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We value positive relationships and
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PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Friends

Reading Every Day

The importance of children reading everyday cannot be underestimated or undervalued. Some of the benefits apart from greater knowledge and improving vocabulary include:

- Mental Stimulation
- Stress Reduction
- Memory Improvement
- Improved writing skills
- Better focus and concentration
- FREE ENTERTAINMENT

Children should read or be read to for at least 15-20 minutes a day. This provides enough time for the benefits of reading to occur, without becoming over burdensome and too time consuming. Where possible reading should involve a real book to give students practice with turning pages and reducing screen time. The school regularly rewards students for reading with certificates and prizes and would like all students to read every day.



Room 25 Assembly & Costume Parade

Congratulations to Room 25 and Mrs Macaulay and Mrs Dowsett for their wonderful assembly item last Friday. The *Monkey See Monkey Do* performance was very entertaining and performed delightfully. Thank you to the parents who came along and supported the students.

A huge WELL DONE to all the staff and students for your involvement in the costume parade. The participation levels were wonderful and the costumes were excellent. Many thanks to parents for your support in helping to create and organize costumes.



Containers for Change

Recently the P&C have sent information home regarding Containers for Change, which is an exciting opportunity for the school community to raise funds for the P&C. As explained in the information sent home, each eligible container is worth 10c and can be redeemed at the Spencer Park IGA using the P&C WARRL number. The funds are allocated to the P&C and used for the projects to assist the school. The refund process commences on the 1st October, but families are encouraged to begin collecting containers now.

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FUTURE DATES

Jeans for Genes Day	28 Aug
Dockers Cup Football	Thurs 3 Sept
Spellademic	Thurs 10 Sept
Assembly ESC	Fri 11 Sept

Jeans for Genes

This Friday staff and students have been encouraged to wear Jeans to raise awareness and show their support of research into genetic disorders. Any donations are welcome and will be forwarded to Jeans for Genes to support this research. Donations are welcome but not necessary, as awareness and tolerance are as equally important.

Open Night

On Wednesday 16th September the school will have our Open Night between 5.30-7.00pm. Due to current physical distancing requirements we will not be undertaking choir performances in the undercover area and purchasing items from the canteen will also require spacing. Classrooms will be using extra space around the school to provide for physical distancing needs, so please be flexible and understanding if work cannot be viewed in your classroom. We would also ask parents to keep physical distancing in mind when visiting classes and return at another time in the evening if it looks too crowded. Thank you for your support in helping us all to stay healthy.

Jeremy Hadlow
Principal

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Responsibility		Tolerance & Inclusion	
PP1	Max	PP1	Connor
Rm 1	Lewis	Rm 1	Jaxon
Rm 2	Imogen	Rm 2	Elena
Rm 3	Kiana	Rm 3	Alyssa
Rm 8	Emerald	Rm 8	Gracee
Rm 9	Paige	Rm 9	Kertis
Rm 11	Winter	Rm 11	Amelia
Rm 19	Angus	Rm 19	Ronan
Rm 24	Lucas	Rm 24	Oskar
Rm 25	Alice	Rm 25	Jack

SECRET CODE

Somewhere within the text of this newsletter we have buried a six-digit code. When you have found the code, SMS 0437 619 154 and include your family name and the code. The first correct answer will win a \$10 canteen credit. Winners will be announced on our Facebook page and receive notification by SMS. With regret, prizes are only available to families enrolled at our school.

AUSLAN SIGNING

It has been fantastic to see all our students so enthusiastic and we hope that parents and carers can participate also. We will include practical demonstrations in the newsletter so that you can, as a family, practice the use of AUSLAN in your everyday conversations. Happy learning!

CLASSROOM

1

Start with both hands together in a 'C' hand shape

2

Move hands apart in a circular motion

3

Bring hands back together in front of your body

PIC COLLAGE

HONOUR CERTIFICATES

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



Rm 1	Erik, Mason, Cody
Rm 2	Kaylah, Jayce, Xavier, Doreen
Rm 3	Skye, Neo
Rm 8	Jake, Isabel
Rm 9	Jayden, Robert, Mia
Rm 11	Sher, Chevy
Rm 19	Cody, Shanayla, Destinee
Rm 24	Laylah, Grace
Rm 25	Chloe, Aroha
Science Mrs Murray	Tahi Rm 3



PRINCIPAL'S PATTER

PBS Golden Bee Award Winners

Congratulations to our amazing recipients of a Golden Bee Award this week, for being extra wonderful at using our PBS Expectations: Ruby, Harry, Talon, Charlie and Logan.



