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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 Community Members

Reconnect: Attendance

Throughout this week a number of students will have letters sent home regarding lower than expected attendance rates. These letters are being provided to inform parents of attendance rates and request a reconnection with regular attendance in term 4 and beyond. We understand that there have been many issues around non-attendance, but with warmer weather here and with, COVID and general colds hopefully behind us, we would like to see attendance rates increase.



Parent & Student Survey

As part of our school's reflection we gather information from students and parents about their opinions on how our school operates. We have sent an SMS message to parents with a link to a short survey that we would like all parents to complete.

All of the data collected from these surveys are viewed by the School Board and available in summary to the parent community through the school's Annual Report.

Open Night

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, older and younger siblings and community members that came along last Wednesday night to participate in the Open Night. Although the weather was a little breezy, it was wonderful to see so many visitors in the school enjoying the opportunity to view student work and chat to staff. Thank you to the P&C for opening the uniform shop and selling pizza and cupcakes!



NAPLAN Reports

Our Yr 3 & 5 students have had their NAPLAN reports sent home recently. These reports provide a comparison of how students have performed in comparison to other students. Further information from NAPLAN results will be provided to the school in coming weeks and these will be reported in our Annual Report.

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FUTURE DATES

Assembly ESC - POE	Fri 23 Sept
Last Day Term 3	Fri 23 Sept

- **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. •

End of Term

It has certainly been another challenging term and I would like to thank staff for their resiliency throughout this term. Staff have ensured that learning programs have maintained quality and rigour. I would like to acknowledge parents and caregivers for your support and assistance throughout this term and request your ongoing support into next term. I hope that everyone can have a relaxing two week break and that we can all enjoy some warmer weather.

Jeremy Hadlow
Principal

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Do Your Best	
PP1	Lindsay
PP2	Ashton
Rm 1	Lucas
Rm 2	Dustyn
Rm 3	Arden
Rm 8	Phoebe
Rm 9	Kaleb
Rm 11	Indi
Rm 19	Nathan
Rm 24	Davie

Honesty & Trustworthiness	
PP1	Ashley
PP2	Ned
Rm 1	Darcy
Rm 2	Justin
Rm 3	Arden
Rm 8	Izabella
Rm 9	Isabel
Rm 11	Sophie
Rm 19	Jameson
Rm 24	Brooklyn

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 WEEK: GLASS-MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE

Recently, students had a lesson centred on glass, with marbles as a focus.

We brainstormed an impressive list of glass uses (eg telescope, glass eye, fish tank, glass bottomed boats); the wonderful properties of glass as a material (eg smooth, strong, transparent/see-through); discussed how glass can be re-used and recycled; saw how glass is made; and how marbles are made.



This was followed by marble activities: playing marbles, marble 'hockey', creating Lego marble mazes and marble painting.

We had lucky winners 562481 of a bag of marbles from each class: Allegra, Alyson, Christine, Keenan, Dustyn and Lola. The overall prize of a glass straw set went to Darcy.

It was a great day!
Mrs Murray 😊



PRINCIPAL'S PATTERN

PBS AWARDS

Bee voucher winners

Congratulations to the following students for earning the most Bee Vouchers in their class for this week by being Friendly, Safe and your best! Everyone is so proud of you:

Room 13 Xavier, Room 14 Djaran, Room 22 Autumn, Room 23 Stella, Room 26 Belle

They could choose something exciting from the prize box.

Spencer Park Education Support Centre Behaviour Expectations

Each week we have an Expectation of the Week focus. This week we focus on:

Be Safe

I can be safe



AUSLAN/Key Word Sign

Our key word signs support our Expectation of the Week:

I can be safe by only climbing on play equipment. I can keep my feet on the ground.

I



Safe



Feet



On



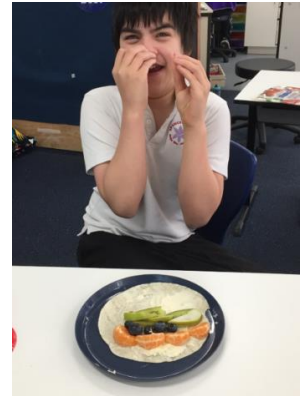
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CLASSROOM NEWS - SPESC

Room 14 - Healthy Food Choices

Room 14 has recently been learning about healthy food choices. We made fruit wraps; first, we spread cream cheese on our wrap and then we added our choice of fruit. They were delicious!



