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**Public Holiday – (Queens Birthday) Monday 8th June – Students DO NOT come to school**

Last week our students were involved in the National Simultaneous Storytime which is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association.

Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country.

By facilitating National Simultaneous Storytime we aim to:

- promote the value of reading and literacy;
- promote the value and fun of books;
- promote an Australian writer and publisher;
- promote storytime activities in public libraries and communities around the country;
- provide opportunities to involve parents, grandparents, the media and others to participate in and enjoy the occasion.

The students had a wonderful morning reading and learning together. It was great to see so many parents joining in with the students. A few parents asked teachers about some tips for supporting their child’s reading.

### 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 Remember how you helped them learn to talk and walk, high support that is gradually withdrawn.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.

**Alexandra Camp Reminder**

If you have chosen to pay for the camp by instalments, the Term 2 Camp payment is now due. Payments can be made anytime at the office.

**What does Inclusion focus on at Lyndale Green P.S.**

- Letting other children join in our games and activities
- Letting others go first
- Include others so they can help you
- Each person having a “fair go or fair share” when playing
- Everyone has a turn during group work or talk time
- Don’t ignore others
- Include others to join in your activities
- Offering others who are upset or excluded to come and play with you
- Make games to include others
- Talk to another student in your year level that you don’t know as well – it could be new student to the school, or a student in a different grade.

**CSEF (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund)**

All families should have received a letter and application form to apply for the CSEF payment.

If you have a valid Pension Card or Health Care Card you may be eligible to apply for this payment. The completed form must be returned to the school office by 26th June.

*Please remember you must bring your card with you when you apply.*

If you have any questions regarding this payment or need another application form, please contact the school office.