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Newsletter 18
4 December 2013

From the Principal

Dear Safety Bay Community

As the year draws to an end this newsletter is my final farewell to you all. I have thoroughly enjoyed being part of this community and it has been a pleasure to have had the opportunity to work with a wonderful staff and to develop positive relationships with the students.

I must commend the work of your P&C and School Council, particularly under the leadership of Ms Janine O Hare and Ms Gaynor Boyd. Safety Bay is truly fortunate to have such a proactive team working hard for the benefit of the school. Along with that where would we be without our amazing canteen manager Ms Lisa Rendell and her team of volunteers. Thank you for all of the work you have done this year.

Our front office Administration staff have been a tower of strength during many changes and I would like to acknowledge the great work of Di Tindale, Kim Elliment and Sam Reynolds. They are the team who maintain such a high standard and efficiency in all processes and must be congratulated for the profile they create for the school.

School Improvement and Planning

In the past weeks teachers have been compiling reports and these will be issued on December 16th. Parents wishing to discuss these reports should make an appointment with the classroom teacher in preparation for 2014.

Staff have been meeting to establish priorities for 2014 and the Literacy and Numeracy Teams have been setting targets for improvement and determining the resources to be purchased for programs. I am continually impressed by the dedication and shared leadership across the school.

The new demountable is almost ready and in the next week classes will be preparing to move into the building. Some classes will be moving as well toward the end of the year.

Transition programs in Kindy, Pre-primary and Year 7 have been run successfully and have helped to prepare students for 2014. This will continue next year and support will be available to families during this time.

Best wishes Everyone!

Thank you once again for the opportunity to lead Safety Bay Primary School for these last 6 months. It has been a very rewarding experience and I take away happy and lasting memories. To the students.... My very best wishes for a successful year in 2014 and beyond. Hopefully we will meet again one day

Happy and safe holiday everyone.

Keryl Caird
Principal

Last day of school for students is Thursday 19 December 2013.
Students return to school on Monday 3 February 2014.

IMPORTANT DATES

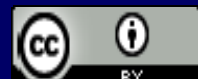
4 DECEMBER
P&C Meeting
6 DECEMBER
Assembly W4
10 DECEMBER
Christmas Story
9am—12.30pm
11 DECEMBER
Parent Helper
Morning Tea
13 DECEMBER
Assembly S5 & 6
Year 5 Woodman
Point Excursion
16 DECEMBER
P 7,8 & 9 Scitech
Excursion
16 & 17 DECEMBER
PP & Yr1 Bubble
Incursion
18 DECEMBER
Yr 7 Graduation
Assembly & Dinner
Dance
19 DECEMBER
Last day of school
for students.

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DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

The KidsMatter team recently attended a presentation at our school. This presentation was the second component of the KidsMatter umbrella. The component was based on the Social and Emotional Learning of children.

Social and emotional learning is about developing the ability to care for others, make responsible decisions, establish positive relationships, and handling challenging situations. Five social and emotional skill areas have been identified as being essential for good mental health and wellbeing: self awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationship skills, and responsible decision-making.

Research shows that children benefit most from social and emotional learning when it is taught in regular school lessons. When implemented well, social and emotional learning can achieve significant, positive results, and even improve academic and educational outcomes.

Effective implementation requires the involvement of entire school communities in order to support staff and families to develop children's social and emotional competence, and to enable children to practise their skills both at and away from school.

Mr Riberio and I (Mrs Allen) will be presenting this component to the staff on our first school development days in 2014. We will be discussing programs that align with the philosophy of KidsMatter. The staff will be asked to assist in choosing a Social and Emotional program that is suitable for our school. This program will assist the social and emotional wellbeing of our students.

City of Rockingham Activity Guide, this guide has been produced to promote fun and creative sporting, recreational and leisure activities in Rockingham. The City aims to promote healthy active lifestyles and improve overall health and wellbeing of all individuals. Click on this link [Activity Guide](http://www.rockingham.wa.gov.au) to view in full or visit www.rockingham.wa.gov.au.

Please note that there are several signs around the school stating, "Dogs are not Permitted on School Grounds". There have been a number of incidents lately where dogs have been tied up at gate entrances and dog fights have occurred. Could we please ask parents who walk their children to school with the family dog, to ensure it is on a leash and tied up several metres away from any gate entrance to avoid any harm to either animal or person.

2014 STUDENT PERSONAL ITEMS LIST

Tools for Schools 2014 Student Personal Items lists can still be brought into the school office for collection up until the last day of school.

You can also find them on the school website, where you can download a copy.

<http://www.safetybayps.wa.edu.au>

2014 IN-TERM SWIMMING LESSONS

Years 4—7 will have swimming lessons in Week 1 of Term 1. Notes will be sent home shortly with all the details.

