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A Newsletter from
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Dear Parents and Community Members

This could be the final newsletter for Term One. Connect and Facebook will be our main sources of communication to families, with some use of group text messages.

Coronavirus
Please read all of the following very carefully:

A letter to all families was placed on Connect and Facebook late yesterday afternoon. It summarises the decisions the WA Government has made yesterday regarding the remainder of Term One and preliminary plans for Term Two. This morning an official letter from the Minister for Education and Training was also placed on Connect and Facebook. I have summarised the key points from both letters below:

- For Term One, all public schools in WA will stay open until Thursday 9 April.
- Families are strongly encouraged to keep children at home if they have access to online resources and have the capacity to do so.
- www.education.wa.edu.au/learning-at-home is the Department of Education-recommended online resource.
- 'Parents and carers who need their children to attend school to enable them to maintain employment, and those children in vulnerable families, such as children living with grandparents, can continue to attend school'.
- Normal (or as close as possible to) lessons will occur in Week 9. Week 10 will not be normal lessons.
- Teachers and other school staff will use Week 10 to prepare for a different way of teaching and learning in Term Two.

Student work packages – all students (P-6) need to **collect their EMPS work package from the front office before finishing on-site schooling this term**. Students will also need to take with them their pencil cases and school diaries.

I strongly believe the biggest factor on how well our children will emotionally, psychologically and physically deal with this situation is how well we – adults – deal with it.

Families: Computer and Internet Survey
A group text was sent to all families this week informing them of an EMPS-based survey regarding availability of devices and Internet in homes. Thank you to the many families who have responded. If you have not done so, could you please answer the questions as soon as possible.

Cleaner in Charge: applications open
We are currently advertising a cleaner in charge pool. From this pool we will select an applicant/s to fill any permanent or fixed-term positions that may arise during the remainder of 2020 and also up to the end of Term 2, 2021. If you have any queries concerning the role, please contact the school. The advertisement is located on the JobsWA website. Applications close at 3.30pm WST on Tuesday 7 April 2020. Hard copies of the job advertisement are available from the school.

Easter Raffle
The Easter Raffle will be drawn on Monday next week. Tickets are still available from the school office today and Monday morning (to 9.00am). Winners will be notified by the school.

THREE
THREE (3 year olds transition) has finished for Term One.

MOSH
If your children are enrolled in MOSH please keep them enrolled even if you are not going to use the service for an indefinite time. Important information has recently been announced by the Federal Government regarding this, including financial support for families who use childcare. In essence, keeping your children enrolled (even if they do not attend for some time) is of benefit to both families and childcare centres. MOSH will be open for the final two weeks of Term One. At this stage it is most likely it will NOT be operating during the Term One holidays.

Canteen
The canteen will NOT be operating for the remainder of Term One.

Green Team
At the time of writing this, our Green Team was due to visit Mottram St Reserve (directly behind EMPS parent carpark) this afternoon for another litter clean-up. What a great community-focused activity we can still do at this time.

Faction Athletics Carnival (two days)
There is a possibility we may run the Faction Athletics Carnival later in the year. There is also a possibility the Interschool Athletics Carnival may still occur, later in the year.

NAPLAN On-line
All NAPLAN testing in Australia for 2020 has been cancelled, due to COVID-19.

School Board
I would like to welcome Ms Thea Buckley as a new community representative on the EMPS School Board. Thea is Coordinator Regional Operations, and is based at the Local Education Office (Rose St). Her work role is to support public schools in the Warren Blackwood area of the South West Region. We believe Thea's 'big picture' knowledge and experience of many schools and school operations will be positive for our School Board.

Yr 6 Camp 2020
The aim is to still hold the camp in 2020, either late Term 3 or early Term 4. However, this will be determined by events over the next months.

Skipperoos – Manjimup Show
Well done to Mrs Cawley and our Skipperoos team for their two skipping displays at the Manjimup Show. The displays were entertaining and a great showcase for our school.

Assemblies
Our Wednesday and Friday assemblies are cancelled for at least Term 1.

NDIS (a notice from Wanslea)
Wanslea is your National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) partner for children 0 – 6 with developmental delay or disability. We deliver the Early Childhood Early Intervention program in the South West. Children can be referred to us with or without a prior diagnosis.
If a child is referred to us without a prior diagnosis, their developmental delay or disability has to impact their daily living across a multiple of areas. Currently, we are having all planning meetings and implementations over the phone due to COVID – 19.
If you have got a concern for a child from 0 – 6 or have questions on eligibility for NDIS funding, please contact us on 1300 969 645 or email ndis@wanslea.asn.au
For children over 7 please contact APM NDIS partner on 1300 276 522

Responses to Anxiety
This is obviously a time when anxiety levels are heightened, both in students and adults. Mrs Hide found a list of terrific responses to anxiety. Over a number of newsletters I want to share these with you.

