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From the Principal

Newsletter 16
22 October 2014

To the Safety Bay Primary School Community

Welcome back to Term 4. We trust everyone is well rested and ready for another busy term.

It is with great sadness that I wish to inform the school community that Ms Kymberlie Shepherd, who was our Dance teacher at Safety Bay Primary in 2013 and the Cheer Dance teacher at Safety Bay Senior High School, passed away on Thursday 16 October 2014. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her partner Wayde and their newborn son Kyden.

We are deeply saddened by this news and recognise that many of you will feel as shocked as we are.

Teachers will continue to support students throughout the coming weeks. Our school psychologist was and will continue to be available on Mondays and Tuesdays if students and staff need extra support and our School Chaplain Mrs Bridget Humble, is also available Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

A Memorial Service for Kym will be held at 5.00pm Friday 24th October 2014 at the South Perth Rugby League Club, George Burnett Pk, Manning Road, Manning. As this is a licensed club it would **not be appropriate for children to be in attendance**. A memorial service specifically for students will be organised by Safety Bay Senior High School at a date yet to be confirmed.

Safety Bay Primary School will be producing a Condolence Book, to be given to the family prior to the Memorial Service on Friday. Teachers and students will have the opportunity to write in the book during the school day. For those parents wishing to add a message, the book will be in the office from 2.30pm Thursday and from 1.30pm until 2.30pm on Friday.

Some people have asked about monetary assistance for the family. Please refer to the Safety Bay Senior High School website and in particular the Cheer Dance area. Wayde has requested that the family's privacy is respected and that he would prefer condolences be sent via the proposed Condolence Books and not Facebook, Twitter etc.

Once again we send our condolences to all of Ms Shepherd's family.

Class Requests for 2015

We are almost ready to place children in their classes for 2015. When Teachers and Education Assistants place children, they carefully consider a range of factors that may affect students and their learning. When placements are finalised we believe that they will meet the needs of each individual student.

Please put any requests for class placement in writing as soon as possible. These requests should be made based on sound educational grounds. Please remember that a request for a specific teacher is not appropriate.

If your child/children will not be returning to Safety Bay Primary School in 2015 would you please inform the school as soon as possible.

Final class lists for students in Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be displayed on the windows of the Administration block from 12.00 noon on Friday 30th January 2015.

Walkathon – Thursday 6th November

Thank you to parents, caregivers and students in advance for your support of the Walkathon that will be held on the school oval on Thursday 6th November. This P&C fundraiser promises to be most successful and above all lots of fun for our students.

2015 Year 7 News

I would like to refer parents of our current Year 6 students who will be at high school in 2015 of the web site below. There is a Q&A section there that you may find interesting. I have cut and pasted one as an example below.

<http://www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolsandyou/detcms/schoolsandyou/schools-and-you/pre-primary-and-year-7/year-7.en?cat-id=12742035>

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IMPORTANT DATES

FRI 24TH OCT
ASSEMBLY
P8 & P9
GROUP A

WED 29TH OCT
RASSA 'A' DIV
ATHLETICS
CARNIVAL
YR 1-7

FRI 31ST OCT
P & C SCHOOL
DISCO

THUR 6TH NOV
WALKATHON
P & C MEETING
1.30pm

FRI 7TH NOV
ASSEMBLY S3
GROUP B
YEAR 6
TRANSITION
FUNKY FRIDAY

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“Scholarships for Year 7 students?”

As part of our commitment to help students succeed in school, we coordinate a number of scholarships that provide financial support to eligible children in secondary school.

The James and Rose Coombe Scholarship, Maud Zervos Education Grant and Olive A Lewis Scholarship will be extended to Year 7 students from 2015. Entry information will be on [our website](#) when applications for 2015 scholarships open on 3rd November.”

School Council

The final School Council meeting will be held in Week 9 on Tuesday 9th December. At this meeting the School Council will be calling for nominations from the parent community, to be a part of the School Council for the 2015 school year. Further information will follow regarding the time, venue and related information for this meeting in coming newsletters.

Defence School Transition Aide

We welcome Ms Debra Batey to our school as the DSTA. Debra will be in contact shortly with all members of the Defence Forces who have children attending SBPS. Debra will be working on Wednesdays and Thursdays in Challenger block.

