



# Safety Bay Primary School

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Newsletter 1  
13th February 2013

## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers

### Welcome to 2013

The 2013 school year has begun very smoothly. We have established 28 classes from Kindergarten to Year 7. This year we have four Kindergarten classes and for the first time in the history of Safety Bay Primary School we have three Pre-Primary classes and one Pre-Primary/Year One class. The large Pre-Primary enrolment numbers can be attributed to the fact that this year it is compulsory for Pre-Primary students to attend school.

Many new families have enrolled at Safety Bay Primary School since the school year began. These families have joined us from other public schools in Western Australia and across Australia. They have also travelled from overseas locations such as Great Britain, South Africa, New Zealand and the United States of America to become part of our school. A small number of students have joined us from other non-government schools in the local area. I would like to extend a warm welcome to these new members of the rapidly growing Safety Bay Primary School community.

As the year begins, it is an exciting time for our newest students – our Kindergarten students and their parents as they take their first formal step in their educational journey. I sincerely hope you all enjoy your first year at Safety Bay Primary School and take every opportunity to become active participants in our school community, meet new people and develop lasting friendships.

Our school motto “*Putting Children First*” reinforces the values and ethos that underpin our approach to education for the children of the Safety Bay community.

Our school is a community where we work in partnership with families and other agencies to provide the best education possible for your children.

Our approach aligns with the Department of Education’s system priorities that state:

*Public schools are committed to help make:*

- every student a successful student
- every teacher an effective teacher and
- every school a good school.

This year and in the future, our school is very well positioned to continue to build upon the significant improvements made in literacy and numeracy over the last three years. In 2013 we are very pleased to build on past improvements with the injection of significant funds from the Federal Government’s *Improving Literacy and Numeracy National Partnerships* (ILLNP) program.

Thank you to all parents and caregivers who have made sure that their children are well-prepared for the new school year. I am delighted with the number of children who are proudly wearing school uniform and a school hat.

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### IMPORTANT DATES

**18 Feb - 1 Mar**  
Swimming Lessons  
Yrs 3 - 7

**Fri 15 Feb**  
Assembly C13

**Wed 27 Feb**  
P&C AGM

**1 March**  
Assembly P8  
Clean Up Australia  
Day

**4 March**  
Labour Day  
Public Holiday

**21 March**  
Harmony Day

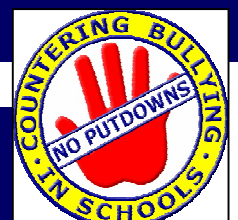
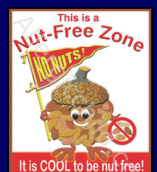
**Fri 29 March**  
Good Friday  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

**Mon 1 April**  
Easter Monday  
**PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

**Tues 2 April**  
Easter Tuesday  
**SCHOOL CLOSED**

Swimming Lessons  
Yrs 3 - 7  
Mon 18 Feb to  
Fri 1 Mar

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sunscreen.**



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## From the Principal cont.

### **New Staff**

This year we welcome a number of new teachers to the team at Safety Bay. Old and new staff members have begun the year working and planning together with a focus on whole-school approaches designed to further improve literacy and numeracy outcomes for all our students. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their hard work in ensuring the 2013 school year began without a hitch.

A list of all staff names is also included with this newsletter.

### **Parent Meetings**

All classes PP – Year 7 will be conducting Parent Meetings during the next two weeks. Some of the meetings will be held this week with the first one being held this afternoon for all year 6 and year 7 parents. Tomorrow afternoon Year 4 and Year 5 parents are invited to a meeting after school in the Library.

Further information about meetings to be held next week (week 3) will be sent home via the classrooms in the next few days.

Parent Meetings provide an opportunity to meet class teachers and hear about their philosophies, classroom management approaches and most importantly how you will work together to support the academic and social-emotional progress of your children throughout the year.

If you would like to discuss any individual concerns you may have about your child with their teacher, you are most welcome to make a mutually suitable time to meet with your child's teacher to discuss his/her individual progress.

