

News from The Garden

Wednesday 10th February 2021

Yesterday our Year 5 and 6 students enjoyed their first interschool carnival for the 2021 school year. We were very proud of their team work, sportsmanship and positive attitude. The weather was warm but all our teams participated enthusiastically. I am sure you will agree they all looked very smart in our interschool sports uniforms. A very big congratulations to our PE teacher Miss Barnden who did a super job organising her first BASSA carnival and also prepared our students for the event. We love your work Miss Barnden and we are so glad you have joined us here in The Garden!



Unfortunately, I will miss our next community assembly this Thursday, as I am at a two-day training workshop with seven other staff as we begin our journey as a PBS (Positive Behaviour Support) School. Last year, we applied for and was fortunate to be given a place in both the PBS program and also the CMS (Classroom Management Strategies) Program. Both programs will provide ongoing support and training for our staff to improve the engagement, learning and wellbeing of all our students. Our staff are excited to participate in both these programs which we know will benefit all our students.

This term is short (only three more weeks to go!) but there are several very important events coming up. We don't want you or your children to miss out! Please refer to the following events listed below.

Jayne

Jayne Ebsworthy
Principal

Community Assembly TOMORROW

Our Community Assembly will be a happy time where we will celebrate our GROW award winners and be entertained by Mr Doherty's Year 3 and 4 class. We invite parents of our Year 3 / 4 class and parents of our GROW award winners to attend this assembly commencing at 8.50 am.

Year 4 – 6 Faction Swimming Carnival Monday 15th March

Every child loves a chance to swim with their friends! Our school faction athletics carnival will give your Year 4-6 child a chance to compete in swimming events if they are confident swimmers and if not, there will be lots of opportunity to play some team games with their friends in waist deep water. Every child is expected to attend as this is a wonderful opportunity to build team work as they compete in their factions, celebrate our students who are capable swimmers and have lots of fun with their teachers and their peers.

Interschool Swimming Carnival

Some of our students will be chosen to compete in our Baldivis Interschool Swimming Carnival on Friday 26th March. These students will be selected following our faction swimming carnival.

A Message from our P & C



This Saturday, we will be holding the famous democratic sausage sizzle at our school. Firstly, a big thank you to everyone who has put their hand up in volunteering their time to help and donate baked items. We have 1 x shift left to fill 10am-12pm. Please let us know if you are available to help. We will have Nourish joining us with coffees, a cake stall and a raffle available on the day. A big thank you to everyone who has donated goods for the raffle, to Woolworths with their discount, to Gilberts Fresh food for their sausage donation, and Spudshed for their onion donation. We will be there from 8am till late afternoon.

Have you taken our survey?? Tenneal has created a wonderful survey for our school community and we would love to hear from you! Please have your say, we want to better ourselves to what the community wants whether its fundraising ideas or what the money should go towards - this is an easier way if you can't come to meetings.

Lastly, in the next few weeks, we are hoping to start a little second hand uniform shop at the school. We are currently just working on building up enough stock to start and get us off the ground, so if anyone has any items they'd like to donate to help get us started please let us know!

Boost Parent Workshop

Our fabulous BOOST parent workshop is being held over the next two Thursdays, the 18th and 25th of March from 9-12. This workshop provides you with lots of skills and strategies and \$100 worth of resources to help your children with their literacy learning at home. These workshops have been kindly subsidised by the City of Rockingham but are worth around \$3000 to host. Please don't miss this amazing opportunity and register by Monday, 15th of March.

Protective Behaviours Workshop

This is a must for any parent who wants to ensure their child is safe. Please register with KEYS on 9439 1838 for this two night FREE event which will be held at our school on Tuesday 23rd and 30th March at 6.30 pm. See flyer attached.

Harmony Day Celebrations



We look forward to celebrating in a Harmony Day celebration at our school community assembly on the 25th March when Mr Richardson's class will lead our assembly. More details to follow but this will be a chance for students to dress in their family's cultural dress or in the official colour of Harmony Day, which is orange. Look out for more details coming soon.

Community News

Do you have girls interested in playing AFL football?

The West Australian Female Football Academy (WAFFA) are running super clinics in Perth and Mandurah for girls aged between 8 – 15 years old in the April school holidays.

The participants will be coached by current AFLW coaches and players from the West Coast Eagles.

For more information please see the attached fliers.