

SCHOOL NEWS



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"To Inspire Learning for Life"

Term 1 - 14th February 2017

WELCOME BACK

We have had a wonderful start to the new school year, with classes settling quickly. I have had the pleasure of visiting all rooms and it seems like school never stopped for the Christmas break, with students and staff straight back into the program. It has also been great to welcome some new families into our school. 2017 promises to be an exciting year.

NEW PROGRAMS

We have started some new programs in 2017, aimed at engaging our students even more fully, and supporting the implementation of the Western Australian Curriculum. The new programs are being implemented in every class and will help with consistency for students across their years of schooling. The first of our new programs is 'Mathletics', which is used across the World and is highly engaging and highly supportive with activities targeted at the Australian Mathematics curriculum. You can explore 'Mathletics' by simply logging onto their website where you will find examples of activities and even videos. The second of our new programs is Sound Waves, which is based on a phonemic approach, which is recognised as one of the most effective ways to teach spelling and reading skills. It is a very explicit teaching approach. Once again, the website has a great deal of information about the program. We are also having a whole of school approach to the teaching of mental computation skills, aimed at giving students a range of strategies they can use to solve maths problems. Finally, all students are now learning to type, using the 'Typing Tournament' program. These programs are already happening in classrooms and children are really motivated to do well in them.

COMMUNICATION

We communicate with the school community in a number of ways, with this Newsletter being a significant one. It is sent out on Tuesdays in weeks three, six and nine of each term. In these same weeks we have our whole of school assembly. Our new website is up and running and can be found at: <http://australindps.wa.edu.au/>. Our Skoolbag app, which allows us to communicate at any time, and also allows parents to communicate their child's absence from school has proven to be very successful and will continue this year.

Regards
Mr Tinley

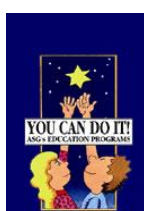
SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

I am sure everyone in our school community is aware of the issues associated with funding for schools. For this reason, it is now even more critical for the school to receive a high percentage of the requested contributions. Our Office has EFTPOS facilities, should that be more convenient. Please help us to provide the best level of education by paying as soon as possible.

School Contributions for 2017	\$50.00 per child
School Chaplain Contributions	\$ 5.00 per child
P & C Contributions	\$ 1.00 per adult

HATS

No Hat, Play in the shade – Please remember to send a hat to school. Students will not be allowed to participate in outdoor recess and lunch activities if they do not wear a hat.



SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP OPEN HOURS

Tuesday: 2.30pm - 3.00pm
Friday: 8.30am - 9.00am

If you cannot make these times you can fill out an order form, with payment, and leave it in the office.

Our new hats are now available.

Sorry No EFTPOS for uniform purchases.



SCHOOL BANKING

School Banking will be back on Fridays from 8.00am till 8:30am outside the school library.

New and old bankers welcome.



CANTEEN CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

STUDENTS LATE TO SCHOOL

Students who arrive to school after the first bell, are required to go to the Office to collect a 'late note' These students will be queried as to why they are late and reasons recorded. Students, who do arrive late, start the day off on the wrong foot and miss out on important initial messages and therefore, do not feel as comfortable at school.

SKOOLBAG APP

Our 'Skoolbag' app will be used regularly and while we do not wish to 'bombard' you with alerts, we will use it to share successes and advise you of upcoming events. The app can be downloaded from the; iTunes store or your Android device store. You can even advise us of your child's absence from school using the app, which is very convenient.

SCHOOL SONG

Nothing is better than hearing all of our students and staff sing the school song proudly at our assemblies. We encourage all students to learn our song (below) so they feel part of the School.

We're Looking Bright

*We are the kids. Of Australind
Standing proud in red and black*

*We show pride as we learn and play every day
There'll be no turning back*

*We are the kids. Of Australind
Stand up and shine your light*

*There's so much we can achieve when we're strong and we believe
Rise up Australind we're looking bright
Rise up Australind we're looking bright*

MOBILE PHONES

Student mobile phones must be left at the office during school hours. They are kept secure by the Admin Staff. Children may not keep their phones in their bags. If parents need to contact their children, a message can be left at the school office on 97971477, which will then be passed on. Mobiles will be confiscated if they are not handed in, and can only be collected by a parent.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school is compulsory for students in Pre-primary through to Year Six. Evidence linking poor attendance with poor academic and social performance is clear. Students whose attendance is irregular are significantly more likely to fail to meet Australian minimum standards in literacy and numeracy. If you are experiencing difficulty getting your child to school, please contact our Deputy Principal, Miss Tracey Truss on 97971477 to discuss your concerns, as there is often things we can do to support you with your child's attendance.

