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FROM THE PRINCIPALS

What a fantastic start to the year! We are only four weeks in and already the children are fully engaged and we are proud of the commitment to learning they are showing.

Huge thanks to all parents and students who made our first round of swimming lessons run so swimmingly (sorry!). It is a credit to you all that our children were prepared and able to give their all to these important lessons. I know that the year 5 & 6 students are very keen to start their lessons down at Cottesloe beach next week and I'm sure they will show the same levels of organisation and commitment, whilst at the same time, enjoying their time in our beautiful Indian Ocean.

Our Deaf School is proud to welcome two new interpreters, Shiva and Franki, to our dedicated team. They are NAATI qualified and come to us with great skill and enthusiasm. We are throwing them in the deep end straight away, so you will be able to see their talents on display at our first school assembly tomorrow. We are also excited to introduce Jenny Cotham into our junior Deaf class as the team teacher with Lisa Callaghan. Jenny also brings wonderful expertise and enthusiasm which is already benefiting our students.

The Deaf School have developed a set of values which we will be helping our students to embrace. We have introduced them as a super team and each character is signing the value. Take a look:



We are hoping that as our students learn to embrace and develop these values, it will help set them up for successful lives in the future.

Signing Choir has begun! Once again students from both schools have joined together with great enthusiasm to share the joy of music through Auslan. This is a fantastic way to learn sign language and in the last two years of running this choir, in conjunction with our weekly Auslan lessons, I can definitely see Auslan skills strengthening throughout the school.

Monique Smith and Alison Robb

PRINCIPALS

MOSMAN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL SCHOOL WEBSITE – QR CODE



By hovering over this code with your device, you will be directed to the school website.

New information is added to the website weekly.

SCHOOL ORGANISATION - 2017

MOSMAN PARK SCHOOL FOR DEAF CHILDREN

Principal	Monique Smith
Teachers	Lisa Callaghan Jenny Cotham Dennis Ong Linda Townend (science)
Speech Pathologist	Madison Taylor
Education Assistants AUSLAN	Shiva Ananda Daniela Begg Tamila Church Franki Crawford Sue Garbin Jodie Harris Debra Ripley Ev Treloggen Sally Walters Jacqui Whitfield Lisa Young
Deaf Role Models	Tenna Kozuh Chris Levitzke-Gray Therese Robertson
Special Needs Education Assistants	Sue Robertson Stephanie Garratt
Manager Corporate Services	Fiona Holder
School Chaplain	Rhonda Miller

PRE-PRIMARY FOODBANK INCURSION

The pre-primary classes welcomed Foodbank to their classrooms on Tuesday 14th February. They learnt about the benefits of a balanced diet and participated in cooking a variety of nutritious snacks.

"The apple crumble was delicious!" Rose

"I liked grating the carrot." Lachlan



"I like cutting it (vegetables) and eating it." Izaiyah

"I like chopping the food and eating the apple crumble." James

ASSEMBLY

Our School Leaders will be announced at the first assembly conducted by Ms Davies' Year 6 class tomorrow Friday, 24 February at 8.50am.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS - PUPIL FREE DAYS

Mon 24 April Monday 9 October
Friday 2 June Friday 15 December

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

This year's ANZAC Day service will be held on the last Friday of Term 1 (7 April). Once again, we would like to know of any family links to fallen soldiers so that our students can place a poppy by the name of the soldier. Please let the front office know of your family and the name of the soldier you wish to have remembered.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL DATES

The House Swimming Carnival will be held on Monday, 20th March at Claremont Pool from 9am – 12 noon.

The Interschool Swimming Carnival takes place at Challenge Stadium on Wednesday, 29th March from 9am–12 noon.

INTERM SWIMMING LESSONS – YRS 5 - 6

The Year 5 -6 swimming lessons commence on Monday 27th February at Cottesloe Beach.

Payment of \$60 per child for swimming is required prior to the lessons commencing. Thank you.