Raising the flag

In 2019, students Jayden and Roshaun wrote to Peter Watson MP to request a flag pole for the school, to enable the school to fly the Aboriginal Flag. The students were successful in their campaign and a new Aboriginal flag is now flying high alongside the Australian flag in our school grounds. Mr Watson joined our students recently to witness the flag raising and congratulate our students on their efforts to recognise and support their fellow Indigenous students. Pictured is Paul, Jayden and Tairhys with Mr Watson, and Roshaun with the new flag.



Well done to Emily, who made a huge effort to "Be Safe - Use equipment safely outside" and Mrs Tognetti for Being Friendly, Safe and her Best.

PBS expectation of the week

Be Friendly: Be friendly with the equipment and wait your turn. Some ways to be friendly with equipment include:

- Only one at a time on the trampoline
- Stop at the red line
- Follow the playground rules
- Keep your items to yourself

Key Word/AUSLAN sign of the fortnight

Our sign for this week is 'My turn please'. 'My' - have a closed fist held on chest, 'Turn' - Opened hand in front of body, start with palm down, then turn palm up, 'Please' - Fingers on chin, draw hand down to closed fist in front of body.



Upcoming events

Combined assembly with Spencer Park Primary School, hosted by Spencer Park Education Support Centre: Friday 11th September
School photos: Monday 21st and Thursday 24th September

Bec Wheatley
Principal

BOOKWEEK

Fantastic photos of our awesome Bookweek celebrations.



Room 24 Door





GARDENING GURUS:

Our winter garden is going off! Here are some of our wonderful 821531l gardeners taking produce to Nicole in the canteen.



VAC SWIM 2020

Enrolments are now open for VacSwim swimming lessons during the October and December/January school holidays.

October is a great time to get your children ready for summer and January offers fun lessons at beach or pool locations during the long break.

Your children can start as young as five years old.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at

education.wa.edu.au/vacswim



Coolangarras Barmah Kindergarten

Coolangarras Barmah offers a caring, culturally sensitive introduction to the education system for young Indigenous children. We invite you to enrol your 4-year-old coolangarras now.

Enrol now for 2021 4-year-old Kindy Program

We are accepting enrolments for children who are turning 4 years old by 30th June 2021.

We offer:

- Aboriginal Education Officers on staff
- A culturally sensitive program
- Caring, approachable staff.
- A strong literacy and numeracy program
- Free bus transport
- An extremely well-equipped centre
- Spacious and attractive building and grounds

Contact us on 9841 6511 or call in to see our wonderful centre.
Kindy Program runs Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 9am - 2pm.

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 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.

EVERY DAY COUNTS

 Absent average 1 day every 2 weeks
= **1 year** of school missed.

 Absent average 1 day per week
= **2 years** of school missed.

 Absent average 2 days per week
= **4 years** of school missed.

Don't let your kids miss out.

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Southwest Education Region
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 JUSTWHATDESIGN?



Making Cents

saving, spending and help
with your money

Do you have questions about:

Job Keeper
Afterpay or Zip Pay
Saving money
Credit Cards and Pay Day loans
Contracts
Tenancy Agreements and Renting

Join us and a panel of experts for an interactive workshop all about money.

Khalia from Albany Community Legal Centre
Keiralee and Michelle from Lincolns Accountants
Allison from Consumer Credit Legal Service (WA)

Lincolns

cclswa

Albany Community
Legal Centre Inc.

headspace
Albany

**Thursday August 20th
4.30pm to 5.30pm**





RSVP required please call 9842 9671
or join us online: <https://bit.ly/3gyDlae>

Shops 9-11 The Link Shopping Centre
St Emile Way, Albany
9842 9671
info@headspacealbury.com.au



Could \$500 help you with school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match
your savings, dollar for dollar,
up to \$500 for school costs.

