



Ardross Primary

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Principal's Message

Greetings to staff, students, parents and community members, welcome to this edition of the newsletter. It has been another busy fortnight, with many teaching and learning opportunities, excursions and incursions. Teaching staff have finalised mid year reports which will be distributed on Friday, 24 June, with parent interviews available during week 10. We are also holding parent interviews from 3.30pm to 5.30pm on Wednesday, 29 June. Classroom teachers will post a timetable for a 10 minute timeslot outside of their rooms shortly.

P&C MEETING

I would like to acknowledge and thank the members of our hardworking P&C who continue to provide such huge support to our school, both with in kind donation of their time through the canteen, nursery work and book covering, to financial support for Athletics, Reading Eggs and Scitech memberships for students. The two current programs of Yoga and Bike Education would not be possible if we didn't have such enthusiastic members who look for grant submissions to support our teaching and learning programs. As was discussed at last night's meeting, the activities on the Term Planners indicate that our students are involved in so much more than literacy and numeracy, and receive opportunities across a variety of learning areas. Across the year levels we aspire to support the Departments focus of Success for all Students and High Quality, High Care. Thank you to Samantha Hickman, Rebekah Hannaford, Angela Tooker and Naomi Edwardes as the P&C Executive and to the P&C members for your support – IT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED by staff, students and community members.

ENROLMENT 2017

As amazing as it seems, I am now starting to plan for 2017!! This process commences with the enrolment of Kindergarten and Pre Primary students. Pre Primary is now the first year of compulsory education in Western Australia, and now falls under the Local Intake Policy. This means that ALL Pre Primary students who reside in the Local Intake area are eligible to enrol in their local school. Although not compulsory, enrolment to the Kindergarten program will also be Local Intake where possible. This means that ALL Kindergarten students who reside in the Local Intake area will be given priority to enrol in their local school, however this does not guarantee enrolment. Applications for Enrolment 2017 close on Friday, 29 July (end of Week 2 Term 3). After Friday, 29 July all applications for enrolment will be assessed according to the enrolment policy. After the Local Intake applications have been established, and where the remaining number of applications exceeds the number of places available at the school, the Principal will give priority to applications in the following order:

- child whose usual place of residence is **NOT** in the intake area who has a sibling enrolled at the school for the year and who lives nearest to the school;
- child whose usual place of residence is **NOT** in the intake area who does not have a sibling enrolled at the school for the year and who lives nearest to the school.

Applications for enrolment for Years 1 to 6 continue to be assessed according to the Local Intake Policy. **(All currently enrolled Pre Primary students DO NOT have to submit an application for enrolment for Year 1 unless you are out of boundary.)** All applications for enrolment require proof of your usual place of residence. An example of this would be a utilities account (electricity, water or gas) showing your name and usual place of residence. Please be advised that it is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to provide true and correct information to the school at the time of applying for enrolment. Where information is received and verified that true and correct information has not been provided, the Principal may cancel the Application for Enrolment. General enrolment information, information on the Local Intake area and the Appeals Process can be found on our website www.ardrossps.wa.edu.au or on the Department website at www.det.wa.edu.au.

INTERSCHOOL SPORT RESULTS

Last Friday students in Years 5 and 6 played against Winthrop. In a very enjoyable afternoon of sports, our students displayed great sportsmanship and skill against a much larger school who fielded teams of mainly Year 6 students!. The results were:

	Ardross	Winthrop
Netball A	42	12
Netball B	13	15
Soccer	3	5
AFL	119	6

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Friday 17 June
Yarloop Tree Planting for Black Cockatoos

Wednesday 22 June
Cross Country
Kindy & Pre Primary Photos
School Board - 7.15pm

Friday 24 June
Open Hour - Room 5
Interschool v Palmyra (Home)
Reports sent home

Monday 27 June
Room 9 - Buddy Bench

Tuesday 28 June
Assembly - Room 19

Friday 1 July
Ride to School Breakfast
Last day of Term2

Monday 18 July
Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 19 July
Term 3 starts

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KISS AND DRIVE

The Kiss and Drive provides parents and students from Years 1 to 6 with a quick and convenient way of dropping off and picking up. Thank you to all of the parents who use the Kiss and Drive area appropriately, following the rules of the zone and not parking in these designated bays. Remember that if your child is not at Kiss and Drive when you arrive, then you complete the loop around the block and join the back of the line.



