



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Carers and Community Members

Parent Open Night – Tonight is our annual parent open evening, an opportunity for parents and family members to tour around the school visiting student classrooms and viewing work completed during the term. Not only do parents get to view the amazing displays that have been set up in classrooms, but you will also have an opportunity to review the class workbooks of your child and see the quality of their daily work. This year, Term 3 has had a STEM (Science, Technologies, Engineering and Maths) focus and all classes have undertaken some fabulous inquiry-based learning projects which will be on display. Parents are reminded that this is a very busy evening for teachers and they are unable to have extended conversations with parents about individual students. If you do require a meeting with the class teacher, please arrange an alternative time for this.

The P&C will be providing a free sausage sizzle on the evening and other items will be available for purchase through the canteen. Our library is holding a Book Fair with purchase available throughout the night. For entertainment, our Junior Choir will be singing and the school band will also be performing. The Parent Night starts at 5pm and will end at 6:30pm, everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

NAPLAN – Parents of our Year 3 and 5 students will have by now received their individual NAPLAN report. On review of these at school, our classroom teachers were incredibly impressed with the results that many of our students had achieved. We extend a big congratulation to all of our Year 3 and 5 students on completing NAPLAN in 2019 and thank all of our teachers for the hard work they put into helping our students. We are still awaiting the whole school data which will be thoroughly reviewed at a school level and help drive our future planning.

Faction Athletics Carnival - On Friday 6th September, we again had a fabulously successful athletics carnival. The weather could not have been better, we had a very pleasing turnout of community to spectate and the students participation, sportsmanship and behaviour was excellent. Thanks to Mrs Rowlands for the considerable effort she has put into training and preparing the students, by the classroom teachers throughout the term, and the many parents who helped on the day. We look forward to our champions representing the school at the Interschool Athletics in Term 4.

Kind Regards
Travis Miller
PRINCIPAL

**2019 Faction Carnival
Final Results:**

- 1st Bickley 1985**
- 2nd Canning 1559**
- 3rd Avon 1541**
- 4th Swan 1412**

COMING EVENTS

16th—20th September	Book Fair in Library
Wednesday 18th September	5-6.30pm Parent Open Night
Tuesday 24th September	Massed Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday 25th September	8.45am Room 4 Assembly
Wednesday 25th September	5-9.00pm Massed Choir—Perth Concert Hall
Friday, 27th September	Last day of Term 3
Tuesday, 15th October	Students return to school

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Mark Your Calendar

Monday 14th October is a School Development Day.

Students return to school on Tuesday 15th October.



FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S DESK

ATTENDANCE – UNEXPLAINED ABSENCES

The following table highlights unexplained absences for the year according to student year level. The school is focussing on reducing '*unauthorised absences*' which requires the parent/carers to communicate to the school or classroom teachers the reasons for non-attendance. It is essential that as a school, we accurately record the reason for your child's absence. Each fortnight, '*Absence from School*' letters are sent home. Please complete these and return to the class teacher as soon as possible or let the school know via an **Absentee Notification** that your child will be, or has been, away and the reason for their absence.

Unexplained absences 2019

Year Level	Total absences (days)	Unexplained absences (days)	% Unexplained
Kindy	328.5 days	25 days	7.7%
Pre Primary	925 days	32 days	3.4%
Year 1	604.5 days	44 days	7.2%
Year 2	601 days	54 days	9%
Year 3	585.5 days	75.5 days	12.9%
Year 4	597.5 days	69 days	11.5%
Year 5	847.5 days	107.5 days	12.6%
Year 6	739 days	53 days	13.9%

Absentee Notification

You can notify the school that your child is absent or provide a reason for their existing unexplained absences by:

SMS: 0418 928 939

Phone: 9350 9588

Connect: Login and submit an absentee note

Writing: Send a note to your child's Teacher or the Front Office or complete an absence slip in your child's Communication Book.

Email: bannistercreek.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Regular school attendance of students is important for achieving core skills, such as literacy and numeracy, and achieving adequate levels of education." (Australian Government: Closing the gap: School attendance and retention of Indigenous Australian students)

Remember EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS!

WORLD OF MATHS INCURSIONS

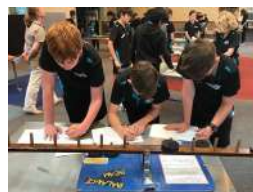


World of Maths Incursion Monday and Tuesday

As part of the School's Mathematics Curriculum program and Numeracy Week, students in Pre-Primary to Year 6 attended the **World of Maths** Incursion on Monday 9th and Tuesday 10th September.