Road Safety and Parking

You may be aware that we had a Year 1 student who was hurt late last Friday afternoon as she was crossing the road. The student is fine and was back at school on Monday. It really is so important that parents discuss road safety with their child/children and for all to be mindful of how cars are parked. Thankfully, the driver of the vehicle was within the speed limits. He was quite shaken by the incident also. I would like to thank all those people who helped and a special thank you to Danny from Danny’s Sports and Medicine.

Kindy/Pre-Primary playground

How good does it look!!!! Thank you to all those people who were able to assist during the school holidays. The students have been enjoying the equipment and I have seen a couple of adults enjoying it too. We are awaiting a KidSafe inspector to give the final approvals. Again, a job well done.

Mr McKay’s return to school

Mr Wayne McKay, the Principal of Safety Bay Primary School has informed us that he will be taking extra leave at this time. His expected date of return is Monday 10th November 2014. We will keep you informed if there is any further development.

Each day of our lives we make deposits in the memory banks of our children. -- Charles R. Swindoll

Sandra Casey
Principal

YEAR 6 & 7 EVENTS

Please remember that money for Dance Lessons and the Graduation Dinner is due to be paid by Monday 27th October. The total cost for these two events is \$38.00 (Dance lessons \$22.00 and Graduation Dinner \$16.00). If you need to discuss a payment plan please contact Mrs Tindale, School Registrar.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Year 7 Camp	Mon 10th Nov—Fri 14th Nov
Year 6 Camp	Mon 17th Nov—Fri 21st Nov
Year 6 Transition	Fri 7th Nov & Fri 14th Nov
Year 7 Transition	Fri 21st Nov & Fri 28th Nov
Year 6 Orientation	Thurs 4th Dec
Year 7 Orientation	Fri 5th Dec
Yr 6/7 Graduation Ceremony	Wed 17th Dec at 9.00am
Yr 6/7 Graduation Dinner-Dance	Wed 17th Dec at 7.00pm-9.30pm

Voluntary Contributions

Statements of voluntary contributions and charges for 2014 are being mailed home to families.

As we move toward the new Student-Centred Funding Model for 2015, locally raised funds such as voluntary contributions play an important part in supplementing funds received from state and commonwealth governments.

If you have yet to pay 2014 voluntary contributions we encourage you to do so. These funds will be able to be used toward the costs of teaching and learning programs into 2015.

Payments may be made by cash or eftpos at the administration office or by direct deposit to the school’s bank account by electronic bank transfer.

Account Name Safety Bay Primary School
Bank NAB
BSB 086 918
Account No 02949 1771
Reference STUDENT NAME

Please email details of your deposit to the registrar, Diana Tindale at diana.tindale@education.wa.edu.au to help us allocate your payment.

Please note that unless your child is leaving the school at the end of 2014, credit balances will be rolled over to your child’s account for 2015. Thank you to those families who chose the upfront payment option for activity charges this year. We hope you enjoyed the convenience and advise this opportunity will be available for 2015



CHRISTMAS HAMPER



It’s that time of the year when we start collecting packaged, tinned and jarred foods for people less fortunate than ourselves coming up to Christmas. We will be presenting a hamper to the local Lions Club at our final assembly for 2014. So please bring packaged, tinned and jarred foods up to the office, if you wish to contribute.

Welcome back to Term 4 from the KidsMatter team. We would like to remind you if your child has an assembly this term, the KidsMatter team will provide coffee and biscuits at your child's class so you have the opportunity to see what they are doing.

GRIEF

Like adults, children experience grief when they lose someone or something they feel close to. A death in the family is particularly hard for children, but this is not the only time grief occurs. Other kinds of losses can also lead to grief reactions. These may include:

- the death of a family member, friend or pet
- separation of parents and family break-up
- change of schools or moving house
- loss of a friendship
- relocating to a new country
- having a disability or medical illness
- having a family member in hospital for a long time.

Children's grief reactions commonly include crying, being anxious, having bad dreams and clinging to parents or carers. Children may also show their distress by being angry, irritable, unsettled, or losing motivation for school and other activities. Sometimes children show their distress by behaving in ways you would expect from a younger child. For example, they might start wetting the bed at night, sucking their thumb, or using baby talk.