HOMEWORK POLICY

The Homework Policy as ratified by the School Board at their last meeting is now online. Ardross Primary School recognises that learning is an ongoing process which takes place in a variety of situations including the home and hence **encourages** students to complete homework. Homework is purposeful out of class learning that seeks to enhance the extent to which each child benefits from their education. It provides an opportunity for students to share their learning with their families, to consolidate work learnt in the classroom and to prepare for lifelong learning beyond the classroom experience.

We believe homework supports student learning by:

- ◆ developing independent learning, self discipline, time management and organisational skills;
- ◆ allowing students to practise the skills introduced to the class;
- ◆ extending students' knowledge;
- ◆ providing opportunities for individual research; and
- ◆ encouraging good study habits in preparation for further education.

Homework should:

- ◆ support the development of the student's independence as a learner;
- ◆ further the partnership between school and home and be seen as an opportunity for the home and school to work cooperatively to support the child's learning;
- ◆ not be dependent on unreasonable levels of parental assistance or resources that are not readily available to the student;
- ◆ be set without impinging on reasonable time for family, recreational, cultural and employment pursuits relevant to the student's age, development and educational aspirations;
- ◆ be balanced across learning areas where possible, to avoid stress and overload;
- ◆ be phased in gradually and consistently as students move through the upper primary years;
- ◆ be consistently applied, monitored and assessed in a whole-school approach, that is responsive to individual needs and learning area requirements;
- ◆ be clearly explained with sufficient written instructions and when applicable be revision of work that is understood by the students; and
- ◆ be checked regularly by the teacher.

Please read the Homework Policy carefully and feedback any queries or concerns through either your classroom teacher, School Board Members or the P&C.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Also at the recent School Board a discussion was held with regards to the establishment and use of an Ardross Primary School Facebook page. There has previously been a "parent" Facebook page set up to advertise the 50th Anniversary back in 2011. At present the Board does not endorse an Ardross Facebook page as there are presently many communication strategies the school which teachers and parents use to communicate. The School Board will however be developing a Social Media Policy between now and the end of the year, to ensure that all members of the school community are aware of their responsibilities when using social media.

PRINCIPAL'S CONFERENCE

Apologies that this was not in the last newsletter! This Wednesday, Thursday and Friday I will be attending the Western Australian Primary Principal's Conference, together with approximately 500 administrators from around Western Australia. In my absence, Mr Parker and Ms Riley will be available to handle any queries or concerns, although I will be contactable during the day should it be necessary.

MR HOLMES' LONG SERVICE LEAVE

Due to the current department policy of clearing LSL entitlements accrued before January 2014, I will be taking the last week of this term as leave. Again in my absence, Mr Parker and Ms Riley will be available to address any queries. I would like to congratulate all staff, students, parents and community members for another outstanding semester where we have all worked hard together to "Motivate" "Educate" and Celebrate". This will be the final newsletter for the term. Enjoy the holidays.

Andrew Holmes
Principal

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS



At this week's assembly the winners were:

