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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

Welcome back to the start of our final term for 2022!

### Ride to School Event

On Friday we are encouraging students and parents to ride or scoot to school to promote a healthy lifestyle and more active alternatives to get to school. Students are asked to either ride with parents/caregivers or independently, if they are old enough. All students are asked to please wear the necessary safety equipment. Once at school a range of obstacle courses will be setup on the quadrangle for students to practise their balancing and manoeuvring skills. Thanks to the P&C and breakfast club, there will be a light breakfast provided in the undercover area. A photo will be taken of everyone involved and five lucky students will win a \$50 voucher to Impulse Cycles. These prizes will be drawn and presented later in the day.



### Athletics Carnival

Students have been practising hard for the faction athletics carnival that is coming up in week 4. Our jumps and throws will be held on Tuesday 1 November for years 4-6 and our main carnival will be held on Thursday 3 November for PP-6. We welcome parents to come along to these days and enjoy the action, but to also volunteer in any capacity. We have opportunities for parents to assist on both days, so please let the front office know if you can assist.



### Year 6 Camp

Our Yr 6 students head to camp next week and will be based at the Rotary Youth Camp here in Albany. With Princess Royal Harbour at the doorstep and bushland surrounding the campsite, the students will be in a beautiful location. There are a number of fun activities planned for the camp and we hope all staff and students have a safe and wonderful time.

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### FUTURE DATES

Ride-2-School	Fri 21 Oct
P&C Meeting Staffroom 6.00pm	Mon 24 Oct
Faction Athletics Carnival	
Jumps & Throws Yr 4-6	Tues 1 Nov
Faction Athletics Carnival	Thur 3 Nov
Assembly Room 3	Fri 4 Nov

- **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. •

## Class Structure 2023

The following classes are the intended structure for next year. This may be altered depending on the structural needs of the school and final student numbers.

KindiLink 3 Yr Olds: ½ Monday & ½ Friday at Coolangarras  
Coolangarras Kindy: Tuesday-Thursday  
Kindy: Tuesday-Thursday & one Friday in a fortnight  
PP1: Full time  
PP2: Full time  
Yr 1: Full time  
Yr 1/2: Full time  
Yr 2: Full time  
Yr 3: Full time  
Yr 3/4: Full time  
Yr 4/5: Full time  
Yr 4/5: Full time  
Yr 5/6: Full time  
Yr 5/6: Full time

## Parent Requests for 2023 Student Placements

Parents are welcome to submit written inputs with respect to class placements. The submissions must be based on educational reasons, addressed to "The Principal" and marked "Confidential". (All written parent submissions will be given consideration but will not automatically be accommodated.) Written submissions must be sent to the Principal by Friday 28 October.

If your student is not returning in 2023 please advise the school ASAP.

Current class teachers will confer with next year's class teachers to form educationally balanced classes taking into consideration a variety of criteria.

Some of these criteria include:

- Classes are to be balanced (whether these are split or straight) with respect to academic performance, social development, behaviour and gender.
- Previous class placements.
- School Psychologist recommendations.
- Special needs such as twins and family situation.
- Written parent submissions regarding a student's educational needs.

Jeremy Hadlow  
Principal

## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL LUNCHES

Order forms for lunches on Thursday 3 November have been sent home with your child and need to be returned to the Canteen by Monday 31 October.

## VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Care For Our World			
PP1	Chance	Rm 8	Channaye
PP2	Jaxon	Rm 9	Caine
Rm 1	Stella	Rm 11	Lachlan
Rm 2	Jamari	Rm 19	Ariyah
Rm 3	Joesph	Rm 24	Maddy

## PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES

We congratulate the following students who received certificates at the assembly on 23 September 2022.

