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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

COVID Update

Covid cases have started to ease across the school, but we continue to ask parents to be vigilant in regards to Covid symptoms. Sore throats, headaches, feeling nauseous and high temperatures are common symptoms that we are hearing about from students. If your child is experiencing any of these in the morning, please RAT before sending them to school. Your continued support in keeping staff and other students safe at school is appreciated.

Special Visit

Students from Rm 1-19 had a very special incursion last Friday when Mrs Marji Puotinen came to the school to talk about climate change. Mrs Puotinen is a research scientist studying coral reefs and is passionate about climate change and the effects it has on animals and humans. She came to Albany to coincide with the return of Lisa Blair from her epic solo sailing circumnavigation of Antarctica. Students were thoroughly engaged in the sessions and learnt lots about how they can help in reducing the impact of climate change.



Whole School Assembly

Last Friday we held our first whole school assembly with parents and community. Room 9 presented a very entertaining video about the power of advertising and the different techniques used to influence people. James Bond and Bob the Builder were special guests and provided great endorsements for the products advertised.

Our next whole school assembly is Friday week 8.



SDD & Public Holiday

School will be closed for students Friday 3rd June for staff professional development and Monday 6th June for WA Day. We hope the extra-long weekend can be an enjoyable break for all families.

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FUTURE DATES

Staff Development Day	Fri 3 June
No Students Attend	Mon 6 June
WA Day Public Holiday	Tues 7 June
Young Writers	Mon 13 June
P&C Meeting 7.00pm	Fri 17 June
Assembly Rm 2	Fri 17 June
Faction Cross Country	

- **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. •

Attendance Matters

With attendance disruptions caused by COVID and other illnesses, the school is aware that some students have fallen into a habit of not attending school. It is really important that these habits are broken as soon as possible and that students who are well come to school every day. Missing one day a week adds up to missing 40 days a year, which is nearly a whole term. Poor attendance has significant impacts on academic progress and social and emotional well-being. If you are struggling to break poor attendance habits and your child is well, please call the school for advice and help.

Jeremy Hadlow
Principal

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

Well done to our SPPS staff and families who participated in Walk Safely to School Day on Friday the weather was absolutely perfect for the stroll to school AND home. Great job everyone!

We also had a Walk Safely to School Day colouring in competition across the school and it was exceptionally hard to pick the winners. Congratulations to each classroom winner, they all won a SPPS canteen voucher



HONOUR CERTIFICATES

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

PP 1	Eden, Jaelyn, Noah
PP 2	Jaxon, Isabella, Brooklyn, Clara
Rm 1	Levi, Samuel
Rm 2	Cody, Erin, Jaxon
Rm 3	Grace, Rylie
Rm 8	Keenan, Will, Lachlan, Shanayla
Rm 9	Maddie, Xavier, Lilah, Phoenix
Rm 11	Cody, Kai, Saffron, Kayden
Rm 19	Jedi, Kaylarnee, Nathan
Rm 24	Isaac, Keisha, Isabel
Science	Ella (R 3), Cody (R2), Kirrily (R19)

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Care for our World		Responsibility	
		PP1	Landon
PP2	Hunter	PP2	Olivia
Rm 1	Thomas	Rm 1	Billy-Jai
Rm 2	Patrick	Rm 2	Isabelle
Rm 3	Chloe	Rm 3	Ebony
Rm 8	Edyn	Rm 8	Phoebe
Rm 9	William	Rm 9	Zahra
Rm 11	Jaxon	Rm 11	Esther
Rm 19	Addyson	Rm 19	Ed
Rm 24	Charlie	Rm 24	Chloe

TRANSITION VISIT

Last week we had a visit from representatives of Albany Senior High School. Some of our former students accompanied them to speak to our Year 6 students about what to expect when they move up to high school.





PRINCIPAL'S PATTERN

Golden Bees

Keep working hard and our PBS Assembly will be back next week.

Our Queen Bee and Lady Bug are being safe by staying home because they have been unwell. Get well soon Queen Bee and Lady Bug and thank you for keeping us safe.



Expectation of the Week

Be Safe

I can be safe by keeping my body items to myself."



A Few Reminders

Tuesdays of even weeks (Week 2, 4, 6, 8 &10) are early close for all Education Support Students. If your child is not travelling on the bus, please ensure that you pick them up before 2:30pm.

If picking your child up before 2:50 please report to the front office to sign them out before going up to the classroom.

Thank you.



Bec Wheatley
Principal

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?

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.



SCIENCE INCURSION

On Friday 27th May, students and staff at Spencer Park were so lucky to have a visit from a climate scientist, who was in Albany to coincide with the return of world record breaker solo sailor Lisa Blair. Marji Puotinen is a research scientist who mainly focuses on coral reefs and the impact the warming climate is having upon them. She has also been heavily involved with Lisa Blair in her world record adventure and has been interested the water samples and temperatures she was recording daily on her voyage.

Marji truly engaged with our students dressing up in a world costume and together with her twin sons in a dinosaur and shark costume, they proceeded to share the message of how a changing climate can have some major negative consequences. Her message was powerful and got the kids to think about the little things we can all do to help protect our planet.



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.

ELLEKER RUNNING FESTIVAL

5 JUNE 2022

**HALF
MARATHON**
21.1km

RUN 10km

WALK 10km

KIDS DASH
2km & 1km



Registrations open now!
albanyathletics.com.au



**GIRL GUIDES
AUSTRALIA**
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

TRY NEW ADVENTURES AT GIRL GUIDES

The Albany Girl Guide Units are seeking girls aged 5 – 12 years old, who want to try new things, make friends, enjoy nature & the outdoors!

We meet at the Guide Hall on Parker St, Lockyer on Monday & Tuesday night for girls aged 5 – 9 years and Tuesdays for 9 – 12 years.

Girl Guides take an active role in planning their own program of activities. In Australia, our mission is to empower girls to grow into confident, self-respecting, responsible community members. This means learning through fun, teamwork and community service.

Those parents interested in a two-week trial for their daughters should contact 9479 9800 or membersupport@girlguideswa.org.au, or complete the form at www.girlguideswa.org.au.



We're accepting new Girl Guides!
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