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Dear Parents and Friends

Cross Country Bibbulmun Track Challenge

Students have continued to participate in the Bibblulmun Track Challenge, which is a great way for them to increase fitness levels for the Cross-Country events later in the term.

Each class runs laps of our oval 3 times per week and so far as a school, have accumulated a distance of 2500kms.

Cross Country will be held on Friday, 11 June 2021 from 1:15pm. Lunch on this day will be early, at 12:30pm. Years 3 to 6 will participate in the cross country, while students in pre-primary to year 2 will participate in a fun run.

The Interschool Cross Country is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 17 June 2021.

Volunteer Week

Last week we celebrated National Volunteer Week.





We are very lucky to have parents, grandparents, friends, family and local members of the community helping and volunteering in so many ways including:

- Helping run our reading and numeracy programs
- Joining in P&C activities
- Assisting with the running of our Canteen
- Joining our School Board



- Running the Uniform Shop
- Delivering Scripture lessons
- Coaching our sports teams
- Running fundraising stalls
- Helping run our Book Fairs
- Organising and running school discos
- Running and judging at Carnivals
- Feeding the many a hearty meal at Breakfast Club
- Leading our cultural programs
- Facilitating our gardening programs
- Joining our Artist in Residence program and helping organise our biennial art exhibitions
- Mentoring our students
- Assisting at school excursions
- Assisting at fruit time
- AND...so much more.

We appreciate your time and contribution to the successful running of our school. Thank you!

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FUTURE DATES

P&C meeting 7pm Staffroom WA Day Public Holiday Faction Cross Country P&C Disco Mon 31 May Mon 7 June Fri 11 June Thurs 17 June

Breakfast Club

You might not know it, but Breakfast Club now runs twice a week. Each Tuesday and Thursday morning, you will find Ms Harris-Maroney, Mr Luscombe, Mrs Hunt and their helpers toiling in the kitchen, cooking delicious treats and blending yummy smoothies for students who are lucky enough to arrive in time to enjoy them. Breakfast Club could not successfully run without them giving of their time or without the fabulous donations we receive from Doralane Pastries and Foodbank.



Student Health and Attendance

Thank you to all the parents who have been keeping students at home when unwell. We have experienced a rise in students experiencing coughs, sniffles and other symptoms of the common cold. We appreciate parents taking the precautionary step of keeping students at home until they are well.

While keeping your child home if they are unwell, please remember that attendance is an important focus for our school. It is essential that every student attends school every day that they are well. Missing days of school adds up quickly and can result in your child missing out on important learning. Regular attendance is set at 90%, which means that your child should not be missing any more than 1 day per fortnight. Please contact the school if we can assist with helping your child to attend regularly. School is the EXPECTATION and staying home is the EXCEPTION.

Dianne Ruffell Deputy Principal



Students from Room 2 presented their assembly item on Friday, 21 May. The students performed a play based on the book "Fantastic Mr. Fox" by Roald Dahl, telling the story of three farmers trying to protect their produce and a family of foxes trying to stave off hunger. While some students narrated the play, others adopted the roles of Farmers Boggis, Bunce and Bean, Mr. Fox, Mrs. Fox and their five children. Room 2 read the famous Roald Dahl book during Term 1 and worked hard during Term 2 learning their parts and getting into character. The play was a great success, and we congratulate Room 2 on their fantastic performances!







VALUES CERTIFICATES

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





Golden Bees

Congratulations to Eden, Isla, Emily and Talon, our recipients of a Golden Bee Award this week.

Fantastic work!! You are being great role models in our school to show your teachers and friends how to Be Your Best, Be Friendly and to Be Safe.



Water Safety and Awareness

Earlier in the year our school was awarded a Sporting Schools grant to provide water safety and awareness activities to our students. Each Tuesday during Term 2, Room 12 and 13 students and staff travel on the bus to the pool and enjoy their time in the water learning and practising new water safety and swimming skills.













Expectation of the Week

Be Safe

When I don't get what I want, I can make another choice to stay in the green zone.



