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We value positive relationships and
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PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Friends

Extra Book Week Activities

Students from PP-Yr 6 were very fortunate to have some additional Book Week activities occur in the school over the last few weeks. The Albany Library organised visits to the school on August 24 for our junior students and September 3 for our seniors. All students had a wonderful time enjoying various stories and hearing from authors and illustrators. A BIG thanks to the Albany Library and to Dora Adeline for her coordination.



Albany Music Festival

Approximately forty students from our choir and percussion group will participate in the Albany District Schools' Music Festival tonight. This event runs over two evenings with eleven schools participating in total. The festival is a wonderful opportunity for students to display their skills and talents and for parents and family members to enjoy. I would like to thank Mrs Swann for her coordination of the items, her organisation of equipment and her passion for this learning area. It is wonderful to see students excelling in various areas of the curriculum.

Colour Explosion

On Friday September 10 the P&C will be holding their annual Colour fun run. This event involves all students running around the oval through various obstacles, while being soaked with water and covered in coloured dye. We welcome all members of the Spencer Park school community to come along and enjoy the day. Hopefully the weather will be kind and we can raise lots of money for our wonderful P&C.



Open Night

On Wednesday September 15 between 5.30-6.30pm our school will be open for parents and other visitors to view the wonderful work that students have completed throughout this term. Our amazing choir and percussion group will be performing LIVE in the undercover area and food & coffee will be available as well. The uniform shop will be open for anyone to grab a new shirt for school photos and we will also be asking parents to fill in a short survey. We look forward to seeing you on the night.

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FUTURE DATES

Music Festival	Thurs 9 Sept
Colour Explosion	Fri 10 Sept
School Photos	15 & 16 Sept
Open Night 5.30pm	Wed 15 Sept
Spelling Competition	Thurs 16 Sept
Assembly Room 19	Fri 24 Sept

Play First Eat Second - TRIAL

During week 10 of this term the school will run a trial where students are allowed to play first and eat second at recess and lunch breaks. This will mean that students can work up to the siren for both recess & lunch, but be given time at the end of the breaks to eat. Teachers will monitor students during eating times. If a student needs to eat at the beginning of the break then they can do so, but the expectation is that the majority of eating will occur at the end.

The school is interested in how this change may assist our students with regulating after recess & lunch and whether it helps improve engagement in lessons after breaks. The canteen will remain open as normal, but will receive some extra assistance to manage the changes. If you have any queries or concerns about the trial, please contact the administration.

Important Reminders:

- We have our Open Night coming up on the 15th September between 5.30-6.30pm
- School photos will occur on the 15 & 16 September.

Jeremy Hadlow
Principal

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Responsibility		Tolerance & Inclusion	
PP1	Isabel	PP1	Sam
PP2	Lucas	PP2	Benji
Rm 1	Savannah	Rm 1	Lewis
Rm 2	Ingrid	Rm 2	Cody
Rm 3	Jasmin	Rm 3	Bella
Rm 8	Zahra	Rm 8	Kayden
Rm 9	Mikayla	Rm 9	Aimiee
Rm 11	Ziva	Rm 11	Caleb
Rm 19	Jiyah	Rm 19	Scarlett
Rm 24	Charlie	Rm 24	Zylas

HONOUR CERTIFICATES

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

PP 1	Ashton, Olivia, Ed
PP 2	Winnie, Lola, Benji
Rm 1	Azaria, Sophia, Agam
Rm 2	Ruby, Jazmyn, Phoebe
Rm 3	Paikea, Dante
Rm 8	Zahra, Bella, Kiana, Ella
Rm 9	Jake, Sophie, Imogen
Rm 11	Amelia, Lachlan
Rm 19	Ryka, Thomas, Grace
Rm 24	Serena, Stella, Kirrily

FATHERS DAY RAFFLE



A delighted Ella - Winner of the Fathers Day Raffle. Thanks to all who supported our Fathers Day stall.



FOTOWORKS SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos will be taken next week on Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 September. Are you ready?

If you need anything from the SPPS Uniform Shop our lovely volunteers will open the shop at 8:45am on Monday morning. If you can't make it on Monday you can:

1. Order via [QuickCliq](#) and they'll deliver to classroom
2. Order and pay at school office

Donated second-hand uniforms are always appreciated; please drop off to the office or uniform shop

The individual student order forms should be brought back to school on Wednesday and given directly to the photographer.

Sibling photo order forms are available at the school office and should be returned there with payment before photo day. These photos will be scheduled to be taken during lunch time.



