



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 are busy finalising mid year reports which will be distributed on Friday, 24 June. More information about Reporting to Parents in Semester One below...

REPORTING TO PARENTS

Staff are currently finalising Semester 1 formal reports. Reports will be sent home on Friday, 24 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, 29 June from 3.30 - 5.30pm. An appointment schedule will be 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!

ANNUAL REPORT 2015

The Annual Report for 2015 was ratified by the School Board and is now available for the school community to read on our website www.ardrossps.wa.edu.au. It has also been downloaded onto the department website <http://www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolsonline/home.do>. I would like to thank the Learning Area Coordinators for their input into the Annual Report and also the School Board in their due diligence in reviewing the report before being ratified. The Annual Report is a celebration of the achievements of our school community in 2015 and highlights the outstanding efforts by all - WELL DONE!

SUPER SCIENCE

On Tuesdays and Thursdays over the next 2 weeks, ten students from Year 5 with a flair for science have the opportunity to be involved in the Super Science program at Applecross Senior High School. Congratulations to Rachel Cheong, Joshua Ganza, Joia Kowalewski, Vageesha Jayasinghe, Lars Divitini, Ginger Narayan, Law Sharland, Catie Major, Elena Lidgard and Thomas Skinner who are representing Ardross in this program together with students from Applecross and Booragoon Primary Schools. The program is very exciting!

- Session 1:** Cephalopods: Not for the squeamish. In this session you will be dissecting a cephalopod to learn how this fantastic organism works. We will also look at some of its live relatives.
- Session 2:** Chemical Reactions: See what happens when different chemicals meet. In this series you will see some amazing chemical reactions.
- Session 3:** May the force be with you: we will investigate magnetic and electric forces and discover why they are related.
- Session 4:** STEM Challenge: Test your Scientific Thinking and knowledge in a series of fun science investigations that will bend you mind and challenge your view of reality.

A big thank you to the staff at Applecross Senior High School for offering this program.

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

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Wednesday 1 June
Farmyard on Wheels

Thursday 2 June
Super Science at AXSHS

Friday 3 June
Interschool v Booragoon

Monday 6 June
Western Australia Day -
Public Holiday

Tuesday 7 June
Super Science at AXSHS

Thursday 9 June
Musica Viva Concert

Friday 10 June
Interschool v Winthrop

Monday 13 June
Welcome to Fremantle -
Rooms 2, 3, 4, 19 & 20
P&C Meeting - 7.30pm

Tuesday 14 June
Assembly - Room 5

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your usual place of residence. An example of this would be a utilities account (electricity, water or telephone) 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.

SINGFEST

Congratulations to Miss Mason and the School Choir who sang sensationally at the City of Melville Singfest last week. The feedback from parents was great! Miss Mason has been working extremely hard with the choir in preparation for the Western Australian Society for Music Concert Series to be held at Burswood in Term 3. Well done to all students who have been attending choir practice after school on Thursdays to ensure such high quality performances.

JAPANESE FESTIVAL

Congratulations to Sensei Rego, Ms Heary and Room 19 students for coordinating our Japanese Festival today. Japanese Day involved all students from Pre Primary to Year 6 rotating through a number of games that are commonly played by children in Japan. Students from Room 19 explained and demonstrated the games. The games played were

- Suupaabooru sukui
- Yoyo sukui
- Kendama (school competition is running)
- Otedama
- iPad Shogi
- Number bingo
- Take Tonbo
- Chop sticks

INTERSCHOOL SPORT RESULTS

Last Friday students in Years 5 and 6 played against Melville. In a very enjoyable afternoon of sports, our students displayed great sportsmanship and skill. The results were:

	Ardross	Melville		Ardross	Melville
Netball A	7	13	Soccer	4	5
Netball B	5	13	AFL	3	125

BIKE EDUCATION

The Bike Education program conducted by AustCycles for Years 4 to 6 is now well underway. The instructors have assessed each bike and helmet for safety and roadworthiness. Students then participate in practical lessons on the school quadrangle, and eventually on the local roads and are introduced to basic, intermediate and experienced bike handling skills. As the weeks progress the program becomes more complex, with students being taken out on to the road to learn the skills necessary to be proficient bike users. We would like to thank SGIO for assisting with sponsorship and reducing the cost of this program for our students. The program concludes with a Safely Ride to School Breakfast on Friday, 1 July.

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

All students from Years 1 to 6 have been participating in morning fitness on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, running around our Cross Country course from 8.55am to 9.15am. It is great to see all of the students participate in morning fitness and run as many laps as they can in 20 minutes! Well done also to the large group of parents who stands around the course and encourage students on! The Cross Country Carnival will be held on Wednesday, 22 June. 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!!

LOST PROPERTY

There must be a lot of grumpy Mums and Dads out there at the moment. The reason - your hard earned money is literally sitting in our lost property box. There are so many school jumpers sitting in the lost property at the moment that haven't been claimed or collected. Worse still, many have no names on them. If your child has lost a jumper recently please ask them to come down and take a look (they should take responsibility for their property). So, please don't buy your child a new jumper if it's lost. Check out the lost property first.

YEAR 6 LEAVER SHIRTS

We would like to acknowledge and thank Alison Miller for organising the Year 6 Leaver Shirts. They look terrific and the Year 6 students are really enjoying wearing them. They were worth the wait. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! You're a star!

