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

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## PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Friends

### Sensory Rooms

Throughout 2020 the school undertook the establishment of areas within our school where students could engage, under teacher direction, in a sensory break. These rooms provide students with an opportunity to take a small break from the teaching and learning environment to re-set their thinking, behaviour or feelings and then re-engage in meaningful learning. These breaks could involve a physical activity or a calming activity depending on what the student requires. Not all students use or require access to these spaces, but for those students who do, they are a wonderful addition to the classroom program.

The P&C have donated money to provide a rowing machine in the senior sensory room.



If you have any unused equipment such as exercise bikes, mini-tramps, etc that could be used in our sensory rooms please let the school know.

### Swimming Lessons

Rm 8-11 have commenced their swimming lessons this week at Emu Point. Interm Swimming is a school-based swimming program for children from Pre-primary to Year 7. It provides quality swimming lessons

across the State to ensure children develop vital swimming and water safety skills. Lessons will operate

in line with current health advice. Physical distancing and good hygiene practices are in place. We strongly encourage ALL students to participate in these lessons.

### Split Classes and Student Ability

Each year the school fields questions regarding our split classes and the provision of different ability within these classes. All classes, including split classes, are based on a number of factors including; social needs, behavioural factors, special needs, student ability, parent requests and teacher judgements. The creation of a high ability and low ability classrooms is not how the school structures general classes. The provision of different academic levels is provided in a variety of ways in all classrooms including; differentiated curriculum, small groups and cross-setting structures. If parents have any queries about class structures or provision of academic ability, please talk to your classroom teacher or administration.



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### FUTURE DATES

In term swimming Rms 8,9&11	Mon 22 Feb
Labour Day Public Holiday	Mon 1 March
Faction Athletics	
Swim Carnival	Wed 17 March

## P&C AGM

Our P&C AGM was held last week and all positions were filled by the existing members. I would like to thank Mrs Erica Leak, who once again took on the role of President of the P&C. Mrs Amy Sims, Ms Jessica Galantino and Mrs Mary McLeod continue on in their various roles. We would love to see new members join our P&C meetings and fundraising events. The next meeting will be held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm in the staffroom. The P&C will be undertaking a fundraising event on Election Day here at SPPS, so please check out their Facebook page to see how you can help.

## School Board

Our School Board AGM will be held at the school on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30pm. If you are interested in becoming a Board member we would welcome you to come along and hear about the work the Board undertakes. We currently have positions for a parent member and a community representative.

Have a wonderful fortnight!

Jeremy Hadlow  
Principal

## VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Care & Compassion		Do Your Best	
PP1	Summer	PP1	Peyton
PP/1		PP/1	Jarvis
Rm 1	Savannah	Rm 1	Malachi
Rm 2	Elias	Rm 2	Jaxon
Rm 3	Erin	Rm 3	Shanayla
Rm 8	Vela	Rm 8	Izsabella
Rm 9	Jake	Rm 9	Lachlan
Rm 11	Indigo	Rm 11	Paige
Rm 19	Lucas	Rm 19	Sam
Rm 24	Madelyn	Rm 24	Kade

## HONOUR CERTIFICATES

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

Rm 1	La`Shar
Rm 2	Ingrid, Brooke
Rm 3	Indy, Bryce
Rm 8	Vela, Isaiah, Kayden
Rm 9	Robert, Cory-Jnr, Jaeda
Rm 11	Michaylee, Gracee, Bailey
Rm 19	Riley, Calvin
Rm 24	Madelyn, Joesph

## NEW SCHOOL ENTRANCE STATEMENT



We hope that you have noticed the recent addition to our school sign on the corner of Hardie Road and Reidy Drive. These orchids represent the Queen Sun Orchid featured on our school emblem and really enhance the signage already installed there.

## DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE NEWS

Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre provides free dental examinations, oral care advice, preventative, restorative and emergency treatment for children from pre-primary to Year 11. The clinic is staffed by Kayleen (Dental Nurse), Susanne (Dental Therapist), Jaqui (Dental Nurse), Kristy (Dental Therapist) and Nick (Dentist).

Enrolment forms have been issued to your child if he/she has recently changed schools or enrolled in Pre-Primary, please make sure these forms are returned before Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March 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 and many of these are returned to us due to incorrect addresses, this means that your child misses out on their dental visit. If you no longer intend to use our service 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, drop in or send us an email to [spencerparkdtc@dental.health.wa.gov.au](mailto:spencerparkdtc@dental.health.wa.gov.au).

To keep your child's teeth healthy during this important stage of growth we recommend brushing twice a day, parents should always assist with one daily brush and use adult strength toothpaste providing children are spitting it out. Teeth should be brushed for a minimum of two minutes and children are encouraged NOT to rinse after brushing.

