



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

In the past week, I have been extremely proud to see our students embracing our *Act Belong Commit* ethos by displaying outstanding attitudes and perseverance.

Last week, I had the pleasure of attending **Camp with our Year 6** students at Point Peron. I was impressed with their teamwork and resiliency as they faced physical and mental challenges that took them out of their comfort zone. It was a fun, but taxing program, that our students approached with a positive attitude and humour. The Point Peron Camp teachers and instructors heaped accolades on our students, complimenting them on their manners and responsibility.

It is a privilege for students to go on a school camp; many schools don't offer the opportunity. A school camp requires dedication from school staff. This year, our teachers, Mrs Stone and Miss Hurae, were fully committed to the camp and gave up their family and personal time to ensure the students were well supported and cared for. Our sincere thanks to Mr Bruce Macauley for his assistance and support. Please see Pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter for an overview of the students' camp adventures.



Our NAIDOC School Activities and Celebration

Yesterday, we launched our **NAIDOC Activity Day** with a morning assembly. The high level of support from our Aboriginal community was a highlight, with Ms Cathy Bynder and her grand daughter Alicia Bynder (Year 6 student at Brookman Primary School) opening the assembly with a Welcome to Country. Our whole school community songs were outstanding performances and a testament to the high standard of Miss Marshall's specialist music program. Photos and a detailed report can be found on Pages 4 and 5 of this newsletter.

School Band

This week, I was excited to hear our **School Band** practising after school. Twenty five students from Years 3 to 6 have been attending instrumental lessons for the past 2 years. They have worked hard and are now close to performing as a school band. Accolades to Miss Marshall for her commitment to progress our school band initiative.



Welcome

A warm welcome to Miss Megan Stacy, who will be teaching Year 4/5 in Room 14 for the remainder of this term whilst Mrs Stewart is taking up an acting Deputy Principal position at Inglewood PS. Miss Stacy is looking forward to working in our school and is an experienced teacher who will bring many strengths to our staff team.

School Board Update

The next Board meeting will be held next Monday, 6th August at 3:15pm. Agenda items include: review of 2019 booklists, On Entry analysis and an update on our proposed 2019 BYOD program. Further information about the role of our School Board, and a profile of each board member, is available on our website. Members are:

Chair: Linda Ross (P&C Rep & Parent).

Parent Representatives: Neil Worland (Deputy Chair), Garth Hilton, Liesl Ludgerus

Community Representatives: Bill Johnston MLA, Dr Christine Cunningham, Julie Robert, Jodie Wyatt, Nicole Klein (Lynwood Ferndale Playgroup).

Staff Representatives: Lyn Macauley, Morgan Taylor, Dianne Ridley, Travis Miller, Julie Stone.

Thank you to the parent who generously donated \$100 towards the Year 1 Father's Day activities. Our class budgets are tight and any extra donations are valued.

Kind Regards
 Lyn Macauley,
 PRINCIPAL

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Our canteen, the Buzz Bar, provides a great service to the school community. Unfortunately, it is currently running at a loss, placing this service at risk.

We need your support to keep the canteen running. Your child ordering their lunch regularly at the Buzz Bar could make all the difference.

Thank you for your support.

COMING EVENTS

Thursday, 2 August	Parent Workshop: Raising Resilient Children - 9:00am School Library
Monday, 6 August	School Board Meeting - 3:15pm
Wednesday, 8 August	Assembly hosted by Room T4 - 8:45am
Thursday, 9 August	Australian Mathematics Competition
Friday, 10 August	Interschool Cross Country
Monday, 13 August	Science Week starts
Wednesday, 15 August	Science Tabloids Day



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Hello students, parents and community members,

It is a real pleasure to be joining the staff here at Bannister Creek Primary School. I have been overwhelmed with the welcoming and friendly nature of all the students here at Bannister Creek, and thank all those students who have made me feel welcome by coming to say hello and introducing themselves and their family members.