PRINCIPAL'S CONFERENCE

Next 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 Mrs Bishop will be available to handle any queries or concerns, although I will be contactable during the day should it be necessary.

Andrew Holmes
Principal

HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS



At this week's assembly the winners were:

Room 20	Eamon Cooper, Joshua Kelly.
Room 19	Shaun Lua, Matthew Winchester.
Room 16	Matilda Brown, Lucas Yiu.
Room 13	Kein Park, Jerome Tan.
Room 11/12	Chloe McGill, Samuel Westwood.
Room 10	Ryan Fasher, Ryan Harold.
Room 9	Daria Dragoi, Izzy Hart, Miraslava Kuzniatsova.
Room 8	Cameron Brown, Sophie McGill, Matthew Smith.
Room 7	Sasha Buckner, Vidarsha Jayasinghe, Kelly Patten.
Room 6	Rishika Arora, Oliver Cox, Madison Naylor.
Room 5	Thomas He, Keiran Morar.
Room 4	Tayla Bailey, Isaac Beitmanas.
Room 3	Romy Bridgland, Chloe Lee, Jennifer Nguyen.
Room 2	Jonathon Chan, Amelia Chang, Jake Kwan.
Japanese	Dylan Scott, Liam Scott.
Phys Ed	Phoebe Hudson, Joseph Kelly, Joshua Kelly, Mira Kuzniatsova, Marcus Motton, Sienna Motton.

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**

P&C NEWS

Nursery

Now more than ever Bruce Ivers needs assistance with the nursery. If you can please spare a few hours to assist Bruce with weeding and plating it would greatly benefit the kids and the school. Bruce can be contacted on email bruce@crossburn.com.au.

Principal for the Day

Once again congratulations to Harrison and Amy Greenwell who will have their day as 'Principal'. Amy will have her Day on Tuesday, 7 June and her 'Rule for the Day' is 'All kids to have half hour of free time'. Harrison will have his day on Tuesday, 21 June and his 'Rule for the Day' is 'An extra 10 minutes at recess and lunch'.

Donations

Thank you to Jonathan Oliver and Jacqui Thomson from AECOM for their kind donation of new carpet squares for our children to use each assembly - 200 new squares have been delivered with another 200 on the way.

Thank you to Dee Skuzza from Melville City Council for their kind donation of 2 picnic tables/chairs which are now placed out on the oval under the trees for the children to enjoy.

Meeting

Please join us for the next P&C Meeting which will be held on Monday, 13 June at 7.30pm in the Staff Room.

**Samantha Hickman
 P&C President**

BEFORE SCHOOL READING PROGRAM

Before school reading runs on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8.30 - 8.50am in Room 17. Please come and join us! Parents, grandparents, toddlers and babies are welcome. This is a warm and relaxed way to start the school day and improve reading skills. We hope to see you soon!

Ms Lawson, Mrs Hia and the Literacy Captains



FREE JAZZ PERFORMANCE

Adam Hall & the Velvet Players will be performing at school on Thursday, 9 June at 1.00pm and again at 2.00pm. Parents and family are welcome to come and watch the Jazz performance for free.

Claire Mason
Music Specialist Teacher

MILK CARTONS REQUIRED

Kindergarten is in desperate need of 1 litre cardboard milk cartons. Please wash and bring them to Room 15 - Ms Downey. Thank you.

PARENT HELP FOR BOOK COVERING

A big thank you to the parents who came in on Friday, 19 May and covered our new decodable readers. We are very excited to get them into the Pre Primary and start reading!

Mrs Maley



CANTEEN ROSTER

Wed 1 June	HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm
Thu 2 June	Angela Tooker..... 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-11.00am
Fri 3 June	Charlotte Oliver 9-1.00pm Sherraley Naylor 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-11.00am HELP NEEDED 11-1.00pm
Wed 8 June	HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm
Thu 9 June	HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm Jen McGill 11-1.00pm
Fri 10 June	Mel Smith. 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-1.00pm HELP NEEDED 9-11.00am HELP NEEDED 11-1.00pm



UNIFORM SHOP
 9 June 2016 9.00 - 9.30am
 23 June 2016 9.00 - 9.30am

2017 JAPAN GIL TOUR INFORMATION SESSION
21 June 2016 at 6.00pm - Mosman Park Primary (in the library)

Students who will be in Years 7, 8 or 9 in 2017 can apply for this tour going to Japan from January 14 to 25, 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. For more information contact Jason Hutchinson: jason@goldil.com.au.



2016 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Don't be caught without your new copy : the old book expires on 1 June. Limited numbers of the book are still available. Order online or from the order forms which are available from the front office. At only \$65 this book will save you money throughout the entire year. **This fundraiser will close at the end of this term, so be sure to order your copy soon.** Any enquiries call Tracy Thillainath - 0438 364 236.



WATERWISE TIPS - FIX A LEAKING TOILET

A leaking toilet can be extremely wasteful, losing up to a litre an hour. If this is left unchecked for a year this will waste approximately 9,000 litres of water. To check your cistern, place a few drops of food colouring in the tank. Without flushing it, look for colouring in the toilet bowl. If it's getting through, you've got a leak and it's time to call a plumber. By stopping a leaking toilet you can save approximately 9,000 litres of water a year.

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