7. 'We are an unstoppable team'
8. Have a battle cry: 'I am unstoppable', 'Look out world, here I come'
9. 'If how you feel was a monster, what would it look like?'

Regards

Michael Smith
PRINCIPAL

IMPORTANT DATES

Thurs 9 April **Last Day of Term 1**
Fri 10 April **GOOD FRIDAY**

Wed 29 April **First Day Term 2 - Students**

School Dental Van

The School Dental Service is still open however we have been directed to limit our treatment scope to urgent and emergency care, in an effort to conserve available stocks of the personal protective equipment during this period.
Routine dental examination and restorative appointments have, for the moment, been cancelled and we appreciate your understanding in these difficult times. If you have a dental emergency or any other queries,
please contact us on 0419 941 482 for advice.
Cancelled dental appointments will be rebooked when circumstances allow.

KAPTURE PHOTOGRAPHY

Following our recent school photography by Kapture, you can now view and order any special photos taken this year. When visiting https://www.kapture.com.au/event.asp you will need to enter our school code under the Sports & Event tab to access the gallery –

Code: LSMH3J

STARS OF WEEK 7

INTEGRITY

JASMYNE SALOMONE for always participating fairly in classroom games and activities. You offer to take on extra responsibilities are make sure you follow through.

OLIN DALGLEISH for always choosing to do the right thing. You are a wonderful role model to all in our room.

BEAU BRACKENRIG for being a sincere, trustworthy, responsible and caring class member. Well done Beau! What a terrific person you are!

TANEISHA PERRELLA for showing honesty and a great work ethic Taneisha, you bring your best self to school every day; we know you will do the right thing.

NOAH MANUEL for noticing a class member had left her money on the floor and looking after it until she returned. She was very happy when you gave it to her.

EMMA BRACKENRIG for constantly demonstrating to our whole class that she can work without supervision even if some of her peers aren't.

DEAGAN BAMESS for recognising that another student had missed out on their turn on the flying fox. You stepped in to 'put things right'. Your integrity is admirable Deagan!

MASON FORD for being nominated by his classmates for always staying focused on his work and not chatting or messing around. Well done Mason!

JACK COOK your class mates have nominated you for your positive attitude towards your work and for staying on task when no one is watching. Awesome Jack!

EBONY ADA for being a thoughtful class member who can be trusted to do the right thing. Well done Ebony!

STARS OF WEEK 8

FREEDOM

INDIROSE HORT for treating your friends and family with care and respect. What a great Aussie approach to others.

JACE CARPANONI Jace, you treat your classmates with kindness and make sure everyone has a chance to speak and shine.

MONIQA WOLFS for being a great friend to everyone in Room 11 and always standing up for your friends. Well done Moniqa!

BRODIE HORLOCK for being an exemplary comrade to your classmates. You have supported your friends through tough times making their day easier.

WALTER WOLFS for always enjoying being with your friends, having a laugh and helping them when needed.

KEN BEGGS for standing up for children doing the right thing during a game.

HARPER FORBES-ROCK for always working diligently and reminding others to do the same to ensure a productive learning environment.

TYLA KINGSTON for always looking out for those around you. You are a true team player, who often puts others needs first. Keep it up Tyla!

MAZLYN MEMBRY we appreciate as a whole class the way you stand up for, or speak out on behalf of everyone!

EDIE PEDLAR for helping the Pre Primary students in the playground. It is lovely to see you helping them on the equipment and showing them what to do. Great job Edie!

FACTION VALUES SHIELD

28s	Cooper Rayson Sophie Taylor	**457**
Blueys	Quinn Avins Cooper Beedeison	**383**
Red Tails	Matthew Watt Olivia Ricetti	**472**

ATTENDANCE AWARD

WEEK	CLASS	PERCENTAGE
7	Rm 6	94.74%
8	Rm 13	90.45%

Information that has gone home in the past fortnight:

Postponement of Athletics Carnival
COVID-19 information 17/3/20
COVID-19 Student attendance

News from Your Friendly Office Girls

STUDENT UPDATE FORMS

Please return your forms ASAP to the front office.
Even if there are **no alterations** please **sign** and **return**.
If you have misplaced your form, we will print another copy.

CLEAN Environment

WEEK	CLASS
7	Room 6 & 11
8	Room 4