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We value positive relationships and  
understanding between students of  
different cultures and abilities.

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## NEWSLETTER No. 4

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## PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Friends

### Sun Smart School

Over this term the school has successfully applied to become a Sun Smart school. This will allow the school to apply for funding for shade structures and other equipment. As part of being sun smart we will be requesting that students wear hats every term and apply sunscreen on the days that it is sunny. To assist in this the school has purchased sun cream for every room and a small number of hats for each class. We would appreciate parent support with this change by ensuring that students have a hat ready for term 2.

### Colour Splatacular

Wow – what a great event! Last Friday was a very busy day and was finished off with our P&C Colour Splatacular! Our parents and P&C splattered and soaked our students as they ran around the course, which included a water slide, swimming pools, sprinklers and a firefighting hose. Thank you to all those involved in the day and a HUGE thank you to our wonderful P&C who made it all happen!



### Swimming Carnival

On Friday 15 March the school held our faction swimming carnival, which this year focused on our traditional swimming events. Gold faction took out the shield and our champions and R/Ups were:

Yr 4 girls – Lauren

Yr 5 boys – Riley & Oliver

Yr 5 girls – Tahnaya & Indigo

Yr 6 boys – Lachlan & Will

Yr 6 girls – Bella & Evelyn



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## FUTURE DATES

Interschool Swimming Carnival	Tues 26 March
National Ride-2-School Day	Wed 27 March
POE Assembly	Thurs 28 March
Students Last Day Term 1	Thurs 28 March
Students First Day Term 2	Mon 15 April

- **Respect** everyone and their things. • **Care** for self, others and our world. • Show people **tolerance** and **include** them. •
- Be **honest** and **trustworthy** by taking **responsibility** for your actions. •

On Tuesday 26 March a squad of 14 students attended the Interschool Swimming Carnival and performed very well. Although our numbers were quite low, all members did their best and represented our school well. The following students won individual medallions:

Year 6 Champion Girl – Bella

Congratulations to all our swimmers for your efforts over the last few weeks and a special thank you to Mr Luscombe for his organisation.

### Ride 2 School

Today our students were invited to ride, scoot or walk to school. It was fantastic to see our students getting physical on the way to school. Students enjoyed the opportunity to ride or scoot around the quadrangle, have some light breakfast, and possibly receive some cool prizes. Thank you to parents for supporting this event.

### ANZAC March

On Tuesday 25 April students in Yr 3-6 are invited to participate in the ANZAC Day parade commencing at 10am and finishing around 11.30am. Students have been provided a note for parents to sign and return if they wish to participate.

### End of Term

Another term has flown by, and we are already at Easter! Term 1 has certainly been very busy with swimming lessons, NAPLAN, Ride 2 School, Swimming Carnivals and our Colour Run. Thank you to all our wonderful staff at SPPS for navigating term 1 and settling the school into the learning routine. Have a safe and relaxing Easter break! School returns for students on Monday 15 April.

Have a wonderful holiday!

Jeremy Hadlow  
Principal

## VALUES CERTIFICATES

We congratulate the following students who received certificates at Monday's Mini assembly.



Responsibility	
PP1	Archie
Rm 27	Ella
Rm 1	Isabella
Rm 2	Finley
Rm 3	Zoe



Tolerance & Inclusion	
PP1	Isaiah
Rm 27	Layla
Rm 1	Lilly-anne
Rm 2	Lauren
Rm 3	Jaxon

Rm 8	Max
Rm 9	Shanayla
Rm 11	Bryce
Rm 19	Henry
Rm 24	Tom

Rm 8	Jazmyn
Rm 9	Harmony
Rm 11	Hunter
Rm 19	Eden
Rm 24	Netty



Respect	
PP1	Thomas
Rm 27	Havana
Rm 1	Amber
Rm 2	Zylas
Rm 3	Craig
Rm 8	Kailee
Rm 9	Hayley
Rm 11	Cairo
Rm 19	Noah
Rm 24	Hayley

## COLOUR SPLATACULAR

On Friday 22 March the school oval was awash with colour as our students enjoyed the Colour Splatacular. A spectacular amount was raised for our P&C and these funds will go to enrich our students experience here at Spencer Park Primary School. Thank you to all who participated and to the dedicated parents who arranged it.







