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THANKS HEAPS!!

A big thank you to all the families who accompany their children to school and come up to the Covered Area until 8.35am. It greatly assists safe supervision. We now have a portable siren noise to indicate moving off time, according to the school clock.

GEARING UP TO LEARN

Great to see the effort taken by families to ensure kids have what is needed to be ready for learning.

BIRD Reading has commenced and aided by the use of our School Diary. The Diary has sign off spaces for BIRD and also outlines the "rules" for our reading rewards. It also contains the rules for how our School Community operates.

The diary is \$4.00 from the school office...and only \$4.00 because a grant subsidises the printing cost, otherwise it would be much more expensive.

Other kinds of diaries, dearer or cheaper simply do not have the BIRD record spaces and make the reading project very difficult for your child to participate.

YEAR SEVEN AND THE FUTURE

In 2015 Year Seven students go to high school. Yes we are looking at ways to ensure that transition is smooth.

We are also starting discussions on carrying on those traditional roles and events reserved for our senior year, to be transferred to our new senior year, Year Six.

There is also thought of how we manage that transition year so both Year Seven students and Year Six students participate in senior year activity and roles. As we firm up ideas we will present them to our School Council and P&C Association for feedback, suggestions and support. Indeed, it was a topic of conversation at yesterday's School Council Meeting....we are working on it...more news as we progress.

SSSSHH A SECRET!

I have been looking into how long it takes for children and families to leave school each day. While some people come very early to get a parking spot and wait and wait. I discovered a little secret.

Most kids take up to four minutes to get out of class, sought out their bag and leave... by 3.08pm, most of the students and families have cleared the school....by 3.09pm it is easy to find a spot in the Fountain Way Car Park or at the back of the oval.

Picking up students at the Kiss & Drive from 3.07 is quicker and easier than being there at 3.00pm or earlier....picking kids up at the car park is much easier at 3.09 than getting there at 3.00pm and playing bumper cars to get a parking spot. If you have middle and senior primary children this might be a good plan.

Oh yes,...the ultimate car parking spot in the school can also be won in the P&C Raffle – better than my spot!!

COMPUTERS AND IT STUFF

We are now adjusting use and access to computers in the school following the gain of the Mobile Computer Lab and purchase of a set of ten iPads.

We have made certain all classes have two/three computers, the Desktop Computer Lab has a new timetable for access for every primary class and senior years have a second planned session per week via the Mobile Lab.

Specialist and Class Teachers can now begin to book out the Mobile Lab in the remaining twenty four periods and book use of the iPad set. There are also eighteen computers for use by students in our Library.

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Principal

In This Issue:

- Thank You
- Future Year Sevens
- Computers
- Parking Issues

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST.

- P&C CarPark Raffle Drawn Friday 17th Feb.
- Years 3 – 7 Swimming Monday 20th February to Friday 2nd March
- Year 7 Camp is March 14th to 16th.
- Year 7 Immunisation forms to be returned by no later than Friday 10th February.