PRINCIPAL'S PATTERN

Congratulations to Eden, Oshae, Autumn, Jackson, Talon and Warren for their excellent effort to demonstrate our school's positive behaviour expectations. As a result, these students earned a Golden Bee Award at our recent PBS Assembly.



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

Expectation of the Week

Be Safe

I can be safe walking on ramps, verandas and waiting on the bench before and after recess.



AUSLAN / Key Word Sign

Our key word signs support our Expectation of the Week: safe, walk, wait and sit.

Safe

Move blade of slightly cupped dominant hand, across open palm of non-dominant hand towards body.



Walk

Extend dominant index and middle fingers and 'walk' them along palm of open non-dominant hand.



Wait

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



Sit

Place open dominant hand on back of non-dominant hand and move formation down slightly.



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Room 13

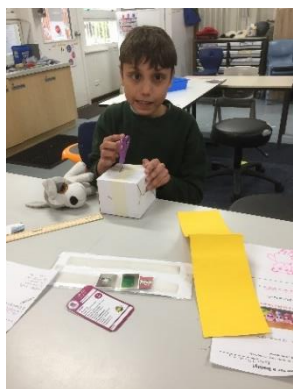
This term has been so busy with lots of exciting things to do! We practised for our assembly each week and all looked amazing on the big day! Our space helmets were wonderful!

We've loved the Larry Blight incursions, especially the lizards!

We've made some wonderful constructions during the afternoons. We practise being friendly, asking for things politely, giving compliments and packing away neatly.

How amazing are our Room 13 kids!!





A Musical Interlude

Our students were delighted with a visit by the West Australian Symphony Orchestra last week. The musicians led the students in musical activities and an interactive musical story-telling of 'Sir Scallywag and the Golden Underpants'. Thanks WASO!



Scaly Visitors

We had the second of our Noongar Incursions recently with Larry from Kurrah Mia. Larry talked to our students about Seasons, Animals & Language and was accompanied by some friendly bob-tail goannas. The students thoroughly enjoyed getting up close and learning more about the reptiles.

Thanks Larry!



Our Assembly

Our students hosted the combined school's assembly on Friday August 27. They lead the assembly in signing the 'Welcome to Country', the National Anthem, 'Advance Australia Fair' and the school song. Each classroom also presented an item, telling the story of Una from the book 'Give Me Some Space' and sharing with us their learning about recycling and FOGO.

Congratulations to Alaki and Xavier for receiving a Golden Bee Award at the Assembly.

Thank you to our staff and community for being part of our assembly and supporting our students.





Dates to remember

Colour Run: Friday September 10 2021

School Photos: Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th September.

Inclusion, and what it means for us

Inclusion is a key priority for us and our students.

There has been lots of research and discussion about what is best practice for students with disabilities for inclusion.

With lots of arguments for and against education support I would like to ask you to give some thought to what your understanding is.

To us the staff and students here at SPESC, it is not about being in the spaces at school and the community or even being with everyone else, it is so much more.

It is about being able to have access to the knowledge and skills that allows our students to have access to these spaces.

An incredible amount of effort goes into making that happen for our children.

From being able to say hello to people, to asking to join in games, activities and events with other people around us. Knowing when to ask to join or how to just join in.

The skills that our students engage in learning to be able to stand up at assemblies and perform for you, is something that is developed in the classroom and playground all year, not just when we are practicing our assembly item piece.

On behalf of my students and staff I would like to say a huge thank you to Spencer Park Primary School for being part of our journey, and giving us the opportunity and places to practice these skills.

So to SPES staff and students - Thank you.



Bec Wheatley
Principal

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

The Spencer Park Primary School's biennial art exhibition will be open for viewing October 27 to November 10, 2021 at the Western Australian Museum, Albany. The theme this year is '*It's a wonderful world*'. Every student is currently in the process of creating their own piece of art for exhibition.



To provide motivation and inspiration, we invited local artist, Gail Barker, to be our 'Artist in Residence' this year. Gail kindly gave up her time and shared her journals, paintings, advice, knowledge and encouragement with our students. The students asked some interesting and insightful questions, and we all greatly appreciated Gail's visit.



Thanks Gail.



P&C UPDATE

Mind Ninja Program



LIFE-LESSONS-AUSTRALIA.THINKIFIC.COM

Spencer Park Primary School P&C Mind Ninja Fundraiser

URGENT:
REGISTER BY MONDAY September 13!

