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# WAVE

## 3rd July 2020

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TERM 3 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS Monday 20 July & Tuesday 21 July

Students return to school Wednesday 22 July.



## Principal's Pen

Term 2, Issue 6

We have reached the end of Term Two. A term that commenced with very few students attending school and most students working from home on work packages. We did not get back to full attendance until Week Five. As we are slowly coming out of the Covid 19 restrictions in Western Australia, the Phase 4 Operating Guidelines have just been released to schools. (A copy is available on the Website and the App).

At this point from next term, commencing 22 July, parents and caregivers are allowed on school grounds but with a two metre social distancing rule in place. This means that many of the practises that we have in place will remain the same. The Administration Office, due to its size will be restricted to five people at any one time. Access to the school will remain the same. Parents are welcome to drop their children at the classroom door between 8:15 and 8:30am. Teachers will be available for meetings after school by appointment. The morning and afternoon drop off and pick up of our students is working so well thanks to my amazing staff. Our students enjoy having us welcome them to school when we meet them at the gate so we will continue this practice. The end of the day pickup also seems to be working well so at this stage we are not proposing any changes.

Assemblies can now go ahead but with two metre social distancing for adults. This has posed a big problem, as the Undercover Area would not house the students and parents in any numbers. We are therefore going to trial Assemblies without parents and community members but we will live stream on our Facebook page so that all family members can feel part of the assembly. The dates of the Assemblies have changed in order to accommodate the classes that missed out last term. Therefore, a new semester planner has been prepared and is available online and on the App. Carnivals and Interschool Carnivals are also now permitted but with two metre social distancing for adults. This should not pose a problem as we have a fairly large outdoor area. Swimming has I am afraid, been cancelled for this year. We are however in the process of booking our school in for the 2021 school year.

I am very pleased to say that the Year Six Camp which was postponed has been rescheduled for the week commencing 27 July. The Year Six students will be heading to Albany accompanied by Mrs Bell, Ms Stokes, Mrs Pinches and Mr Mercer. The Camp facilities have been thoroughly checked out and are compliant with the Covid 19 regulations. Ms Wildish on behalf of the Year Five students and staff organised a Cookie Dough Fundraiser to help pay for some of the Year Five camp costs. A big thank you to all of our fantastic parents who got on board and purchased Cookie Dough. 1096 tubs of cookie dough have been sold raising over \$3,500 making this a very successful fundraiser. Kindergarten will be on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for Semester Two. Phase Three of Transition will commence on 31 July where our Pre-Kindergarten students get to experience a full day of school. School Reports were emailed out at the beginning of the week if you didn't receive the link please let us know. The City of Wanneroo have informed us that they have installed signs to indicate the bus parking area, these are situated at the front of the school. Please take note of the new parking signs in order to avoid an infringement.

As we finalise Semester One, I would like to thank my amazing staff for all that they do for our students, parents and the school. It has been a very difficult term with a great deal of stress caused to everyone as a result of the pandemic that we have all had to come to terms with. They have all stoically maintained a very happy demeanour for our students in order to ensure a happy, harmonious, stress free environment here at school. It is with a great deal of sadness that we farewell Linda, our amazing Manager Corporate Services who has won the position at the new Yanchep School. Linda will be extremely missed by us all, but we all wish her the very best in her new role. Finally, on behalf of the staff and myself I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe two week break and look forward to seeing everyone back on Wednesday 22 July.

Regards, Elizabeth Wildish

Dates for your Diary Term 3, 2020											
1 JUL	20 SDD (students do not attend)	21 SDD (students do not attend)	22	23	24	25/26					
2	27 Yr 6 Camp	28	29	30	31 WAVE Phase 3 Transition	1/2					
3 AUG	3	4	5	6	7	8/9					
4	10	11	12 <mark>Yr 5 Assembly</mark>	13	14	15/16					

*	C L	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	School will once again be collating and submitting data as part of the National	
I B	A S S	Kindy	Pre Primary	Pre Primary	Pre Primary	Year Five	Collection of Data (NCCD) in August. These submissions are mandatory for all government schools across Australia.	
R A R	T I M	Year One	Year Six	Year Three	Year Two		Please ensure any student collection messages are phoned	
	Year E Four S				Year Five Year Six		through to Administration by <u>2pm</u> at the latest.	

## What's Happening

## Chinese

In the last few weeks, students from Year Three to Year Six have been busy recording a video message to respond to the letters that were received from their respective Chinese pen-pals in Taiwan. The students were all very excited to receive a letter and to learn about their pen-pal's family, favourite food, drink and activities. Students also noticed some interesting cultural differences when it comes to some food and drink items such as Bubble Tea and Fruit Sand. Do you know what they are?



### **Pre-Primary**

What a week we have had in Pre-Primary! We have been diligently learning our sounds, writing sentences and reading. In Art we have been exploring warm colours with Mrs King, who loves to play with shaving cream! Our STEM unit concluded with us designing and making a model sail boat out of different materials. Thank you to Parents and Carers for bringing in baby photos of us and helping us do our HASS research of where our Families come from. We wish all of our friends a well deserved holiday!