We strongly urge families to avoid taking family holidays in school terms. Such holidays will be recorded as an unsatisfactory reason for absence, in accordance with the Department's requirements.

Absence from school does require an explanation and it can be provided in the following ways:

- Reply using the feature on 'Skoolbag';
- Call in to or contact our office on 97971477;
- Call in and advise the classroom teacher; or
- Provide a written note.

Explanations are required no later than the day of the students return to school.

SCHOOL TIMES; 8:40am to 2:50pm
Morning recess 10:40am to 11:00am
Lunch 1:05pm to 1:45pm

CHANGE OF CONTACT/MEDICAL DETAILS

Please ensure that you let the School know of any change to your contact details and numbers, medical details or custody issues. Keeping all of your information up-to-date is very important, ensuring we can provide your child with the best possible care at all times, particularly in times of needs.



PARKING

We would like to remind parents that the Staff Car Park is **not to be used for dropping off and collecting students**. There are dedicated car parks with 'in built' safety features (eg Kiss and Drop Zone) for this purpose. The entrance on Barnes Avenue is clearly marked as 'Staff Parking' and we would appreciate support in ensuring the safety of our students.

PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION (P & C)

The P&C is an integral and vital part of our school. Over the years the P&C has wrapped itself around the school to support so many projects and initiatives, from installing air-conditioning through to supplying ipads, running the uniform shop and canteen, organising and running our Carols by Candlelight, upgrading our undercover area and supporting the acknowledgement of our star achievers.

P&C AGM IS BEING HELD THURSDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 3.00PM SCHOOL LIBRARY.

DISCO – Thursday 2nd March, 2017

P & C Outdoor movie night – Friday 31st March.

More information will be sent home about the above events.

PERSONAL ITEMS

It is important that students and their families realise the School does not have insurance to cover the loss or damage to students' personal items at school. Students are strongly advised not to bring special items or large sums of money to school.

VISITORS/PARENT HELPERS

To enable us to identify legitimate visitors and helpers in our school, we require everyone to wear a name badge. It also gives us a record of parent helpers. Please call at the office to "sign in" and receive your badge when you visit our school. Canteen helpers will receive their badges at the Canteen.

A CHILD LEAVING SCHOOL DURING THE DAY

Parents, who have a need to take their child from school, during school hours, should first call at the office to fill in a withdrawal form and have it signed by a member of the administration.

This form is then given to the class teacher who will release your child. Class teachers have been instructed **NOT** to release any child to anyone without this form.

DELIVERING AND COLLECTING CHILDREN TO AND FROM SCHOOL

It is the responsibility of the parent bringing Kindy and Pre Primary children to school to remain with their child until they have been handed over to staff. At the conclusion of the session, parents (or designated ADULT) are asked to collect their child from the class. If someone other than you will be collecting your child, please inform the teacher. Please do not send other children to collect your child from class.



BUNBURY UNITED SOCCER CLUB INC

Junior Soccer Registrations 2017
Thursday 16th & 23rd February, 17



At: Bunbury United Club rooms, Parade Road Bunbury
Time: 4pm to 6pm

All old and new players welcome. (Ages 5-16)
(Need Girls for girls only teams 8-10 years and 11-13 years)
Parents will be shown how to register online and all NEW children must have a copy of their Birth Certificate.

Any queries please email Carmela - cgaric@hotmail.com
We will accept registrations before the registration days!

ONLINE REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE 2017 SEASON



Information & Registration/Payment nights will be held at Eaton Recreation Centre on Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th February 5 – 7 pm for Players from year 3 to year 11.