We hope to see you all in here soon.



# PRINCIPAL'S PATTERN



## Golden Bees

Congratulations to our recipients of a Golden Bee Award this week. Riley, Tairhys, Emily, Harry, Isla, Landon, Sereki, Anakin and O'Shae have been extra wonderful at using our Positive Behaviour School Expectations, to Be Safe, Be Friendly and Be Your Best. Well done to our amazing students!



## Expectation Of The Week

### Be Friendly

Make a friend and include others.

This week at SPESC students and staff are discussing ways to make friends by including others in play activities and games. Including others is the best way to make sure everyone feels like they are part of our school and a really good way to make a new friend. What is one way that you have helped to include others?



## Key Word Sign

### Stop

Move open dominant hand forward, palm away from body, from shoulder height.

### Wait

Bounce open dominant hand, palm down, in front of dominant side, twice.



Stop



Wait

## Cookie Dough

We are excited to announce we are holding a Cookie Dough fundraiser this term, to raise funds for classroom resources for our students. There are 10 dough-licious flavours to choose from. Visit [www.cookie dough.com.au](http://www.cookie dough.com.au) and select Spencer Park Education Support Centre to order your dough and support our school. Anyone can order so please share this with your family and friends. But be quick, orders close 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021.



## Playground Happenings

Our students have been enjoying the new climbing pyramid in our playground, and the new all weather, undercover play area, from the start of Term 1. We expect these areas will continue to be a favourite part of our student's play activity every day.



**Hello From Room 13!**

We have been busy this term getting to know our new friends and teachers. Ms Sonia brought some cute chickens in for us to look at and hold. We have been counting using ten frames and copying simple structures. We borrowed books from the library and have been reading a big book about Witches. We are learning to cooperate and share. Now that Ruby is in Year 6, she is helping children to get onto the bus.



**School Board Vacancies**

Would you like to join our wonderful School Board? The Board has two (2) vacant positions for parent representatives available. If you are interested please contact our school office on 0427 085 542 for more information.




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We are on Facebook! Like our page to follow all of our fabulous news and events.



Bec Wheatley  
Principal

## CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY VISIT



Last week Alex Gerrard from Children's University Australia (CUA) came to SPPS to promote the Children's University program that we are making available to all year 3 and 4 students. If your child is keen to participate, then please come to our information session on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 3.20pm in the SPPS Hall.

## WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK

As a school that is keen to maximise your child's education we are seeking feedback relating to your experience as parents with 211938 children attending Spencer Park Primary School. Whether you wish to commend the school or highlight an area that we could improve, we want to hear from you.

Please feel free to contact the school by emailing us at [spencerpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:spencerpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au).

## 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?



Ziva did the kids Busselton Jetty swim, a 222m swim with over 100 other kids on 14 February.



### ALBANY LEARNING DESTINATIONS

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER WITH CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

- ✦ **Travel with your CU Passport!**  
School holidays are over but the fun doesn't stop! Visit the museum! Read a book! Look at whale bones! Explore our local street art!
- ✦ **Exciting new Learning Destinations!**  
We will announce even more EXCITING Learning Destinations in Terms 1 & 2!
- ✦ **Find WA Learning Destinations!**  
With this helpful map: [www.tiny.cc/cuwamap](http://www.tiny.cc/cuwamap)

**TRAVEL TO ...**  
 Museum of the Great Southern

Albany Public Library

Albany's Historic Whaling Station

Albany Visitor Centre

#### ONLINE PORTAL ACTIVITIES

- ✦ Great Southern Science Council (GSSC)
- ✦ Great Southern Centre for Outdoor Recreation Excellence (GSCORE)
- ✦ Friends of the Fitzgerald River National Park (FFRNP)
- ✦ SharkSmart WA
- ✦ Skate the Snake

See what you can do with CUI!  
@ChildrensUniversityWesternAustraliaPartnership

## 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.



## 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.

Albany Boardriders  
2021 Junior Wavefest

Vaccinated

Ages from push in to under 18

Planet earth needs you to sign up to the  
2021 Albany Boardriders Junior Wavefest  
to save us all from extreme boredom!!

Food and Drink available from canteen

March 27th or 28th  
Location announced on Facebook  
Register at Albany Surf Club

retroVision  
COLAB CONSTRUCTION  
Great Southern Bio-Logic  
SOUTHERN SITE HIRE

ALBANY BOARDRIDERS

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THURSDAYS FROM 5PM  
ALISON HARTMAN GARDENS  
4, 11, 18, 25 FEBRUARY  
& 4, 11, 18 MARCH

Presented by Albany Moort (Family) Town Team

“Town Teams are positive and proactive groups of residents, landowners and businesses who get creative, design, play and activate public spaces to improve their communities. The Albany Moort (Family) Town Team meets on Thursdays in Alison Hartman Gardens, with food, games and good vibes. Everyone from all walks of life are welcome!”

