



Media Release

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## Lincoln Event Centre turns three

The Lincoln Event Centre celebrated its third birthday this month.

The candles on the centre's birthday cake were blown out by Lincoln resident Levana Jackson and her two year old son Joshua after they attended a pre-school music group session. "We use the centre quite often so it's great we could join in the birthday celebrations," says Mrs Jackson.

The pair comes along most weeks for classes. "I love that we can attend a class that is so close to home and you don't have to be musical genius to join in; it's a fun session that uses musical instruments and colourful props to engage the children," says Mrs Jackson. "Being here for the centre's birthday was a bonus!"

The centre holds weekly classes that cater for a range of ages from pre-schoolers to senior citizens and include fitness sessions such as yoga, pump and zumba. Children can get involved in the Baby Gym or Toddler Time and for older residents there is a social Day Club once a month which includes games, discussions, exercises and a hot lunch.

Last year there were around 20,800 visits by members of the public to attend classes run at the Lincoln Event Centre.

The full Term 2 class schedule is available online at [www.selwyn.govt.nz/lec](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/lec), on the Lincoln Event Centre Facebook page and from reception at the centre.

As well as the regular classes, the centre has hosted a number of events over the past three years from Anzac Day commemorations and Waitaha Kapa Haka competitions, to weddings and community meetings.

Last year the Lincoln Event Centre hosted 3,000 events and activities in rooms at the facility.

"We have happily hosted a range of events since opening our doors in 2011. Most recently almost 500 Lincoln University students were capped at the centre in a graduation ceremony we host each year," says Lincoln Event Centre Manager Ginny Bowden.

The Lincoln Event Centre is available to hire as a venue for functions and sports fixtures. It offers a modern multi-sports stadium capable of hosting international netball, basketball, badminton, tennis and volleyball. There is also an adjoining hall,

two meeting rooms and three lounges for other events. Outside, the domain has rugby fields, tennis courts and netball courts.

To hire a room at the centre, fill out a form online at [www.selwyn.govt.nz/lec](http://www.selwyn.govt.nz/lec).

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*Photo attached: Lincoln resident Levana Jackson and her two year-old son Joshua blowing out the candles on the Lincoln Event Centre's Third Birthday Cake.*

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