-  laptops & tablets
-  lessons & activities
-  uniforms & shoes
-  books & supplies
-  sports fees & gear
-  camps & excursions


To join Saver Plus, you must be at least 18 years or over, have a child at school or starting next year, or attend vocational education yourself, have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner), have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*

Contact
your local Saver Plus
Coordinator

Phone
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Email
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Online
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Find us on Facebook 


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* many Centrelink payments are eligible, please contact your local Coordinator for more information.

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to www.dss.gov.au for more information.

ALBANY LIGHT OPERA and THEATRE COMPANY presents
THE NUMBER 1 SHOW OF THE YEAR

URINETOWN

the musical

MUSIC and LYRICS
Mark Hollmann

BOOK and LYRICS
Greg Kotis

**Opening weekend special:
ALL TICKETS
\$20**

"What kind of musical is this?"

URINETOWN was produced on Broadway in September, 2001 by the Araca Group and Dodger Theatricals in association with TheatreDreams, Inc., and Lauren Mitchell. Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia). All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia.

Director: **Airell Hodgkinson** • Musical Director: **James Turner**

SEPTEMBER 2020
PORT THEATRE
Princess Royal Drive

OPENING WEEKEND SPECIAL - ALL TICKETS \$20
7.30pm Friday 4th Sept • 7.30pm Saturday 5th Sept • 2pm Sunday 6th Sept

All other tickets - \$30 standard • \$25 concession:
7.30pm: Fri 11th Sept, Sat 12th Sept, Matinee 2pm: Sun 13th Sept • 7.30pm: Fri 18th Sept, Sat 19th Sept

Tickets from Paperbark Merchants, York St • www.paperbarks.com.au



BODY CONFIDENT CHILDREN & TEENS FREE WEBINARS

SUPPORTING BODY CONFIDENCE AND HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS WITH
FOOD AND EXERCISE IN YOUNG PEOPLE

31ST AUGUST 2020

11AM - 12.15PM

OR

2ND SEPT 2020

7 - 8.15PM

With so many confusing messages around weight, food and health and with so many adults struggling with their own body image it can be difficult for parents to know how to support their child as they move through adolescence. Join Butterfly for a relaxed and informative webinar for carers of primary and secondary age children to give knowledge, information and tips to help you better understand and promote positive body image in the home.

AUDIENCE

Parents & Community

SESSION LENGTH

1hr 15mins

COST

FREE - Registration essential

PLATFORM

Zoom

BOOK NOW

Need more? You can find lots of resources to help create a body confident home environment by joining **Love Your Body Week for Families**. Click [HERE](#)

TOPICS COVERED INCLUDE:

- Overview of body image and the importance of prevention
- The spectrum of body and eating issues from healthy to unhealthy, to disordered and clinical diagnosis
- Key influences on body image, including social media and the importance of positive following
- Diet culture and weight stigma
- Busting common myths around eating disorders
- Reducing appearance based talk and how to respond when a child expresses negativity towards themselves or others
- The power of role modelling positive body image and healthy behaviours
- Understanding early warning signs and the importance of early intervention
- Referral and support information, including Butterfly's National Helpline

"So glad I attended. There is so much pressure on kids these days and it's hard to know what to do. This has given me lots of practical ideas." **Parent, WA**

Butterfly is Australia's largest charity supporting all those affected by eating disorders and negative body image. These events are offered as part of Butterfly's new initiative, [Love Your Body Week for Families](#) to help Australian homes respect, appreciate and celebrate ALL bodies.

Contact:

E: education@butterfly.org.au

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www.butterfly.org.au



ALBANY Book Week
CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS
17-23 October 2020

ENTRIES CLOSE SEPTEMBER 30TH
ALBANY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Book Cake Competition

- Bake or decorate a cake to a theme, object or character from your favourite book
- Cakes don't have to be edible
- If you can't bake a cake, you can construct one in 3D
- School, Home & Commercial Entries Welcome
- All work, from the original idea to the finished product, must be the child's own and completed this academic year.
- Submit your entry and photo on our library website competition entry page, or enter the link address below:
albanypw.gov.au/forms/childrens-book-week-book-cake-competition/26

1st Prize: Lenovo Tablet
2nd Prize: Super Snazzy Book Voucher and Gift Pack
3rd Prize: Snazzy Book Voucher and Gift Pack

Albany Public Library