Children need support to cope

Children need lots of reassurance and support from caring adults to help them come to terms with a major loss. While grief is a normal reaction to loss, feelings of anxiety or sadness may be intense and long-lasting – especially if the child loses a primary carer, or if the loss occurs in traumatic circumstances.

How parents and carers can help

Knowing what to say and how to talk to children to help with loss and grief is not easy, especially when you are also experiencing a loss and all the feelings that go with it.

Acknowledge children's feelings

Let children know that you understand they are having difficult feelings. Offer support and reassurance. Let them talk about feelings and ask questions.

Children need to know

Explain what has happened in plain language that children can understand. Knowing what has happened helps children find ways to cope.

Maintain routines

Along with loss there are usually big changes. Keeping up normal routines as far as possible reduces the number of changes and helps children feel more secure.

Talk about your feelings

Children are sensitive to your moods and reactions. Telling children how you feel, and how you are managing your feelings, helps children make sense of their own feelings. It is important to be real with children, but try not to burden them with your emotional needs. By showing children that you can cope with grief, even though you are sad, you can help them understand grief as a normal part of life.

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Get your own support

Sometimes your own grief will make it difficult for you to support your child. It can be helpful to seek support to help you through your own grief, whether from friends, family or a professional counsellor.

Let the school know

Letting your child's teachers know what has happened means they can support and monitor your child's wellbeing at school. When grief is very intense, or when it lasts a long time, it can interfere with children's ability to manage everyday life. It may also lead to mental health problems such as anxiety or depression.

If you are concerned that your child is not coping with a loss you should consider seeking additional help from a health professional such as your local doctor or psychologist.

Parents and carers can help children learn to cope with loss and grief by providing support and reassurance to help children understand that loss and grief are a normal part of life.

Our kids matter.
KidsMatter helps our school nurture
happy, balanced kids.

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kidsmatterprimary.edu.au



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a lot of things straight.*

P & C EVENTS

Disco - Friday the 31st of October

- Don't forget to dress up!
- please have consent forms returned to front office before Friday 24th October
- we also request if you are free to volunteer, please contact me on 0434891280, email to rmplater@gmail.com or complete sheet in the front office.



Walkathon - Thursday 6th November

- Black and White Theme
- Great prizes to be won. First prize is an I Pad Mini.

Rose Plater
P&C President

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Help support our fundraising. 2014/2015 Entertainment Books are now available to order through the school. You may pay online via the school's website:

www.safetybayps.wa.edu.au or at
<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/851v04>

The school will receive \$13.00 for every Entertainment Book sold through the school.



**KYM SHEPHERD
TRIBUTE PAGES**

Please follow the links below to Tribute Pages set up in honour of Kym Shepherd:

<http://www.youcaring.com/memorial-fundraiser/kymmy-s-legacy/250162>

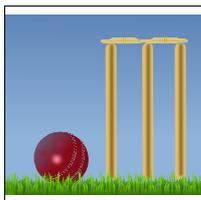
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'FREE COME & TRY SESSION'

Reminder to all Pre-Primary—Year 4 students that if you would like to have a try at playing Cricket there is a 'Free Come & Try Session'.

Date: Thursday 30th October
Venue: Shoalwater Bay Reserve
Time: 4.30pm—5.30pm



If you would like more information about this "Free Come & Try Session", please contact Peter Richie:

Phone: 0418 943 175
Email: Pfr.sb@bigpond.com

**MERIT CERTIFICATES
ASSEMBLY 26th SEPTEMBER**

Congratulations go to the following students, the latest recipients of our prestigious Merit Certificates. Well done!!

W4	Jazmyn Isaac	Jai
W3	Nira Max	Joshua
W1	Ethan Isabella	Kyle Brett
S3	Declan Myah	Milli
P10	Jimmy	Samantha
P7	Tayten	Celina
C20	Oliver	Eloise
C21	Jeorgia	Jesse
C17	Emily	Tomy
C12	Zane Jack	Izack Hayleigh
C13	Kyle	Alli
LOTE	Brogan P9 Jarrad C21	Alli C13
MUSIC	Jaide C17	
PHYS ED	Joshua C13	Ikatonga W1



Please remember to never leave children or animals unattended in your cars, even for short amounts of time. Even in cool weather cars can heat up quite quickly and this can be very distressing to a small child or animal left unattended. Thank you.

