

Welcome to Week 3 Term 3 2019

Monday 5th August 2019

Just a reminder that copies of all of our Newsletters and an events calendar are also available on our website at www.baldivisgardensps.wa.edu.au.

Pre-primary Assembly

Many thanks to Mrs Gibson's Pre-primary class for entertaining us with their amazing assembly on Friday. Congratulations to the GROW award winners too.

Bike Raffle

Reece Whitby MLA, Member for Baldivis attended our assembly on Friday and kindly donated a bike to the school. This will be used for a family raffle during Term 4. To enter the raffle, you need to have paid your voluntary contributions. Every cent makes a huge difference to the experiences and resources we can provide students at school.

German Day Out

On Wednesday, 480 students from 6 different schools came together to celebrate this year's 'German Day Out' at Baldivis Primary School. This year's theme was "Wir machen eine Reise" which means "We go on Holiday".

With their "Reisepass" (Passport) in hand our Year 4 students travelled to no less than 12 German-speaking cities across Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Liechtenstein. They put their German skills to the test during different activities ranging from planning a journey through Europe by train, buying items at a stall, learning about the sights in Berlin, skipping through the days of the week and eating traditional German food in a beautifully set up restaurant - this last one was a real highlight for many.

Did you know that "Apfelschorle" is a popular drink in Germany? A mix of apple juice and sparkling water, it was the perfect refreshment on a warm and sunny winter day.

A big thank you to our wonderful parent helpers! Dankeschön! Es war ein fantastischer Tag!

Year Six High School Transition

Year Six parents have received an enrolment pack for Baldivis Secondary College (our local intake high school). Part A of the form needs to be submitted to the College as soon as possible.

Kindergarten Enrolments

Kindergarten enrolments for 2020 have now closed. Please get any late applications in as soon as possible. Letters of acceptance for Kindergarten will be sent out by mid-August.

Pre-primary Enrolments

We are now accepting enrolments for Pre-primary for 2020. For all children attending our school, an application was sent home with your child.

Students Leaving in 2020

We will shortly be starting our planning for the 2020 school year. Can you please let us know as soon as possible if your family will not be returning to The Garden in 2020.

Primary Extension and Challenge

Our current Year 4 students will shortly be tested as part of the Department of Education's PEAC program. Can you please let the school know by this Friday (8th August), if you do not wish your child in Year 4 to be tested. A letter regarding this testing has been sent home with the students today.

This Week

This week we have a few events ...

All students in Pre-primary to Year 6 will be taking part in swimming lessons over the next two weeks. A schedule was sent home last week and I have attached another copy to this newsletter.

Footy Focus, Netball and 'Cheesy Wednesday' are all cancelled for the next two weeks due to swimming lessons.

Choir is on this week, with the Junior Choir at 7:45am on Wednesday and the Senior Choir at 7:45am on Thursday. The Senior Choir are busily preparing for the Massed Choir performance at Perth Concert Hall later this term.

STEM Supplies

As part of our Junior STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) program, students will be creating design projects which will involve repurposing recyclable items to give students the opportunity to consider sustainability, while developing their ability to design, create and problem-solve. To enable students to create their projects, it would be greatly appreciated if you could assist us by donating any clean recyclable items.

The types of recycled materials could include; various sized cardboard boxes, plastic bottles, containers, yoghurt containers, shoe boxes, cardboard tubes, foil, fabric, egg cartons, bottle tops, cans, string, paper, card, buttons, felt and old CD's.

If you could please place the recyclable items in the boxes located in the covered assembly area.

Thank you for your support.

Laura Pridmore

Positive Parenting Program

Miriam Pynt (School Psychologist) will be facilitating the FREE Triple P (Positive Parenting Program) Seminar Series at **Rivergums PS** this term.

The three sessions discuss simple and practical strategies for parents of children aged 3-8 years old:

Seminar 1: The Power of Positive Parenting.

Five principles for promoting your child's development, strong family relationships and encouraging positive behaviour – Thursday 8th August at 9am.

Seminar 2: Raising Confident, Competent Children.

Six building blocks to support your child's social and independent skills – Thursday 15th August at 9am

Seminar 3: Raising Resilient Children.

Six building blocks to support your child's emotional development and wellbeing – Thursday 22nd August at 9am.

A flyer is attached to the newsletter.

Dental Health Week

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We will be promoting Dental Health Week this week, with two lunch box displays.

The first of these was held this morning in the covered assembly area. The second one will be on Wednesday 7th August from 2:30pm-3:15pm in the Kindy/Pre-primary area.

Come along and see our display and ask any questions you may have.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Candice and Stacey

A message from your P & C



Thank you to everyone who supported the Father's Day stall last week. Orders will be distributed at the end of Week 5.

There is a P&C General Meeting this Wednesday at 1:30pm in the conference room. I look forward to seeing you there.

Thank you

Anita Lakic
P&C President

A message from Mary Davies Library

Do you like to read, have fun and meet new people? Why not come down to the Mary Davies Library and join our Book Stars club! Book Stars is a free monthly after school activity for 6 – 12 year old. If interested, or would like some more information, please contact 9591 0800 or mdlcccontact@rockingham.wa.gov.au

I thank you for your continued support,

David
David Batt
Principal