Scitech Incursion

Our students enjoyed participating in the Scitech Science Program recently which included Mix and Make Shows and Workshops. From the kitchen to the bathroom, students explored what happens when we combine different things -both following a recipe and making up some of their own.





TERM 4 SWIMMING - SPESC

In-term swimming lessons will be held in the mornings of weeks 3 and 4 of Term 4. Permission forms will be sent home early next term and the cost for 10 lessons is \$40.

This year, due to unforeseen circumstances (the initial camp school closing and a change of date), some year 6 students who are attending camp and transition will either not access swimming lessons or have a modified swimming program. The school will contact the impacted year 6 families personally.

KINDY/PP MUD KITCHEN

The Albany Men's Shed has kindly built a mud kitchen for our Kindy & Pre-Primary play area. The timber was donated by Rogan Coffey from Suggs and the project was organised by the Albany Community Foundation who also donated the utensils. The students from Room 23 soon got busy "cooking".



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?



CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

Dear Parents and Friends,

As we approach the end of term, I hope this finds you all well.

Over the past week or so I've been thinking about the passing of our Queen, as many aspects of her life have been revisited.

Something new I had not heard before was Queen Elizabeth's first broadcast, a speech on the radio given in wartime as a fifteen year old princess. I found it amazing to ponder how this would have helped the people, including younger ones, at this difficult time. I was particularly taken by the phrase "...we children at home are full of cheerfulness and courage..." I felt this to be so uplifting. Those words might also describe how our Queen conducted herself throughout her life; with that same cheerfulness and courage. What a wonderful example.

I hope these words might bring some encouragement to you all, as they have done to me. Wishing you a very happy and safe holiday!

Kind regards,
Jennifer Hunt



Rebecca Wheatley
Principal



Applications for your child to be involved in Kindergarten (children turning 4 by 30 June 2023) and Pre-Primary (children turning 5 by 30 June 2023) 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.



Timing Changes to School Special 710

Effective 10 October 2022

Students please note the afternoon school Special 710 will have a minor timing change from Monday 10th October 2022

School Special 710 AM

- 15:12 Australian Christin College
- 15:18 St Josephs College,
- 15:21 Spencer Park PS,
- 15:29 Bethel School,

Need More Information
Call us 13 62 13

Visit us on line
Transregional.wa.gov.au

Lost Property Call
Swan Transit 9841 2888

TransAlbany Depot
7 Barker Road
Albany WA 6330

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.

Great Prizes To be Won!

Time to start working on your entries for the

2022 Albany Agricultural Show

11th & 12th November

Schedules at albanyshow.org.au

What Can You Enter?

- Cooking
- crafts
- Photography
- Woodwork
- Horses
- Alpacas
- Horticulture
- Sheep
- cattle

KAMBARANG

school holiday adventures

ONLY \$20 FP PER SESSION

GEOCACHING

Albany - 5 October
Mt Barker - 6 October
10am - 1pm

AGES 8-12

Tickets at www.outdoorsgreatsouthern.org.au/events

OUTDOORS GREAT SOUTHERN

KIDS Adventure CLUB

Term 4 - 2022

October 23/30
November 6/10/17
December 4

\$210 NEW ENROLMENTS \$190 RETURNING PARTICIPANTS

KIDS IN YEARS 4-6 ARE INVITED TO JOIN OUR ADVENTURE CLUB SERIES IN ALBANY

TERM 4 SEES US TAKE TO THE WATER WITH A SERIES OF SURFING SESSIONS THEN HEADING OUT ONTO THE LOCAL TRAILS FOR A SERIES OF BUSHWALKS WHILST LEARNING ABOUT THE LOCAL FLORA AND FAUNA

FOR DETAILS, VISIT outdoorsgreatsouthern.org.au/events

Albany Light Opera AND Theatre Company PRESENTS

MAMMA MIA!