The Evelyn Robinson Memorial award is held every year and is Safety Bay Primary's way of acknowledging a member of the community for Outstanding Contribution. A student, parent or teacher can be nominated. Evelyn Robinson was our first school "secretary" and was involved with Safety Bay Primary for over 20 years. Each year since 1993 we have acknowledged her contribution to our school with this award

Evelyn Robinson Award

I wish to nominate _____

For "Outstanding Contribution to Safety Bay Primary School"

My reasons are that he/she _____

Signed _____ Ph # _____

Nominations for this award will close on 28 November 2014. Please bring any completed nominations to the office.

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A six week netball skills program for young people of all abilities

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DATE: Every Monday from 27 October - 1 December
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DATE: Thursday, 6 November 2014
TIME: 9.30am - 1.30pm
LOCATION: Gary Holland Community Centre, 19 Kent Street, Rockingham

If you would like to be picked up from your home to attend the expo please telephone Care Options on 9550 7888 before Friday 31 October 2014, to book your seat at no charge.

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Friday November 21 2014
9.30am to 12pm

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Face Painting

Morning Tea provided

Animal Farm

ORGANISATIONS IN ATTENDANCE INCLUDE: CHILD AND ADOLESCENT COMMUNITY HEALTH, PLAYGROUP WA, PARENTING WA, KWINANA EARLY YEARS SERVICE, SCWHS, WARNBO LIBRARY, CITY OF ROCKINGHAM (ACT-BELONG-COMMIT AND ROCKINGHAM EARLY YEARS GROUP), CLAN WA, NGALA, ANGLICARE FINANCIAL COUNSELLING AND BRIGHT FUTURES.

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Parents of children with diagnosed emotional or behavioural problems

Our research needs YOU!

Parents of children with diagnosed emotional or behavioural problems come across attitudes, assumptions, and actions of others related to their parenting and their child's behavioural and/or emotional problem. But parents are not often asked about these experiences. It is important for us to understand what it's like to be a parent of a child with a behavioural and/or emotional problem and what sorts of experiences you have had.

Who's needed? Parents of children aged 4-12 years diagnosed with an emotional and/or behaviour problem (anxiety disorders, depression, ADHD, conduct disorder, oppositional defiant disorder, eating disorders).

What's involved? Parents are asked to participate in an individual interview being held at UWA that will last about 1 ½ hours.

Compensation? Participants will be reimbursed for their time (\$10 per hour).

Interested? Please contact Kim 0403183228
kim.eaton@research.uwa.edu.au



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For you and your child

KEYS to Safety

This KEYS to Safety Workshop is designed for parents, carers and their children aged 4 to 7 years, based on the Protective Behaviours personal safety program which aims to promote resilience in children using empowering strategies, clear communication and awareness of safe behaviours.

Location: Calista Primary School
Date: Commencing Thursday 30th October, for 7 weeks.
Time: 2.45 pm - 3.45 pm
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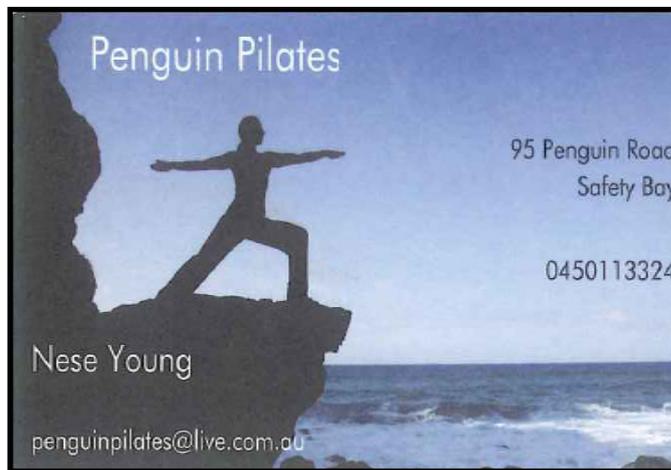


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