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN)

Notice to Parents
Federally mandated, Australia wide NAPLAN testing of all **Year 3 and Year 5** students will take place on **Tuesday May 9, Wednesday May 10 and Thursday May 11**. At this stage, it is anticipated that the testing will be carried out in the students' classrooms according to the following schedule.

Tuesday May 9	Wednesday May 10	Thursday May 11
9am Language Conventions (40 mins)	9am Reading (45/50 mins)	9am Numeracy (45/50 mins)
11:15am Writing (40 mins)		

**Lower time is Yr 3, Higher time is Yr 5*

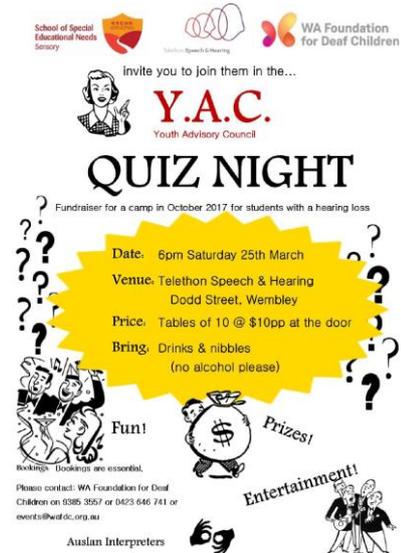
Parents of students in Years 3 or 5 should have been given a pamphlet with further details. Students who have a disability may require adaptations to sit the test or may be unable to participate. If this is the case, please discuss this with their class teacher. Parents who are philosophically opposed to NAPLAN testing will need to put this in writing to the school to exempt their child. Please speak to your child's class teacher or to Alison Robb, Monique Smith or Pamela Chatfield if you have any particular concerns.

ICAS TESTING

The University of New South Wales is offering your child an opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). ICAS assessments have taken place annually in schools for over thirty years and in 20 countries. Educational Assessment Australia (EAA) design and deliver the assessments and is an arm of the University of New South Wales. Please be aware that these assessments are competitively based and may be conducted before school. Some are conducted in May and others in August.

As entries are administered through the school, you can apply through the school by filling out and returning with payment the form held at the front office. Please return the form to the School Administration before 31 March, 2017 – Late entries will incur extra costs.

DEAF COMMUNITY EVENTS



School of Special Educational Needs
Sensory Telethon Speech & Hearing WA Foundation for Deaf Children

Invite you to join them in the...
Y.A.C.
Youth Advisory Council

QUIZ NIGHT

Fundraiser for a camp in October 2017 for students with a hearing loss

Date: 6pm Saturday 25th March
Venue: Telethon Speech & Hearing
Dodd Street, Wembley
Price: Tables of 10 @ \$10pp at the door
Bring: Drinks & nibbles
(no alcohol please)

Fun! Prizes! Entertainment!

Refreshments are essential.

Please contact: WA Foundation for Deaf Children on 9386 3567 or 0423 646 741 or events@wafdc.org.au

Auslan Interpreters



YOUNG ADULTS SPEAK OUT !!

Thursday 30th March 6-8pm

Young adults will talk about a topic of their choice regarding their journey as a Deaf or Hard of Hearing young adult.

This is an event for parents and teenagers

FREE EVENT

Refreshments & nibbles provided

Interpreters provided

At the WA Foundation for Deaf Children

53 Curtin Avenue, Cottesloe

RSVP essential to events@wafdc.org.au

By Wednesday 29th March 2017

PERSONAL PROPERTY INCL IPADS & MOBILE PHONES

Just a reminder that students should not have any electronic devices on them or in their bags/trays etc during the school day. Nor should they have favourite toys, cards or games. If students need to bring Ipads or mobile phones with them to school, they must hand them in to the front office at the beginning of the day and then collect them at the end of the day. The school cannot take any responsibility for lost, stolen or damaged personal property.