<https://life-lessons-australia.thinkific.com/courses/spps>

\$20 from each registration goes to our P&C.

COST: \$47 (usually \$87)

What is Mind Ninja?

- ✓ An online program designed to help children manage their thoughts and emotions.
- ✓ 8 modules, done at your own pace delivered by Joelene Laverick B.A Psych, GradDipEd.
- ✓ Parents have a lifetime access
- ✓ Ages: Approx. 6-11 year olds

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?



FREE DRESS DAY

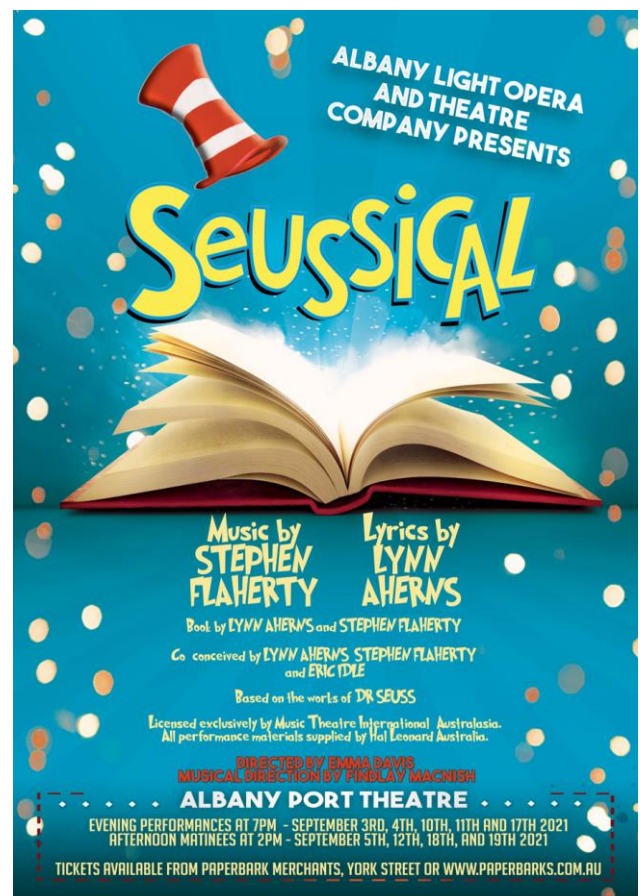
The Year 6 student councillors are organising a Free Dress Day on Friday 24 September to raise money for the Year 6 camp. For a 115921 gold coin donation you can wear your comfy clothes, but NO PJ's!

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.





JOIN WITH FRIENDS PLAY TOGETHER

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast
A safe way to have fun and stay
active for kids of all abilities.

JOIN YOUR NEAREST CLUB
Q Play Cricket

**OFFICIAL KIDS
PROGRAM**



LEARN BALL SKILLS

- Easy to join, fun to play
- Inclusive program for all abilities
- Outdoors non-contact



JUNIOR BLASTERS

AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS | 8+ WEEKS

- Learn ball skills, including catching, throwing and teamwork, through fun game-based activities.
- Sign up now for your Starter Kit.
- Returning Junior Blasters score a Returner Kit with a ball, a backpack + one free add-on.



STARTER KIT



RETURNER KIT

MASTER BLASTERS

AGES 7-10 | 90 MINS | 8+ WEEKS

- Everyone gets a chance to bat, bowl and field in short, modified games of cricket.
- For kids with basic cricket skills.
- Sign up now for your Master Blasters Kit featuring a drink bottle and cap!



MASTER BLASTERS KIT

JOIN YOUR NEAREST CLUB

Albany and Districts Cricket Assoc.
Wednesdays, starting 20 October at 4pm

Register at adca.wa.cricket.com.au
or email junior.registrar@outlook.com
for more information

Q Play Cricket

**OFFICIAL KIDS
PROGRAM**




Folk Dance with *Last Five Coins* *Dance from Ireland across Europe without leaving Albany!*



**Sunday 3rd October
2021
FREE!**

**Tara Academy of Irish Dance 2pm
International Dance with *Last Five Coins* 3pm-6pm**

Albert Hall, Uniting Church, Duke St, Albany
Dances called by experienced teacher Palenque to the haunting & eclectic world music of Perth's premier multicultural folk band. Irish dance with Lucy & Tara Academy of Irish Dance. No experience & no partner required. Bring the family! All Ages!

A ShantyFest event - fun for everyone!

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