Rm 1	Madelyn
Rm 2	Jasmin
Rm 3	Max
Rm 8	Isaiah
Rm 9	Cody
Rm 11	Evie
Rm 19	Lauren
Rm 24	Amity
Music	Mia Rm 8
Science	Kade Rm 19
PE	Devin Rm 9
HASS	Vela Rm 11

## FREE DRESS DAY

On the last day of Term 3 we had a free dress day with lots of games and activities. We had limbo, tennis, table tennis and skipping set up with music to make everyone happy. We also had colouring in and board games in the library.

We raised \$234.30 for the Albany Community Hospice. The hospice is like a hospital but people stay there when they need extra help with palliative care. Kids all enjoyed this and it was a good way to end the term and give something back to our community.





## PRINCIPAL'S PATTER

### 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, being Safe and being your Best:

Room 13 Xavier

Room 14 Riley

Room 22 Emily

Room 23 Parker

Room 26 Brodie

They could choose something exciting from the prize box.

Golden Bee Certificates were presented to:

Room 13 Tairhys, Brodie, Quin, Xavier, Robert, Alaki

Room 22 Sereki & Emily

Room 26 William & Harry

Well done! Everyone is so proud of you.



### Spencer Park Education Support Centre Behaviour Expectations

Each week we have an Expectation of the Week focus.

This week we focus on:

#### Be Your Best

I can be my best.



#### AUSLAN/Key Word Sign

Our key word signs support our Expectation of the Week:

I can be my best by keeping my space tidy.



I  
Point to self using extended dominant index finger. (Natural gesture).



Best  
Extend thumbs of both hands and hold in front of body, palms down. Move dominant thumb forward..

### CLASSROOM NEWS - SPESC

#### Room 26 - News

The Room 26 students have an action-packed final term for 2022.

On Monday we started our Talk for Writing story, The Magic Porridge Pot. We tasted some porridge and then graphed if we liked porridge or not – the “no” vote just got over the line. Imagine having a magic porridge pot!

Ms Tysoe from SPPS kindly gave us some silk worms that we are caring for and looking forward to seeing them change.

Room 26 are also going to Emu Point to participate in Cycling without Age. Mr Brian Appleby and his off-sider Barry will pilot the trishaws bikes for the students. We can't wait for this opportunity.



## CULTURAL INCURSION

Following on after our end of term visit where he spoke to us about the Seasons, Larry Blight came to help us refresh and rebuild our Koornt/Shelter. We used tea tree branches and talked about using Boyur/Woolly Bush for some soft bedding.



Bec Wheatley  
Principal

## RIDE-2-SCHOOL

On Friday 21 October the school will be holding a Ride-2-School event. We encourage kids and parents to cycle, scoot or skate to school from home or a local park. Please remember to wear appropriate 925688safety equipment.

When you arrive at school:

- Ride through some obstacle courses set up in the quadrangle,
- Grab a piece of fruit or a cup of hot milo from the undercover area,
- Put your name in a draw to win 1 of 5 \$50 vouchers from Impulse Cycles,
- Get your photo taken with the rest of the cyclists for our newsletter.

Come along and enjoy the event.



## FOUND KEYS

At the end of Term 3 a car mobiliser key and small key on a key tag, were handed into the office. If you think they could be yours, please call to the office.

## FREE STUDENT RATs

Free RATs from the government are still available from the front office if you require them.

## MOVING IN 2023

As we move towards the end of the year it is important that we have an accurate picture of school numbers for the new school year. It is crucial that you inform the school of any intention to move from Spencer Park in 2023. Our funding and the way we organise our classes is dependent on a clear understanding of student numbers in each year level across the school. From here on in and for the remainder of the year, notifying us if your child will not be here in 2023 will assist greatly when it comes to planning for the new school year.

