

Wednesday 28th October

Week 3 Term 4

K and PP Athletics this Friday 30th October

Kindergarten and Pre-primary parents would be aware that the K and PP Athletics Carnival will be held on our school oval this Friday morning. The students will be involved in their races and team game rotations until 10.40 am when they will move across to the Early Childhood playground for morning tea. Any questions please contact your child's teacher.

Whole School Healthy Sandwich Making Day is next Tuesday 3rd November

Everyone will be making a healthy sandwich in class time with their class teacher next Tuesday. The Monday and Wednesday Kindergarten group will make their sandwich on the Monday. This is a very important part of our health curriculum and we know all our students love their healthy sandwich.

Before School Sandwich Making Day Wednesday 4th November

To consolidate our 'in class' healthy sandwich making we offer our students the opportunity to make a healthy sandwich before school in the covered assembly area. All they need to bring is \$2

and a reusable container or a paper bag to put their sandwich in.

Assemblies

As you will be aware we have not moved to Phase 5 and therefore we will keep our assemblies as digital assemblies until we move to Phase 5. Today is Mrs Taylor's Year 1 class and the following week Miss Thorpe's Pre- primary class. We will send the assembly video link out via Connect. We will do our best to modify our end of year events to meet the Phase 4 Restrictions if these are not lifted.

Walk to School Day and our Annual Community Breakfast

Friday 6th November is the day to walk to school with your family and join us from 7.30 am for our community healthy breakfast. For a gold coin donation your family can enjoy a healthy breakfast on the grassed areas around the covered assembly area. This year due to the Phase 4 restrictions we ask that you bring a blanket and picnic chair and you spread out across the grassed areas. The food will still be served from the covered assembly area. You will also need to bring your plate, bowl and cutlery.

Colour Fun Run

Our Colour Fun Run is happening next Friday 6th November and our students just love this special day. This is a great opportunity to help us raise

funds for additional outdoor equipment and technology devices. There is also a chance to win some super prizes. Register your family at <https://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/> and share with family and friends. If every family gained two or three sponsors we would raise the money needed to buy some additional technology and outdoor equipment.

Crazy Hair Day

Next Friday 6th is a busy day as our Councillors have organised a Crazy Hair Day. So if your child wants to they can come to school with Crazy Hair to our community breakfast. \$2 donation will go towards our school's sponsor child.

Scitech Fun

I am sure you will have all heard about your child's Scitech excursion. It was an awesome day of learning for our students. Thank you so much to our parent helpers and to Mrs Raphael for organising this super whole school excursion. Staff, students and parents all slept soundly that night!



School Board

The Baldivis Gardens Primary School Board met again last week, on Thursday 22 October. At the meeting, Board members discussed a range of topics including the parent, staff and student surveys, the monthly financial report, voluntary contributions and the upcoming School review – which happens every three years and will take place in 2021. Members talked about how we are going to try to increase payment of voluntary contributions in 2021 and how we would be able to buy many more valuable resources for our children if we are able to increase those contributions. We also discussed NAPLAN testing. Although NAPLAN testing was cancelled this year due to Covid-19, the School still undertook testing using past tests to ensure that they are keeping a close eye on the progress of the students and the school. By doing the testing – which they didn't need to do in an already difficult and stressful year, Baldivis Gardens Primary School ensured that they know what areas they need to focus on and how

to support individual students. A huge thanks to Jayne Ebsworthy, David Batt, Mel Stewart and all the team for taking on the extra work involved in the NAPLAN testing and going over and above for our kids.

Kat Lothian, Board Chair

Booklists 2021

It is time to start thinking about Booklists for 2021. Our 2021 booklists are attached to this newsletter, together with an outline of possible costs and charges for 2021. Ziggies have supported our school from our foundation year in 2017. There are many reasons to order your booklists through Ziggies. You may like to consider the following when making the decision as to where you will order your booklist.

- Ziggies Educational Supplies is a WA family owned business.
- **By ordering your child's Personal Items List products through Ziggies, the school receives a commission, in 2020 Ziggies gave back approximately \$400k to WA schools.**
- Ziggies proudly support the Make A Wish Foundation by donating \$1.50 of every click and collect order.
- Only quality branded products are supplied (not home brands). 12 month guarantees
- The Ziggies staff work closely with us to assist in offering products that are fit for purpose – assisting the learning outcomes desired
- We encourage you to support a locally WA owned and operated business who

continues to support WA schools and in the process, help raise valuable funds for our school.

Do we have any reservists?

We are currently writing submission to seek additional support for our students who have parents who are currently serving or have recently served in the armed forces. We can include in our numbers students with parents who are Reservists. Can you let us know if you serve our country as a Reservist as this will support our application.

News from our P & C



This week is the Pre-Primary and Kindy Athletics Day, seen it is going to be a hot one we will be selling icy poles to Kindy and PP students ONLY as well as having extras for family members.

How to buy one? We ask your child takes their money to their teacher before school. They are only 0.50c. When the students arrive to the EC area after their carnival for recess that's when they will be given their icy pole. This is also where family members can buy one too.

World Teachers Day - we have had a couple of inquiries about morning tea for World Teacher's Day that is this Friday. While last year was epic we have decided to keep this simple, so the P&C will be providing morning tea with a small team who are volunteering their time and baking some goodies. To keep with our cuteness tradition we

do have a wee surprise for the teaching staff to show that extra appreciation. Keep an eye out for photos.

Michaela Toia
P&C President

Icy Poles Start Next Wednesday



Parent Helpers for Year 4 German Day In

The German Day Out has become a tradition for our Year 4 students in the past years. This year the interschool event was cancelled due to the COVID 19 restrictions and our school is hosting an internal event on Monday, the 23rd of November.

Students will be participating in the *German Day In* to consolidate their learning of German in a meaningful context. The theme this year is "Eine Reise nach Europa" (A trip to Europe). Students will participate in "Spiel, Sport und Spaß" (games, sport and fun) adventures as they 'travel' from city to city.

During the incursion students will have the opportunity to interact in German, read and write simple German texts, and participate in German interactive language games. Through these experiences students will gain a greater awareness of cultural events in other countries which will enhance their learning of the German language.

We are still looking for some parent helpers who would like to support us on the day.

If you are interested, please get in touch with the school or email Frau Merta directly via:

lisa.merta@education.wa.edu.au.

Dankeschön, Thank you!

Lisa Maria Merta

German Teacher

Survey

The school survey results were presented to the School Board last week and a summary of the Parent Survey is attached for your information. Thank you to everyone who completed the survey. Your feedback will be considered carefully by the Board, the staff and the Admin team as we plan for 2021.

Thank you

Thank you to one of our parents Kassie Bentley who won a weighted lap blanket for our school. We thank Kassie and 'Calming Moments' <https://calmingmoments.com.au/> for this blanket which will be used by our students who need this to support to help them learn.



professional and they care about your children. They are also team players and great people to work with. The P & C has very kindly offered to help us celebrate this special day. You and your children may like to send a message to your teacher telling them why they are valued and how much you appreciate them. Those small sincere 'home made' messages mean a lot to our teaching staff.

Kind regards

Jayne Ebsworthy

Principal

Congratulations Jacob

Congratulations Jacob on being selected in the 2020/21 Tee Ball Association Super Squad. You will have a very busy Summer Jacob as you represent the Tee-Ball Association of WA.



World Teachers Day

As Principal of this school I am very proud of the staff I have selected for this school. Friday is World Teachers Day and I would like to acknowledge my exemplary teaching staff. They are committed,