### **Term Planner**

A planner for term one is included as an insert with this newsletter. Please use this to help align your diaries with school events.

This year assemblies will be held in two groups. Each class has been put into Group A or Group B. Each group is made up of Pre-Primary – Year 7 classes. This new arrangement will ensure that all year levels are represented at each assembly and will also help with overcrowding in the undercover area. Group A and B classes are listed on the reverse side of the term planner.

The first assembly for the year is a Group B assembly and will be held this **Friday 15 February** and will be hosted by the Year 7 class of C13.

### **Parent Café**

After the first assembly this Friday parents are invited to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee with other parents in the Library. We are looking forward to making these opportunities a regular occurrence after assemblies and at other times throughout the year. More information about Parent Café is in the KidsMatter section of this newsletter.

### **P&C Annual General Meeting**

The 2013 Annual General Meeting of the P&C will be held on **Wednesday 27 February** in the school staff room. All parents and community members are most welcome to attend this important meeting. If you are an active P&C member and have attended meetings in the past we ask that you invite a friend or new parent to join you at this important meeting.

The P&C letter included with this newsletter outlines the format of the AGM. Nomination forms for office bearer positions are available from the front office.

Regards

Jennifer Lee  
Principal

## PHYS-ED NOTICE

Welcome back to the 2013 schooling year.

One of our Overarching Learning Outcomes states that "Students value and implement practices that promote personal growth and well being." Here at Safety Bay Primary School we like to encourage active participation and enjoyment of all areas of the school curriculum including physical education to help achieve this.

Therefore I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and children that for all PE and sport sessions in **all** terms, 1 through to 4 the children must have a hat (sun visors are not suitable) and for safety reasons children should be wearing joggers as they provide the necessary support for ankles and knees. Please be aware that skate shoes and the slip on canvas shoes do not offer sufficient protection of ankles and knees when running and jumping.

Also, if your child is unable to do Phys Ed or sport for any reason, can you please make sure he/she has a note to excuse them - explaining the reason, length of time and types of activities they can and can't do. Hopefully with these things in practise we will have a rewarding year ahead!!

Thanking you for your anticipated co-operation in these matters,

**Sonya White**  
Physical Education Specialist

## ADMINISTRATION

Mrs Jennifer Lee	Principal
Ms Sandra Casey	Deputy Principal
Mrs Sarah Hill	Deputy Principal
Mrs Leanne Allen	Deputy Principal
Mrs Jeanette Sampson	Registrar
Mrs Kim Elliment	School Officer
Mrs Diana Tindale	School Officer

## SUPPORT STAFF

Ms Francesca Maumill	Aboriginal Islander Education Officer
Mrs Cheryl Brett	Library Officer
Mrs Jenny McDonald	Education Assistant
Mrs Catherine Jackson	Education Assistant
Miss Aimee Venn	Education Assistant
Mrs Jo Beard	Education Assistant
Mrs Dianne Neil	Education Assistant
Mrs Christine Masterson	Education Assistant
Ms Nichola Blinston	Education Assistant
Ms Tracey Fulton	Education Assistant
Mrs Katrina Muirhead	Education Assistant
Mrs Sharon Young	Education Assistant
Mr Greg Leeson	Education Assistant
Mrs Sharolyn Van Brink	Education Assistant
Mrs Helen Hewitt	Education Assistant
Mrs Helen Moles	Education Assistant
Mrs Vicky Henegan	Education Assistant
Mrs Kelly Campbell	Education Assistant
Mrs Kim Brown	Education Assistant
Mrs Terrina Hewitt	Education Assistant
Mr Martin Jones	Gardener
Ms Kylie Needham	Cleaner In Charge

## TEACHING

Mrs Deb McLeod	Kindy
Mrs Kerry Rose	Kindy
Mrs Rose Van Walsum	Kindy
Mrs Lauren Palumbo	Kindy
Miss Brooke Barras	Pre-Primary
Mrs Michelle Hall	Pre-Primary
Ms Audrey Rouessart	Pre-Primary
Mrs Jane Briggs	Pre-Primary
Mrs Kristie Grieve	Pre-Primary
Miss Gemma Riou	Pre-Primary / Year 1
Miss Zoë Clements	Year 1
Miss Teagan Wilkins	Year 1