Kidsport available for eligible families. For more details please visit our facebook page, www.eatonjfc.sportingpulse.net or Contact: Brad 0419 529 288 or Troy 0437 344 933



Swimming WA and Golden West Dolphins Swimming Club

Swimming WA and Golden West Dolphins Swimming Club are hosting a SunSmart Splash & Dash Carnival on Saturday 19 February in Harvey. The SunSmart Splash & Dash Series provides an enjoyable, exciting atmosphere for school children, with 25m and 50m races on offer. The Series is a great opportunity to

practice for your school swimming carnival, to improve swimming skills and to increase water confidence! Anyone can join the fun, so bring your friends to a carnival: wa.swimming.org.au/sunsmartsplashanddash

#teenfit
Gym and group training for 11 - 15 years

Gym Workouts | Bodycombat | RPM cycling

Pay per session \$8.50
Term Fee \$120 (unlimited classes)

8 week program
Starts Monday 13th Feb 2017

EATON
RECREATION CENTRE & 24HR GYM

For more the information visit the Eaton Recreation Centre website



SOUTH WEST PHOENIX FC ACADEMY 2017

Term 1 Skill Acquisition Program

The Skill Acquisition Program (SAP) focuses on teaching players functional game skills. Striking the Ball, First Touch, 1v1, Running with the Ball.

These are the technical skills required to perform effectively during a game

Register at: www.myfootballclub.com.au Age: 9-12 years boys and girls Training: Thursdays 5.30-6.30pm

Cost: \$ 80.00 Returning Player

\$120.00 New player (includes training kit)

STARTS: 9th February 2017 EMAIL: info@swpfc.com.au MOBILE: 0438900704 for further information



HAY PARK UNITED

JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAYS

Saturday 18th Feb 9:30am - 12pm
Saturday 25th Feb 9:30am - 12pm

Held at the Hay Park Club Rooms

Hay Park North
(Opposite McDonalds)

For more information:
hayparkunitedsc@gmail.com

Find us on facebook
facebook.com/hayparkunitedsc

KIDSPORT VOUCHERS ACCEPTED

Positive Parenting Program

(Children aged 3-8years)

Bunbury/Harvey/Wellington

Parents/Carers are invited to learn

- ▣ Effective parenting strategies
- ▣ Ways to encourage behaviors
- ▣ How to promote your child's development
- ▣ How to prevent or manage common child behavior problems

Seminar Series Triple P runs for 3 weeks

These sessions introduce parents to key concepts of Triple P

- ▣ Seminar One: Positive Parenting
- ▣ Seminar Two: Raising Confident Competent children
- ▣ Seminar Three: Raising Resilient Children

DATES FOR TERM 1 2017

- Bunbury Community Health 24A Hudson Rd – Tuesdays March 7/14 & 21st 6:15 – 8.00pm – Crèche not available.

To make a booking please call 97952888 or visit www.childhealth.health.wa.gov.au

GARFIELD LEARNAVERSITY CHILDCARE CENTRE.

28 Garfield Drive Australind

garfieldccc@iinet.net.au

February special – Book a Monday and receive 50% off. Booking to be used by 31/03/2017.

Refer a friend and receive one day free

Code: tiger


Opening hours – Monday to Friday

6.30am – 6.00pm

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TERM 1 - 2017

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
H	23 January	24	25	26 AUSTRALIA DAY 	27	28	29
1	30 TEACHERS START BACK!	31	1 st February STUDENTS RESUME	2	3	4	5
2	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
3	13	14 NEWSLETTER	15 Room1 Class Meeting	16 ASSEMBLY Room 9 P & C AGM 3.00pm	17	18	19
4	20	21	22	23 Room 5 meeting 3:10pm	24	25	26
5	27	28	1 st March	2 DISCO	3	4	5
6	6 Labour Day Holiday	7 NEWSLETTER	8	9 ASSEMBLY Room 10	10	11 ..	12
7				16 Silver Thread Band Gold coin donation	17 BULLYING. NO WAY! DAY	18	19
8	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9	27	28 NEWSLETTER	29	30 ASSEMBLY ROOM 2	31 P & C Outdoor Movie Night	1 st April	2
10	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
H	10 SCHOOL	11 HOLIDAYS	12	13	14	15	16