## PRINCIPAL'S PATTER

### Golden Bee Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have done a great job in class being Friendly, Safe and Best and have earned a Golden Bee Award:

Room 13

Hollie, Belle

Room 14

Conner

Room 21

Jackson, Harry

Room 22

Gracie

Room 26

Cooper, Armando

Fantastic work! You are being great role models in our school.



### Spencer Park Education Support Centre Behaviour Expectations

Each week we have an Expectation of the Week focus. This week we focus on:

#### Be Friendly

I can be friendly.



### AUSLAN/Key Word Sign

Our key word signs support our Expectation of the Week:

I can be friendly by using kind words.

I



Friendly



Kind



Words



## NEWS - SPESC

### Harmony Week

As part of Room 26's Harmony Week celebrations, Armando's mother, Leah, lead us in Zumba dancing. We followed Leah's moves to Latin tracks – it was a lot of fun! Thank you Leah and Armando for sharing your super power with us.



### "Footy for All" – Great Southern Carnival

Last week the West Coast Eagles and WA All Abilities Football Association hosted an inclusive football carnival for schools in the Great Southern. The Carnival seeks to celebrate sportsmanship, teamwork, fair play, and inclusion through sport, driven by WA Football's Starkick motto "If you want to play, we will find a way".

Our ESC students joined ADESC for a fun day of "footy for all", starting with a skills-based session, followed by a round robin style of games and ended with a sausage sizzle.

The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all and some very tired students (and staff too) returned to school ready to go home and chill out!

We would like to extend a very big "Thank You" to the organisers for giving us the opportunity to participate in the carnival.



### Colour Splatacular

Last Friday's Run4Fun Colour Splatacular organised by the SPPS P&C was well supported and our ESC students had lots of fun joining in on this fund raiser.



Bec Wheatley-Deal  
Principal



### Chaplain's Chat

Dear Parents and Friends,

Sending warm greetings to you all at the end of the first term for this school year. I hope you are going well.

I must admit to feeling a bit taken aback by the apparent speed at which time is passing just now, as we prepare for it to be Easter and our first set of holidays. Thinking about the year ahead, in a few months, another Olympics? Wait, wasn't that just a couple of years ago? Another US Election this year, and our own state and federal elections next year – upon us at a lightning pace it seems...

It gives pause for thought about the idea of living in the moment. With holidays approaching, perhaps it is a good time to think about us taking time to do just that, with our families and friends. To not be thinking about the next thing we need to do or accomplish and enjoy the here and now. Children seem to be very good at that, we can learn some lessons from them!

Wishing you all a truly relaxing and memorable break!

Kind regards,  
Jennifer Hunt

## HONOUR CERTIFICATES

We congratulate the following students who received certificates at the last assembly.

PP 1	Durayne, Cleo, Theo
Rm 27	Ava, Layla, Saxon
Rm 1	Brooklyn, Llyod, Rhea
Rm 2	Lucas, Charli, Teliyah
Rm 3	Elise, Payton
Rm 8	Indigo, Lola, Ebony, Scarlett
Rm 9	Edyn, Byron, Shanayla
Rm 11	Bryce, Jesse
Rm 19	Noah, Paige
Rm 24	Alice, Brock



## EMPOWERING FUTURE LEADERS: GRIP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Last Thursday our Year 6 student councillors embarked on a key step in their leadership journey, attending the GRIP Leadership Conference, alongside student leaders from various Great Southern schools. This motivating event aimed to equip students with the tools and mindset necessary to lead with purpose, resilience and compassion.

The conference delved into crucial topics essential for effective leadership, offering practical insights and strategies to navigate the complexities of leadership. Students were encouraged to step forward and be prepared to act, be willing to make sacrifices for the plan to benefit everyone and taking the extra steps to ensure the plan succeeds and becomes part of school culture.

Highlights for our Spencer Park leaders were networking with other schools, having time to think and learn about how to be a better leader and participating in the engaging activities to stretch their thinking. The next step for our leaders is to apply the strategies to make our school even better.



## CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY



Children's University students were given their Passports to Learning last week.

