News from Baldivis Gardens Primary INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Wednesday 11th November 2020 Week 6 Term 4

Year 6 Camp



It was a positive, happy weekend full of plenty of challenging activities and loads of fun and laughter. Congratulations to our Year 6 students for their exemplary behaviour, their team work and the respect they showed each other and their teachers.



I wish to acknowledge my staff who attended camp. Due to our camp being cancelled through

COVID my staff went out of their way to organise this camp in November over the weekend. I am sure you will join me in acknowledging the commitment of Mr Batt, Miss Addison, Mr Richardson, Mr Gardiner and Mrs James to attend camp all weekend. We are so fortunate to have such a committed, fun loving and energetic staff.

BASSA Interschool Carnival

Well done to our Year 3 -6 students who participated in the Interschool Carnival at the new South Baldivis Sporting Complex. We were very proud of our students' achievements on the day. We would like to acknowledge the following children who were awarded a year level champion medal.

Year 3 Boys Champion Tariq Gooda-Marou



Year 4 Girls Runner Up Ameerah Alhabshee



NAIDOC Week 2020

Kyren is one of our Year 4 students and during NAIDOC Week he joined in the traditional dancing with his Dad and Uncles for the Reconciliation Walk 2020 Anniversary. His brother and sisters also helped create a sand mural display. We are very proud of their contribution to this year's NAIDOC Week celebrations.





Kindergarten Enrolments

Kindy enrolments for 2021 are being finalised. If you haven't enrolled your child for Kindy 2021 you need to do it as soon as possible as places are limited. If you know of people living in our catchment who are planning to enrol a Kindy child can you ask them to contact us by the end of this week.

COVID Safe

As you will all be well aware here in WA there is now a greater risk of a community outbreak due to the opening of the hard borders to some states. Our community has been so supportive through the COVID year and I thank you for this. I do ask you not to become complacent. Please avoid going inside classrooms before or after school, where possible drop off and pick up outside the gates and never send sick children to school. Our school is still spotlessly clean due to the extra cleaning provided. We are so grateful to our wonderful cleaners.

News from our P & C



We hope the M/W kindy group enjoyed their pizza lunch today. Thank you to Ruth for coming in and helping with today's orders. This Friday is for the rest of the school. It's not too late to place your order if you have forgotten. Just pop it in the P&C box in the office. Thank you for your support and to the volunteers who have come forward.

Our next General Meeting is Thursday Week 8 9am in the conference room. Our last one for the year please join us.



Year 6 Baldivis Secondary College Transition Day

Just a reminder that next Tuesday 24th November our Year 6 students will be going to BSC for the day. Students will go directly to the college and need to be collected.

Our Forest to Garden Junior Playground

Our Forest to Garden Junior Playground has been a work in progress for a very long time and we are delighted to say 'the forest' section and the 'market garden' section are nearly complete. Outdoor play has many developmental benefits for young children. Nature play particularly offers children the opportunity to explore in natural environments and develop their senses. This type of play is open-ended and unstructured, and allows the children to problem solve, build resilience and take some acceptable risks. So there may be some bumps and scratches as we explore our 'forest'. We thank Mrs Douglas and Mrs Stewart for their hard work and commitment to developing and expanding our play areas.





Pokemon Cards

Can I remind parents Pokemon cards are best kept at home. These cards can cause conflict amongst the students due to their perceived value.

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 this coming **Tuesday 24**th **November at 5:30pm**.

After School Play

Parents we are glad you are using our Early Childhood playground after school to get together, but we do ask that you leave by 3.15pm so the gates can be locked and the school secured. We also ask that you supervise your children closely. Due to the need for close supervision of our new 'nature play' area may I ask that parents do not allow their children to play in this area after school.

A Busy End of Year

As always the last month of school is a very busy time with lots happening at home and school. My staff continue to provide some wonderful end of year events and at the same time continue to work hard to keep our students with their 'eyes on the learning'. Parents you can help us over this busy period by ensuring your children are getting the necessary sleep. Children cannot focus on their learning when they are tired or sick, so whenever possible please make sure your child is getting the recommended amount of sleep.

The national guidelines recommend 5-13 year old children need 9 – 11 hours of uninterrupted sleep per night.

https://healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/A_E/Childho od-physical-activity

Kind regards

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