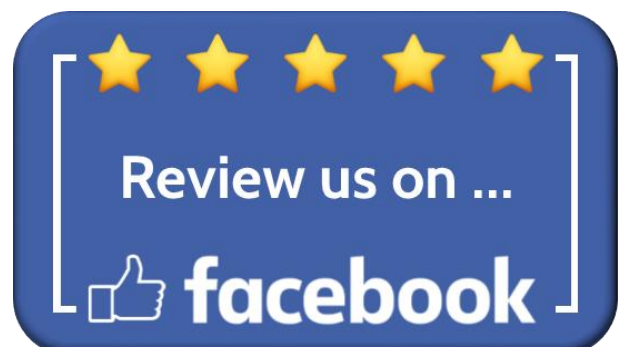
If you know of anyone intending to enrol at Spencer Park Primary School for 2023, please ask them to contact the office as soon as possible – 6821 3000.

## 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.

## 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?





## 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.

### STAR BLAST



Provides kids with a disability an inclusive adapted version of the Woolworths Cricket Blast Program that is available through many cricket clubs. With the help of the WA Cricket Foundation, clubs are able to obtain modified equipment suitable for children of all abilities.

This ensures that families who have children with disabilities can be a part of their local club, with the program adapted to suit the capabilities of the children involved

Star Blast caters to children 5-12 years. Additional equipment can be accessed through WA Cricket to support the Star Blast Program

#### Albany Districts Cricket Club Centre

Day: Every Wednesdays during Term 4 2022 & Term 1 2023

Time: 4pm – 5pm

Location: North Road Cricket Grounds

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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## How to smash your savings goals

- 1 GOAL**  
Set a savings goal with your Coordinator for your education related item(s).
- 2 SAVING**  
Open an ANZ Progress Saver account and start to regularly save over 10 months
- 3 EDUCATION**  
Complete our fun MoneyMinded financial education workshops
- 4 MATCHING**  
Reach your savings goals and have your savings matched up to \$500 by ANZ for education items for you or your children's education expenses

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1300 610 355  
Like us on Facebook



### Parenting in a Blended Family

**FREE 3-session online parenting program for stepfamilies**

Stepfamilies face unique challenges which are not always recognised, and different strategies are often needed to meet the needs of the newly formed family unit.

Topics covered in the 3 sessions include:

- influences from the past
- living with someone else's children
- strengthening the couple's relationship
- new roles and responsibilities
- the discipline challenge

When: 12:30 – 2:30pm  
Fridays, 4, 11 & 18 Nov 2022  
Where: Online

TO BOOK:

T: 0448 137 192

E: [GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au](mailto:GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au)

W: [Parenting-in-a-blended-family-online](http://Parenting-in-a-blended-family-online)



### Anxiety During Adolescence – Strengthening Teens Against Anxiety

Anxiety can be tough for anyone, but add in the whirlwind of changes that come with adolescence, and anxiety can intrude on young lives more than it deserves to. In this presentation, we will focus on anxiety during adolescence. We will discuss how the changes in the adolescent brain can make teens more vulnerable to anxiety, and powerful ways to engage and strengthen all young people against anxiety through adolescence and beyond.

**When**  
6:30pm - 8:30pm  
Monday, 31 Oct 2022

**Where**  
Albany Town Hall  
217 York Street  
Albany WA

**Free event. Bookings essential.**

#### About Karen Young

Karen has worked as a psychologist in private practice, and organisational and educational settings. She is now a sought-after speaker, educator, and consultant, both at home in Australia and overseas. Karen is the founder of 'Hey Sigmund', an internationally popular online resource that provides contemporary, research-driven information on anxiety and the neurodevelopment of children. She has written three books, including the bestselling 'Hey Warrior' and 'Hey Awesome', which creatively assist children to understand and manage anxiety.

#### To book:

W: <https://bit.ly/3LMbzYe>

T: 0448 137 192

E: [GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au](mailto:GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au)

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# COUNTRY FAMILIES @ NGALA

Support to families with children from birth to 8 years living in regional, rural and remote Western Australia



Ngala have partnered with WA Country Health Service (WACHS) to provide free child health parenting information and support to families living in regional, rural or remote WA.

