Greetings to staff, students, parents and community members and welcome to first edition of the newsletter for Term 2.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL SUCCESS
On the last Tuesday of term, the Interschool Swimming Team travelled to Challenge Stadium to compete in the “B” Division Swimming Carnival against Booragoon, Palmyra, Bicton, East Fremantle and Bateman. Since the school swimming carnival the Interschool Team has been training two times a week using the Applecross Senior High School pool. Over the last few years our swimming team has gradually improved through this extra training. Last year we were successful in winning the Outright Shield for the first time since the trophy has been presented from 1984! It was great to see that we were able to back up last year’s outstanding performance and again win the Outright Shield. As you can see from the results below, we won quite convincingly! CONGRATULATIONS to all swimming team members on your outstanding performance and sportsmanship. Also CONGRATULATIONS to our individual winners. I look forward to our swim team working hard next year to defend the title again. Thank you also to Miss Davies and Mr Hill for their efforts in training the students.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS
1st Ardross 329
2nd Bicton 274
3rd Palmyra 120
4th East Fremantle 119
5th Booragoon 95
6th Bateman 49

Gold winners Charlotte Barron, Imogen Pollard, Isaac Ho, Kathryn Raffelt, Lachlan Bridgland, Lucas Ho.

Silver winners Kynan Ganza

Bronze winner Neeve Fasher

NAPLAN 2014
The NAPLAN materials have all arrived and are being securely stored ready for the testing program to commence next week. All parents with students in Years 3, 5 and 7 would have received an information brochure outlining the NAPLAN program. Should you have not received this information you can find it using this link NAPLAN 2014: Information for parents brochure, which is now available at the National Assessment Program (NAP) website. Language Conventions and Writing will be tested on Tuesday, 13 May, Reading on Wednesday, 14 May and Numeracy on Thursday, 15 May. A catch up testing day is timetabled for Friday, 16 May should any students miss a test on these days. The NAPLAN testing program is an important part of our school year and provides us with a validation of our students’ outstanding academic achievements. I ask that parents ensure that students arrive at school on time throughout this week and are well prepared for these tests. Should there be any concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact either Mr Parker, Mr Holmes or your child’s classroom teacher.

BUZZ BOOK
The 2014 Buzz Book has been completed and is being e-mailed to families who have requested a copy through their class contacts. I would like to sincerely thank Kate Collins, who as Class Contact Coordinator has completed the Buzz Book this year. It is quite a time consuming task to make sure that it is updated correctly - THANKS KATE! Hopefully your class contacts have e-mailed a copy to you with Kate’s message:

Hello Parents,
At last we have managed to complete the 2014 Buzz Book so find attached the final version (hopefully with no mistakes) for your use. Please remember this list is to assist all parents with obtaining relevant phone numbers to facilitate and encourage social activities, such as play dates, both within the class and between classes. Please note it is not for the purpose to promote personal or public business matters.
Enjoy and happy ‘play dates’.... Take care, Kate

P&C FAMILY BOWLING
A reminder that the P&C have organised Family Barefoot Lawn Bowling for this Friday, 9 May at Mounty Pleasant Bowling Club, commencing at 5.00pm. This is a great way for the school community to mingle in a semi formal atmosphere and enjoy the activity of social lawn bowls. Parents and children are welcome. The cost is $3 entry and $6 if you wish to bowl. Please bring a platter of food to share. Tickets are on sale until Friday before school.

P&C MEETING
The next P&C meeting will be held this Monday, 12 May from 7.30pm, in the staffroom. At the last meeting it was discussed about the best way to support the school with funds. If you would like to be involved in spending some money - come along!! Already the P&C has provided around $20,000 to the school. A recent example was the commitment of the P&C to assist in the leasing of a class set of IPad2’s. We now have 32 IPad2’s, as well as the staff, which will be used in the learning and teaching program. With Mr Hill’s assistance we are developing an understanding on how this technology can best be utilized. I hope to see you at the P&C meeting.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY
This year WSTSD will be on Friday, 23 May. Please encourage your child to walk or ride to school, reinforce the road rules and outline the importance for exercise, reduced air pollution and traffic congestion etc. Once at school all students will receive a sticker and a free Zumba class. This year the seniors will go first, years 4 to 7 from 9-9.15am and the juniors will follow at 9.20-9.35am.

Inside this issue:
Swimming Carnival 1
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PRE PRIMARY TO YEAR 2 SWIMMING LESSONS

Congratulations also to the Pre Primary to Year 2 students who have been attending swimming lessons over the last two weeks. I am always amazed to see the maturity and behaviour of our early childhood students during swimming lessons. It is a big task to get ready for swimming, hop on the bus, participate in the lessons and return to school and get changed again! I have been most impressed how all students have handled this change to their routine!! Well done.

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Andrew Holmes
Principal

P&C NEWS

The P&C would like to invite all families to our social bowling night on Friday, 9 May starting at 5.00pm at Mount Pleasant Bowling Club. It will be a fun, family-friendly event. Tickets are priced at only $3 per person. Should you wish to bowl, it is an additional $6 per person. We are having a Happy Hour from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. We ask that all families bring a food platter to share. Full bar services will be available on the evening.

If you have some free time, please consider volunteering at the school’s canteen. It’s a great way to meet other families and also help our school.

The next P&C meeting is on Monday, 12 May at 7.30pm in the staff room. We’d love to see you there!

Corinelia Major
Vice President, P&C

HOONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

At this week’s assembly the winner’s were:

Room 20
Tristan Noor, Ethan Severin.

Room 19
Felicity Brown, Jolyon Fereday.

Room 17
Greece Benjamin, Emilee Wilson.