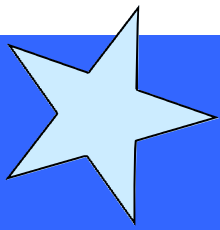
# 2013 STAFF

## TEACHING

Ms Karen Hartley	Year 2
Mrs Marilyn Guthrie	Year 2/3
Mrs Kim Petersen	Year 2/3
Mrs Carol Nunn	Year 1/2
Miss LeeAnne Fong	Year 1/2
Ms Lisa Taylor	Year 2
Miss Kerrie Kingston	Year 3
Miss Teresa Hill	Year 3
Mr Christian Petersen	Year 3
Miss Misha Desai	Year 3/4
Mrs Jeanette Evans	Year 4
Ms Tamara Collard	Year 4
Mrs Leanne Allen	Years 1-7 Learning Support Class
Ms Aimee Penton	Years 1-7 Learning Support Class
Mrs Kerry Hill	Year 2/3
Mrs Lee Taylor	Year 2/3
Mr Emanuel Ribeiro	Year 7
Mr Brandon Docking	Year 6
Mr Rod Brennan	Year 6
Ms Lynne Cooke	Year 7
Mrs Michelle McLennon	Year 7
Mrs Sue McCulloch	Year 5/6
Mr Jarrad McCaskie	Year 5
Miss Tamyn-Leigh Holtom	Year 5
Mrs Vanya Chatley	Year 4
Mrs Sonya White	Phys-Ed Specialist
Miss Debbie Jones	Music
Manjeet Ahluwalia	LOTE - Indonesian
Mr Gary White	Art
Ms Carol Bartlett	Art
Miss Kym Shepherd	Dance

## STOP PRESS

School uniforms may now be ordered online. Visit our school website at [www.safetybayps.wa.edu.au](http://www.safetybayps.wa.edu.au) click on the Lunch Order menu box, register to place an order and you'll be taken to our new online uniform ordering system. Please contact the administration office on 9528 3680 for further information.  
Happy Shopping!



# SMS Communication

Safety Bay Primary School  
SMS Mobile Number 0437 418753  
(SMS messages only)

Safety Bay Primary School will be introducing SMS Messaging from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2013. This new system will allow us to contact you by SMS if your child is absent from school or, for example, the swimming carnival has been cancelled. You will also be able to advise the school via SMS if your child is absent.

To avoid missed SMS messages it is important that we have your current mobile phone number. If you are unsure if we have your correct mobile number, please send an SMS message stating your name and child's name and room number to 0437 418753.

Please note that this mobile number is for SMS messages only. Please also advise using this mobile number if more than one caregiver needs to receive the information, or you do not wish to receive SMS messages.

## MultiLit Volunteers

- Do you want to meet new people and become part of the school community?
  - Do you want to make a difference to a child's learning?
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  - Do you have a spare 30 minutes once or twice a week?
- Then MultiLit is the thing for you. MultiLit is a program to help children who need a boost with their reading. It is designed for children in Year 3 upwards. Each session is about 25-30 minutes per child.

We will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, Feb 20<sup>th</sup> 9am - 9.30am in the staff room. Come along and enjoy a cup of tea and biscuit and find out what MultiLit is all about. Please leave your name at the office if you can attend, or alternatively message Sharon on 0430 388 413. Look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

Sharon Young

## Liaison Officer and Chaplain

My role is to assist teachers, students and families. I am available each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8am to 4pm. A good time to speak with me is before school starts, during the mornings or after school times. Contact me in person at the office or phone 9528 3680 - our talks are confidential.

Bridget Humble

## Kids Matter Corner



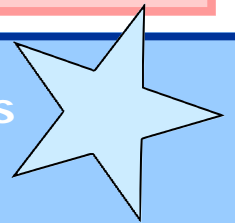
The KidsMatter Action Team would like to extend a warm welcome to all the new families that have joined our Safety Bay Primary School Community.