They will spend the year earning Learning Hours, culminating with a wonderful, multi school, graduation ceremony at the Entertainment Centre.

It is not too late to join, and we would love to see some more boys signing up (yes, there are boys enrolled!). Students can obtain an enrolment form from the Library.





## FACTION SWIM CARNIVAL (photos)



## CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen special this Thursday. Sausage sizzle \$1.50. GF option available.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers. If you can spare some time to help in the Canteen next term please contact Nicole in the Canteen.

Thank you for all the wonderful produce from the School Garden that has been used in the Canteen.

## DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE

Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre offers free dental examinations, oral care advice, preventative, restorative and emergency treatment for children from pre-primary to Year 11.

Enrolment forms will soon be issued to your child if they have recently changed schools or enrolled in Pre-Primary, please return the forms to your school by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April if you wish to use our service.

Parents of enrolled students are reminded to contact the centre to update your details if you have moved in the last few years. All appointments are posted home, many are returned due to incorrect addresses, this means that your child misses out on their dental visit. If you no longer intend to use our service and attend a private dental clinic, please let us know as soon as possible as your valuable appointment could be taken up by someone else. You can call us on 9841 3967 or send us an email to [spencerparkdte@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:spencerparkdte@health.wa.gov.au).

Unfortunately, our clinics do not have reception staff, your child will be enrolled as soon as possible. They may not receive an exam appointment for up to 12 months. Please call us if your child is in pain.

## HEAD LICE

We have had quite a few cases of Head Lice across the school in the last few weeks. Please check your child/children's hair over the break and treat as necessary. Please make sure if your child has long hair it is tied up appropriately.

Regular checking of hair will help us keep on top of this itchy situation.



## WHAT'S NEWS!

It's always great to see our students excelling at school and in the community. Does your child participate in a community club or group or joined in a special event? We'd love to celebrate this with you ... why not share your snaps? Email your photos to [spencerpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:spencerpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au) along with a brief description and we'll publish it in our next newsletter. Already shared on Facebook? Why not make your post public and tag us @SpencerParkPS?

## COMMUNITY NEWS

Please note notices appearing below are not necessarily endorsed by the school. We provide this space for community groups to advertise to the school community. It is up to parents to scrutinise the activity and organisers for their child.

## Harvest kids Club

Commencing Term 2 18 April - Thursdays 3:15-4:30pm

**Free** Christian after school program - sharing food, games and Christian values.

Parents need to sign permission for children to attend. Permission forms available at the school office. Call Murray on 0432676211.

(All workers have Working With Children Check)

## Art in the Porongurup 2024

A free family friendly nature trail in the surrounds of the Porongurup Hall

**Vote for your favourite sculpture!**



2022 Winner  
Kelly Barker's "Self Repair"

Minimum  
**\$6,500**  
in prize money

**When:** 29 March to 6 April, 2024  
**Time:** 9 am to 4.30 pm (only til 12 on 6th)  
**Where:** Porongurup Hall Surrounds  
2257 Porongurup Road, Porongurup 6324  
**Entries close:** 22 March 2024  
**Theme:** Open concept  
**\$2,500** Open Award + Runner Up  
**\$1,000** People's Choice Award + Runner Up  
**\$1,000** Youth Award

**TALK TO US**  
[artintheponrurup6324@gmail.com](mailto:artintheponrurup6324@gmail.com)

## EVENT

**ART IN THE PORONGURUP + ART BAZAAR**

Runs for a week from Easter Friday

@Porongurup Hall

[www.poronguruphall.asn.au/events](http://www.poronguruphall.asn.au/events)

Community Bank  
Member of the  
Bendigo Bank  
Group

WATER & LAND  
SUSTAINABILITY

JOHN BARKER CLUB

Blue Planet  
Plantagenet

Porongurup  
Council

PCA PORONGURUP  
Community Assoc.

This event is presented by a PCA sub-committee

## BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

- FREE** healthy lifestyle program
- 6-12 year olds in WA
- Weekly support from a health professional
- Healthy eating tips
- Screen time ideas
- Develop healthy habits!

