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A Newsletter from
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Dear Parents and Community Members

Thank you
Thank you to our school families for the terrific support you have provided for your children and the school over the first four weeks of this term. The attendance rate has been very high (averaging between 94 – 97% each day) and procedures for dropping off and collecting students each day have mostly been followed. Please note that the conditions for dropping off and collecting children we have had since the start of the term are still in place. A reminder was sent out on Facebook and Connect earlier this week.

Reporting to Parents – Semester One Reports
Semester One reports will be available at the end of this term. However, due to the disruptions to schooling this semester, the amount of information in them will be affected.

- The school will continue to use its own Kindergarten reporting format for our youngest students.
- Most students PP – Yr 6 will receive the standard Department of Education report format. We will be providing achievement grades for Maths and English only. Comments will be given for these two areas also. For the other six learning areas, a comment on what has been covered in teaching and learning will be given. A general comment (at the end of the report) will also be provided. There may be a small number of students who will not be able to receive a grade in Maths and/or English due to lengthy absences from school.
- A small number of students will receive a modified report due to special education needs.

Refurbished Laptops Available
If you are looking for a free used laptop (with limited functions) the school has a contact. Please contact me at the school.

COVID-19: DETECT program
At the time of printing this newsletter we have not received further news on the '80 Schools' (EMPS being one of them) in the DETECT program. What we do know is of the 80 schools, 40 will be involved in COVID-19 testing. This will include many students and staff, and will be an 'opt-in' program. We also know that all 80 schools will be involved in the survey (individuals to complete surveys) and this will be an 'opt-out' program.

COVID-19 Cleaning
During each day high-use areas of the school are regularly cleaned. The areas include playgrounds, doors, toilet blocks, drink fountains, desks, chairs and counters.

COVID-19 Education Assistance package from NBN
The NBN is providing funding to assist phone and internet providers to support low-income family households with school-aged children, who do not currently have an active NBN connection at home. This funding will help phone and internet providers create more affordable offers to connect eligible families during Term 2.

If parents and carers want to take advantage of these offers, they can contact internet providers and ask for special COVID-19 deals. The participating provider will help determine if parents and carers are eligible for assistance. It is important they read the terms and conditions of the offers carefully.

THREE
THREE (3 year olds transition) will resume when we receive the relevant notification about changes to current COVID-19 restrictions – especially adult physical distancing.

Assemblies
We are not holding physical assemblies but the head students and student councillors are running a weekly 'PA' (using the school's public announcement system) assembly each Thursday morning.

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.

13. 'Let's learn more about it (the thing we are anxious about)'.
14. 'Let's count_____(eg. the number of people in the room)'. This is a good distraction strategy.
15. 'I need you to tell me when 2 minutes have gone by'.
16. 'Close your eyes. Picture this'.

Regards

Michael Smith
PRINCIPAL

Information that has gone home in the past fortnight:

Canteen Menu Terms 2 & 3
COVID-19 Update

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed 27 May	**National Simultaneous Storytime**
Mon 1 June	**Western Australia Day (Public Holiday)**
Fri 3 July	**End of Term 2**
Mon 27 July	**Start of Term 3**

CLEAN Environment	
WEEK	**CLASS**
3	Room 3
4	Room 7

FACTION VALUES SHIELD		
28s	Daisy Hamersley Lee Thomson	**745**
Blueys	Sophia Markotis Brin Booth	**538**
Red Tails	James Pape Matthew Watt	**712**

ATTENDANCE AWARD		
WEEK	**CLASS**	**PERCENTAGE**
3	Room 9	96.8%
4	Room 1 & 4	100%

STARS OF WEEK 3
UNDERSTANDING TOLERANCE & INCLUSION

MARLEY OVANS for settling into Room 11, with all the changes that have happened. We love having you in our class Marley!
MATHEW CROTTY for being kind and inclusive towards his classmates. Mathew, we value your gentle manner and your sunshiny good nature!
HARRY FREETH for settling in to Room 3 so easily, with your happy, friendly nature, making friends and getting along. Well done Harry!
ELLA SIMPSON for displaying understanding when supplies of hot chocolate were limited at our campfire, Seth appreciated your understanding!
LAYLA WOLFS for being a caring, tolerant friend. You have such an awesome smile and a positive attitude to life … top star!
SHYLA FAGAN for welcoming a new student and making sure she was comfortable and included. Your kind and thoughtful approach did not go unnoticed. Well done!
EMMA BATRICK-BROWN for your selfless acts of kindness and for always including others. Emma you are a real 'gem'.
NATALYA HERCOCK for helping your friends when they need it. Your reading ability is outstanding, using it to help your peers makes you a true star!
ZACHARY CHARLTON for volunteering and being completely content to sit in any position in our class that would be beneficial to others. Thank you.
FAITH KANNY-COULTER for welcoming our newest class member. You have explained the class routines and have been a great buddy support to him.

STARS OF WEEK 4
RESPECT

ESTHER BATRICK for always looking for ways to help others in the classroom. You always have delightful manners Esther, well done.

JENSEN HARRIS for excellent use of manners. You are courteous to everyone and show consideration for other's feelings.

KOBY CARPANONI for encouraging a classmate during Cross Country practice to keep going, and not give up.

MARCUS LEIGHTON for being a fabulous class member; someone who treats his classmates with care and tolerance, plus has a positive and enthusiastic approach to learning.