Room 20	Rachel Cheong, Jasmine Ellery, Joshua Gaza, Calvin Teo.
Room 19	Cate Ross-Adams, Joshua Cook, Sean Kwan.
Room 16	Lionel Glendenning, Peiling Liu.
Room 13	Haydn Gibbens, Matthew Longa.
Room 11/12	Neela Caruso, Sarah Skinner.
Room 10	Izaak Bodur, Amar Muhammad.
Room 9	Jye Foster, Joshua Kelly, Isaac Yiu.
Room 8	Sarah Casotti, Arabella Isaac, Nicole Mengel.
Room 7	Jessica Chen, Joshua Oliver, Zac Ting.
Room 6	NJ Caruso, Sherina Wang, Emilee Wilson.
Room 5	Andrej Ceranic, Caden Hart, Aryana Soleimanie, Ruby Squire.
Room 4	Henrique Akabane Cunha Vianna, Jessica Bates, Evan Fasher, Brock Ridgway.
Room 3	Harrison Greenwell-Roberts, George Joannides, Ebony McGuigan.
Room 2	James Hunt, Aiden Theobald, Piya Whittle.
Japanese	Laura Cairns, Quentin O'Keefe, Xavier Variyan.



ARDROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL - CROSS COUNTRY - WEDNESDAY, 22 JUNE 2016

The Cross Country is fast approaching and to help the day run smoothly we require the help of parents. If you are able to assist on the day please contact Ali Davies on Alison.davies2@education.wa.edu.

(All times are approximate)

Years 5 and 6 – 9:10am till 10:20am

Year 6 Boys at 9:10am
 Year 6 Girls at 9:30am
 Year 5 Boys at 9:50am
 Year 5 Girls at 10:10am

Years 3 and 4 – 10:20am till 11:00am

Year 4 Boys at 10:20am
 Year 4 Girls at 10:30am
 Year 3 Boys at 10:40am
 Year 3 Girls at 10:50am

Years 1 and 2 – 11.25am till 12:15pm

Year 2 Boys at 11:25am
 Year 2 Girls at 11:35am
 Year 1 Boys at 11:45am
 Year 1 Girls at 11:55am

Presentation of medallions for Years 1 to 6 at 2.40pm in the Undercover Area (all attend).

Alison Davies
Physical Education Specialist



ORDERING GROUP SCHOOL PHOTOS

For parents wanting to order group photos such as the student councillors, choir, faction captains, environmental councillors, literacy leaders and computer leaders you can do so online with Photo Hendriks at www.photohendriks galleries.com.

Click on **Ardrross Primary School** and the password is '**ard016**'. The photos are now available to order online.

KINDY & PRE PRIMARY PHOTO DAY - WEDNESDAY, 22 JUNE 2016

The school photo day is coming. This week every student will receive a Kapture Photography order envelope to bring home. The recommended method of ordering your photos is online through Kapture's website as your payment is secure and can be easily verified at any time. Alternatively you can pay by cash and return the provided envelope to the school on the photography day. If you place your order online please DO NOT return your envelope to school.

Any parent who forgets or is unable to supply their envelope on the photo day will have five (5) days to complete an order online. Late payment envelopes cannot be accepted by the school office or by Kapture. Kapture offer a money back guarantee for any parent who is not fully satisfied with their photo package. Should you have any queries before or after photo day, please direct them to the Kapture office on 9240 1714 or email enquiries@kapture.com.au.

**RIDE2SCHOOL DAY - FRIDAY, 1 JULY**

Get those wheels pumped up for this year's Ride to School Day on Friday, 1 July!

As many of our Years 4 to 6 students have been participating in Bike Education this term, we thought we would host our event at the culmination of the course. By riding and walking to school, students contribute to their minimum physical activity level of 60 minutes per day. Research shows that students who ride and walk as part of their journey to school are more focused and ready to learn when compared with those who are driven.

Additionally, we will provide a nice warm, winter's breakfast upon arrival for all students who ride to school that day. With the assistance of our Canteen Mums, we will whip up some porridge for you to enjoy with a few berries and a drizzle of honey! Yum!

Don't forget to enter our raffle for your chance to win a cool prize! Take out your bikes or scooters, or strap on some skates and come and join the fun on 1 July. Breakfast will be served from 8.20am. See you then!

Health Committee

OSHCLUB NEWS

We quite often receive your feedback about how much your children enjoy and look forward to coming to the program, so I would like to share with you some thoughts from some of the children who attend the program on a regular basis.

Elizabeth - Year 1: loves science, so we are in process of making a volcano created to erupt.