LIBRARY BOOK AMNESTY

Please remember you can return overdue library books, with 'no questions asked'. Your books may be returned to the front office or to the library. Thank you.

ARE YOU LEAVING THE SCHOOL?

The staffing allocation for the school is dependent on the number of students enrolled at the school and the closer our estimate is to the actual enrolment the smoother the start to the 2014 school year will be. Please return the slip below to this year's class teacher if your child will not be returning to Safety Bay Primary in 2014. Thank you for your support with this request.

Safety Bay Primary School Leavers

Child's Name : _____ Current year level _____ Room _____

Child's Name : _____ Current year level _____ Room _____

Name of new school in 2014 _____

Signature _____

PRIZES FOR WALKATHON 2013

	Year	Class
E-Reader Winner		
Francheska	1	WM3
Highest Class Raiser		
P10	4	P10
Highest Year Raiser		
Alyssa	K	W6 P
Levi	PP	W4
Ngaskisha	1	W1
Lily	2	S3
Lilly	3	C12
Dylan	4	P10
Liam	5	C17
Teagan	6	C14
Keely	7	C13
Raising over \$100		
Ryan	K	W7 P
Alyssa	K	W6 P
Charlie	K	W6 P
Emerald	K	W6 P
Abbi	PP	W5
Stella	PP	W5
Jayden	PP	W4
Levi	PP	W4
Kane	1	W1
Ngaskisha	1	W1
Keira	1	S6
Rebecca	1	S5
Lily	2	S3
Micah	3	P8
Zak	3	P8
Lilly	3	C12
Eloise	4	P9
Bradley	4	P10
Cherub	4	P10
Dylan	4	P10
Emily	4	P10
Grant	5	C18
Liam	5	C17
Teagan	6	C14

Thank you to everyone who made our school disco a great success. We raised approximately \$1500.00.

P & C NEWS

Well here we are at the end of another year. It has been an extremely busy and successful year for our P&C. We have raised lots of money in our Easter Raffle, our free dress day, the Walkathon and our first school disco. Thank you to all those parents and community members who have supported us in our fundraising events. Our Walkathon was the biggest event and it raised over \$10,000.00. Well done to everyone involved.

On behalf of the P&C I would like to bid a very fond farewell to our Principal Mrs Keryl Caird. Keryl joined us in Term 2 and we have loved having her here, she has supported our P&C and has supported me in my role as President and she will be sorely missed by us all. I wish you good luck and happiness at your new school.

Our next, and final P&C meeting for this year, is tonight (Wednesday 4th December) at 7pm in the staffroom. It will be a little more informal with some drinks and nibbles to wrap up the end of the year.

It only remains for me to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a healthy New Year. Enjoy the holidays and we look forward to seeing everyone back next year. School starts again on Monday 3rd February. **Our uniform shop will be open on Thursday and Friday 30th and 31st January from 10am - 2pm for purchases and collection of pre-ordered uniforms.**

Janine O'Hare
P&C President

CANTEEN

The last day for ordering lunch from the canteen for 2013 will be **Friday 13th December**. It will not be open in the last week of school.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

If you are moving to High School or leaving to attend another school in 2014, would you kindly consider donating your preloved Safety Bay Primary School uniform to help those families who find it difficult to purchase new school uniforms. If you can help please bring your old uniforms into the school office for collection.

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. So please bring packaged, tinned and jarred foods up to the office, if you wish to contribute.



WORLD OF MATHS

As part of our Maths program this year we were visited by "World of Maths". All students who took part were engrossed in the problem solving challenges. The activities gave students the chance to see maths as a fun challenge. They required students to use their knowledge and show resilience by never giving up.



This year on their return from camp in Bridgetown, the Yr 7s visited 'Gnomesville', in the Ferguson Valley next to Dardanup. The students had spent some time during art making and painting gnomes and Mrs Henegan, Education Assistant, made a classroom for the gnomes. As a reminder of the visit the students left their gnomes in the classroom. If you visit 'Gnomesville', look out for our Safety Bay Primary 2013 leavers' gnomes.

Gnomesville



NAIDOC Assembly

27th November 2013



Positive Parenting

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From birth to preschool your child will develop more quickly than at any stage in their life. Their brain will triple in size as they learn to think, talk, learn, express and control their feelings and coordinate their movements. In this workshop your child's journey from birth to school and strategies to promote early learning will be discussed.

Free!

Date: Monday 16 December 2013

Time: 9:30am to 11:30am

Venue: Darius Wells

Resource and Knowledge Centre
 Corner Chisham Ave & Robbos Way, Kwinana
 Crèche available - bookings essential.

This session will explore tips & practical ideas for:

- *Creating a positive learning environment*
- *Helping your child manage difficult feelings*
- *Providing strategies to encourage desirable behaviour*




To reserve your place for this workshop & crèche please contact the Coordinator on
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