## Around the School

## What's Happening

#### Year One

The Year One students have been learning how to write Procedural texts in Literacy. We did a fun hands on activity where we made Fairy Bread together and then wrote up our procedure. The



students thoroughly enjoyed making and eating the fairy bread! We have also been learning about the reading strategy Cause and Effect. We have done lots of fun demonstrations and group work to show Cause and Effect first hand, such as popping balloons and breaking eggs. In Science we have been learning about Chemical Science and how materials are changed. The students loved seeing the demonstration of popcorn being heated, water freezing and watching chocolate



#### melting. Year Two

This fortnight we have been collecting data to create bar graphs. On Thursday, our teachers had a delicious surprise for us! We were given smarties and used the colour tallies we created to make our graphs. In Literacy, we are really enjoying researching animals and writing information reports.

**Year Three** 









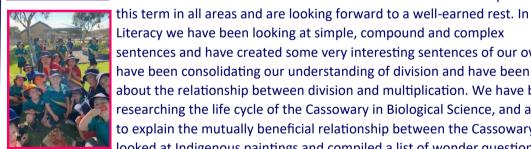
The Year Three students have been really busy in

the classroom, kitchen and the garden! We have been learning about fractions, writing reviews and cooking bruschetta and hommus in the kitchen. When one group is cooking, the other group is gardening. Check out our purple cauliflower!

### **Year Four**

The Year Four students have worked extremely hard





Literacy we have been looking at simple, compound and complex sentences and have created some very interesting sentences of our own. We have been consolidating our understanding of division and have been learning about the relationship between division and multiplication. We have been

researching the life cycle of the Cassowary in Biological Science, and are creating Keynote presentations to explain the mutually beneficial relationship between the Cassowary and the plum. In HASS we looked at Indigenous paintings and compiled a list of wonder questions about what life was like

prior to colonisation.

#### **Year Five**

In Literacy, Year Five students have been busy writing a news article on a stolen painting titled The Blue Daughter. They have had lots of fun filming their news articles as news presenters using a variety of filming techniques. In Maths, students have been learning to develop formulas to calculate the perimeter of a variety of shapes. They have also been using these formulas to design and draw a house plan. In Science, students have had so much fun learning about the properties of solids, liquids and gases and made Oobleck in an experiment to investigate its properties.

#### Year Six





In Literacy, we have written informative reports on a book that we have read which we then presented to the class as a speech. In Numeracy, we have been learning about long division and converting units of measurement. In Science, we had the chance to work outside before the weather turned too cold and wet to observe the different states of matter. Our experiment didn't work, but we are learning that not all experiments will work and how we can make them better.





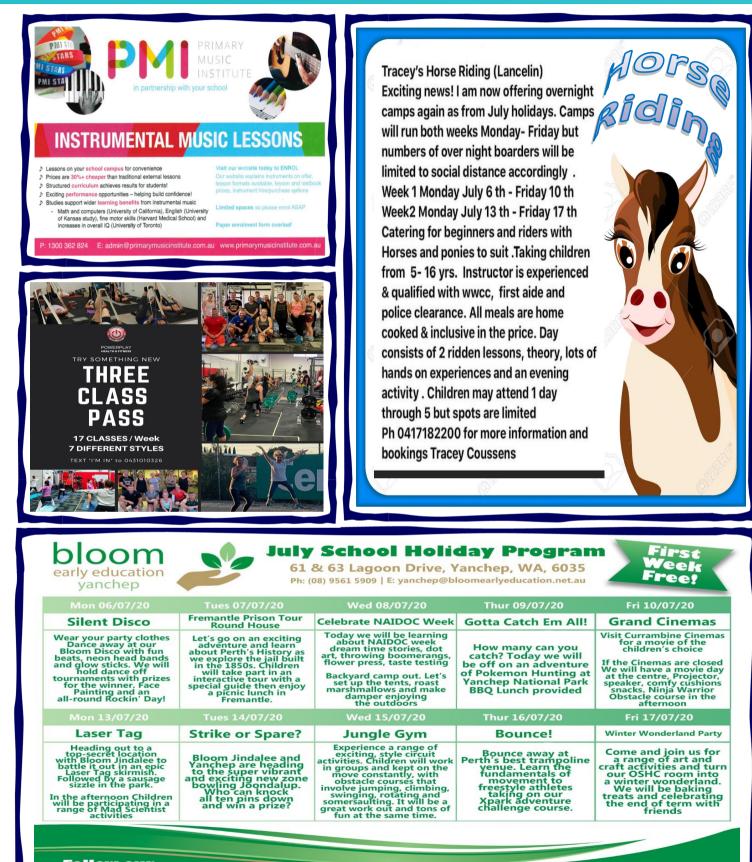


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