This was an exciting event with 17 fun filled Maths activities. All students participated in the sessions, with hands-on fun and engaging activities and all ability levels were catered for. The students were involved in teamwork, communication and guided discovery, as they solved number patterns, identified geometric properties, thought logically and applied mathematics to the physical world.

Cassandra Stewart
Mathematics Curriculum Leader



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

On Wednesday, 11th September, Room T1 hosted the assembly where they taught us how to use water wisely.



Using Water Wisely

As a part of T1's Reading, Writing and Science program, we have been learning about how to use water wisely in the home and other environments.

We did some research and created a Story Map about using water wisely and then completed a class Information Report on water.

After that, we then discussed and researched information on liquids and how water can change state with hot and cold temperatures.

Mrs Halliwell
Room T1 Teacher



Our next assembly will be held on Wednesday 25th September in the Undercover Area, commencing at **8:45am**.

This assembly will be hosted by the students in Room 4.

SCHOOL BOARD NEWS

The School Board was very busy at its most recent meeting on 9th September. The Board reviewed the voluntary contributions for 2020 and endorsed the contributions remaining at \$60 per child. The voluntary contributions play a significant role in providing resources to support our children and can be paid in instalments.

We reviewed and endorsed the Kindergarten to Year 6 booklists for 2020 and noted that for most year levels, the total cost for booklists will be less than this year.

The Board also endorsed the Student and Staff Health/Wellness Policy and the School Development days for 2020 where students do not attend. The dates of the School Development days have been lined up, where possible, to coincide with the start of term or with existing long weekends.

We heard a report from Mrs Prince, one of our school's Chinese Language teachers, on how the Chinese language program is delivered to Pre-Primary to Year 6 classes, and the expected outcomes for each year level. It was very interesting to gain an insight into how learning another language assists in the understanding of your own language, builds improved memory and problem-solving skills, improves performance in other academic areas and deepens cross-cultural understanding.

The next Board meeting is Monday 4th November, please feel welcome to attend as an observer.

Liesl Ludgerus
School Board Chairperson

FACTION TOKEN TALLY

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Term 3, WEEK 8

Avon 86

Bickley 36

Canning 85

Swan 35

PURPLE TOKEN WINNER

Congratulations to last week's purple token winners:
Ella—Room 17, Jahrinity—Room 7, Chloe—Room 15, Brock—Room 9



SCHOOL BOARD LEADERSHIP AWARD

The School Board Leadership Award is an incentive to recognise students who display leadership skills e.g. using their initiative to assist other students or take on a leadership role.

Congratulations to Heath—Room 17: For an outstanding display of determination, sportsmanship and athletic ability in the face of adversity. You have lead Bickley Faction with distinction all year and this was clearly evident at the Faction Athletics Carnival.



Congratulations

Congratulations to the Athletics Carnival Winners



Year		Boys		Girls	
1	Champion	Henry	Room 6	Clarice	Room 6
	Runner up	Beau	Room 6	Layla	Room T3
2	Champion	Adam	Room 9	Catherine	Room 8
	Runners up	Zach Michael	Room T1 Room T1	Kairie Evelyn	Room T1 Room 9
3	Champion	Jack	Room T1	Alyssa	Room 10
	Runner up	Matthew	Room 11	Elizabeth	Room 11
4	Champion	Samuel	Room 12	Dakota	Room 12
	Runner up	Callum	Room 14	Madeline	Room 12
5	Champion	Tristan	Room 17	Lilly	Room 17
	Runner up	Jay	Room 17	Tahnee	Room 17
6	Champion	Heath	Room 17	Tarsha	Room 18
	Runner up	Jackson	Room 16	Ella	Room 16



ASPIRE
A - Attitude
S - Sportsmanship
P - Pride / Perseverance
I - Individual responsibility
R - Respect
E - Enthusiasm / Effort



ASPIRE - Winners 2019	Avon	Bickley	Canning	Swan
Junior	Amelia—Room 8	Crystal—Room 6	Kairie—Room T1	Jacob—Room 8
Intermediate	Ben—Room 12	Aaron—Room 10	Shanne—Room 15	Logan—Room 13
Senior	Isabelle—Room 16	Trinity—Room 16	Yash—Room 16	Cayden—Room 16

FACTION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL RECOUNT

On Friday the 6th September, 2019, it was the Faction Carnival. I am in Bickley, which is the cool colour blue. I wore a blue shirt! The highlight of the day was winning 13 first place stickers! The Year 6 Bickley boys team were really good!