Rory - Year 3 : loves inventing machinery to make people's life easier, so we have recycled cardboard boxes and plastic to create his inventions.

Funny moments:

Nikrai - Kindy : "Did you know I'm getting older and older?"

Cherie - Staff : "Yes I know, I'm getting older too"

Nikrai - Kindy : "You're getting veryyyy old"

Val Maiorana
Program Coordinator

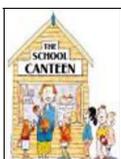
**USED TOY COLLECTION - DECLUTTER BEFORE SUMMER!**

Kindy and Pre-Primary students spend a portion of their school time on play-based learning. This means that there is a fair bit of wear and tear, and toys need to be regularly replaced. Therefore, if your children have outgrown any toys which are still in good condition, you could consider donating them to the school. This would mean that you can declutter your kids' cupboards in time for Christmas AND do a good deed for our school!

In particular, we are looking for:

- ◆ any Lego or Duplo
- ◆ dress up clothes (especially pirates, princes and princesses, construction workers, doctors, police officers etc)
- ◆ sand toys, including shovels, buckets, sieves etc
- ◆ K'nex, Mobilo and similar construction toys
- ◆ puzzles for 3 to 6 year olds.

You can donate any of these items to the school's Early Childhood Program. Please drop them off throughout the year to Miss Brown's classroom, Room 16. Helen Brown will distribute the toys between all Early Childhood teachers.



CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 15 June	Alison Miller 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm Rebekah Hannaford 9-11.00am
Thu 16 June	HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm David Burns 9-11.00am
Fri 17 June	Vivienne Cheng 9-1.00pm Dessy Nugrahanto 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-11.00am HELP NEEDED 11-1.00pm
Wed 22 June	HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm
Thu 23 June	Kim MacIsaac 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm Gloria Fitzgerald 9-11.00am
Fri 24 June	HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-11.00am HELP NEEDED 11-1.00pm



UNIFORM SHOP

23 June 2016 9.00 - 9.30am
21 July 2016 9.00 - 9.30am

CANTEENS NEWS

On Friday, 1 July the Canteen will be having a Mexican Day. We will be selling:

- ◆ Large nachos - \$4.50
- ◆ Small nachos - \$3.50
- ◆ Quesadilla - cheese or cheese salsa - \$3.50
- ◆ New lime flavoured slushies.

Pre orders would be appreciated but there will be extras available for sale on the day.

KIDS WONDERLAND CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL - 2 TO 10 JULY 2016

For a one time entry fee you can enjoy all the carnival rides, entertaining live shows and performance activities, crafts and roving entertainment for free. Our entire event is undercover at Hertha North Reserve, 21 Cedric Street, Stirling. We would like to offer a 10% off school coupon code for all students and family members. Below are the steps to gain discount:

- ◆ head to www.kidswonderland.com.au
- ◆ click 'Buy Tickets'
- ◆ chose your 'Date', then preferred 'Session Time'
- ◆ choose the number of adult or child tickets under 'Option 1'
- ◆ click 'Get Tickets'
- ◆ under 'Have a Coupon' enter - 5012
- ◆ the 10% discount will apply and you can complete your transaction.



2017 JAPAN GIL TOUR INFORMATION SESSION

21 June - 6.00pm at Mosman Park Primary (in the library)

Students who will be in Years 7, 8 or 9 in 2017 can apply for this amazing tour going to Japan, 14 to 25 January 2017. Students will attend school in Japan and stay with a Japanese host family for 7 nights as well as a 2 day tour in Tokyo. Don't miss out! For more information contact Jason Hutchinson on 9444 7687 or email jason@goldil.com.au.



WATERWISE TIPS - TOILETS AREN'T BINS

It's surprising how many people use the toilet to flush away cigarette butts, tissues, cotton buds and other rubbish. Apart from the potential to cause problems in the wastewater system, this practice wastes large volumes of water. Place a small bin in your bathroom or next to your toilet so that people have the waterwise option of discarding rubbish.

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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