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Thank you.

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**REPORTING TO PARENTS**

Staff are currently finalising Semester 1 formal reports. Reports will be sent home on Friday, 27 June (end of week 9). Staff will be available for parent - teacher interviews in week 10 to discuss student reports where necessary. Staff will also be available to conduct brief 5-7 minute interviews on Wednesday, 2 July from 3.30-5.00pm. An appointment schedule has been placed outside of all classrooms should you wish to make an appointment. Should more time be needed to discuss your child’s report a follow up meeting can be arranged for early Term 3. I would hope that all parents have a reasonable understanding of the academic and social performance of their child through regular communications with the classroom teacher, and that the Semester 1 report holds no surprises!

**SCHOOL STRUCTURE 2015**

As an Independent Public School, I now have a greater responsibility for the deployment of staff at our school. It is imperative that I staff the school according to our student numbers and needs. To assist in this planning it is necessary for me to have an accurate picture of the number of students who will be attending Ardross Primary next year. Parents are asked to complete the form on the bottom of the page and place it in the letterbox in the front office by Friday, 1 August - end of Week 3. (It is not necessary for those students returning, or Year 6/7 students to complete the form as it will be assumed that you will be attending either high school or Ardross Primary in 2015.) Information regarding the process and criteria for parent requests and class placement will be advertised in newsletters early in Term 4.

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SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY
All students from Years 1 to 7 have been participating in morning fitness on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, running around Australia, in preparation for the Cross Country Carnival to be held on Tuesday, 1 July. The Cross Country Carnival is about participation, and all students who run in the race will receive a minimum of 1 faction point. The more runners who run in each race, the more points that can be gained for their faction!! Below are the approximate times of the races.

Year 7 Boys - 9.10 am  Year 7 Girls - 9.30 am
Year 6 Boys - 9.50 am  Year 6 Girls - 10.10 am
Year 5 Boys - 10.20am  Year 5 Girls - 11.35 am
Year 4 Boys - 10.40 am  Year 4 Girls - 11.55 am
Year 3 Boys - 11.25 am  Year 3 Girls - 12.05 am
Year 2 Boys - 11.45 am  Year 2 Girls - 12.15 am
Year 1 Boys - 12.05 am  Year 1 Girls - 12.15 am

Presentation of ribbons and medallions for Years 4 to 7 will be at an assembly at 2.20 pm in the undercover area.

Please contact Miss Davies on alison.davies2@education.wa.edu.au if you can assist on the course during the day.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Cross Country Carnival.

Andrew Holmes
Principal

P&C NEWS
I hope your children and all other family members have enjoyed the term so far. As your P&C, we are always striving to make our school an enjoyable and inclusive community. If you have a few hours to spare, we would love you to take part in the many activities which occur at our school. It is a great way to meet other parents, make your kids proud and also help our community. We are always seeking parents who are able to donate a few hours of their time to the School Canteen.

We would also like to run a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle. We are seeking a coordinator for this event. There’s heaps of support for this role, including volunteers on the day, experienced previous coordinators passing on their wisdom, as well as someone who will donate most of the ingredients. If you are interested in running this event in Term 3 or 4, please email me at Cornelia.major@gmail.com at your earliest convenience so we can secure our spot based on your preferences.

The next P&C meeting is on Monday, 23 June at 7.30 pm in the Staff Room. We would love to see all existing P&C members, and would be particularly happy to welcome guests and/or new members.

Cornelia Major
P&C Vice President

BEFORE SCHOOL READING PROGRAM
Ardross Literacy Captains have been running a Before School Reading Program for young readers. We are happy to inform you that their reading skills have improved tremendously by being active participants. Our program is run to help young readers grow in oral reading, build confidence and have fun learning new words. If you are interested in joining our program come along to Room 4 from Monday through to Thursday from 8.30 am to 8.55 am.