First of all, we lined up in our factions to walk to the oval. The first event was the 200m Year 3-6 running races. I was in the bays, so we cheered, and cheered and cheered! After that every year level did their running race. After the races, it was finally time for recess. I had a carrot for recess.

After recess, it was time for the Team Games. First we did the Tug of War, which the Bickley boys team won. We did other games like Egg and Spoon Race, Pass Ball, Flag Relay, Baton Relay and Leader Ball. My favourite Team Game was Tug of War, because I got to play with my friends and help them out a lot.

After the Team Games, it was lunch. I had a hot dog. I played footy during recess and lunch. After lunch, we had to go back to the bays and watch the Parent Race. Mr Hegarty ran in the Bickley Parent Race. It was funny. He was actually really fast! Avon parents were the fastest!

At the end of the Faction Carnival, were the presentations where people got medals for being the champion (being awesome at athletics). Heath won Champion Boy and Jaxon won runner-up Champion Boy for the Bickley Boys! At the end of the presentations, Mrs Rowlands announced who came first in the factions. Bickley won the Faction Carnival. Then we cheered really loud. Then Mr Miller let us go back to our classrooms.



Overall, the day was REALLY REALLY FUN! The best part was hanging out with my friends and family. I was very tired after the day, but it was still a really good day. It was a good way to finish my last ever Faction Carnival for Primary School! I will never forget it!



By Blaze, Room 18

SCHOOL AWARDS

HONOUR CERTIFICATES: Excellence, no matter what you are doing, excellence means you are giving it the best you have. Excellence is what leads to success. It takes courage to practise excellence. When you practise excellence, you can break new ground and try new things that have never been thought of before. Doing your best helps you find out who you really are. **Congratulations to the following Honour Certificate recipients from our last assembly.**

CLASS	STUDENT
Room 3	Rhys, Shayde
Room 4	Hayden
Room 5	Johnny
Room 6	Jett
Room 7	Aiden, Afseen
Room T3	Jawid
Room 8	Jerry, Samuel

CLASS	STUDENT
Room 9	Million, Soleece, Charli
Room T1	Logan, Harrison
Room 10	Rinesh, Alula, Oliver
Room 11	Lovish, Karli
Room 13	Aarabhi, Logan
Room 12	Vedant, Emma

CLASS	STUDENT
Room 15	Danindu, Chloe
Room 14	Rebecca, Dominic, Charley
Room T4	Freha, Kacie
Room 17	Trai, Lewis
Room 16	Tanmay, Matheesha
Room 18	Simran

BOOK WEEK—DIGITAL CREATIVE LEARNING

On Tuesday morning, we watched a live stream of Matt Stanton, the author of Funny Kid. He talked to us and answered some other children's questions. I learnt a few valuable things, such as it's not because you don't like to read but only because you haven't found the genre you like. This statement is quite inspirational for me as he is saying everyone is the same in different ways.



One thing I found very intriguing was how authors inspire each other with their imagination and work. Mr Stanton told us that he was inspired by Road Dahl. Although I already knew this, it still amazes me that reading pages of writing and pictures can inspire millions of people.

I learned many things but the last one is that to write a story, it has to (not always) have a common theme. Funny Kid has humour in every single page, making that its common theme.

Watching the live stream was very useful because we learned something and it was a very fun activity, for we don't always get to talk to authors of our favourite books about themselves or their books.



By Kendra, Room 18

STUDENT COUNCILLOR NEWS

This fortnight, we haven't been getting many bread tag donations, so I would like to remind everyone that in the Library, we have a bread tag donation box for you to put your bread tags in. All these bread tags will go to Bread Tags Australia and will provide wheelchairs for disabled people in need.



The P&C have informed us that there will not be a Halloween disco, but don't worry, we will still have an End of Year Disco.

By Emily, Room 18

WHERE'S WALLY POSTCARD COMPETITION

This term, all classes have been involved in the 'HASS Geography - Where's Wally Postcard competition'. This Geography task was supported by our school Librarian, Helen Bretherton. She created activities for students to find Wally in the library (secretly hidden in library books). Helen also provided tubs of wonderful resources to support teachers and students with this task.

Kindy and Pre-Primary – Students used a map of the world (displayed in class) to identify where the parents of students originate, using a red or blue dot. They indicated where the student was born, by placing a Where's Wally sticker on the map.

Years 1 & 2 - Entered a colouring-in competition of famous landmarks in Australia. Students wrote a sentence or two about the picture, e.g. Dear Wally, I am in Sydney and yesterday I went to the Opera House it was big and white. When I went home, I went across the Sydney Harbour bridge.

