



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

At Bannister Creek Primary School, we focus on embedding sustainability in the curriculum and promote opportunities for community involvement in helping reduce our environmental footprint. I'm extremely proud that our Sustainability Committee has a team of staff and parents who are continually supporting students to find ways to reduce, recycle and reuse. During the school holidays, a dedicated group of parents and staff maintained the school sustainable garden, watered Moort Boodja, looked after the chickens, worm farm, compost bins and aquaponics fish tanks. A sincere thank you to: Parents - **Audrey, Amy, Kanako and Trevor**; Staff - **Mrs Helen Bretherton and Mrs Michelle Wheaton**.

Thank you to all the families who purchased class booklist items from Nextra Riverton. All orders received went into a raffle draw. The following student names were randomly drawn and received free booklists:

Kindergarten: Billy

Pre-Primary: Chloe

Year 1: Nara

Year 5: Emma

I thank Nextra for their efficient organization and support.

School Uniform Reminder- Attention Girls

Our school dress code for girls has many options; school dress, school polo shirt, black skirt or skorts, black cargo shorts, black track pants or black cargo pants.

It is **not acceptable** for girls to wear short shorts or tight exercise shorts (these should be worn under a skirt or dress). Willetton Uniform Shop stocks our uniform range and local department stores also offer items that meet our dress code.

2019 Class/School Information Sessions – 21st February 5:45 to 6:30pm

One of the strengths at our school is the support and involvement of parents in classes and school events. In order to inform families of 2019 school direction, we are holding a school information evening for parents of Years 2 to 6 students on Thursday, 21st February.

At 5:45pm, school leaders will present a 10 minute 2019 School Overview in the Undercover Area. Parents will then have the opportunity to attend class meetings, where teachers will outline class programs and policies. All class meetings will be held in your child's classroom in the 6:00-6:30pm time slot. Parents with more than one child will have to prioritise which class meeting to attend.

Teachers will have notes available for parents who are not at the meeting and parents can also book an individual meeting with their child's teacher for a later date.

If children attend, they have the option of sitting quietly in the class meeting with parents, or they can go to the Library where they will watch a movie or play games, supervised by school staff.

Kindergarten Room 1 & 2 Yellow Group class meetings will be held on Wednesday 20th February at 9:00 to 9:30am

Kindergarten Room 1 & 2 Blue Group class meetings will be held on Wednesday 27th February at 9:00 to 9:30am.

Pre-Primary class meetings are also on Wednesday 20th February at 2:00 to 2:30pm.

Year 1 class meetings will be held on 27th February at 3:00 to 3:30pm

Parents are encouraged to attend these sessions; we value your support.

Canteen

Our Buzz Bar opened on Wednesday. Welcome to our new Canteen Manager, Mrs Natalie Lindquist. The canteen operates every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Online ordering or daily counter orders are available, see our website for more information.



Kind Regards

Lyn Macauley
PRINCIPAL

HARMONY WELCOME FAMILY PICNIC - SAVE THE DATE



Friday 8th March 2019 5:00-7:00pm

Bannister Creek Primary School Grounds
All students and family members invited

See Page 3 for details



MUSIC NEWS



Information has been distributed to students regarding the various Music programs available in the School. These programs will be starting shortly and I would love to see lots of our students involved.

If you missed any information about Junior Choir, Senior Choir, BCPS Instrumental Program or BCPS Concert Band, please visit the Music Room or School Office.

Junior and Senior Choir rehearsals will commence next week.

Students participating in the BCPS Instrumental Program, enrolment forms are due back this Friday 15th February.

Miss Marshall, Music Specialist Teacher

LIBRARY NEWS

Scholastic Book Club: We are pleased to issue the first catalogue for this year which will be going home with students today. In it you will find books suitable for all ages, with prices starting from just \$2.00!



Ordering & Payment:

- . Order Online with payment by credit card using LOOP. If you order online, there is no need to complete the paper order form. A printed receipt will be attached to your order.
- . Paper order form with payment by cash. Place in the white box located in the School Office.

Orders Due: *Thursday 21st February.* Delivery is sometimes split, but is usually within two weeks.

Issues & Queries: If you find any issues with items delivered, please leave a message at the School Office. If you are new to Book Club and would like additional information, an introductory letter is available from the Office.

All orders earn Scholastic Points which support the purchase of new books for our Library. There is a display in the Library of books purchased towards the end of last year using Scholastic points. Thank you everyone for your support in 2018.

