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NEWSLETTER 10 – 22 June 2017

IMPORTANT DATES 2017

- Fri 23 June ESC Landsdale Farm
- Fri 23 – 30 June ESC Reporting Interviews
- Tues 27 June Clubs/Prefects Assembly
Year 5 Parent Camp Meeting
- Wed 28 June Primary School Reports go home
- Thur 29 June Faction Reward
- Fri 30 June ESC Landsdale Farm - Parent BBQ
LAST DAY OF TERM 2
- Tues 18 July **First day for students Term 3**

FROM THE PRINCIPALS CHERYL LENNOX & FRANK SCARFONE

Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Hopefully there is excitement in the air for students and parents about receiving mid year reports next week. Primary reports will be sent home with students on Wednesday 28 June and Education Support Centre parents will collect reports at their mid-year reporting and IEP interviews, commencing this Friday 23 June and throughout the last week.

Other exciting learning opportunities to finish this term are featured in this newsletter. Congratulations to everyone involved in recent performances and special events, both on campus and at other venues. Our students are wonderful representatives of our schools. These include: TA19's NAIDOC Assembly; Interschool Winter Sports Carnival; inaugural Education Support Concert at Butler College, Choirfest at BCC this year featuring our Drumming Club as well as the Signing Club. Still to come next week: Clubs and Prefects Assembly; Faction Rewards; ESC Parent BBQ at Landsdale Farm and the ESC Group Performance at the International Association of Special Education (IASE) Conference at the Perth Convention Centre. We wish them the best for this big evening event. We also want to thank everyone for a terrific term and wish all families and staff a safe and refreshing holiday break.

When students return on Tuesday 18 July our YCDI focus will be on Getting Along and getting ready for the Sports Carnival, which means we will need to remember to be Organised and Persistent for training sessions. Everyone can do it, with support! The Term 3 Planner is enclosed.

TA19's NAIDOC Assembly

TA19 were wonderful compères and entertainers, sharing their interesting researched facts about the platypus as well as a dreamtime story. Congratulations to everyone.



YIRRA YAAKIN THEATRE COMPANY INCURSION

On Thursday 15 June, we were very fortunate to have the Yirra Yaakin Theatre Company attend our school for a wonderful incursion. Their performance was interesting and very engaging. The students enjoyed listening to the stories and watching the actors perform.

My best part was when the snake constantly knocked down the tree and made funny noises.

Dylan TA1

My best part was when a giant was chasing the lady with the stars in her hair because he wanted them.

Tai TA1

My best part was when the blue tongued lizard got his blue tongue. Kanato TA1

My best part was when the giant was drinking the water and he was pretending that he wasn't doing it. It was funny! Angel TA1

My best part was when Levi, the Echidna without spikes, was hiding all the food and water from the other animals under the mat. Mahlee TA1



Winter Sports Carnival

Congratulations to all the students who participated so enthusiastically in either soccer, football or netball last Friday. Everyone had some success during the day. We are very proud of their efforts and sportsmanship. The standout performers were the A and B soccer teams who went through undefeated in the four matches. A big thank you is extended to our staff who freely gave of their time training the teams during lunchtime: Miss Hamid, Mr Buckner, Mr Phillips, Ms Merrington and Mrs Jones.



Go Blue for Autism – Enterprise Education in Action

In this enterprise activity everyone was a winner, even if not all of the seven activities were profitable. We can learn heaps from our mistakes and from helping others – have a look at TA14's group reflections on profit and loss in the front office noticeboard.



Go Blue for Autism Day was a huge smash this year! The students were excited to dress up in blue, there was a huge response to the colouring completion, making it very difficult to pick a winner, integration activities were fun and engaging, and the TA 14/17 stalls raised \$323.30 for the Autism Association of WA. It was incredible to see how many staff and students were wearing blue! Thank you to everyone who was involved and participated to make the day a great success!

Playskills

The students for TA14 and TA17 have attended Playskills this term. What an awesome time we have had! It is truly wonderful to see the interaction between the students in these classrooms. Mrs Q and Ms Angela have had their work cut out for them keeping up with the energy! A big thank you to Mrs Jones for encouraging her students to attend and to TA17 staff for joining in the fun. A large crowd now fills the Bike Track at lunchtimes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Integration at its finest!!