I have worked in education for over 10 years across the Perth Metro Area. For the last 7 years, I have worked at Campbell Primary School in Canning Vale, as a level 3 Early Childhood teacher across Kindy to Year 1, year level team leader and curriculum leader. I am passionate about Early Childhood Education and providing all our students with an optimum start to their schooling and early intervention where needed. I believe all students across the school should have access to a high quality learning program and environment within which to learn and flourish. In Semester One of this year, I joined the executive team as Deputy Principal at Piara Waters Primary School. I managed and led the Early Childhood teaching team, as well as the Student Services Portfolio.

One of my roles at Bannister Creek PS will be working with the executive team to manage the implementation of the teaching and learning program across the school, and to ensure student well-being, improvement and progress is a priority for all our students. As Deputy Principal, my focus will be on the leading the teaching teams from Kindergarten to Year 2, as well as management of the Student Services portfolio and team across the school. For more information around the role of the Student Services team at Bannister Creek, please refer to the Bannister Creek PS website.

I look forward to meeting you and your family members, so please come and say hello when you see me around the school over the coming weeks.

Miss Paige Goodsell
Deputy Principal

THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you goes to Mr. Babeoff and the helpers from Santa's Workshop who kindly donated blackboards and miniature traffic signs to our Early Childhood Centre.

The signs are a great addition to the Adventure Play road way. The children can't wait to play with the signs and the blackboards.



FREE PARENT WORKSHOP AT BANNISTER CREEK PS

RAISING RESILIENT CHILDREN: Parents are introduced to six core building blocks for children to manage their feelings and become resilient in dealing with life stress. These competencies are:

- Recognising and accepting feelings
- Expressing feelings appropriately
- Building a positive outlook
- Developing coping skills
- Dealing with negative feelings
- Dealing with stressful life events



Child and Parent Centre
Brookerham

in partnership with



Date: Thursday 2nd August, 2018 **Time:** 9:00am to 11:00am **Where:** Bannister Creek Primary School Library
Please join us for this FREE informative workshop.

YEAR 7 ENROLMENT FOR 2019

Attention Future Year 7 Parents

Do you have a Year 6 student living in the Lynwood Senior High School catchment area?

Enrolments for 2019 are now in progress.

If you have any queries, or require an Application to Enrol form, please do not hesitate to call Mrs Sonia Nesa on 9354 0645.



P&C NEWS

The canteen is a wonderful asset to Bannister Creek PS. It provides families with an easy and inexpensive option for healthy lunches and special treats for their children.

The P&C is proud to have run our canteen for eight years, giving families the choice of ordering at recess and lunch time. Unfortunately, since the beginning of this year, the canteen has been running at a loss which the P&C will not be able to sustain for very long. We need the school community to band together to ensure that we will have a viable canteen for many years to come.

We need your suggestions and ideas for ways to encourage the students to use the canteen. Perhaps there is a favourite canteen item we could bring back, new menu items that could be introduced or any other constructive suggestion.

Please place your suggestions in the P&C Box in the Front Office.

Thank you for your help.



CANTEEN NEWS

BUZZ BAR NEWS: Creamy Pumpkin soup is available to order this week and next week, we will have Chicken and Vegetable soup. Our delicious soups are served with homemade bread rolls!

On Fridays, we have homemade Sausage Rolls, which are proving to be popular with students and staff. Another popular new addition to the menu are Halal Beef Pies.



Monday's morning tea special is a large sweet muffin of the day and the lunch special is Beef Nachos or Burgers (chicken, beef or fish). YUM!

Don't forget we have online ordering "quickcliq" which may make it easier to order your children's meals.

If anyone has any time to volunteer, please pop in to see me. Friday's are especially busy, so the more the merrier. A special thanks to my ongoing volunteer, Marilyn. You are appreciated!

Danielle, Canteen Manager

POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS WORKSHOP

This is a FREE one day workshop for parents and carers of school aged children on the autism spectrum, designed to help you foster productive school, family and community relationships to provide the best kind of support for your child. This workshop is for parents, carers and grandparents wanting to understand more about autism and learn practical strategies using evidence based resources to help maximize their young person's learning.

What will you gain by attending this workshop?