P&C NEWS

We would like to extend a warm welcome back to students and their families and hope they enjoyed the holidays. Please be aware that the Bannister Creek PS P&C AGM will be held on Monday 18th February at 7:00pm in the Staffroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and we hope to see you there.

COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSES IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Community Nurses visit all primary schools in the Canning Region throughout the year. My name is Robyn Brown and I am the nurse allocated to your school. Community Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing, so that students may reach their full potential. A major part of our work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program.

Community Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. The services provided are free and confidential.

If you have a concern about your child's health or development, please contact me on 9258 8053.

PARENT WORKSHOPS/SEMINARS

There is a wide range of parent seminars and workshops available during February and March, presented by the Child and Parent Centre, Healthy WA and the South East Metro Parenting Support Services. Many of these are **FREE**. Please ask at the School Office for further information.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, 15 February	Year 5 & 6 Student Councillor Speeches & Voting: 8:45am
Monday, 18 February	P&C Association Annual General Meeting: 7:00pm
Wednesday, 20 February	Assembly hosted by Room 18: 8:45am Kindy Room 1 & 2 Yellow group Parent Meeting: 9:00 - 9:30am Pre-Primary Parent Meeting: 2:00 - 2:30pm
Thursday, 21 February	Treasure Hunters Lunch Club commences Chinese competition entries due Years 2-6 Parent Meetings: 5:45-6:30pm
Monday, 25 February	School Board Meeting: 3.15pm
Wednesday, 27 February	Kindy Room 1 & 2 Blue group Parent Meeting: 9:00 - 9:30am Year 1 Parent Meeting: 3:00pm
Thursday, 28 February	Aboriginal Parents Partnership Group Afternoon Tea: 2:00pm

SCHOOL BOARD

2019 SCHOOL BOARD- Parent Representatives needed.

Our School Board consists of:

- 4 Parent Representatives- elected by school parent community
- 1 P&C Representative – elected by the P&C
- 5 Staff Representatives, including the Principal - elected by Staff
- Community Representatives - appointed by the Board

Members have a term of 3 years. **We currently have vacancies for 2 Parent Representatives and I am calling for nominations from interested parents and carers to be part of this decision making group.** To nominate, please complete the attached nomination form. Written nominations must be received in the School Office by **Friday 15th February 2019, 9:00am**. Our first Board meeting is scheduled for Monday 25th February 2019 at 3:15pm in the school staffroom.

I would encourage all parents and carers to consider being a member of this group and contributing to the leadership of our school. For more information on school boards go to: <http://det.wa.edu.au/schoolcouncils/detcms/portal/>

SCHOOL BOARD PARENT NOMINATION FORM

Bannister Creek Primary School - 2019 School Board Parent Nomination Form

I wish to nominate to be a Parent Representative on The Bannister Creek Primary School Board.

Parent/Carer Name

Signature

Date

Contact Phone Number

Please return to the Front Office by **Friday 15th February 2019 by 9:00am**.



BANNISTER CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL HARMONY WELCOME FAMILY PICNIC



FRIDAY 8th March 2019
Time: 5:00pm-7:00pm
Where: School Grounds



BYO: picnic rugs, fold-up chairs
FOOD: BYO family Picnic
Indonesian Food Stall
Canteen available for pre-ordered items and ice-creams
Further details and order forms in the next newsletter.

This will be a whole school multi-cultural celebration of music, dance and family fun.

Don't forget to wear your cultural dress or wear orange!
Bring your family and celebrate!

TREASURE HUNTERS

This student lunchtime club is resuming on Thursday, 21st February.

Treasure Hunters helps students develop social and life skills through games, activities, Bible stories, drama and music. We have three volunteer YouthCARE trained student teachers, who are looking forward to **running the program on Thursdays starting next week**. The program is non-denominational and is based on Christian values and beliefs.

In order for students to participate, parents need to complete the permission slip below. Students who have already returned slips will automatically be included.

Dear Parent/Guardian

We invite your child to participate in the Treasure Hunters program that the school now offers in partnership with YouthCARE. Treasure Hunters supports WA school communities through programs that develop life skills in students. Trained volunteers teach values and beliefs through Bible stories, games, activities, drama and music.

Volunteers are trained to be respectful of every child from every background as they explore integrity, values and character. Sessions will run weekly in the School Library on Thursdays, at lunchtime.

If your child would like to participate, please complete and return the form below.



PERMISSION SLIP



Name of Child: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Signature: _____

Yes No I would like more information

Comments

START OF TERM 1

It has been a busy start to the year, with everyone happy to greet old friends, meet new ones and get back to routine.