[www.betterhealthprogram.org](http://www.betterhealthprogram.org)

**FREE**  
resources!



Receive up to  
**\$500 from ANZ** for  
your 2025 back to  
school costs

Achieve a savings goal for 10 months and ANZ will match it up to \$500. You need to:

- ☒ Be 18 years or older
- ☒ Have a current Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- ☒ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ☒ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ☒ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

Terms and conditions apply.

**saverplus**  
[saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au)



## ARE YOUR KIDS KEEN TO PLAY HOCKEY?

Vikings Hockey Club invites player registrations for the 2024 season:

- Year 2/3/4 Mixed
- Year 5/6 Mixed
- Year 7/8/9 Girls
- Year 7/8/9 Boys
- Year 10/11/12 Girls
- Year 10/11/12 Boys
- Women's B
- Men's B

To register, or for more information, visit our website

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/vikingshc>

Email [vikingshockey@outlook.com](mailto:vikingshockey@outlook.com)



# HOCKEY PLAYERS WANTED

2024

Come and play a fast, skillful and family friendly game over the winter season. All ages are welcome

**FREE STICK KITS FOR  
ALL NEW JNR PLAYERS**

JUNIORS ARE  
NEEDED IN  
ALL GRADES

**PRIMARY SCHOOL PLAYING DAYS**

- > YEAR 5/6 MIXED Saturday morning
- > YEAR 2/3/4 MIXED Saturday morning

## CONTACT

US NOW

 [do@lgshockey.asn.au](mailto:do@lgshockey.asn.au)  
(JUNIORS ONLY)

 Other enquiries:  
0429 130 953



[www.lgshockey.asn.au](http://www.lgshockey.asn.au)

**HOCKEY FOR ALL**

## ANACONDA

 **OUTDOORS**  
GREAT SOUTHERN **GEOCACHING**  
**THE FORTS, ALBANY**

**8 - 12 years**

**April 2nd  
10am - 1pm**

**\$20**

Includes shelter  
building and  
basic first aid!



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## ANACONDA

 **OUTDOORS**  
GREAT SOUTHERN **GEOCACHING**  
**KWOORABUP COMMUNITY  
ADVENTURE PARK DENMARK**

**8 - 12 years**

**3rd April  
10am - 1pm**

**\$20**

Includes shelter  
building and  
basic first aid!



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## ALBANY CONTEMPORARY DANCE

# Term 2

**Tuesday**

**Primary/ Grade 1 Ballet 5-7yrs 3:45-4:30pm**

**Intermediate Hip Hop 8yrs+ 4:30-5:30pm**

**Thursday**

**Little Legs 3-5yrs 3:45-4:30pm**

**Dance Acro Level 1/2 7yrs+ 4:30-5:30pm**

**Dance Acro Level 3 11yrs+ 5:30-6:30pm**

**Friday**

**Lyrical Ballet 8yrs+ 4-5pm**

**K-Pop 8yrs+ 5-5:45pm**

**Saturday**

**Grade 3 Ballet**

**8yrs+ 9:30-10:30am**

**All Enquires & Enrolments**

[Sym@albanycontemporarydance.com.au](mailto:Sym@albanycontemporarydance.com.au)

[www.albanycontemporarydance.com](http://www.albanycontemporarydance.com)



# Out of Hours School Care

✉ albanyoshc@wpcyc.com.au

☎ 9842 1716

🏠 77 Sanford Rd, Albany 6330



LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

## ENROL NOW FOR NEXT TERM!

### ABOUT

Our team is committed to providing a safe, stimulating and positive environment, which fosters children's development and enjoyment.

» Ages 5-12

» Breakfast, afternoon tea and school drop-off provided

### WHEN

Monday to Friday

• Morning 6.30 - 9.00am

• Afternoon 3.00 - 6.00pm



# AusBike

AGES 5 - 12



A new national program, designed by Australia's peak cycling body, AusCycling, is running at the Albany MTB Club.

AusBike gives kids the essential skills to experience the freedom, fun and adventure of life on a bike.

**AusBikers are safe & active kids!**  
Our accredited coaches will help build your child's competence and confidence on two wheels...and who knows where their love of riding will take them?!



REGISTER NOW

**TERM 2  
REGISTRATION  
NOW OPEN**

The AusBike program has been developed with the support of the Australian Government through the Australian Sports Commission.



Australian Government