

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**Week 4 Term 4**

### **Assembly**

Tomorrow we have Miss Thorpe's Pre-primary class performing their digital assembly. We will send the assembly video link out via Connect.

### **Walk to School Day and our Annual Community Breakfast**

Friday is a really big day for our school community. It is 'Walk to School Day' and our annual **community breakfast**. It is also our school councillors fundraising **Crazy Hair Day**. We hope to see all our families walking to school with 'crazy hair' nice and early, ready for our community breakfast.

This year we ask you to bring your picnic chairs and rugs so we can social distance on the grassed areas around the covered assembly area. Breakfast will still be served from inside the covered assembly area. You and your children will need to bring your plates, cups, forks and spoons. We suggest you label your plastic utensils so you don't lose them. We ask that parents make a gold coin donation towards the cost of the breakfast.

This is a wonderful time to come together as a community and I do encourage you to walk to

school and enjoy sharing breakfast with other Garden Families.

### **Colour Fun Run**

Our Colour Fun Run is happening this Friday. The students are due to run from 2pm for approximately 25 minutes and then gather together for a group shot before returning to class. There is a map of the oval attached and the Kindy and Pre-primary students are running on the cricket net side of the oval and the students in Years 1-6 are running in a loop nearest Nadine Promenade. There will be a spectator area in the middle and we request that all parents remain in this area for the duration of the event. It is not too late to fundraise and 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.

### **K and PP Athletics**

Last Friday, the Kindy and Pre-primary students took part in their own EC Athletics Carnival and lots of fun was had by all.

## **Whole School Healthy Sandwich Making Day**

We all enjoyed making healthy sandwiches at school yesterday. We are very committed to teaching our students how to independently make their lunch as we know the importance of healthy eating. We do encourage parents to support the work we are doing through our Health Program by providing the opportunity for your children to make their own healthy sandwiches at home.



Students who eat a healthy well balanced breakfast and lunch are able to focus on their learning and will always achieve better results than students who are hungry or who only eat packaged snack type foods that are very high in salt, fat and sugar.

## **Before School Sandwich Making Day**

Lots of students took the opportunity to make a healthy sandwich before school today. The next opportunity is in Week 6 on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November.



## **Interschool Numero Competition**

Last week, twelve students from Years 4-6 represented our school at the Interschool Numero Competition at Star of the Sea Catholic College. Our students all performed well and demonstrated fantastic resilience and respect during the competition.



## **World Teacher's Day**

Last Friday, we celebrated World Teacher's Day. Many thanks to the P&C for organising special cookies and morning tea. It was much appreciated by everyone.

## **Year 6 Camp**

Next Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> November, we leave for our Year 6 camp. The students (and staff) are really looking forward to a weekend of fun and activities. As you may be aware we had to cancel the original camp due to COVID 19 and we really appreciate that the staff are willing to donate the weekend to make this special event happen for our students. Special thanks must also go to the catering staff and Department of Sport and Recreation Staff who are also making this happen for our students.

## **End of Year Event Dates and Arrangements**

We are currently working on the arrangements for our end of year events. The current position (assuming that Phase 4 restrictions will remain) are as follows:

### **Awards Assemblies**

The Awards Assembly on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December will be split into two assemblies. The first will be for students in Sandpiper, Goshawk and Whistler blocks and will commence at 8:50am. The second will be for students in Cockatoo and Swallow blocks and will commence at 9:45am. The choirs and band will perform at both assemblies.

### **Graduation Assembly**

For the Graduation Assembly on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December, only students from Years 4-6 will attend together with the younger siblings of the graduating students. This will allow us to have more parents and family members attending the assembly. The assembly will commence at 8:40am and morning tea will be held after the assembly.

### **Christmas Concert**

The whole school Christmas Concert on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December will be an outside event to allow more parents and family members to attend. The concert will commence at 5pm.

### **OSH Club Parent Information 2021**

As you are aware OSHClub have been selected to provide onsite before and after school care and vacation care at the school from 2021. The attached flyer gives details of the upcoming parent information session on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 5:30pm.

### **Gifted and Talented Program**

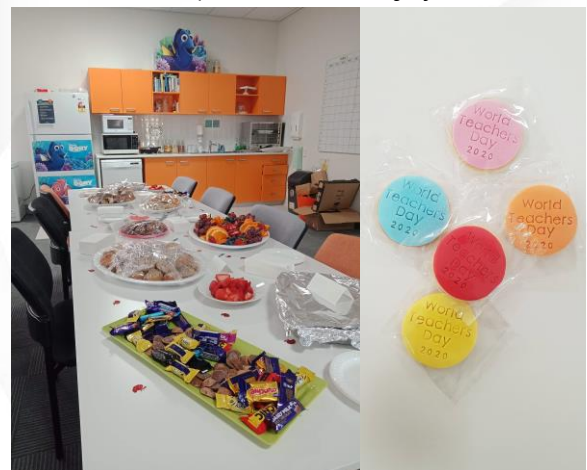
The attached flyer gives details of the upcoming parent information session at Comet Bay College on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm. If your student is currently in Year 5, you may be interested in attending to find out about the gifted and talented

programs run by the Department of Education across selected schools.

### **News from our P & C**



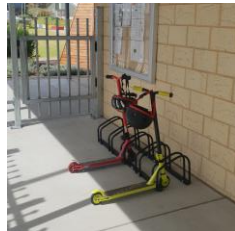
On Friday was World Teacher's Day, the P&C provided morning tea for our wonderful staff in the garden. I would like to thank Kirsty Vermeer and Candice Caratozzolo-Schiller as well as the bakers behind the scene for creating this yummy gesture. We also treated our staff to some cute biscuits each - we would like to thank Tohu Tricky Bickies for subsidizing this order. She is located in Baldivis and you can find her on Facebook for your next event. We hope the staff enjoyed their morning.



It was a last minute decision due to the weather but we decided to offer the Pre-Primary and Kindy students and guests the chance to purchase an icy pole for 50cents after their faction carnival. I'm so glad we did because the poor tikes were so hot after their morning of events and from this we made \$78! This has paid for our next treat and we

still have money left over. On Friday is the Colour Run and the P&C will be handing out free Icy Poles to all students and staff after their run. A wee treat to say Thank You for everyone's top effort in participating in the event as well as your efforts to help fundraise throughout the year.

And lastly it was mentioned at our GM last term by one of our parents/members a wonderful idea for the EC area. A bike rack! We see so many of our younger



students biking or scootering to school with either leaving them in the entry way, walking all the way to the secured bike racks or seeing parents dragging them home after drop off. So I had the pleasure of presenting a bike rack to the EC area for the students to start using, just in time for our community walk to school day! So parents now you can leave their wheels at school safe and neatly out of the way.

We encourage parents to come to our meetings because it's little ideas like this that we love to hear about. And Term 4 is all about giving back to the students and the school.

**Michaela Toia**  
**P&C President**

### **Sport Opportunities**

Local tennis and cricket opportunities are outlined in the attached flyers for the 'Cricket Blast Program' and 'New Zone Tennis'.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Kind regards  
David Batt  
Deputy Principal