KidsMatter is a whole-school approach to improving the mental health and wellbeing for primary school children. Our school will undertake a process that can take two to three years to complete. During this process we will plan and take action to build a positive school community; one that is founded on respectful relationships and a sense of belonging and inclusion, and promotes:

- social and emotional learning (including evidence-based social and emotional learning programs)
- working authentically with parents, caregivers and families
- support for students who may be experiencing mental health difficulties.

This week we will have our first school assembly. We would like to invite parents to a morning tea which will commence at the conclusion of the assembly, around 9:30am. This is a chance for parents to meet our KidsMatter Action Team members and other parents from Safety Bay Primary.

## 2012 Woolworths Earn & Learn



Safety Bay Primary School participated in the 2012 Woolworths Earn and Learn program. Thanks to your enormous support we are delighted to advise we have recently received a magnificent supply of assorted educational classroom resources.

These educational resources will be distributed throughout our classrooms and library for the benefit of your children. For your information, we received a range of resources to support our Mathematics, English, Science, Arts and Library programs.

Thanks also to our P&C volunteers who helped coordinate the program and collection of thousands of sticker cards.

We hope your children enjoy using these valuable new learning resources.

## Bread Available Conditions Apply

Mondays and Tuesdays, before 9am. Contact Bridget Humble at the school office on 9528 3680.



# RAINBOWS

RAINBOWS is a program available for students of Safety Bay Primary School. One hour sessions, once a week during school time. It is for students that have experienced a trauma such as family separation/divorce/death-----  
Please contact me at the office on 9528 3680 if you think we can help your child.  
Bridget Humble

## Waterwords

Safety Bay Primary School is a proud to be a Waterwise school. As part of the United Nations International Year of Water Cooperation, students may be participating in classroom activities on World Water Day on the 22nd March.

Check out the Water Corporation website at [www.watercorporation.com.au](http://www.watercorporation.com.au) for more information about being Waterwise.

## P&C News

On behalf of Safety Bay Primary School P&C Association I would like to welcome everyone back to a new school year. I would also like to extend a very warm welcome to all the new families who have joined our school community. 2013 promises to be a busy year for our P&C and we would love you all to be a part of it. It is great to start the year with all our classrooms being air-conditioned. The P&C have worked closely with the school over the last 4 years to complete the **"Cool Our School"** fundraising project. I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to or supported this project in any way.

Our first P&C meeting of the year is on Wednesday 27th February at 7pm in the staffroom. This is our Annual General Meeting (AGM) where all office bearer positions are declared vacant and new officers are elected. If you would like to be nominated or would like to nominate another person, nomination forms are available from the front office. They can be returned to the front office before the meeting or you may bring them along on the evening. Please remember that before you nominate another person/nominate yourself you should speak to the nominee first to make sure that they are happy with the nomination and that they/you know what the role entails. Details of what each role entails are also available from the office. The office bearer positions available are:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Canteen Treasurer

## School Banking Coordinator Required

Safety Bay Primary School operates a school banking program through the Commonwealth Bank. This is a very successful program whereby each time a student makes a deposit or opens a new account the school receives a small commission which goes towards fundraising. There are all kinds of prizes available and it's great to encourage your children to save. This banking program is run by volunteers. It involves just a couple of hours a week. You could do it with a friend. Our current volunteer, Amy Muir, is no longer able to continue in her role as she is returning to full time education. We wish her lots of luck for her future and would like to thank her for her time. The position of school banking coordinator will also be a nominated position to be filled at the AGM even though it is not one of the official office bearer positions listed above.