Expectation Social Story

I don't always get what I want I want not, don't, can't







I have to choose something different



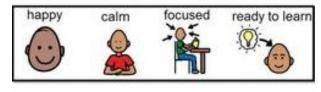




To stay in the green zone

Green Zone

I am good to go



I CAN do these things:



Room 14

Students in Room 14 are working their way through a variety of learning experiences this term.

















AUSLAN / Key Word Sign

Our key word signs for the fortnight support our expectation of the week. Our signs are <u>not</u>, <u>want</u>, <u>choose</u>, <u>different</u> and <u>green</u>.

Not

Shake dominant fist, palm down, sideways in front of body.



Want

Move heel of open dominant hand down front of chest and turn to palm down.



Choose

Extend dominant index finger and thumb. Close index finger while moving hand towards body.



Different

Point index fingers of both hands, palms down. Place edges of index fingers together. While moving hands apart turn palms up.



Green

Place palm of open dominant hand on wrist of non-dominant arm. Move palm up to elbow.



Relief Staff Information Session

We are seeking compassionate Education Assistants and Teachers interested in joining our team for casual relief work.

Our information session is suitable for anyone with qualifications in teaching, community services, disability, education support or those with an interest in working with students with special needs.

If you're interested in attending the information session or applying for relief employment, please contact our office on 6821 3050.









Bec Wheatley Principal

HONOUR CERTIFICATES

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

Jobe, Hunter, Laveah					
Isabella, Darcy					
Chayse, Phoenix, Xavier					
Ronan, Jerome, Sienna					
Kaylah					
Harrison, Aiden, Lilah, Skye					
Charlotte, Mikayla					
Isaac, Polly, Indigo, Paige					
Jack, Layla, Willow					
Chayse, Stella, Noah					



TAKING KINDY ENROLMENTS NOW TELEPHONE 6821 3000 OR VISIT THE SCHOOL ON HARDIE ROAD

Applications for your child to be involved in Kindergarten (children turning 4 by 30 June 2022) and Pre-Primary (children turning 5 by 30 June 2022) are now being taken at our school office. If your child is entering our school for the first time their birth certificate and immunisation certificate from the Australian Children's Immunisation Registry will be required.

The closing date for applications is Friday 30 July. Whilst we will continue to take applications for enrolment in these programs for the remainder of the year, getting your application in before the closing date will be important in securing a place with our school in 2022.

If your child is currently enrolled in our Kindergarten program you will need to make contact with the school office to ensure that your child is on our Pre-Primary list for 2022.

LOAN COMB



We have a number of Nit combs that have been loaned out and have not been returned as yet. If you have had the use of one of the school's Nit combs on loan and have forgotten to return it, please send it

to the office for cleaning and preparation to be used again.



GARDENING GURUS:

On Tuesday's, Room 1 students harvest fresh produce and hand deliver to Nicole in the canteen to use for school lunches. Here is what students have to say about our weekly gardening.



"Never eat the stalks of radish! It tastes disgusting." - Kade

"Don't pick the silverbeet that has been eaten by snails."

- Agam and Felix

"I enjoy picking out the veggies for the canteen because we harvest beetroot and lettuce."

- Phoenix

"I like picking veggies because it's fun and satisfying." - Lewis

UNIFORM SHOP

Thanks to our Uniform Shop volunteers, Melissa and Emily for operating our uniform shop every Monday and Wednesday morning from 8.45 to 9.15am.



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?

TRANSITION TO ALBANY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

We look forward to meeting with students in Year 6 from Albany, Spencer Park and Flinders Park Primary Schools in Week 7 this term. Our Year 7 and 9 Student Leaders and Principal Melissa Walker will have an initial visit with the Year 6 classes to introduce them to ASHS culture and to engage in some quality Q&A, while delivering Enrolment Packs to take home.

Transition to high school can be a big change and we are committed 812151 to working with students, their families and our primary schools to ensure this change is as smooth as we can make it. There will be a number of visits and activities to support this big move.

The most important aspect of transition right now, is to ensure students and their families submit their enrolment forms.

