



News from

# The Garden



## Welcome to Week 7 12th March 2018

### Healthy Sandwich Making

Our 'Make a Healthy Sandwich Day' was such a success that we are keen to continue to provide opportunities for our students to see how easy it is to make a healthy sandwich to eat at school. In order to equip our senior students with the skills to independently make a healthy lunch we are offering our Year 4, 5 and 6 students the opportunity to make a healthy sandwich for their lunch in the covered assembly area before school for the cost of \$2. The dates for the 'before school sandwich making' are:

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April

These three dates are only for our senior students and parents are asked to provide lunches for our Kindergarten to Year 3 students. We wish to acknowledge and thank the parent community for your efforts to send healthy lunches with minimal packaging and waste.

### Our First Community Breakfast for 2018 is Coming Soon!

Our first community breakfast is **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30 am. Students eat for free and parents are asked to contribute \$2. These events are wonderful opportunities to come together as a whole school community and enjoy a healthy breakfast. This sends a clear message to our students that a healthy breakfast feeds the brain and allows them to focus on their learning.

### Swimming Carnival

Thank you for the wonderful response to our faction swimming carnival **THIS FRIDAY 16<sup>th</sup> March**. Nearly all the students from Year 3 – 6 have returned their permission forms and are participating in the races or the fun games in shallow water. This is great to see. I look forward to parents joining us on this morning at the Rockingham Aquatic Centre.

#### Please Remember

- Sunscreen to be applied before school
- Wear bathers to school under uniform
- Bring a rash vest and towel
- Bring underwear to change into after carnival
- Wear a school faction hat
- Bring healthy morning tea snack
- Thongs can be worn to pool
- Bring shoes to change into back at school
- Plastic bag for wet clothes/towel
- **LABEL ALL ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME**
- All children must return to school on the buses provided and no child will be signed out at the pool.

### Year 6 Camp

Thanks to our Year 6 parents who came to our camp meeting last week and have shown their support for the Year 6 camp at Woodman Point. Camp is a wonderful way to build relationships between students, between staff and students and also build character and leadership skills in our students. Parents your prompt payment to confirm your child's attendance is appreciated and will allow us to plan in a timely manner. Please remember payment plans are

available and please don't hesitate to speak to me or Mr Batt if you would like to create a payment plan.

### ***NAPLAN Year 3 and Year 5***

Our Year 3 and Year 5 parents should have received a pamphlet explaining the national Literacy and Numeracy testing from 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May. If you have any queries or concerns please contact your child's teacher or Mr Batt or myself.

### ***Bike Safety***

Oh dear we have some children riding alone to school and they are not wearing a helmet. Staff have observed students riding very fast across intersections and through our front car park. Could you please revise road safety with your children and ensure they are wearing their bike helmet whenever they are riding. Once again our teachers teach and reinforce the road safety message but the message and training needs to come from home too!

### ***After Hours Play on the Oval***

We have been made aware that some children from our school and also some secondary students have been climbing up on the cricket nets after school hours. Parents can you please talk to your children and explain to them how dangerous this due to the fact the netting could break and the ground beneath is concrete. A fall from this height would result in a very serious injury. We have spoken to all our students but it would be great if parents could reinforce this message at home.

### ***School Times and Late Notices***

Just a reminder that classrooms open at 8.25am and school officially starts at 8.40am. There is supervision in the covered assembly area from 8.10am and all students arriving at school before 8.25am **MUST** come to the covered assembly area. **If your child arrives after 8.40am they are required to go to the front office and get a 'late note'**. This is to ensure our attendance records are

accurate and your child is not marked absent when they have arrived late. Your co operation in this matter is appreciated.

### ***Notification of Absences***

Thank you to parents who make every effort to notify the school of their child's absence from school. One way you can notify the school is to SMS to the number below stating name, year level, date of absence and reason for absence. **This number is only to be used for absences** and if you need to contact the school for other matters please phone 9523700 or email the school [Baldivisgardens.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Baldivisgardens.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

**SMS: 0438963241**

### ***School Phone Calls***

When we ring parents from school we always leave a message, if that option is available. So we ask that parents listen to that message before calling the school back. By listening to the message you will know who has called you and the front office staff will be able to direct your return phone call to the right person.

### ***Sponsorship and Funding***

Parents do you work for a large organisation or business that provides funding opportunities to community groups their staff are involved in? If so could you please come and see me as we are eager to access funding to build new play spaces. Don't hesitate to give me a call to discuss.

### ***P & C***



What a fantastic response to the Easter Raffle and thank you for buying your coffee from the Nourish coffee van.

Your support is valued. Please contact the P & C to show your ongoing support.

Check out the flyer attached for the play date that has been organised by the P&C for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March at the Kwinana Adventure Playground.

**Next P & C meeting is:  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 6.30 pm**

Our P&C can be contacted via the following:

Email- [baldvisgardens.pandc@yahoo.com](mailto:baldvisgardens.pandc@yahoo.com)

Facebook - Baldvis Gardens P&C

Phone- Kirsty - 0423984093

***Enjoy your week and I look forward to seeing our Year 3-6 parents at the swimming carnival on Friday.***

*Jayne*  
***Jayne Ebsworthy***  
***Principal***