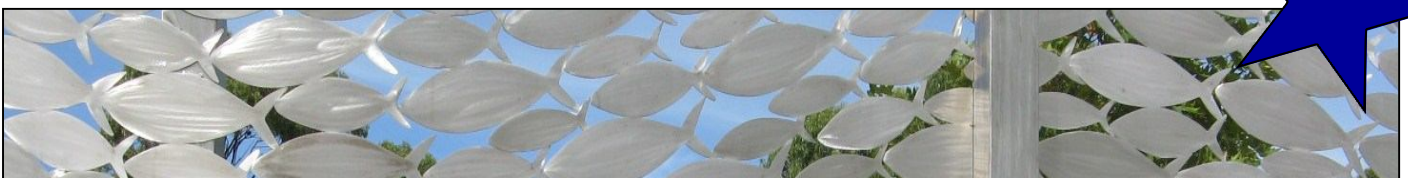
We would love to see some new faces at the first meeting of 2013. As a P&C member you can become as involved as you wish, but remember that "many hands make light work". We only hold two meetings per term and they last no more than two hours.

For those of you who are not aware, the P&C operates the canteen and uniform shop. These are vital resources available to families at our school. Without the P&C they cannot operate and would have to be outsourced and would then become very expensive. Please come and support your P&C.

If you would like an informal chat or need more information please call me on 0488 140 440 or email me at [janine-sbps@hotmail.com](mailto:janine-sbps@hotmail.com) and I will be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

Regards

Janine O'Hare  
P&C President



# From the Community

## Positive Parenting Programme



A parenting program for parents of children aged three to eight years.

The program aims to teach how to keep a positive parent-child relationship and use effective discipline strategies

**\*\*Preparing your child for school\*\***

The Program will assist parents with:

Whinging, Tantrums, Mealtimes, Bedtimes, Sibling Rivalry, whinging, How to say "No", and Encourage desirable behaviour.

Managing situations which are stressful. Looking after yourself as a parent.

### Where:

Bertram Primary School  
Champion Drive, Bertram.

### When: 9:00 – 11:00 AM

THURSDAYS 21, 28 February  
& 7th, 14th March. 2012.

### Cost: Free

TEA & COFFEE available

CRECHE on site

FREE WORKBOOK

Meet other parents

To Register for the program, please phone  
Bertram Primary School 94191762

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## Aquatic Programs February – April 2013

### Summer Opening Hours

Monday & Thursday	6am – 8pm
Friday	6am – 6pm
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### LEARN TO SWIM SERIES 4

Our *Swim & Survive* Learn to Swim Program runs twice per week for 5 weeks.

**Date:** 9/02/2013 – 14/03/2013

**Lesson Days:** Monday & Wednesday or Tuesday & Thursday or Saturday & Sunday

**Cost:** \$100 per participant

### SQUAD TRAINING SERIES 4

**Date:** 11/02/2013 – 14/03/2013

**Days available:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday afternoon; Wednesday Mornings

**Cost** 1 Day per week \$47.00: 2 Days per week \$ 90.00

3 Days per week \$120.00 4 Days per week \$140.00

### FREE SWIM FRIDAY

**Date:** Every Friday between 3.30pm to 5.30pm during school terms .

**Cost:** Free to all primary school children (Year 1 – Year 7) with parents accompanying them. All other children will be normal entry.

### FUNDAY SUNDAY

**Dates:** 24/02/2013 and 10/03/2013

**Time:** 1pm to 5pm

**Cost:** \$2.50per person

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THE PROGRAMS ON OFFER AT THE  
ROCKINGHAM AQUATIC CENTRE PLEASE CONTACT US ON 08 9527 2592.





# AUSSIE HANDS WA 2013 EASTER PICNIC

Sunday 17th March

Heathcote Reserve Playground

Duncraig Road. Five minutes from the Canning Hwy exit of the Kwinana Freeway

Applecross

11:00 am

BYO Picnic Lunch  
Or Café Available



Aussie Hands Foundation Inc was formed in October 2000 to:

- Provide support, understanding and encouragement to parents, children, teenagers and adults with hand and upper limb differences.
- Provide opportunities for networking and exchange of ideas.
- Support research initiatives and

Raise the awareness of hand differences in the community.

This picnic is the third Aussie Hands event for West Australian families and is primarily to raise awareness and provide casual networking. It would be great to get as many people along as we can. All members, new members, non-members, supporters



The Aussie Hands Foundation Inc

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