- An increased understanding of the impact of autism
- Further knowledge about how to develop effective partnerships with your school
- Information to help you access further support both inside and outside of school
- An opportunity to be part of a support network where you can share strategies and experiences with other parent/carers
- An understanding of a planning tool that can be used to share key information related to our child



Details:

Venue: Whaleback Golf Course, Whaleback Avenue, Parkwood

When: Wednesday 5th September 2018. 9:15am to 3:00pm (Registration from 8:30am)

Catering: Morning tea and lunch provided. Please advise of dietary requirements on registration.

Register online: www.positivepartnerships.com.au Registration opens on 27 June 2018 and closes 4th September. Register early as places are limited.

Questions: If you are not able to register online, please call 1300 881 971 or email parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au

PARENTING WORKSHOPS

South East Metro Parenting Support Service present the following parent workshops:

Jump Start Group: FREE program for parents and their 3 year old children. This five week playgroup style program supporting parents to prepare children for starting school! Parents attend each session with their 3 year old. Sessions include discussions and children's activities on topics such as building social and emotional skills, developing independence and managing behaviour. **When:** Tuesdays 14, 21, 28 August and 4, 11 September. 10:00am to 12:00pm. **Where:** Thornlie Community Centre, 39 Coops Avenue, Thornlie.

Tuning into Kids: FREE program for parents of 3-9 year olds. This is a 6 week parenting program that aims to help parents and caregivers teach their children to understand and regulate their emotions. This program helps parents to respond to and foster their child's individual needs and character in ways that best suit their child, parent and family.

When: Mondays 6, 13, 20, 27 August and 3, 10 September. 9:30am to 11:00am. **Where:** Communicare, 28 Cecil Avenue, Cannington.

To register for either workshop, contact: parenting@communicare.org.au or phone 0423 510 587. Bookings are essential.

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

On Tuesday 31st July, all the students and staff at Bannister Creek PS celebrated the 2018 NAIDOC theme which was 'Because of Her We Can'.

The Pre-Primary to Year 6 students attended a special NAIDOC assembly where they were treated to a wonderful performance by the Moorditj Mob (students from Wesley College). The dancing and playing of the didgeridoo captivated the audience and we learnt some Indigenous words for boomerang, didgeridoo and how to say goodbye at the end.

Thank you to the Moorditj Mob and Mr Derek Nannup for their captivating performance, and to Mr McNamara for organising the dancers.

Thank you to the following students who spoke at the assembly to share their thoughts around our theme 'Because of Her We Can': Isabella, Room 16; Shaqeta, Room 16; Alisandra, Room 16; Ella, Room 18 and Jackson, Room 14. Thank you to Mrs Clark for supporting the students to prepare their readings.

Thank you to our special guests Alicia and Mrs Bynder for sharing your stories and for the Acknowledgment of Country to open the assembly.

A final Thank you to Mr Robson and the students in Room 18 for preparing the Undercover Area and hosting the assembly.

After the assembly, students participated in a range of NAIDOC themed activities including braiding, hunting for objects, making story quilts and all classes made damper with two special ingredients.



Our next parent assembly will be held on **Wednesday, 8th August** commencing at 8:45am in the Undercover Area. This will be hosted by the students in Room T4.

NAIDOC DAMPER COMPETITION

The Damper Competition was hotly contested with some very unusual ingredient combinations, see below.

Room 3: Pumpkin & Sweet Potato	Room 13: Pumpkin & Bush Spice
Room 4: Cheese & Herb	Room 14: Nesquik & Lemonade
Room 5: Ginger Beer & Sultana	Room 15: Marshmallow & Chocolate
Room 6: Strawberry Jam & Choc Chip	Room 16: Cheese & Onion
Room 7: Cheese & Chive	Room 17: Sugar & Buttermilk
Room 8: Mars Bars	Room 18: Golden Syrup & Salt / Sultana
Room 9: Chocolate & Marshmallow	Room T1: Butter & Cheese
Room 10: Choc Chip & Butter	Room T3: Raspberry & Chocolate
Room 11: Banana & Choc Chip	Room T4: Ground Ginger & Vanilla
Room 12: Nutella & Cinnamon	



Our judges were very impressed with the entries and after much deliberation, selected the following winners:

Savoury Damper

Room 7: Cheese & Chive

Room 13: Pumpkin & Bush Spice

Sweet Damper

Room 11: Banana & Choc Chip

Room 10: Choc Chip & Butter

Many thanks to our judges for their expertise.