RIDING BIKES TO SCHOOL

Please talk with your children about safety when riding to and from school. Children are allowed to ride on pavements however they must ride with caution and appropriate speed. We have had a number of very concerned homeowners, especially along Victoria Street, contacting us to say that children were riding very quickly along the footpath. They would not be able to stop safely if a car reversed from a driveway. It is also law that all children wear helmets while cycling. This is particularly important when coming to and from school. Cyclists can be fined \$50 for not wearing an appropriately fastened helmet. If your child does not have a helmet please purchase one prior to them cycling to school.

Thank you for your support with this concern.

CAT or AMC MATHS TESTING FOR YEARS 5 & 6

Registration for all Australian Mathematics Trust competitions has now opened! Computational and Algorithmic Thinking (CAT) is first up, scheduled for 21 March, and is available in paper or online format.

Students have an hour to complete the paper, which contains 9 problems that require logical and algorithmic thinking. This includes six multiple-choice questions that are relatively easy to solve, followed by three more challenging questions.

In 2017, the AMT is offering a package of the CAT and the Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC) for the discounted price of **\$10 per student**. You can also ensure that your students are prepared and ready to go by adding the training programs GetSet CAT or GetSet AMC to any order for \$2 per student. Please fill in the same form as the ICAS testing and return to the office by 27 February along with the payment.

SUN SAFETY - HATS

Our school has a "No Hat, No Play" Policy in place from August 1st through to May 31st. A hat is to be worn during sport, physical education, recess, lunch times and on excursions.

Please mark it clearly with your child's name.



EARLY YEARS PROGRAM

This term the Early Years Program will be held at the Mosman Park Kindergarten, Solomon Street on 24th March from 9.30am – 10.30am.

All parents and their 3 and 4 year old children are invited to attend the story time and play session, as part of this program.

Our Kindergarten teacher Denise Barnett will read the story "Waddle, Giggle, Gargle" by Pamela Allen.

This program focuses on developing children's speech and language skills, with this session focussing on the chirpy chatter of magpies. Children will make a magpie mask to chirp with.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

We know that every day that a child is absent from school has an impact on their learning. For this reason, it is a legal requirement that students attend school and, when they can't, parents need to contact the school and explain why and for how long the student is likely to be away (sick, family emergency etc). This means that the school knows if there are ongoing issues and your child or family needs support. We can also plan to help your child catch up on what they missed to minimise the impact on learning. At Mosman Park, we see ourselves as a community which works together to develop happy, healthy children with lifelong learning habits, and we work together with families and the community to make this happen. Your support in this is critical and much appreciated by the staff at the school.

PAPER CRANES FOR BRAIN CANCER

Have you had a family member or friend with brain cancer or would like to help raise awareness of the disease? The origami crane represents longevity and good fortune. In conjunction with the City of Melville and the Perth Japanese Community, we will be making origami cranes in Japanese over the next few weeks. If you already know how to make an origami paper crane, you are welcome to do so and bring the completed cranes to me at school before March 7. I will be taking all completed cranes to a community picnic on Sunday, 19 March 2017, at Piney Lakes Reserve, Winthrop. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please see me or go to <http://melvillecity.com.au/1000cranes> Arigatou!

Sensei Blair

JUMP ROPE in 2017

We will be starting skipping team trials from Week 7 this term. Our Jump Off Day will be in Term 2, where each class will come down for a session of skipping activities throughout the day. More information to come soon.

Mr Ong

P&C NEWS

It has been a busy start to 2017 so I hope you and your children are settling in well. It was great to meet so many new families at our Welcome Picnic last Friday. Thank you to Shane Orton and Clare for providing music under the fig tree.

P&C Cake Stall for WA STATE ELECTION SATURDAY 11TH MARCH 2017

We are holding a cake stall while voting takes place on Saturday the 11th March. This is a great opportunity to raise some money for the kids to be used in this school year ahead. **We really need the help of the school community to both bake and assist with running the stall on the morning.** So please, **BAKE, BAKE, BAKE** and deliver scones, cakes or muffins to the school canteen on either Friday 10th March or from 7am on the Saturday 11th March. Just remember to include an ingredients list on all items. Please email melinda.fisher@optusnet.com.au if you are able to assist serve and prepare items for sale on the day.