PLAYCONNECT



PlayConnect playgroups welcome families with children aged from birth to 6 years with needs related to Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and similar communication or developmental needs. Families awaiting appointments and the possibility of receiving an ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) or other diagnosis are also welcome.

Playgroup WA PlayConnect playgroups are free. Morning session of 2 hours once per week. PlayConnect groups run during school terms. Playgroup WA provides an experienced and skilled facilitator with the playgroups. The playgroup is a great opportunity for families to connect with others and share in interesting and relevant play experiences. The peer support element is very strong. Families comment that they and their children feel relaxed in the playgroup setting, they do well, and have FUN!

For detailed information, please see the School Office for a flyer or playconnect@playgroupwa.com.au

STATE SCHOOLGIRLS FOOTBALL TRIALS

Trial Dates 12Yrs and Under WA State Schoolgirls - National Titles August ACT (Canberra)

Preliminary Trials: North of the River – Woodvale SHS Timberland Drive
6th April – 4:00pm and 4th May – 4:00pm

South of the River – Aubin Grove Camden Boulevard
13th April – 4:00pm and 11th May – 4:00pm

Preliminary Squad: Selected 12th May (18 Players)

Final Squad Trials:

18th May - 3:00pm Woodvale SHS Timberland Drive and 25th May – 3:00pm Aubin Grove Camden Boulevard

To be eligible for selection, nominees must:

- . Be a full time student at a recognised educational institution
- . Be 11* or 12 years as of the 31 December 2019

* *Students who turn 11 in the year of competition and who are selected in the final team must be accompanied to the event by a parent or nominated guardian even if the student stays in the team accommodation.*

For further information go to <https://www.schoolsportwa.com.au/interstate/football/boys-girls-12-under/>

COMMUNITY NEWS

LYNWOOD FERNDALE PANTHERS: 2019 Auskick, Junior and Senior Football Registration Day will be held on Sunday 24th February from 10:00am to 2:00pm at the Ferndale Reserve Clubrooms. For further information go to www.lffc.com.au or pick up a flyer from the School Office.

TRY KAYAKING: Come and Try Kayaking for 8 years and over presented by Champion Lakes Boating Club. *Venue:* Champion Lakes Regatta Centre, Henley Drive, Champion Lakes. *Date:* Saturday 23rd February 2019. *Time:* 4.30-5.30pm. *Cost:* \$10. *Pre requisite:* Must be able to swim 50 metres. All gear provided (boat, paddle pfd). Bookings Essential PRIOR TO 20th February 2019. *Email:* kayaking@clbc.org.au or phone: 0401 311 817.

CANNING DISTRICTS HOCKEY CLUB: Registration Day for all players of any level (seniors, juniors, and HookIN2Hockey). Bacon and Egg sandwiches available for \$2 and cold drinks will be on sale. Canning is a KidSport Club within the City of Canning. As registrations are not online, a mandatory payment is required when registering. For more information, please contact Elaine Foote, President on 0417 954 414 or email secretary.canning@hotmail.com

RANFORD JUNIOR SOCCER: Registration Days will be held on Saturday 16th & 23rd February and Tuesday 26th February at the Ranford Oval Pavilion. Games are played on Saturdays. Further information is available by following the club on Facebook @ Ranford Junior Soccer Club or picking up a flyer from the School Office.

BANDITS SOFTBALL CLUB: Registration Day will be held on Monday 18th February 2019 from 6:30 to 8:00pm at Dale Districts Canteen. A flyer is available from the School Office if you would like more information.

GIRLS BRIGADE: The Riverton Girls Brigade is open to children in Pre-Primary to Year 12 and is held in the Riverton Baptist Church on Modillion Avenue, Riverton on Wednesdays. A flyer is available from the School Office or contact Brenda on 0439 924 663.

SWANFISH WA: Swanfish is Perth's Premier family friendly fishing event held on the banks of the Swan River on 23rd and 24th February 2019. The annual event is all about encouraging families to sample the excellent fishing on offer in our iconic Swan River. It is a 'catch, click and release' event where participants take a picture of their catch, submit their catches via a Smartphone App before releasing the fish. For full details or to register, please go to: www.swanfish.com.au

