



Safety Bay Primary School

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From the Principal

Newsletter 02
25 February 2015

Principal's Word

Communication

Yesterday you received a letter regarding the **possibility** of a restructure occurring. The plan is that we have made alternative arrangements to support the students and teachers in those classrooms. We are aware some students will be leaving during this time and we are investigating enrolments who have moved out of the area. You will be kept informed.

I have had some concerns raised regarding communication from the school to parents. When a program is busy, and by that I mean school, family and community, it is imperative that communication between school and home (and vice versa), is maintained at a consistent and effective level. The newsletter is emailed to each family (if we have an address) and it is put on the school website so every family can access it easily. If you do not have computer access, the Safety Bay library provides community members access to their computers if you join. Reading the newsletter keeps you informed. With a busy program comes responsibility on the part of each child to ensure notes get home and if the notes involve permission from parents to attend or participate, the child's responsibility is to ensure the parent gets the note. We do not want to see children miss out on opportunities, so please take the time to explain to your child their responsibility.

At this time of year meetings have been organised so parents can receive information about teacher's plans for the year in their class. If you have been unable to attend, please seek an appointment with your child's teacher as early as possible in the term as possible.

Contribution and Charges

There are numerous opportunities that are provided for students that come at a cost. We are aware that at different times of the year families come under pressure financially, particularly where there are multiple children involved. Mrs Tindale, the school's registrar, wants to assist as much as she can. To this end she offers a range of strategies for families to set up a payment that covers school contributions and costs of excursions and in school performances. Please avail yourself of the opportunity so that your child is afforded every opportunity at Safety Bay.

P&C

Last Wednesday the P&C held its AGM and the executive were elected.

Executive Committee Nominations:

PRESIDENT: Bernice Shepherd
VICE PRESIDENT: Jill Eriksson
TREASURER: Sue Pizzuto
SECRETARY: Marleen Cleary

The following members will make up the executive committee:

Carmen McSporren
Vivien Blyche
Tamara Toghill
Wayne Devine
Tegan Morgan

Congratulations to all the everyone and I wish them the best of luck for the year. The first General Meeting is tomorrow at 1.30pm in the staff room. All welcome.

Shed for Sydney Project

At the meeting tomorrow a final decision will be made about the contractor to build the shed for the new program the KidsMatter team are trying to implement. It is to be erected on the southern side of the library. This will mean the seats in this area will be moved to allow for shelving to be included. A plan will be developed as to where the seats need to be relocated.

Quote: The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good.

Wayne McKay
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 26 Feb

**P&C Meeting—
1.30pm staff room**

**Year 6 & 7
Parent Meeting
3.30pm-4.30pm**

Friday 27 Feb

**Assembly C21
Group A**

Monday 2 March

**Labour Day
Holiday**

Friday 6 March

Funky Friday

Tuesday 10 March

**Year 4-6
Swimming Trials
9.00am-12.30pm**

Friday 13 March

**Assembly C15
Group**

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CHANGE OF DATE

Please be aware that there has been a change of date for the Year 4-6 Swimming Trials. It will now be held on Monday 9th March 9.00am to 12.30pm instead of Tuesday, 10th March.

LATE NOTES

Please remember to come to the office for a late note if you arrive at school after 9.00am.

AHOY THERE!

As part of the Commemoration of the Centenary of ANZAC, I would like to set up a school display featuring various items, including photographs of family members or friends who have been in the armed services; Army Air force, Navy or Merchant Navy; Uniforms or anything military related.

Photocopies of photographs are preferable or I will photocopy them and return to you. Any items loaned need to be clearly labelled to ensure they can be returned.

Where possible could all photographs have the following details on the back;

Name, rank, age and where the photo was taken.

If you have any questions you can reach me at school on 95283680 or via email debra.batey@education.wa.edu.au

TRAFFIC WARDEN NEEDED!

Seeking School Crossing Traffic Warden

The School Crossings Traffic Management Unit are seeking a traffic warden to work at the crossing at the 't' junction on June Road. This is a paid position and an application pack, should you wish to apply is available from the school office. Further information is available by phoning 6274 8731. Thank you for your interest in becoming a traffic warden.

P&C NEWS

Last weeks AGM saw the formation of the 2015 Executive Committee. The office bearers are as follows;

President	Bernice Shepherd
Vice President	Jill Erikssen
Secretary	Marleen Cleary
Treasurer	Sue Pizzuto

This Thursday 26th February there will be the first meeting of the newly formed committee at 1.30pm in the staff room. Please come along and join in the discussion. Younger children are more than welcome to attend with their parents. There are some great ideas already in the works for 2015.