Uniform Concepts

School Holiday Trading Hours

Closed
Monday 3rd July – Wednesday 12th July
Re-opens
Thursday 13th July
Uniform Concepts
834 Beaufort St
Inglewood
Ph: 9270 4658

EDUCATION SUPPORT SNIPPETS

ESNN Inaugural Concert at Butler College

South Ballajura Education Support Centre attended the inaugural ESNN Performing Arts Concert on Wednesday 14 June. What can I say but “Magnificent”!

“Try Everything” was performed as the Performing Arts Centre and the students blew everyone away with their awesome performance. The Clubs then performed their individual items to rounds of applause and many of the audience joined in. Many thanks must go to the staff and students for their hard work during rehearsals and at the concert. A huge thank you to ESNN for giving our fantastic students the chance to SHINE!! Looking forward to next year!

Students were surprised by the combined schools staff flash dance- recognise any SBESC starlets? Even our staff had the opportunity to shine!



CAMP

CAMP (Create an opportunity, Add a Visual, Model, Pause) has been amazing this term. A recent Word of the Week was “lunch”, so we decided to make Pizza and Toasties. Needless to say, much conversation was had using PODD, Signing and verbal language. Tummies were filled too!!

Thanks also to the Canteen for opening early for us to facilitate and practice our previous Word of the Week “buy”. The ALD board in the undercover area was well used on that day. Much laughter is heard during the Movement CAMP sessions with games galore! I must also say it has been awesome facilitating CAMP sessions in the Pre-primary ESC classes. So much fun is had using “Dash and Dot” as well as interactive learning using the books, “The Hungry Caterpillar” and “The Rainbow Fish”. It is wonderful to see so many PODDs being used! That, in turn, is allowing so many of the students to initiate conversation and show us how clever they really are!! A very big thank you to all the staff that participate in CAMP sessions.



Therapy School Sessions Reminder

If your child is absent on a day they have therapy at school would you please let the therapist or provider know they are not at school.

Disabled Children's Raffle

If you have any outstanding raffle tickets and money can you please return them to the ESC Office by Monday 26 June. Thank you

Meet Our School Board

Hi. My name is Erin Thorp and I am a Business owner and a Grant writer. I have two children, one son and one daughter and my hobbies include reading, travel and dancing.



Peninsula Farm and East Perth Cemetery Excursion

TA14 and TA15 had a fantastic excursion today to Peninsula Farm and East Perth Cemetery. We learnt about what it would have been like to be an early settler in the Swan River Colony, and how people lived and died during this time. Peninsula Farm taught us about the hardships that the early settlers had to face like rationing food and the lack of resources for things like tools, medicine and even clothes.

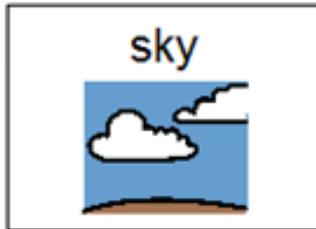
At East Perth Cemetery we explored the graves to find out about how people lived, their occupations, nationalities, ages and how they died.

Our students displayed exemplary behaviour and were congratulated by the National Trust staff for their respect and engagement during the day. Great work students, we are so proud of you.

Also, a huge thank you to our parent helpers and Mrs Taverniti who came along on the day to help us out.



Word of the Week



With fingers spread, palm down, move hand above head from opposite side to end above shoulder.

Camp meeting for 2018!

Planning is underway for the Year 6 2018 Camp. Current Year 5 parents are reminded of the information meeting on Tuesday 27 June, 7.00-8.00pm in the Library. We would love to see you all attend.



YOU CAN DO IT

This term we have focused on the two Keys to Success of **Organisation** and **Persistence**. We have been showing these virtues in the following ways.

- I have been responsible for my own equipment and school work.
- I have done my best to finish my on time.
- I have accepted things that I cannot change.
- I have kept going even when things have been hard to finish.



Organisation



Persistence

"I CAN DO IT"

Can you sign this yet? Can you teach your family and friends?