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY

BENNY ANDERSSON BJÖRN ULVAEUS

AND SOME SONGS WITH STIG ANDERSON

BOOK BY CATHERINE JOHNSON

ORIGINALLY CONCEIVED BY JUDY CRAYMER

NOV/DEC 2022
PORT THEATRE
PRINCESS ROYAL DRIVE

7:30pm: Fri 18th Nov • Sat 19th Nov • Fri 25th Nov
Sat 26th Nov • Sun 27th Nov • Fri 2nd Dec
Sat 3rd Dec • Fri 9th Dec • Sat 10th Dec
Matinee 2pm: Sun 20th Nov • Sun 4th Dec

Director: Anne Davidson • Musical Directors: James Turner and Roger Hey
\$35 adult, \$30 student/concession from Paperbark Merchants, York St
www.paperbarks.com.au

www.facebook.com/AlbanyLightOperaTheatreCompany
Licensed exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia).
All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia

Invitation
to opening of the
Art Trail Exhibition

Friday 23rd September @ 6pm
in pop-up shop next to Aldi

*Come and say hello to artists
Christine de Klerk, Ronelle Shephard,
Amy Ulrich & Milly Graham*

Art fundraising on the night for
Spencer Park Primary School Breakfast Club

Exhibition opening times:
24th September - 9th October 2022
Monday - Friday 9-5pm, Saturdays 10-4pm

LIGHTYEAR (PG)

\$5 ENTRY (tickets essential) | **6 PM THURSDAY 29 SEPTEMBER**

@ PCYC, 77 SANFORD RD

Ages 10-25 years

FREE popcorn & slushy!

BYO BEAN BAG

For more information contact Laura Saunders on 6820 3130 or commdevel@albany.wa.gov.au



Proudly supported by

SOUTHERN PORTS
ALBANY BUNBURY ESPERANCE

ALBANY MTB CLUB

CLUB PUMP TRACK CHAMPS

Albany Youth Challenge Park
HQ at Club Sea Container

When: Sunday 25th September
Sign in Desk Open : 1400-1500

Timed Practice : 1500-1545
Race Start (all categories) : 1545
Presentations : 1700

Who: Open to anyone age 5 or over! Junior riders 15 and over will need to race in the Open category. Divisions for both male and female: U/7, U/9, U/11, U/13, U/15, Open and Masters (40+)

We do not discriminate against any wheel size. BMX welcome!
Auscycling Insurance essential - for more info please go to registration page

@southernpeaks
@southernpeaksMTB
@albanymtbclub

Register here >>>

<https://entryboss.cc/races/12661>

Want \$500 to help you with school costs?

saverplus

Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits.

To join Saver Plus, you must:

- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card AND an eligible Centrelink payment*
- Be studying yourself OR have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- Have regular income from work (either yourself or your partner)*
- Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:

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

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:

EnquiriesSP@bsl.org.au

1300 610 355

DELIVERED BY

Brotherhood of St Laurence

Find out more at saverplus.org.au

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ and delivered in partnership with local community organisations. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

Family Folk Dance for Fun School Holiday workshop



Friday 30th September 3-4pm

Albert Hall, Uniting Church, Duke St, Albany

Great fitness, fun and great world music!

Folk dancing is a wonderful way to introduce children to the world's rich cultural diversity, and exciting diversity of music, dance and rhythm.

for Kids & their grown-ups

Parents/guardians dance with your children (5-12yrs)

\$8 (Add \$1 for each additional child in a family)

ENQUIRIES Palenque 0423-834-439 or palenque@gmail.com

Facebook: [@internationaldancealbany](https://www.facebook.com/internationaldancealbany)

a Perth International Dance event

perthinternationaldance.org.au



If you love it, then check out the FREE
Shanty Festival Dance with live music!
Sunday 2nd October 2-5pm

Reclaim the Night

Together we demand an end to violence against women and children

Friday 28 October 2022, 6:30pm

Meet at the Alison Hartman Gardens for speeches, followed by the walk at 7pm

Reclaim the Night,
Bring a Light (no open flames)

SOUTHERN ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL
Albany Family & Domestic Violence Action Group
AnglicareWA



Folk Dance with *Last Five Coins*

Dance across Europe without leaving Albany!



Sunday 2nd October 2022, 2pm-5pm

FREE!

Albert Hall, Uniting Church, Duke St, Albany

International dances called by experienced teacher Palenque, to the haunting & eclectic world music of Perth's premier multicultural folk band with local guests.

No experience & no partner required. Bring the family! All Ages!

A ShantyFest event - fun for everyone!

Enquiries to Palenque 0423 834 439 or palenque@gmail.com

Facebook: [@internationaldancealbany](https://www.facebook.com/internationaldancealbany)

www.perthinternationaldance.org.au

www.shantyfest.com



Lesson/Refresher dance class
Friday 30th Sept 3-5pm.
Contact Palenque to register