Dates for your diary

Saturday 11 March - P&C Cake Stall - Election Day, 6.30am - 12pm, Library

Tuesday 14 March - P&C General Meeting, 7pm, Library

Sunday 26 March - Town of Mosman Park Community Fair, 12-5pm, Mann Oval

Friday 7 April - The Famous Easter Raffle Draw, 2.45pm

Class Reps Thank you! Each Class from Kindy to year 6 now has at least one parent Class Rep. Sharing the role is a great way to harness everyone's talents. As well as assisting your class teacher in the classroom there are two P&C Cake Stalls and of course the FAMOUS Easter Raffle coming up very soon.

P&C AGM Had a great turn out of people. Next General Meeting bring a friend and we will boost numbers even more.

Office bearers for 2017 are:

President: Hannah Adams,

Vice President: Marion Johnston

Treasurer: Sarah Webster

Secretary: Ali Collier

Executive Committee Members: Anne Fairbanks, Alison Davis, Lara Davies, Canteen Co-ordinator: Kate Bailey,

Canteen Committee: Lesley Cavill

Canteen Roster: Lara Davis

Uniform Shop: Mel Pace, Raj Nicholson, Matt Needham

Entertainment Books: Jo Williams

Looking for a parent or member of the community who has experience in grant writing and anyone interested in helping with the Musical.

If you have 10 minutes to spare, get down to the library just before pickup time, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. Find out what Mrs Rankin means by do the weeding...

Please talk to your class rep or any of the 2017 P&C Office Bearers if you have any questions and ideas. My contact details are also listed below.

Thanks everyone,

Hannah Adams

President, Mosman Park P&C

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CANTEEN ROSTER

Thank you to everyone for signing up for the first few weeks of term. There are still a lot of shifts to be filled for the remainder of the term. Please sign up to Canteen at <http://signup.com/go/Sjc5P4> If you cannot access signup please email me laradavis@optusnet.com.au and let me know your preferences and I can place you on the roster. If you are new to the school or maybe haven't done Canteen before, we would love to see you. An experienced person will always be rostered on a shift and a running sheet of instructions is displayed in the Canteen.

FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY MRS WENSINGER Class rep: Helene Hansen	
AM 8.30 - 11.15AM	PM 11.10 - 1.30PM
Jane Riley	Cait Calcutt
Donna Banavas	Carly Franc
Vanessa Finlayson	Melinda Fisher
10.00am - 12.30pm Shift	
Sal Mitchell-Bathgate	

FRIDAY 3RD MARCH MRS SMALLBONE rep: Vanessa Gould-Lemmon & Lisa Newlands	
AM 8.30 - 11.15AM	PM 11.10 - 1.30PM
Jo Talbot	HELP NEEDED
Kate Hillyar	Zar Torre
Sonia Barry	HELP NEEDED
10.00am - 12.30pm Shift	
Fluer Schell	

FRIDAY 10th MARCH MRS MERNICK rep: Jane Riley & Mel Fisher	
AM 8.30 - 11.15AM	PM 11.10 - 1.30PM
Amanda Cullity	HELP NEEDED
Larissa McGoldrick	HELP NEEDED
HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED
10.00am - 12.30pm Shift	
HELP NEEDED	

Lara Davis 0410 696 595 laradavis@optusnet.com.au

HARMONY DAY MARCH 21 – EVERYONE BELONGS

We will be Celebrating Australia's Cultural Diversity during week 8 and we would like to involve as many of the cultures which are represented by the families in our school. If this is of interest to you and you would like to be involved, please contact Rhonda Miller, School Chaplain to discuss your level of involvement and any ideas you may have to make this a great celebration!