Repeated Reading at South Ballajura Primary

Reading is like riding a bicycle – if you can't go fast enough, it just doesn't work!

Repeated Reading is very successful at helping students to improve their reading fluency (speed) and has benefits for word recognition and comprehension too. Students read the same text aloud frequently, once a day they are timed for one minute and these results are graphed.



Each week a new story is practised and timed. The program usually takes a term to complete.

Groups of students, mostly in Year 3 and 4 have successfully completed a Repeated Reading program or are very close to completing it. The table below shows some of students' impressive results in **Words per Minute**. Congratulations to the students who have worked so hard to achieve their significant progress and thank you to the staff who have worked so diligently.

Before Repeated Reading	After Repeated Reading
69 wpm	94 wpm
79 wpm	100.5 wpm
84 wpm	106 wpm
63 wpm	78 wpm
91 wpm	128.5 wpm
74 wpm	119 wpm
58 wpm	76.5 wpm
29 wpm	51 wpm

The school will continue to work on this and other strategies to improve our students' literacy skills. All students will show improvement in their reading fluency and comprehension if they read **regularly at home**.

(See cartoons below)

IT ADDS UP!

If you read just 15 minutes a day, in one year you will have read over 1,000,000 words!



It's called 'reading'. It's how people install new software into their brains.

LOTE

Indonesia is Australia's nearest and largest neighbour in the Asian region. It is a maturing democracy, a major trading partner and a key member of ASEAN. For Australia, Indonesian matters. - VILTA

With only one more week in the term left, the students are completing work done and recalling language learnt during the term.

Year 3s are counting to 30 and working on various number activities, Year 4s are continuing with subjects learnt at school. They are completing a class survey and learning to say what their favourite subject is. Year 5s are working on more activities on 'Transport' in Australia and Indonesia and have learnt to say how they come to school. Year 6s have learnt about some games and sport played in Indonesia and Australia and are currently making an Indonesian board game called "Congklak" using egg cartons. They are enjoying the topic!

Challenge!

What is a "becak"?

(Have a go and see me with the right answer to win a prize!)

Salam hangat
Ibu Francis.

CANTEEN NEWS

Calling for Parent Volunteers - Your school canteen needs you!



The canteen needs volunteers to help take orders, serve food, and prepare recess and lunch food. We need people from 9-1pm, or for part of that time. Training will be provided.

If you have any questions, please call in and see the canteen staff, or email us

on southballajuraprimarieschoolpc@outlook.com

When you are "on duty" in the canteen for four hours, you can order one lunch for your child for free.

All volunteers this year will go in to our P&C volunteer raffle which will be drawn in Term 4.

Thank you for your assistance,
South Ballajura PS & ESC P&C

Parent name: _____

Child name & TA: _____

Contact number: _____

Please indicate days you are available:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday

Other comments/questions: (Please indicate if there are any start/finish times you prefer, and write anything else we may need to know).

Please complete and return to the school canteen.

Primary Teacher iPADS

We are very excited to announce that next term our teachers will all be issued with their own Teacher iPad. Over the next six months we will engage in an iPad Program where teachers will develop their skills in using the device and investigate how it can be used to enhance their teaching and learning programs. This will support and enable the students to use the school student iPads as another method of accessing and demonstrating learning. This will provide them with essential digital skills they require for today's world. We are looking forward to exploring what the devices can do and the opportunities they can present.

Primary Student Reports

All teachers are to be commended on the daily quality delivery of the WA Curriculum. Next Wednesday 28 June they will communicate through the student reports the learning achievements, attitudes and behaviour of each child in their class. It is a timely opportunity for parents to discuss the reports with their children and set some improvement targets for Semester 2. Teachers are available for interviews. Please phone the office to make an appointment.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Advertisements in our newsletter are not to be considered as an endorsement from the school



Come and support our wonderful students showing off their amazing talents!

HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMP

WHEN: Monday July 3rd - Friday July 7th

TIME: 9am - 3pm

WHO: 5-14 Years Old Boys & Girls

COST: \$150 for week (\$30 P/day) OR \$40 a day.

WHERE: Perth College

31 Lawley Cres, Mount Lawley WA 6050