Principal’s Message

Trivia Night

Congratulations to Table 7 (one of the teachers’ tables but unfortunately not mine!) for winning the Trivia Night. What a fantastic night with over 180 tickets sold and more than $7,000 raised on the night. I think what I took away from the night (not a prize, sadly) was the tremendous community spirit at Ardross Primary School. Parents, teachers, friends and relatives all banded together for a social, fun and fundraising evening. We are very grateful for your generosity.

A HUGE thank you must go to the various sponsors who donated prizes and services for the night. These were all promoted and displayed on tables and I hope all at Ardross will do their best to use these businesses in the future to demonstrate our gratitude. What a great job Dave and Wayne did as comperes! We thank you for offering your time to the school and helping to make our night fun and enjoyable. To our wonderful P&C - all the people behind the scenes that helped to set-up, pack-up, organise and collate - WELL DONE and THANK YOU! Thanks also to our photographer on the night, Jolene. The pics are great! And finally, to the lovely Samantha Hickman and Rebekah Hannafoord who badgered, begged and besieged businesses in the quest for donations, thank you for the vision and the passion to see this project through to its successful conclusion. You can be proud of your efforts as we are extremely grateful. Your family can have you back now. YOU’RE TERRIFIC!

Ceilings

The ceiling repairs continue. Currently, the original classrooms along the verandah are having their ceilings repaired from inside the ceiling. This is more maintenance to prevent the ceilings from sagging. We are trying to have this work done when classes are out on excursions or on the weekends to prevent disruption. This should all be finished shortly.

Choirs & Sing Fest

Last week it was my privilege to attend the combined Melville City Primary Schools’ Singfest. Regrettably, I just missed our Junior Choir in the morning session (but the parents tell me they were fantastic) but was able to attend for the entire afternoon session when the senior choir performed. How lucky we are to have such a talented music teacher in Miss Pateman! The students sang beautifully and with such clarity, enthusiasm and enjoyment. I have to say, the future of music in Melville Schools is in good hands because all performances were outstanding. Thank you to all the parents that came along to support their ‘songbirds’ and thank you to Miss Pateman and the other Ardross teachers that gave up their time after school to bring out the best in our singers. Thanks also to the terrific students that make up our Junior and Senior Choirs, who do such an outstanding job representing our school. You can be very proud of yourselves!

Marimba Concert - 29 May 2015

Please make sure you have this Friday afternoon free on your calendar because you are in for a treat! We can’t wait to see and hear our Year 4 Marimba players. They’ve been playing up a storm. We know you’ll be impressed by their energetic performance. Mr Michael and Miss Pateman and the Year 4’s have organised a great concert so please try to get along and see their performance. The Marimba concert starts at 1.15pm. We will also be presenting merit certificates at the assembly as our next class assembly isn’t until 9 June and we want to acknowledge the efforts of our students.

Allergy Aware Afternoon Tea

Following Friday’s Marimba Concert and Awarding of Merit Certificates the P&C will be hosting an Allergy Aware Afternoon Tea. Parents of children with allergies, or parents that enjoy baking, are asked to bring along something they’ve baked for afternoon tea along with the recipe of how to bake their offering. You should indicate on your dish and in your recipe what allergen the recipe is targeting for example ‘Gluten Free’, ‘Nut Free’ or ‘Egg Free’. 

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The afternoon tea will be held on the Library verandah if the weather is fine or inside the Library, if not. It is expected to start at 2.15pm, immediately following the Marimba Concert Assembly. Parents attending the concert can see their child’s teacher after the assembly and their child can join them for the afternoon tea. Claire Greenwell is looking for people who can help on the day. Please phone her on 0410 587 014.

**Food allergy occurs in around 1 in 20 children and in about 2 in 100 adults. The majority of food allergies in children are not severe, and will be 'outgrown' with time. The most common triggers are hen’s egg, cow’s milk, peanuts and tree nuts. Less common triggers include seafood, sesame, soy, fish and wheat. Peanuts, tree nuts, seeds and seafood are less likely to be outgrown and tend to be lifelong allergies. Some food allergies can be severe, causing life threatening reactions known as anaphylaxis.** 

- See more at: [http://www.allergy.org.au/patients/food-allergy/food-allergy](http://www.allergy.org.au/patients/food-allergy/food-allergy). Hospital admissions for severe allergic reactions (anaphylaxis) have doubled over the last decade in Australia, USA and UK. In Australia, admissions for anaphylaxis due to food allergy in children aged 0 to 4 years are even higher, having increased five fold over the same period.

**WA Day Holiday**

Don’t forget there is a long weekend coming up this weekend. It is the WA Day Long Weekend from 29 May to June 1. This year’s message is ‘It’s WA Day. Just Relax’. I aim to do just that. I hope you will too.

**Mr Holmes’ Return**

As I indicated when I began my tenure at Ardross Primary School, I was in an acting position. The position was initially for one term and was then extended to two terms (or one semester). That tenure will be finishing at the end of this term on July 3. Mr Holmes will be returning to the school and I will be moving on. I have spoken to Mr Holmes and he is very excited to be returning to his beloved Ardross Primary School. His leadership has steered Ardross into the wonderful school that it is today and this will continue. Of course, I will be very sad to leave Ardross but that is still over five weeks away and I have plenty to do before then so I will not be saying my goodbyes just yet.