Bannister Creek Primary School 2019 Year Planner

Term 1

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	4/2 Students return	5/2 Edu Dance commences	6/2 Newsletter	7/2	8/2 Yr 6 councillor nominations
2	11/2	12/2 2.50 Yr 6 Camp Meeting	13/2 Newsletter	14/2 School Board nominations due	15/2 Yr 6 councillor voting & speeches
3	18/2 7.00pm P&C AGM	19/2 Faction Captain voting	20/2 Assembly Rm 18 9am Kindy Yellow meeting 2pm PP Parent meeting	21/2 Treasure Hunters starts 5.45pm Yr 2-6 Parent meetings	22/2
4	25/2 3.15 School Board mtg	26/2	27/2 Newsletter 9am Kindy Blue meeting 3pm Yr 1 Parent meeting	28/2 2pm Aboriginal Parent afternoon tea	1/3 Schools Clean Up Day
5	4/3 Labour Day Holiday	5/3 School Development Day Students do NOT attend	6/3 Assembly Rm 12	7/3	8/3 5-7pm Family Harmony Picnic
6	11/3	12/3	13/3 Newsletter	14/3 6pm Parent iPad Meeting	15/3
7	18/3 7pm P&C meeting	19/3	20/3 Assembly Rms 9 & 15	21/3	22/3
8	25/3 3.15 School Board mtg	26/3	27/3 Newsletter	28/3	29/3
9	1/4	2/4	3/4 Assembly Rms 6 & T3 I/S Summer Sports Carnival	4/4 Early close Parent Interviews TBC	5/4 6/4 Chinese storytelling competition
10	8/4	9/4 Edu Dance Tues Concert	10/4 Newsletter Edu Dance Wed Concert	11/4 Rm 17 Bike Ride CREEC	12/4 9am ANZAC Service

Term 2

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	29/4	30/4 Year 6 Camp →	1/5 Newsletter	2/5	3/5
2	6/5 School Photos	7/5 School Photos	8/5 Assembly Rm 7	9/5	10/5
3	13/5	14/5 NAPLAN →	15/5 Newsletter	16/5	17/5 Walk to School Day
4	20/5 3.15 School Board mtg NAPLAN →	21/5	22/5 Assembly Rm 16	23/5	24/5
5	27/5 Yr 2-6 Swimming →	28/5	29/5 Newsletter Mini EaLS starts	30/5	31/5 School Development Day Students do NOT attend
6	3/6 WA Day Public Holiday	4/6 Yr 2-6 Swimming →	5/6	6/6	7/6
7	10/6	11/6	12/6 Newsletter	13/6	14/6
8	17/6 3.15 School Board mtg	18/6	19/6 Assembly Rm 17	20/6 Faction Cross Country	21/6
9	24/6	25/6	26/6 Newsletter I/S Winter Sports Carnival	27/6	28/6
10	1/7	2/7 Student Reports Emailed	3/7 Assembly Rm 13	4/7	5/7

Term 3

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	22/7	23/7	24/7 Newsletter	25/7	26/7
2	29/7	30/7	31/7 Assembly Rm 3	1/8	2/8
3	5/8	6/8	7/8 Newsletter	8/8	9/8 Interschool Cross Country
4	12/8 3.15 School Board mtg	13/8	14/8 Assembly Rm T4	15/8	16/8
5	19/8	20/8	21/8 Newsletter	22/8	23/8
6	26/8	27/8	28/8 Assembly Rm 8	29/8	30/8
7	2/9	3/9 Faction Jumps & Throws	4/9 Newsletter Mini EaLS finishes	5/9	6/9 Faction Athletics Carnival
8	9/9 3.15 School Board mtg	10/9	11/9 Assembly Rm T1	12/9	13/9
9	16/9	17/9	18/9 Newsletter	19/9	20/9
10	23/9	24/9	25/9 Assembly Rm 4	26/9	27/9

Term 4

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	14/10	15/10	16/10 Newsletter	17/10	18/10
2	21/10	22/10	23/10 Assembly Rm 5	24/10	25/10
3	28/10	29/10	30/10 Newsletter Interschool Athletics Carnival	31/10	1/11
4	4/11 3.15 School Board mtg	5/11	6/11 Assembly Rm 10	7/11	8/11
5	11/11	12/11	13/11 Newsletter	14/11	15/11
6	18/11	19/11	20/11 Assembly Rm 11	21/11	22/11
7	25/11	26/11	27/11 Newsletter	28/11	29/11 Yr 6 LSHS Transition Day
8	2/12	3/12	4/12 Assembly Rm 14	5/12	6/12
9	9/12 Yr 1 & PP Swimming →	10/12	11/12 Newsletter Aboriginal Awards Night	12/12 Yr 6 Big Day Out	13/12
10	16/12 Yr 6 Graduation Yr 1 & PP Swimming →	17/12 Student Reports Emailed	18/12 Yr 1-5 Award Assembly	19/12 Students' Last Day	20/12