## Facebook Group

Join a community of other country families to access parenting information, resources & program updates. Search: CountryFamilies@Ngala.

## Tutorials and Facebook Live Sessions

See recorded and live videos with information for parents with children aged 0 – 8 years.

## Online 'Live Chat'

Chat with a Ngala Child Health Nurse via Facebook. Please check website for session times.

## Individual Consultations

30 minute video or phone consults with a Ngala Child Health Nurse for child development information and parenting support.

## Country Dads' SMS Service

Receive information and resources via SMS or Email.

Call: 9368 9342

Email: [CountryFamilies@ngala.com.au](mailto:CountryFamilies@ngala.com.au)



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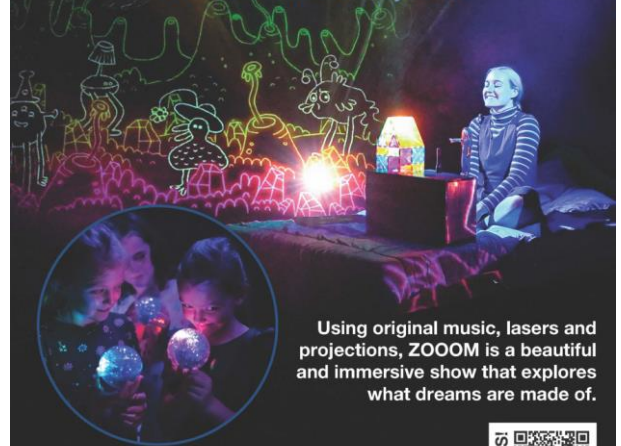
To find out more visit

[www.ngala.com.au/program/country-services](http://www.ngala.com.au/program/country-services)

Albany Entertainment Centre & Patch Theatre present

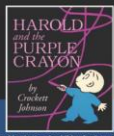
# ZOOM

A lost star finds its way home



Using original music, lasers and projections, ZOOM is a beautiful and immersive show that explores what dreams are made of.

1 NOVEMBER AT 6.30PM 2022  
& 2 NOVEMBER AT 10AM (SCHOOLS ONLY)  
ALBANY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE  
BOX OFFICE 9844 5005 | [ALBANYENTERTAINMENT.COM.AU](http://ALBANYENTERTAINMENT.COM.AU)



Recommended ages 3-10



Patch acknowledges the generous support of our Government and philanthropic partners:



Inspired by the iconic children's picture book Harold and the Purple Crayon

# ARCO junior

ALBANY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE & WA YOUTH THEATRE COMPANY PRESENT

FRINGE WORLD WINNER

## A YOUNG LIFE ON THE SPECTRUM: A STORY OF YEARNING & OPTIMISM

20 OCTOBER 2022 AT 4PM  
& 21 OCTOBER AT 11AM [SCHOOLS ONLY]  
BOX OFFICE 9844 5005  
[ALBANYENTERTAINMENT.COM.AU](http://ALBANYENTERTAINMENT.COM.AU)

INCLUDES POST-SHOW Q&A  
RECOMMENDED AGES 7+

WA YOUTH THEATRE CO. ALBANY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries  
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

A WA Youth Theatre Company production. The 2022 Regional Tour of ARCO has been supported by Playing WA as part of the State Government's Regional Arts and Cultural Investment Program

THE CITY OF ALBANY'S

# GREEN FAIR

ON THE SQUARE

Saturday, 29 October 2022  
Albany Town Square  
10am - 2pm

Featuring:

Cardboard cubby building with Nature Play WA • Electric Vehicles  
Wave Energy Demo • School Sustainability Resources • Green Living Tips and much more!

Ride your bike to the event for a free coffee! Visit the Community Bike Chat Tent to collect your voucher.

Also visit **Kinjarling Permaculture Festival** in Alison Hartman Gardens, featuring market stalls, live music and workshops.

Nature Play [www.albany.wa.gov.au/events](http://www.albany.wa.gov.au/events) Albany