Karen Duncan
Principal

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**P&C NEWS**

**Trivia Night 2015 – Thank You, Thank You, Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported our trivia night, it was a great social night and we raised $7,400 for our school. Thank you to all our sponsors and in particular our parent sponsors including: Michael Hill Jewellers – Nathan Hickman, Settle Wise Conveyancing – Sally Foster, WA Photo Booths – Kate Yeomins, Dynamic Strength Physio – Marika Hart, Gabriella Frattini – Chim See, Ultimate Aesthetics – Dr Carolyn Choy, Papillon Belle Butterfly Jewellery – Jolene Ellat, Arreum Han – Your Local Estate Agent, Marie Ainsworth, Bangs Hair Salon – Troy Naylor, Caretech – David Wearne, Daniel Hechter – Vijay Chattrath, Himali Gurkha Nepalese Restaurant, Phoenix Trading – Joice Gibbens, Forensic Healer – Mala Chattrath, O’Goodies – Katie Bailey, Shedley Wines and to Mrs Warren for creating the fabulous artwork with our students.

**Robin Hood Project – Melville City Council – WE WON!!**

A big thank you to all the parents who voted for the School’s Nature Based Play Area in the Melville City Council’s Robin Hood Project. Our school had the most votes and won $10,000 to build the nature based play area at the top of the oval. We won the grant with an amazing 1,255 votes with second place receiving 740 votes. What a super effort from the Ardross Primary School community. It truly is an amazing effort made by all and I think we are still in shock.

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**For a Gold Coin Donation we would love for you to join us at our**

**Allergy Awareness Afternoon Tea!**

**When: Friday, 29 of May**

**At: 2:15pm (after the Marimba concert)!**

**Where: Library**

*If you can help out by bringing a plate or help with organising the event please call or Text Claire on 0410 587 014*

*We would love to see you there!*
On Wednesday our Junior and Senior Choirs attended Singfest 2015 at the Melville City Council Main Hall. This festival ran over 3 days with 5 concerts. Each concert features community songs the students have been learning as well as an item from each school. In the morning, our amazing Juniors sang Three Little Birds (Nyit Djidi Djidi) in both English and Noongar as their item, and joined with Brentwood, Bannister Creek, Leeming, Rostrata and Rossmoyne Primary Schools’ junior choirs singing The Mummy Song, Wild West Medley, Ipharidisi, Alfred and My Gal’s a Corker.

The Senior Choir performed Wanjoo and Happy as their item, and joined with Brentwood, Melville, Bannister Creek, Thornlie and Rossmoyne Primary Schools’ Senior Choirs to perform the partner songs When the Saints go Marching In and Swing Low, Sweet Chariot, followed by Star Trekkin’, Furaha, The Green Hills of Albany and Spiderman.

Feedback from parents, teachers and the organisers was extremely positive and we are very proud of our amazing choirs for their outstanding behaviour as performers and audience members, their effort in learning the songs and their confidence on stage. A special thank you to Sienna Motton, Ciana Hudson and Electra Radford for announcing our items at short notice. You all spoke confidently and articulately on the microphone.

Lynda Pateman
Music Teacher
INTERSCCHOOL SPORT RESULTS - ARDROSS V PALMYRA

We have our first interschool games on Friday, 15 May against Palmyra Primary School. Netball A, Netball B and Soccer were held at our school and the AFL was at Shirley Strickland Reserve. We thank all of our parents who were able to come and support us on the day and look forward to seeing more of you at future games. The students have been training hard at lunch times and before school to help build skills and teams that worked well together was reflected during the games.

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If there are any parents who are able to assist with umpiring please contact me at school or via email at alison.davies2@education.wa.edu.au.

Alison Davies
Physical Education Specialist

OSHCLUB NEWS

This week we are learning about Australian animals. We have fun learning through games, activities and science. Please feel free to join us and if you have any suggestions, let me know and we will try to implement them in our program. Thank you to the parents that get involved and have fun with us - your child loves it.

During Term 2 we have been creating a poster on ‘Children’s Funniest Moments’ to capture the priceless words that come out of ‘babe’s mouths’. Here are some examples:

♦ Matthew -6 years: If you like “Bananas and you like chips -then you like “BANANA CHIPS”!
♦ Declan – 10 years: “When I grow up I want to be “Night Wing”! (a Batman character)

Val Maioranana
OSHClub Coordinator

CANTEEN ROSTER

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2015 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

The new ENTERTAINMENT BOOK is now available. Please complete the order form and then place it into the mail box in the front office. Payment can be by cash or credit card and the first 25 orders will receive a bonus sheet of early offers. At only $65, this book will be a fantastic investment for your social activities, and supports the fundraising effort for our school. A sample book is available for viewing in the front office. For any enquiries please contact Tracy Thillainath on 0438 364 236.

UNIFORM SHOP

4 June 2015  9.00-9.30am
18 June 2015  9.00-9.30am

MS SOCIETY - KIDS CHALLENGE

The MS Society of WA is very excited to announce the first ever Kids Challenge for the annual Enerflex Step Up for MS on 7 June 2015. Children aged 6 – 11 are encouraged to join this fantastic event by running up the top ten flights of the iconic Central Park building on St Georges Terrace. They will certainly feel on top of the world after crossing the finish line on the roof of Perth’s tallest building whilst knowing they have helped make a difference to the thousands of Western Australians living with multiple sclerosis. Last year we raised a phenomenal $212,385 for Western Australians living with MS. Please go to http://stepupforms.org.au/sign-up/kids-challenge to register for the Kids Challenge. If you have any questions, feel free to give us a call on 6454 3131 or email us at events@mswa.org.au.
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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