Years 3 - 6 - Designed and Wrote a Postcard - All students wrote to Wally and drew him in the Country/Continent being studied, e.g. Dear Wally, I am currently on holidays in...

There will be book prizes for one boy and one girl from **each Year level** awarded for the best design/postcard and writing.

All entries have been judged and the postcard **Finalists** are displayed in the Library window as part of Book Week. Winners will be announced and presented with their books at the end of term Reward Assembly on Friday 27th September.

Cassandra Stewart
Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) Curriculum Leader

P&C NEWS

Faction Athletics Carnival THANK YOU! – We have had a FANTASTIC level of support from the school community this year and the sports carnival has been no exception. The cake stall (co-ordinated by the 2019 Year 6 Graduation Committee) and our canteen-run sausage sizzle (co-ordinated by Natalie Lindquist) ran extremely well on the day and were enjoyed by everyone! The whole school community coming together, supporting the committee and everyone working together this year has been truly humbling! WELL DONE to everyone who helped on the day, it was a lot of work but truly an amazing and impressive result which could not have been achieved without those people who put the kids first and help out!

The Disco will be held on 25th October and is 'dress to impress'. There will be giveaways and the usual disco fun, so save the date!

Entertainment Books – Please return your book if you do NOT want to use it and pay for it. Alternatively, supply your book payment to the P&C box in the office.

Re-Usage Lunch Order Bags – Order forms will be out soon so you can choose a reusable canteen order bag, plus support the P&C and the environment at the same time! Watch this space!

Canteen News. If you haven't ordered them already, we have some new 'meal deals' 'triple deals' and other exciting offers available now..... buy a lunch meal and a drink for all three canteen days in a week and get a free recess treat for your child on all 3 days! Get in to the canteen or order on line through <https://www.quickcliq.com.au/> ... and don't forget our new meal deals – meal, drink, icy pole and treat for \$6!

We are also offering a free sausage sizzle for parents on 18th Wednesday to say a huge thank you to the school community, so stop by, learn about the P&C and get involved in either the canteen or think about joining us on the committee next year.

We are always looking for volunteers in the canteen, so let us know if you are interested. You can make some new friends and some school lunches at the same time! See Natalie in the canteen and sign up today. Some shifts are once a month, some are once a term, you tell us your availability and we'll make it work!

Christmas Day Stall – This year, the 2020 Graduation Committee with the 2020 Year 6's will be organising a Christmas Stall! More information coming soon!

The P&C morning tea next meeting will be on **Tuesday 22nd October at 9.00am in the Staffroom** and once again, everyone is welcome to attend.

Linda Ross
P&C President

CHINESE MID AUTUMN FESTIVAL

The annual Mid Autumn Festival event at Stocklands Riverton took place on Saturday, 14th September and was a joint collaboration between Bannister Creek PS, Lynwood SHS and Stocklands Riverton. This year, 12 Bannister Creek PS's upper primary students volunteered their time, and worked closely with students from Lynwood SHS, to run various art and craft activities, including paper cutting, Chinese calligraphy, lantern making, chopstick experience and colouring. In addition, there were Lion dances, moon cake making and a dragon mural activity.

As with previous years, these students did a marvellous job of representing our school. This event is in its eight year. It has brought increased awareness of Chinese culture in the local community, in addition to shining a spotlight on Bannister Creek's Chinese Language Program. A big Thank you to our Art teacher, Ms. Hurae for her support of the Chinese program through integrating Chinese in the Art Program. The display of students' art work at the event was a highlight and received a lot of accolades. Thank you to families who were able to make it on the day and for the students who volunteered their time. This event could not happen without your support!

Mrs. Prince and Ms. Xu
Chinese Language Specialist Teachers



CHINESE WRITING FESTIVAL

2019 CLTAWA State Chinese Writing Competition

In Term 3, our school participated in the State Writing competition organised by the Chinese Language Teachers' Association of W.A. This annual State Competition was open to Years 3 to 6 students in schools with Chinese language programs, with separate categories designed for both non-background and background students. Congratulations to all participating students who devoted their time and effort into producing their posters with exceptional Chinese writing. The following students entered represented the top 6 entries from the whole school.

