inspiring fathers and father figures to become better!

<http://thefatheringproject.org/>

- **SMS for Dads** - Provides new fathers with information and connections to online services through their mobile phones

<https://www.sms4dads.com/Welcome>

- **Becoming Dad** - A place for expectant and new fathers to be engaged, educated, mentored and supported during pregnancy, as they prepare to be present at birth, the role of fatherhood and the transformational changes that they will experience in their lives as men, partners and fathers

<https://becomingdad.co/>

Men's Shed (Alice Springs)

Do you need support? Are you worried about your mental health and wellbeing? Not just fixing furniture and building toys, but empowering men and building communities.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/mensshedalicesprings/>

Beyond Blue

24/7 support from a trained mental health professional. Telephone 1300 224 636

<https://www.beyondblue.org.au/get-support/get-immediate-support>

MensLine Australia – Telephone 1300 78 99 78

Phone and online support, information and referral service, helping men deal with relationship problems in a practical and effective way.

Community News

BRING HOME A BIG BROTHER OR SISTER AND BRING FRENCH, ITALIAN OR SPANISH CULTURE TO LIFE!

Why not volunteer to host an international student from France, Italy or Spain next year? We have a small group of delightful students coming to Australia for 11 weeks to immerse in local Australian culture, experience our High schools, sports, environment and lifestyle. All these international students are around 15 or 16 years old, speak excellent English, have their own spending money, cover all school expenses, and we arrange all aspects of their program. They are looking forward to joining an Australian family for a short term cultural immersion stay. It's fun and interesting to help these young people achieve their Australian dream. If you would like to know more, please email your interest to ICM on info@icm-education.com.au or call Georgie or Anja on 1800 500 501, or visit our website below.

<http://www.icm-education.com/>

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YEAR 9 CAMP FUNDRAISER

SEPT 7TH. 7PM
@ SCHOOL

Eat. Drink.



Think. Win.

BOOKINGS:
8950 2500

BASEBALL

Aussie T-Ball

Sign On
Yeperenye Shopping Centre

Come Try
Lyel Kempster Park

Saturday 2nd September 2017
9:30am to 1:30pm

Saturday 9th September 2017
9:30 to 1:30pm

Aussie T-Ball - 4 to 6yrs
Rookie Ball - 7 to 9yrs
Little League Minor - 9 to 10 years
Little League Major - 10 to 13 years
Junior League - 13 to 17yrs

Saturday 23rd September 2017
10am to 12:30pm

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Representative
players

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- For boys and girls aged 5-16 years old
- All coaches are ARU accredited

OUR NEW PROGRAM STREAMS

- **Beginner:** for all age groups aimed at developing fundamental rugby skills and a passion for the game.
- **Advanced:** tackling, clear-out and set piece strategies for Under 10s - Under 16s with rugby experience and representative aspirations.

Venue: Anzac Oval, 7 Wills Terrace
Alice Springs, NT 0870

Duration: 2-Days
Date: 5 - 6 October 2017
Time: 9:00am - 3:00pm
Ages: Boys & Girls aged 5 - 16 years
Early Bird: \$135 (ends 20 Aug)
Price: \$150

Register online: www.campwallaby.com.au/upcoming-camps
Contact us: info@campwallaby.com.au • 0407 860 650 • 0424 091 225

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SCHOOL OF DUSTY HEROES

- ★ Kids Art Desert Festival Hub Special
- ★ Performance art making
- ★ Dance, Music, Puppets, Sculptures
- ★ Using recycled materials

★ Children's multi-disciplinary creative workshop and performance ★

Desert FESTIVAL

Sunday August 27th
Sunday September 3rd
12:55pm - 4pm
88 Todd st
Hub - Workshop Space
Ages 7-14yrs
Limited tickets

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For Bookings and info visit desfest.com