Enrolment Forms are due in to the ASHS Front Office on 23rd July at 4pm (Friday Week 1, Term 3)

There will be some extended transition processes for students who will benefit from them. However, for most students they will attend two transition days (with their own primary school) in Term 4, and the full Orientation Day where all 2021 ASHS students will attend and be introduced to their 2022 form classes. More information about these days will come from your primary school, and from ASHS when your child's enrolment is approved.

We look forward to preparing for our new 2022 cohort!

Term 4	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 5			10 th Nov Albany Primary School		SHOW DAY
Week 6	15th Nov Flinders Park Primary School	16 th Nov Albany Primary School	17th Nov Spencer Park Primary School	18 th Nov Year 6 Parent Night 6pm PAT	19th Nov Small Schools & GATE Transition Days
Week 7	22 nd Nov Spencer Park Primary School	23 rd Nov Primary Interschool	24 th Nov Flinders Park Primary School	25th Nov Primary Interschool	
Week 8					3 rd Dec Whole School Transition Day

TRANSITION TO NORTH ALBANY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

During weeks 7 & 8, the week beginning 31st May, either Mr Heil, (Student Services), Mr



Tetlow (Year 7 Coordinator) and/or Mrs Bolt, (Deputy Principal), will be visiting your school and the Year 6 students to talk about transition to high school. The students will be provided with information on courses, teachers and events to look forward to in the future at NASHS. They will also be provided with an enrolment package containing lots of information about Year 7 in 2022.

It would be appreciated if you could complete and return the forms in the package to either NASHS front office or your school's front office as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 25th June 2021 (end of week 10).

On Tuesday, 15 June, NASHS will be holding a Parent Information Night from 5.30pm to 6.30pm. For more information, please refer to the flyer inside the enrolment package. We look forward to seeing parents of Year 6 students.

If you have any further queries regarding the Year 6 to 7 transition program, please contact Mrs Terry Bolt (Lower School Deputy Principal) on 9892 0611.

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.

Basketball 2021/2022

Any year 3 boys interested in playing in a basketball team next season please contact Chris James on 0423 641 605







Screen Time Has your child become a zombie?



How can you help your child manage the amount the amount of screen time they spend on devices

Get the strategies that will allow them to recognize positive and negative use of devices – and use them in a healthy way.

Monday 24 May 2021

TIME: 1.00pm to 2.30pm

Child and Parent Centre Humphreys Street, LOCKYER **VENUE**

RSVP: 9843 0071 or 0408 806 405

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DATE:







The Eurovision Song Contest held this month is an international song competition that features participants from European countries (as well as Australia!). There's also a Junior Eurovision!

Challenge: Film or record yourself performing your entry for the Eurovision Song Contest!

- · Your entry could be an original composition or a cover version of a favourite song.
- · For that full-on Eurovision feel your entry will need great vocals, amazing costumes and killer moves!! Check out https://youtu.be/nFPOFtr4vrM for inspiration!

Passport to Learning: earn 2 hours.

. Show your finished clip to your School Coordinator, or upload it to the CUA Online Portal at https://cuaportal.com/activities/childrens-university-australasia-march-2021-onlinechallenge-2-2/











Self Esteem

An important part of being a parent involves encouraging children to be confident and develop healthy self-esteem. This means children having a true sense of their strengths and weaknesses.

This workshop gives some suggestions to help you promote your child's self-esteem.



DATE: Tuesday 25 May 2021

TIME: 1.00pm to 2.30pm

VENUE Child and Parent Centre Humphreys Street, LOCKYER

9843 0071 or 0408 806 405 RSVP:

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Seussical the Musical

Presented by Albany Light Opera and Theatre Company, is a fantastical, magical, and musical extravaganza. It lovingly brings to life all of our favourite Dr. Seuss characters, including Horton the Elephant, The Cat in the Hat, Gertrude McFuzz, The Grinch, Lazy Mayzie, and many others, in a story which transports us from the Jungle of Nool to the Circus McGurkus, to McElligot's Pool, and to the invisible world of Whoville.

Director - Emma Davis & Musical Director - Findlay MacNish

Information Night 26th May 6.30pm - Auditions late May - Performances in September

More Info https://alotco.com.au/audition- information-constitution-and-forms/

Updates -

www.facebook.com/AlbanyLightOperaTheatreCompa <u>ny</u>