WHO'S WHO – OUR STAFF TEAM OF 2012

Mr Edd Black	Principal	Mrs Woodhams	Year 3
Mrs Sally Julian	Assistant Principal	Mrs Allen & Mrs Nicholas	Year 4
Mr Tony Lynn	Assistant Principal	Ms Reid	Year 4/5
Mr Graham Badcock	Assistant Principal	Mrs Chidlow	Year 4
Jill Kershaw	Registrar	Mrs Kelly	Year 5
Lyn Green	Assistant Registrar	Mr Pemberton	Year 5
Christine Downey	School Officer	Mrs Ritchie	Year 6
Kate Inwood	School Officer / Education Assist.	Mrs Moore	Year 5/6
Mrs Carr	Education Support	Mrs Beard	Year 2
Val Honeyman / Deb Padua	Library Officers	Mrs Tarnowy	Year 2
Miss Duckworth	Art Specialist	Mrs Beneke	Year 2
Mrs Wright	Maths	Miss Bright	Year 1/2
Mrs Southern	Music	Mrs Duncan	Year 1
Mr Vic Robinson	Phys Ed	Mrs Govan	Year 1
Mrs Koh	Pre Primary Support	Mrs Collins	Year 1
Val Honeyman / Deb Padua	Library Officers	Mrs Isherwood Mrs Haysom	Year 1
Mrs Andrews	Italian	Miss Hind	Year 7
Michelle Jones	Education Assistant	Mrs Williams	Year 7
Sue Joslin	Educations Assistant	Mr Blair	Year 7
Sue Douglas	Educations Assistant	Miss Williams	Year 6
Angela Mather	Educations Assistant	Mrs Menon / Ms Vanzetti	Year 3
Jayne Camp	Educations Assistant	Ms O'Donnell & Miss Frampton	Year 3
Stephanie Anderson	Educations Assistant	Miss Gould	Year 3
Bridget Ambrosius	Educations Assistant	Miss Ackerman	Pre Primary
Carmen Pinker	Educations Assistant	Mrs Arntzen	Pre Primary
Adele Moore	Educations Assistant	Mrs Parker	Pre Primary
Lei Peters	Educations Assistant	Mrs Butler	Pre Primary
Louise Spear	Educations Assistant	Mrs Birrell	Kindy
Julie Bucksey	Educations Assistant	Mrs Websdale	Kindy
Deb Foster	Education Assistant	Mrs Liz Oliver	Kindy
Sue Douglas	Education Assistant	Lisa Powell	Education Assistant
Emma Luxford	Education Assistant	Jeanette Mitchell	Education Assistant
Kate Rose	Education Assistant	Barry Hudson	Gardener
Megan Burnett	Education Assistant	Mrs Cotte & the Cleaning Team	



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CANTEEN

**Please note that
the Canteen does
not heat up your
child's food that
has been brought
in from home.**

SWIMMING

**SWIMMING IS
NOW CLOSED.**

**DON'T FORGET
YOUR
BATHERS AND
TOWEL ON
MONDAY!!**

School Banking has begun once again.

For any parents wanting their children to start banking, the Commonwealth Bank at Maddington will be having a special promotional week to assist you with account opening. This week will begin on Tuesday 6th March. You will need your child's Birth Certificate and your Driver's Licence.

Once the account is opened, your child is able to start banking.

School Banking can help raise money to benefit our school.

Please see Stephanie West on Wednesdays 8.20 -8.50am in the multipurpose room for further information

We require a new School Banking Officer. If you are interested in filling this role, could you please telephone the school office with a contact name and telephone number.

INTRODUCTION OF THE BIRD PROJECT



Our BIRD actors





SWIMMING LESSONS 20th February – 2nd March 2012

Swimming lessons commence next Monday 20th February. One bus will be used to shuttle our swimmers to and from the City of Gosnells Leisure World in Thornlie.

Please note the following:

- Students may wear their bathers to school underneath normal school clothes if practical but must remember to bring suitable dry clothes and underwear if bathers are worn to school.
- Students may change into their bathers before they go to the pool. All students will change back into their school clothes at school before leaving school to go home.
- Footwear must be worn. (Thongs/sandals are permitted to the pool, but shoes are required at school).
- Students will need a NAMED strong plastic bag for their towel and wet bathers.
- All items (including the bag) must be clearly labelled with the child's name.
- Rooms 3 & 6 will have their lunch earlier than normal under the supervision of admin or teacher before leaving to go to the pool.
- Rooms 1, 5 & 7 will have their lunch when they return to school under the supervision of admin or teacher before returning to the classroom.
- Two staff members will attend each session.
- If for medical reasons a shower is essential, please send a note to that effect to the office.
- **Children who have enrolled are expected to attend all sessions.**
- Parents may visit the pool, but please be aware that visitors will need to enter through the front door and pay a standard entry fee of \$1.50. The children remain the responsibility of the pool and school staff.
- Children with medical problems require a Medical Clearance and/or parent to attend the lessons with their child/ren. Please confirm this with the School Office.

Session	Departure	Pool	Departure	Return
1 Rooms 17, 19 & 20	9:05	9:25 – 10:05	10:15	10:30
2 Rooms 8 & 18	9:50	10:10 – 10:50	11:05	11:20
3 Rooms 1, 5 & 7	10:50	11:10 – 11:50	12:00	12:15
4 Rooms 2 & 4	11:35	11:55 – 12:45	12:55	1:10
5 Rooms 3 & 6	12:45	1:05 – 1:45	1:55	2:10
6 Rooms 21, 22 & 23	1:30	1:50 – 2:30	2:40	2:55