COMMUNITY NEWS

BUDS and STRING BEANS

Do you know any budding string performers? String Beans, a community orchestra, is looking for primary school string players – violin, viola, cello... This group is a lovely, positive musical ensemble, lead by a fantastic, encouraging conductor. They play informal concerts at primary school markets, old age homes, and also have the opportunity to play with a full orchestra on occasion. Players need to read music & have played for a few years (AMEB Grade 1+) They rehearse at North Fremantle Bowls Club on a Thursday afternoon. If you might be interested, please visit our website for more information <http://communityorchestras.org.au/buds-and-string-beans/>

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hi Parents and Caregivers,

We have had a change in staff duty rosters and therefore we are looking for anyone who can help with our fabulous Mozzie Bites Breakfast club on Tuesdays & Thursday mornings from about 8am til 9am. If you would like to join our team please let me know when you drop off or pick up your children or just drop me an sms or an email. Thanks in advance for your support.

Please feel free to contact me for anything you are not sure about and I will endeavour to assist you in finding out the information you need or provide links to those who can help you.

Have a great year and I look forward to chatting with you in the school grounds.

Blessings, Rhonda Miller

YouthCARE School Chaplain

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Baha'i DAY CAMP – 10th and 11th April 2017

This coming school holidays, we are offering to run a 2 day holiday program on the first Monday and Tuesday at Mosman Park Primary School, open to PP – Yr 6 students.

The focus of this program is on learning and developing qualities such as "unity", "love", "honesty" and "service". It will allow children to develop a greater understanding of these qualities through the use of stories, craft, drama, cooperative games and music. The children will have the opportunity to put what they learn into practice through acts of service to the school and the wider community, such as helping in the school veggie garden and visiting a local nursing home. A nominal charge of \$10 per child per day will be used to cover costs.

To express your interest in your child's participation, to volunteer to be a parent helper or for further information, please contact either: Jasmine Bell-Roohi on 0421 645 267 or jasmine.bellroohi@gmail.com Rachel Parker-Roohi on 0413 456 747 or rachrooz@inet.net.au



Cott Pirates
COME PLAY RUGBY

Opening Training Night - March 9th at 5pm
Rugby encourages great sportsmanship, camaraderie, fitness and fun. Come and learn some fundamental skills from experts in our fabulous and unique club environment.

- Recreating kids and girls (under 11's)
- Recreational training
- Season from April 20th to August 10th
- Training sessions, Practice from 6:00pm
- All welcome to our training sessions, however we encourage all to attend our weekly training sessions.
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Register Now
Tel: 08959 0417 0417 0417 or info@cottpirates.com.au
Facebook: [cottpirates](https://www.facebook.com/cottpirates) | Twitter: [cottpirates](https://twitter.com/cottpirates)

Register your interest NOW for 2017 Junior Girls Football

Two age groups: Years 4 - 6 & 7 - 9

Girls football is growing super quickly!! Clearances in your school club and is now recruiting for season 2017

Places are filling quickly - we look forward to hearing from you. Please contact info@mydesk.net.au or Kim Stewart 0487 597 738

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Open Day
SATURDAY 11 MARCH, 9:00AM to 12:00PM.

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Tours every half hour, with the final tour departing at 11:00am. For enrolment enquiries please call (08) 9383 0400.

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AFTER SCHOOL COOKING CLASSES

- 4-week Nutrition and Cooking program for kids.
- Only 30% of kids are taught about nutrition at school.
- Let us fill that gap and help develop a healthy relationship with your children and food.
- Every Tuesday between 4-5pm
- Run by Dietitians so healthy rebates apply
- For kids aged 6-16 \$195.00 per child

On the menu...

- Buttermilk pancakes with fresh berries
- Ginola parfaits with yoghurt and fruit
- Salmon and sun dried tomato fritters
- Wild rice salad with corn and fresh herbs
- Lemon and EVOO vinaigrette
- Pesto pasta with cherry tomatoes
- Fish and Chips - the healthy way
- Plus lots more...

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