MULTILIT



As part of Safety Bay Primary School's focus on improving Literacy for all students, we are continuing to run a program called MultiLit. This stands for Making Up Lost Time In Literacy. MultiLit is an intensive word attack and reading program designed to improve children's progress in reading and comprehension.

We are very enthusiastic about this program, as research has shown that children can make up to 18 months gain in their reading progress, in two school terms.

The program is delivered by volunteer tutors who are trained in the program. Each child attends 3 – 4 x 30 minute sessions per week. To enable the program to continue successfully, we require the assistance of more volunteers. If you have 30 minutes to spare per week, on a regular basis, then we would love to hear from you. You can contact Katrina Muirhead at the school on 9528 3680 or email Katrina.Muirhead@education.wa.edu.au.

HAVE YOU PAID?

Voluntary Contributions payments are due now. Thank you to those families who have already paid. While contributions are voluntary, the quality of our teaching and learning program will be maximised when each family contributes to funding gained from other sources, including the State government, via the [student-centred funding model](#) and Commonwealth governments. A voluntary contribution of \$60 per student per year (\$40 per Kindy student) is payable, or just over \$1 per week.

At Safety Bay Primary School voluntary contributions are used toward purchasing supplementary materials and resources to be used in the classroom as follows:- Art & Craft materials, Society & Environment, Literacy, Science, Numeracy, Information Technology Resources and Physical Education Resources.

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. Bank details are below:

Account Name	Safety Bay Primary School
Bank	NAB
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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.

Thank you.

Diana Tindale
Registrar

Starting school is a big change for children

Not only do they have to cope with schoolwork and teachers, but they also have to get used to being part of a class and a whole school. A lot more is expected of children when they start school and there are lots more people to get on with. It helps children to know that there are people at school who will look after them and care about their needs.

Belonging improves mental health, wellbeing and learning

All children need to feel that school is a safe place where people will care about them, where their needs for support, respect and friendship will be met, and where they will be able to get help to work out problems. When these needs are met children develop a sense of belonging at school. Belonging is very important for children's mental health and wellbeing. Children who feel that they belong at school are happier, more relaxed and have fewer behavioural problems than other students. They are also more motivated to learn and be more successful with their school work. Research into children's mental health has found that a sense of belonging and connectedness at school helps to protect children against mental health difficulties and improves their learning.

Making friends and having positive relationships with teachers helps children develop a sense of belonging at school. Having older 'buddies' to turn to helps younger children feel that school is a place where they can get help if they need it. Looking after younger children encourages caring and helping in older children and helps to reduce conflicts and bullying. These are some of the ways that children's sense of belonging at school can be supported.

More ways schools can help create a sense of belonging

As part of KidsMatter Primary, schools look closely at ways they can continue to build strong positive relationships with all students and families. This includes things like:

- making the school environment welcoming for all students and families
- encouraging teachers to get to know all their students and their families
- identifying ways of improving communication with families
- focusing on child and family strengths
- making sure that school policies on safety, welfare and discipline are clearly communicated and support a sense of belonging for children and families.

What parents and carers can do?

Parents and carers can work with school staff to help create a bridge between home and school. When the adults responsible for children take a positive interest in what happens at school it helps children feel at home. It also makes it easier to pick up any problems early when they are easiest to resolve.

- Find out about the school and what your child is learning; participate in information sessions
- Make time to listen to your child tell you about what he or she is doing at school
- Let your child's teacher know if he/she is having difficulties and discuss what kinds of things you can do at home and school to help.

Our kids matter.

KidsMatter helps our school nurture happy, balanced kids.



Please remember keep the front office updated of any changes in contact details, i.e.: address or phone numbers. If we do not have the correct information, it makes it difficult to contact parents/ guardians in case of emergencies.

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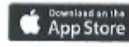
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The Rockingham Swimming Club will be hosting the Dive and Try carnival being held at the Aqua Jetty and we were hoping that you would be able to place this information into your next newsletter.

There will be a Sausage Sizzle available on the day and every child that enters the Dive and Try will receive a Cap and certificate from Swimming WA to say that they have participated at the Dive and Try. The children that enter will also have the opportunity, to be chosen to attend the Dive and Try finals to be held by Swimming WA, in May 2015.

Please follow the link - <http://wa.swimming.org.au/page.php?id=70> for information about the Dive and Try Carnivals and also to register any interested competitors.

If you have any further questions about the Dive and Try Carnivals, please don't hesitate in contacting myself, Sharon Shepherd, Club Secretary, at the Rockingham Swimming Club on 9593 4000 or 0400520350 or alternatively, email us at rockswim@inet.net.au

We look forward to seeing your students on pool deck.

Kindest Regards
Sharon Shepherd
Club Secretary
Rockingham Swimming Club

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