YEAR 1 INCURSION

On Friday 27th July, our Year 1 students were treated to a visit from Ms Josie Boyle (Shayla and Shaneika's Great Grandmother) who performed Aboriginal songs and stories for the students.

Ms Boyle told the story of 'How the Echidna got his Spikes', using a traditional sand drawing method.

She sang the National Anthem in Wongatha which the children then sang back in English. Ms Boyle and the students also sang nursery rhymes in Wongatha and English. Some of the students were selected to act out the rhymes.

It was a wonderful experience for all, thank you to Ms Boyle for visiting our school.



SCHOOL'S TREE DAY

Bannister Creek Primary School celebrated Schools Tree Day last Friday, 27th July, in conjunction with National Tree Day on 29th July.

Students and teachers from Rooms 13 and 17, along with Mrs Lilly, went to the banks of the Bannister Creek to assist Mrs Williams, from SERCUL'S Bannister Catchment Group, plant 500 trees.

Our students have been helping for many years with revegetation and restoration projects along the banks of the creek. Their work has made a difference to the eco-systems along the creek and has been greatly valued.



VACSWIM

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, ensuring your children can swim competently and safely is essential.

You can now enrol your children in VacSwim swimming lessons during the October and December/January school holidays. VacSwim is for all children - from beginners to more advanced swimmers and young people doing their Bronze Medallion. Your children can start as young as five years old.

Your children can join in the fun of learning to swim at pools and open water venues across the State. Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming

YEAR 6 CAMP ADVENTURES

The Year 6 camp took place from Tuesday 24th to Friday 27th July at the Point Peron Camp School in Rockingham. The students had four very full days of activities and adventures. All the students kept a diary of their camp experience, below are extracts from some of their diaries.

Day 1: Tuesday 24th July

Today, I had a fun time doing Low Ropes and Team Build. I started with Low Ropes, I found it fun and challenging. For Low Ropes we had to work as a group to complete the challenges, my favourites were the hanging log and the zig zag wires.

After lunch we moved onto Team Build. In Team Building we had multiple little challenges/activities consisting of finding a partner while blindfolded, passing a hoola-hoop while linking arms, slingshots and skateboards. My favourite activity was skateboards. I liked the Low Ropes over the Team Build.

After the Low Ropes and Team Build we made sandcastles on the beach. We found pretty shells and strange objects on the beach, we also found some starfish that had washed up on the beach that I tried to save.

We will conclude the day by having a campfire, singing songs and going on a beach walk in the dark.

An extract from Apryl's diary



Day 2: Wednesday 25th July

Today we woke up and did dorms, then we had breakfast. Our first activity was Rock Climbing. I reached the top of the wall twice! I felt good when Mathew and Jacsen cheered me on. It was an exhilarating experience.

After morning tea we did the Crate Tower activity. The best part was kicking the tower down after we were done! The two teams competed for Freddo Frogs and my team won. The frogs were sweet, but victory was sweeter.

Later we had lunch and went Prusiking. Prusiking in very simple terms is climbing a rope in a special way. I got to the top thrice and my best time was 7-8 minutes (I can't remember exactly, I think it was 7 mins, 15 sec).

An extract from Reuben's diary



Day 3: Thursday 26th July

Today we did Mountain Biking, Archery and Cave Ladders. First we did Cave Ladders, my group was Chlöe, Cloe and Ashleigh. We all made it to the top and coming down was so fun. Second we did Archery (my personal favourite), I hit the target about 4-5 times.