Non-Chinese Background:

Shanjayi Rm 10 Year 3-4 Category – Excellence
Breanna Rm 11 Year 3-4 Category – Participation
Maeve Rm T4 Year 5-6 Category – Excellence
Kendra Rm 18 Year 5-6 Category – Participation
Molly Rm 19 Year 5-6 Category – Participation

Chinese Background:

Keisha Rm 16 Background E1-2 Category – 4th Place



2019 CLTAWA State Chinese Speaking Competition at UWA

On Saturday 14th September, Elsa from Year 5 - Room 17, Kendra and Molly from - Year 6, Room 18 participated at the University of Western Australia. This competition is open to students in Years 5 through to 8. It was a delight to see a past student, Connor Yr 8 representing Lynwood SHS as well. 16 WA schools, 55 students in total, participated in the event organised by the Chinese Language Teachers Association of W.A. Congratulations to our three students for doing a magnificent job of representing our school. Many thanks to their wonderful families for their support too!

FOODBANK DRIVE TO FIGHT HUNGER IN WA

A big thank you to all who generously donated to the FOODBANK Drive to Fight Hunger in WA. We have received a big amount of goods. We will deliver what we collected to FOODBANK on 25th September 2019.

Jayjay Komakech
School Chaplain

Thank You!



BATTERY RECYCLING

When batteries begin to rot away in rubbish and landfill sites, they leak dangerous chemicals into the ground. These chemicals cause soil and water pollution which is harmful to animals and humans.

Bannister Creek PS is a Waste Wise School. As part of our commitment to help the environment, there is a battery recycling bin in the Wet Area of Spoonbill Block. Please feel free to drop off used batteries either to the School Office or directly into the recycling bin in Spoonbill.



Gos Talks: Parenting the Whole Child

FREE Community Seminar

For parents of children 0-12 years

- DATE:** Tuesday 22nd October 2019
- TIME:** 6.00pm - Registrations and refreshments
6.30pm - Start
8.30pm - Finish
- VENUE:** Don Russell Performing Arts Centre
Lot 13 Murdoch Road
Thornlie



Come along and hear from our guest speakers about the challenges and triumphs of parenting today and interact with our Q&A panel of parenting experts who support parents with these challenges.



Claire Orange
Presentation on Social & Emotional Development
with a focus on anxiety

Claire is the mother of 4 boys, a therapist, author, media spokesperson, speaker and a passionate advocate for better outcomes for children everywhere. A qualified Speech Pathologist, Claire has also completed qualifications in Child and Adolescent Mental Health, Resilience Education, Counselling and Parenting Coaching.



Griffin Longley (Nature Play)
Presentation on physical play and screen time

Griffin is Australia's leading advocate for the importance of fostering a return to unstructured play outdoors for the sake of children's health, happiness and learning. Also an award winning journalist, a weekly columnist with The West Australian, the CEO of Nature Play WA and manager of a program for at risk kids in the Midland area called Midnight Basketball.

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CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS

Bookings essential for workshops -
canningyouthevents.eventbrite.com

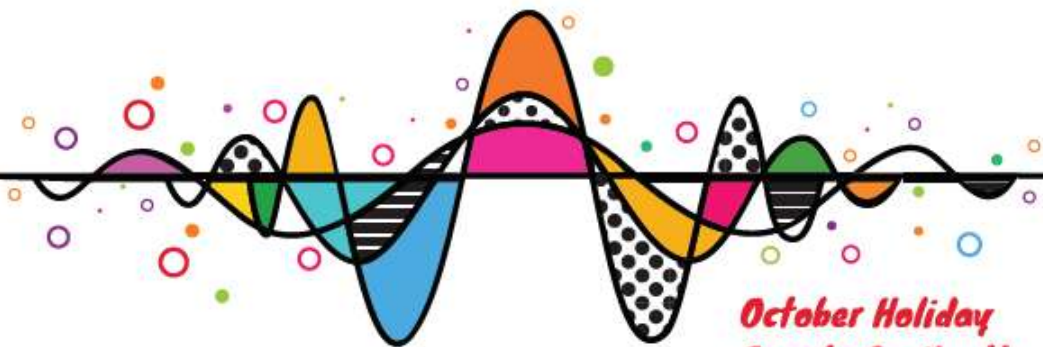
Don't forget to check the age for each activity before making a booking. Canning Youth Services will not accept bookings for youth who do not meet the required age.

Bentley Hub
 Hedley Place corner Manning Road, Bentley
 Library - 8231 0600
 Youth - 0417 909 362

Carrington Library
 233 Sevenoaks Street corner Wharf Street, Carrington,
 6300 7300

Riverton Library
 67 Riley Road corner High Road, Riverton
 8231 0944

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 8229 8540

Lynwood Youth Centre
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