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS
At this week’s assembly the winner’s were:

Room 20  Zali Nash, Ella Schaeffer-Zaices, Sophia Theobald, JJ Toh, Abbey Woodman.
Room 19  Harry Brown, Sofia Casotti, Aoife McCarthy, Aimon Shareef.
Room 17  Ciana Hudson, Brock Ridgway.
Room 16  Sienna Gruber, Joshua Oliver.
Room 13  Sarah Wearne, Isaac Yiu.
Room 11/12  Parmis Delavarpour, Zac Ting.
Room 10  Matthew Choy, Naomi Daley, Amelia Tooker.
Room 9  Kristine Duff, Daniel Hone.
Room 8  Romy Bridgland, Emily Chan, Lars Divitini, Greer Hannaford, Caitie Perkins.
Room 7  Shi Wei Liang, Sophie Miller, Calvin Teo, Georgia Willett.
Room 6  Declan Harris, Lucas Ho, Arissya Rudy-Adrie.
Room 5  Sienna Di Giacomo, Isabella Etezadi, Lilli Heavens, Eli Smith.
Room 4  Catherine Cheng, Hannah Toole, Katie Tyrell.
Room 3  Emmeline Lazzuardi, Guillaume Metrot, Faith Wong.
Room 2  Sam Collins, Jessica Spann, Charlotte Yeomans.
OSHCLUB NEWS
We are starting to take bookings for the OSHClub Holiday Program. Please get online and book in as we have some fantastic activities, excursions and incursions for the upcoming holidays. Please feel free to come in and chat with me for any enquiries. Have a great week.

Val Maiorana
OSHClub Coordinator

STUDENT UPDATE FORMS
Student Update Forms are being sent home with students for you to peruse and make any corrections that are necessary. The information is held on the school’s administration system and it is important that student records are kept up to date throughout the year. Kindly return the forms to the school office by Friday, 4 July 2014.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT BY EDEN MALEY
This is an example of a River Rangers OPTS project. Observe a problem, Plan some steps, Take action and Share your results.

Native Bee Hotel
Around the school you will start to see some wooden poles with holes in them - they are native bee hotels. These planks of wood will attract native bees and help pollinate the flowers and increase the population of native bees around the school. If you see a pole that is wooden standing upright please do not disturb the bees, they do not sting but they will give you a fright.

RSPCA WA - JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
The July school holidays are almost here and RSPCA WA has everything you need to keep the kids entertained and out of your hair for a few hours! We have various themed sessions for ages 4 to 15 including our favourites Be a Volunteer Junior and Be a Vet.

Get your onesie out of the cupboard because it is RSPCA WA Sleepover time! Always wanted to fall asleep to the sounds of an animal shelter? Our fun-filled sleepover is available for 9 to 15 year olds. All sessions have a tour included. Check out our website www.rspcawa.asn.au or call 9209 9325. Members only bookings open 16 June and bookings for the general public open on 23 June. We are always excited to see lots of new and familiar faces but get in fast as bookings are limited!

KIDS WONDERLAND - 12 & 13 JULY
Kids Wonderland is an exciting event on 12 & 13 July under a giant circus big top with unlimited rides, sideshow games, Scitech exhibits, The Lulus Show, Bully Busters Workshops, Laser Tag, umbrella painting and a bunch of roving performers! Tickets are $25.00 for kids and $8.00 for adults. See www.kidswonderland.com.au.

WATERWISE TIP - CHOOSE A WATER EFFICIENT LAWN
It is important to manage lawns correctly to minimise water wastage and reduce groundwater pollution through excess fertilising. Choose lawn that requires low water use, is heat and drought tolerant. Warm season grasses such as Couch, Buffalo, Saltene or Kikuyu respond well to the hot summers in Western Australia. By growing your lawn longer you will protect the roots and reduce evaporation, so hold off from mowing your lawns another week or two in summer.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 2014
Entertainment Books are available for purchase for a couple more weeks. 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.

RIVERSIDE MURAL COMPETITION
BY IVAN & ALIN
How many animal species can you count in the new riverside mural painted by our Year 4s with Artist in Residence, Angela Rossen. What would be a great caption to go under the mural?

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Garden City—Booragoon

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.