Last of all we did Mountain Biking. At first, I have to admit, I was a little scared, then I slowly got more and more confident and then I did better! I decided to go do the big hill. As I was going down I put on the brakes and my bike started flipping and.....I fell into the bush! I was okay though. Now we are about to go and have free time.

For breakfast we had coco pops, juice and scrambled eggs. For lunch we had hamburgers and juice. For morning tea we had coconut slice and I am excited for dinner!

After dinner we did our skits, I had so much fun doing skits!

An extract from Mackenzie's diary



YEAR 6 CAMP ADVENTURES

Day 4: Friday 27th July

On Friday we did IMovies and Orienteering. We did IMovies first. With Orienteering, we find our way around camp, looking for landmarks and finding little signs that had letters which were jumbled to spell a marine animal. I was in Red, Red's was little penguin.

With IMovies, we made little trailers for movies that we made up. Teresa, Abby and I made a trailer for a movie called 'Embarrassing Superhero'. Abby played a girl who had a dream of becoming a superhero, Teresa played the victim who was annoyed at Abby's terrible job as a superhero. I played the part of the super villain, who was awesome and clumsy at the same time.

There was a bunch of great trailers, most of them were for scary films. Ours and Sam's groups were the only ones that did different ones.

An extract from Lily's diary



Year 6 Camp Reflections

I felt pushed at this camp, like I could do more now than I could in the present. I surprised myself with how much strength I had in my little body and how much leadership was tucked under my skin.

I was very fast in knowing how to do what had to be done and I never gave up. I had a lot of determination in all the activities, even though I knew I wasn't the best.

I feel proud of my accomplished goals and I'd recommend this camp to the next generation of Year 6 students.

By Toby



Year 6 Camp Reflections

Camp was fantastic, I will never, ever forget it. I learnt to work with lots of different people, communicating with them. One thing I remember really well was Rock Climbing. After I passed the sloped wall it got harder and I was ready to get down but Roger, the man who ran the camp, told me to keep on going. That made me determined so I made it to the top.

Camp has made me strong in many ways, even having to wait for my turn to shower made me really patient. I am so happy I went to camp. Thank you to the teachers and the staff who made it happen.

By Chlöe



COMMUNITY EXPO



Sunday 19th August 2018
CELEBRATION OF SCIENCE
10th Anniversary



Get in touch with science and sustainability. Celebrate technology and achievements in science, with hands on activities, workshops, presentations and displays for the whole community!

10:00am to 3:00pm at CREEC
Canning River Eco Education Centre, Kent Street, Wilson (Phone: 9461 7160)

What's On?

Josh Byrne presenting Josh's House, rock band, solar science, Scitech shows, native animal encounters, prominent Aboriginal presenters, waste as a resource, bug science, recycled wood workshop, native plant giveaways, Castledare Miniature Railway rides, competitions, sausage sizzle and much more!

Something for all ages - kids, teens and adults.

This is a low waste event - bring your own keep cup and water bottle.

FREE ENTRY & EVERYONE WELCOME!!

WHALEBACK SCOUT GROUP - OPEN DAY

Sunday 12th August 2018 9:00am to 2:00pm
Whaleback Golf Course, Whaleback Avenue, Parkwood

Join our scout leaders and members for an informative day full of fun activities that will give you an insight into what it means to be a scout.

Cub Scouts: Boys & girls aged 8 to 10 years.

Scouts: Boys & girls aged 11 to 14 years.

B.Y.O lunch or enjoy a Hot Dog for \$2.00 (Hot Dogs must be ordered by 10:00am).

Free tea and coffee will be available, as well as water to refill your water bottles.



COMMUNITY NEWS



YALE TIGERS n TBALL CLUB: If you are in Pre-Primary to Year 7 and would like to play tee ball, come and join in the fun at Yale Tigers Tee Ball Club!!! Games are held on Saturday mornings at Sutherlands Oval, Holmes Road, Southern River. Registration fees include: trophy, team photo, hire of shirt, and weekly ball fees (\$135 for the first child and \$125 for each additional member). KidSport funding available. For further information, call Dione on 0424 436 414 or email dionebaldwin@inet.net.au

MORE CAMP FUN!!