NOAH HUNTER Noah has been nominated and voted in by the class for always doing his work respectfully, without being asked. He even continues working when others try to chat or distract him.

ANANIAS SMITH for settling in to Room 3 so easily, making new friends and treating classmates and staff with respect. Well done!

ROSIE THOMSON for being such a beautiful member of Room 4. You are always thoughtful of others. Thank you for changing your mat spot!

JENSEN PINELLI Jensen you always show respect towards everyone. Your impeccable manners and kind personality are a credit to you.

HARLEE FRANKLIN for consistently showing manners towards others. You are helpful and considerate of your classmates.

Wednesday 27th May 2020 is

National Simultaneous Storytime!

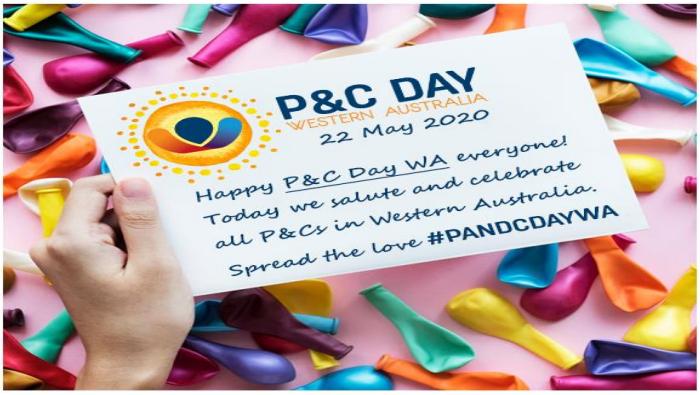
This year's book is

Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas

by Lucinda Gifford.

Students will listen to the story and can participate in a range of activities linked to the book.

We are also inviting our students to accessorise their school uniform with a piece of bling on this day to help celebrate the event. Suggestions are a sparkly bow tie, a glittery headband or bow, a feather boa or a jazzy hat. We can't wait to see what the students can find at home (please don't feel obligated to purchase items).



MERIT CERTIFICATES

Kayleigh Radburn *for your outstanding results during Reading. Congratulations on your achievement, your eagerness to improve has seen you soar!!*
Alexander Baker *for persevering with your writing during 'Morning Activities'. You have put in an enormous effort learning to say and write your phonemes. Well done!*
Iris Dlugi *your focus in both Maths and Literacy. You are impressing us with your attitude to learning and involvement in class.*
Deagan Bamess *for challenging himself to do extra writing. Deagan leaves great spaces between his words and uses punctuation. Great job Deagan!*
Layla Thompson *for being an independent, hardworking student who is focused on achieving her best. Great attitude, Layla.*
Phoebe Adams *for her amazing effort settling into a new school and dealing successfully with new routines.*
Israel Nunn *for a terrific term of work. Well done Israel for your FANTASTIC approach to school – awesome effort.*
James Godfrey *for his outstanding achievement in Mental Maths tasks and his eagerness to progress his learning through extension tasks. Well done James!*
Bryn Perrella *for demonstrating an excellent approach to his learning across all subjects. He is determined to do his best and this has resulted in impressive improvements. Awesome growth mindset. Well done.*
Noah Hunter *for consistent application to his learning in all areas. Well done Noah and you are a nice guy along the way, with amazing manners.*
Indirose Hort *for always striving to do her best in Mathematics and Digital Technology.*
Lily Baker *for quiet persistence when learning new skills during Physical Education classes and for working well with her peers. Good girl.*
Moniqa Wolfs *for excellent progress with the ukulele. You are working hard to master the chords.*
Mathew Crotty *for being an engaged and eager learner in Indonesian. You listen carefully and ask topical questions.*
Erin Green *for your recently improved focus and persistence has seen your reading and writing improve tremendously! You should be super proud of your achievement so far!*
Bailey Bourbon-Muir *for the fantastic effort you have put in when learning your new phonemes and camera words. Keep up the good work!*
Ruben Shields *for your improved focus in both Maths and Literacy. You are impressing us all with your attitude to learning.*
Ryan Oliver *for trying his best to write neatly. Ryan you are a Maths wizz and a reading rocket. Great job!*
Sophie Connor *for having a great attitude towards learning. Sophie is focussed, hardworking and keen to achieve highly. Terrific efforts this term, Sophie.*
Taneisha Perrella *for your fantastic attitude. You are responsible, hardworking, incredibly well organised and cheery to boot!*
Madilyn Bamess *for being a caring, considerate classmate, who has a positive approach to learning. Well done champ!*
Jahkobie Campbell *for outstanding spelling results and demonstrating high level typing skills during ICT lessons.*
Gwennie Sewell *for consistently impressive work ethic and academic results: as well as her commitment to the Green Team and her generosity of spirit when helping others with their learning.*
Emma Brackenrig *for a responsible approach to every aspect of school including her learning and student council responsibilities.*
Michelle Towler *for writing an outstanding 'COVID-19' poem. Well done.*
Mikey Leech *for being a focused student in both Mathematics and Technology! Great Effort.*
Dekota Thompson *for displaying a friendly, happy attitude toward her peers during Physical Education classes and working hard to learn to catch and throw. Well done.*
Katie Cosby *for your enthusiasm, creativity and skill in creating interesting dance and movement choreography. Well done!*
Koby Carpanoni *for focusing on tasks and demonstrating responsibility in lessons. Thank you for sharing a very useful website during our research.*