Room 13
Sophia Cristobal, Hunter Daddow.

Room 10
Emily He, Ethan Hickman, Amy Ivanoff.

Room 9
Oliver Kelly, Sienna Motton.

Room 8
Inyoung Moon, Georgia Williams.

Room 7
Eamon Cooper, Lucy Dal Molin, Byron McFarland.

Room 6

Room 5
Jai Christophersen, Cahill Fitzgerald, Emily Withers.

Room 4
Michelle Christophersen, Cahill Fitzgerald, Emily Withers.

Room 3
Nicole Brown, Ryan Ewington.

Room 2
Joel Chee, Casey Tay.

CANTEEN ROSTER

THU 8 May
Myla Dizon…………………………..9-1.00pm
Marife Azuro…………………………..9-1.00pm
Nhing Dmana…………………………..9-11.15am

Fri 9 May
Dessy Nugrahanto…………………………..9-1.00pm
Nita Dewi…………………………..9-1.00pm
Gloria Fitzgerald…………………………..9-11.15am

Mon 12 May
Amanda Merrey…………………………..9-1.00pm
HELP NEEDED…………………………..9-1.00pm
Ai Mei Yap…………………………..9-11.00am

Thu 15 May
Deb Woodman…………………………..9-1.00pm
HELP NEEDED…………………………..9-1.00pm
Gail Turner…………………………..9-11.00am

Fri 16 May
Monica Allen…………………………..9-1.00pm
HELP NEEDED…………………………..9-1.00pm
HELP NEEDED…………………………..11.15-1.00pm

Mon 19 May
Jin Kar Ong…………………………..9-1.00pm
Sole Naveyra…………………………..9-1.00pm
Ai Mei Yap…………………………..9-11.00am

Thu 22 May
Angela Tooker…………………………..9-1.00pm
HELP NEEDED…………………………..9-1.00pm
HELP NEEDED…………………………..11.15-1.00pm

NEW ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Everyone should have now received the yellow order form for Entertainment Books, and there are spares in the front office. This is a major fundraiser, and every purchase contributes funds for our school. Please complete the order form, and place into the secure box in the front office. Books will be distributed to your child in their classroom. Any enquiries can be directed to Tracy Thillainath on 0438 364 236.
OSHCLUB NEWS

Term 2 started well with Curriculum Days being a big hit with the kids. Our Themes for the Days were "Bake, Shake and Roll" and "Crazy Scientist". Children made spaghetti and we had a spaghetti relay, it was lots of fun. That's not all - we had Scientist Soup, and the girls tried to make the boys eat it and guess what - they didn't fall for it at all!!

They were two great days. Thankyou to all parents that supported our full days at OSHClub.

Val
OSHClub Coordinator

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

The annual National Walk Safely to School Day (when all primary school children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school) will be held throughout Australia on Friday, 23 May 2014. Our objectives are:

♦ To encourage parents and carers to walk to school with their children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour;
♦ To promote the health benefits of walking;
♦ To help children develop vital road-crossing skills;
♦ To reduce car dependency habits;
♦ To promote the use of public transport;
♦ To reduce the level of air pollution and traffic congestion.

To coincide with this event students will be given stickers and the chance to participate in a morning fitness class! So join us in putting on your walking shoes and enjoying the fresh air while teaching your children how to walk safely to school.

Health Committee

SCHOOL PHOTOS

We have in the office sample photos for the Choir Group, Computer Captains, Faction Leaders, Literacy Captains, Student Councillors and Environmental Councillors which can be viewed and an order placed if you are interested. There is an upfront cost of $14.00 per photo payable by cash or cheque made out to Classic Studios West.

Johnny Moran Karate teaches karate classes to children and adults in the local area.

A special offer for the school’s students - 4 WEEKS’ FREE beginners karate lessons!

Classes are held in the area after school and are a great way for children of all ages to learn self-defence in a fun and safe environment and for adults to get fit. Karate has many benefits which include confidence, respect, discipline and fitness.

Call now to take advantage of this 4 week trial on 0402 830 402.

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER

Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in July 2014 for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Spain and Colombia will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scce aust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

RECREATIONAL BALLET CLASSES

Ages 4 to 12 year. Fun and small classes. Dance Art at RSL Hall, 98 Kintail Road, Applecross. Contact Terri on 0424 561 355 / 9315 1703.

SAFETY HOUSE CHILD AND PARENT HANDBOOK

Although our school does not participate in the Safety House program they have provided us a handbook for every child which we have sent home today. The handbook contains information on using and becoming a Safety House.

WATERWISE TIP - WATERWISE GARDENS

♦ Keep planted areas dense and consolidated and group plants according to their water requirements. Sparse scattered plants are more difficult to water efficiently than those in defined areas.
♦ Make use of windbreaks, pergolas, screens, lattice, shadecloth and vines to shelter the house, outdoor living areas and plants.
♦ Maximise the use of non-planting treatments such as paving and mulches whilst at the same time being aware of the risk of creating hot spots due to large areas of unshaded paving.
♦ Regularly check your irrigation system is working correctly and when replacing broken sprinklers, always replace like with like.

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UNIFORM SHOP

15 May 2014  9.00 - 9.30am
29 May 2014  9.00 - 9.30am
Ardross Primary School would like to thank all of the sponsors listed here for their support of the school. We encourage all parents to use their services where feasible.

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Shop with Aussie Farmers Direct and they donate 2% of your total spend back to our school.

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For ANZ Booragoon a percentage of a home loan or home sale respectively will be paid to Ardross Primary, please contact the principal for details. Aussie Farmers Direct donate 2% of your total spend back to the school.