



Parent Communication

Week 10 June 26th 2017

Semester One Student Reports

Semester One student reports will be issued from Wednesday 28th June via email and Connect. Please notify the office if you require a printed copy or if you have any queries in relation to reports.

Community Assembly is on this Friday 30th June

It is our last assembly for the term and our Year Three class are looking forward to entertaining us. We will present GROW awards, acknowledge Baldivis Gardens babies born throughout the semester and meet some of our Board members. Please join us and stay for the morning tea following the assembly. We have much to celebrate as a school community so come along on Friday and show your support.

Kindergarten Parents

Kindergarten parents were you aware you need to re enrol your children for Pre Primary next year? Enrolments are due by the 21st July and currently very few families have re enrolled their children. I am sure you plan to do this in the near future, however if you could do this before the end of this term it will really help our planning. If you know of families planning to move in to our area and enrol children from Kindergarten to Year 6 please ask them to contact the school and complete enrolment forms as soon as possible.

Last Week for 'Toastie Tuesday'

It is on again this Tuesday! For a dollar coin your child can have a hot cheese toastie and support the work of our Student Council as they endeavor to raise funds to sponsor a child through World Vision.

This Wednesday is busy!

Our senior students are competing in the interschool Winter Carnival on Wednesday 28th June. We encourage parents and family members to come and support them, as the netball team competes at Thomson Street netball courts and the soccer team plays at the Lark Hill Sporting Complex in Secret Harbour.

Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea is also on this Wednesday in our covered assembly area. Cancer impacts on us all and this is a chance to support this worthy cause. One of our mothers Emma Lowndes is selling tickets every day after school outside Mrs Taylor's Year 1 class. Or you can contact Sue, who is organizing this event, by calling the number on the flyer

Coffee Van on Thursdays

It was a wet start last Thursday but those who found the coffee van enjoyed their coffee. The P and C has organized for a coffee van to be in our front visitors car park on Nadine Promenade from 7.15 am every Thursday. Judy and the team from Nourish will be giving a percentage of the sales back to our P and C. Nourish is a member of the 'Responsible Cafes' and gives a 50c discount to people who bring their own cup. They use Crema Coffee Beans and have a range of healthy breakfast type foods. **Please note coffee will not be served to students. This is intended to provide a service to staff, parents and the local community. Enjoy!**

We still need help to move our tractor!

Last week we asked our school community via our Facebook page for help renovating a very old tractor. Thanks to Michael Bilik from Extreme Dustless Blasting our tractor will be sandblasted. We really appreciate Michael's willingness to help us. So now we just need help transporting our tractor from Kelmscott to Naval Base. Then after the sandblasting we will need to return the tractor to our school for renovating. So if you can help transport our tractor on a tilt tray truck or you know someone who can, then please give us a call.

Have you paid your voluntary contributions?

I recently sent home a letter to parents explaining what a big difference it makes to our school if parents pay their voluntary contributions. If you do have the capacity to pay I do ask that you make this payment as soon as you possibly can. We are more than happy to accept part payments. The P and C is working hard to start some fundraising and we appreciate this greatly. However, voluntary contributions are a

way of supporting the work of your school without an investment of your time or energy. I understand many of you are busy working and may not be able to help out with the P and C so please don't miss this great opportunity to support your child's school.

Holidays start on Friday!

The July School Holidays commence this Friday and students return to school on Tuesday 18th July. Your children have worked so hard and achieved so much. They really do deserve a holiday. We trust this will be a happy time for your family and you will take the opportunity to get out and about, and give your children a range of experiences. These experiences outside of school really do build their background knowledge which in turn enriches their learning at school.

I also would like to acknowledge my hard working staff and thank them for their continued professionalism and commitment to our school. I am sure you join with me in wishing them a very happy and relaxing holiday.

Our Manager Corporate Services Mrs Shari McGregor is lucky enough to be going on extended Long Service Leave for third term. We thank her sincerely for her work in establishing our school office and trust she will enjoy this well earned break.

Term 3

Term 3 is going to be a busy one with lots of special learning events and happenings.

We will celebrate NAIDOC Week in Week 1 and our school gardening project will commence with the planting of bush tucker plants. Look out for more news about our Forest to Garden Project coming soon.

What is NAIDOC Week?

NAIDOC Week celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

What does NAIDOC stand for?

NAIDOC originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. This committee was once responsible for

organising national activities during NAIDOC Week and its acronym has since become the name of the week itself.

- All our **Pre Primary to Year 6 students will visit the Baldivis Children's Forest** throughout Term 3. The cost of this excursion is supplemented by a PALS Grant.

PALS is an initiative of the Department of Aboriginal Affairs which encourages Western Australian schools to develop projects that promote reconciliation in their local community. PALS commenced in 2004 and is based on the core attributes of:

Partnership between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people;
Acceptance of difference as unique and to be respected;
Learning more about ourselves and each other, and,
Sharing a common journey along the path of healing and reconciliation towards a more harmonious and optimistic future.

- We will also celebrate **Literacy and Numeracy Week as well as Science Week**. So look out for opportunities to participate in special events and activities with your children. Dates to be announced on our Term 3 Planner
- Our **Faction Athletics Carnival** will be a special Term 3 event and that will take place on **Friday 8th September**. So don't forget to mark this date in your diary. Kindergarten to Year 6 will participate in this special event.

Have a happy, safe and enjoyable holiday with your children, and I will look forward to seeing you at our assembly this Friday. A parent survey will go out later in Term 3 but don't hesitate to drop in for a chat or email me if you have feedback or suggestions. I value your interest and involvement in our school.

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