HOCKEY WANTS YOU!

8 yrs +

NEW HOCKEY PLAYERS NEEDED

ALL GRADES • ALL AGES • ALL ABILITIES

To register your interest go to [www.lgshockey.asn.au](http://www.lgshockey.asn.au) and click Contact tab and fill out the form. We will find you a team and club!

Free stick kits for any NEW players in year 3/4 and 5/6 grades.  
Hockey is a great family sport for all ages!

Contact: Hockey Development Office  
Dinah Gordon 0429 130 953  
do@lgshockey.asn.au

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Census

2,665 jobs available

2021 Census Field Manager

\$36.90 per hour (incl 25% loading) + super

(Contract/Temporary)

Roles start from May 2021

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19,791 jobs available

2021 Census Field Officer

\$24.80 per hour (incl 25% loading) + super  
(Contract/Temporary)  
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## Disabled Surfers Association Great Southern 2021 "Let's Go Surfing Days"

Supported by: national [disabledsurfers.org/](http://disabledsurfers.org/)



### Surfers, Carers & Volunteers

Register 8.30 am, water 9.30 am – 11.30/12 noon,  
presentations and free BBQ

Saturdays

Jan 16<sup>th</sup>, Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 17<sup>th</sup>

Albany - Middleton Beach

[www.facebook.com/DisabledSurfersGS/](http://www.facebook.com/DisabledSurfersGS/)

Register <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/lets-go-surfing-2021-registration-131746638743>

"Adult/child accessible changing facilities available"

The 2021 junior soccer season  
is nearly here!!



Want to play? Get involved? Have fun?

## SPENCER PARK SOCCER CLUB

is on the lookout for:

- Committee members
- Coaches
- Players (PP to Year 6)
- Club Volunteers

Register your  
interest NOW

Speak to Perdie @ SPPS  
Phone/SMS: 0408 102 585  
Email: [spencerparksc@outlook.com](mailto:spencerparksc@outlook.com)

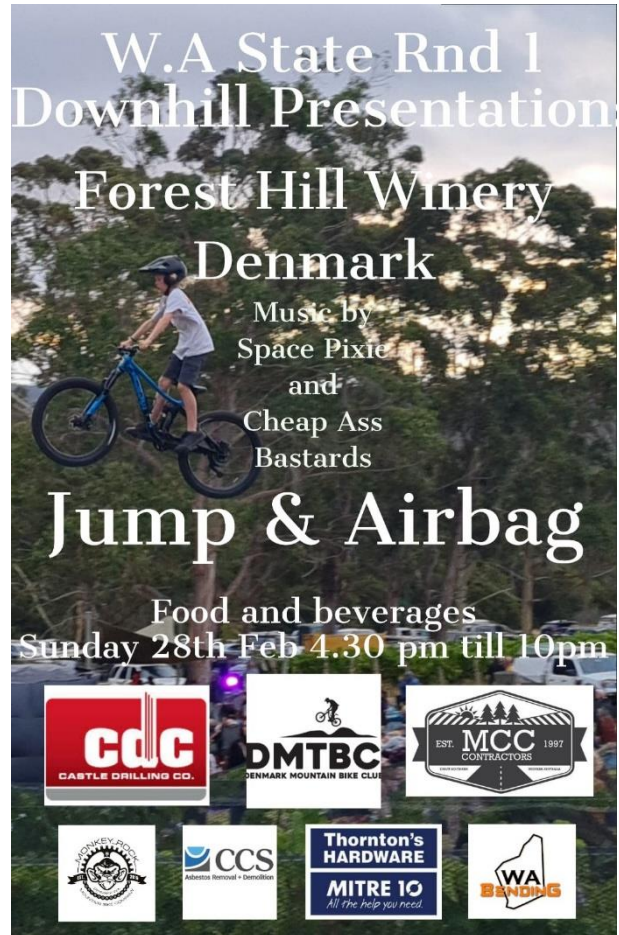


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DOWNHILL  
ROUND 1  
DENMARK  
27TH - 28TH  
FEBRUARY

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[HTTP://FACEBOOK.COM/DENMARKMOUNTAINBIKECLUB](http://facebook.com/denmarkmountainbikeclub)





W.A State Rnd 1  
Downhill Presentation  
Forest Hill Winery  
Denmark  
Music by  
Space Pixie  
and  
Cheap Ass  
Bastards  
Jump & Airbag  
Food and beverages  
Sunday 28th Feb 4.30 pm till 10pm

