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We value positive relationships and understanding between students of different cultures and abilities.

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PRINCIPAL'S POST

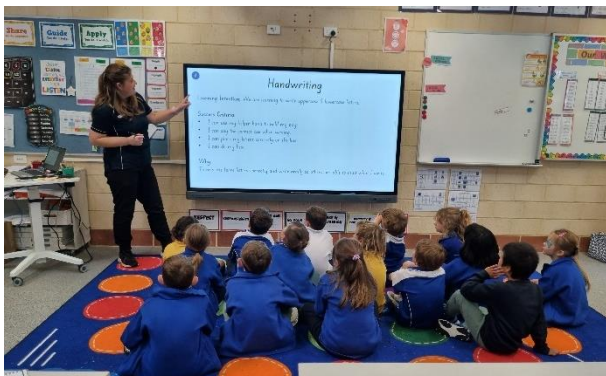
Dear Parents and Friends

Story Dogs

Our school is very excited to have Story Dogs visiting our school on a weekly basis. We have initially selected a handful of students to be involved, who will read one on one for approximately 20 mins, with an accredited Dog Team, the dog handler and the dog. The dog does not go into the classroom unless invited by the classroom teacher. All reading sessions are outside of the classroom in a quiet space nearby. Feedback so far has been very positive, and we hope to grow the program to include more students.

Quality Teaching Strategy

Our school has been very fortunate to be selected as a partner in the Quality Teaching Strategy (QTS). This strategy outlines what teachers believe, know, and do to have high impact on student outcomes/learning. A major part of this for Spencer Park is our Explicit Teaching focus and our Student Services model. Staff will be further developing our skills across the QTS, as well as supporting other schools in their journey of this important strategy.



Pastoral Care Engagement Officer

We are very fortunate to have Mitch Williams (Chappy) working within our school to support attendance and engagement of students. Chappy will be spending time visiting classes and getting to know our students and staff. In the coming weeks he will be working across the school to assist in dealing with issues relating to attendance and engagement.

Mother's Day Stall

A huge thank you to our fantastic P&C, who ran the Mother's Day stall last week. It was great to see our students selecting different gifts for their mums. We hope that all our mums had a wonderful day last Sunday.



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FUTURE DATES

Ride / Walk to School	Fri 19 May
Larrikin Book Fair	Tues 23 May
Preview Days	Wed 24 May
National Simultaneous	
Story Time	Wed 24 May
Larrikin Book Fair	Thur 25 May
Assembly Room 3	Fri 26 May

- **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. •

Ride/Walk to School

This Friday we are encouraging students that are able, to ride, scoot or walk to school. As with other events such as this we will have cones set up in the quadrangle for students with scooters or bikes to weave between. Please remind your child(ren) to wear the appropriate safety equipment.

P&C Day

This Friday is P&C Day WA. Falling within National Volunteers Week, this event gives schools and education stakeholders the opportunity to celebrate P&C members and volunteers SO...

THANK YOU to all our wonderful P&C volunteers for your time and investment into Spencer Park PS.



Jeremy Hadlow
Principal

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Honesty & Trustworthiness	
PP1	Ada
PP2	Chloe
Rm 1	Jason
Rm 2	Jack
Rm 3	Bryce
Rm 8	Ingrid
Rm 9	Shanayla
Rm 11	Mason
Rm 19	Maddy
Rm 24	Noah
Rm 25	Craig

Care for our World	
PP1	Isaiah
PP2	Reef
Rm 1	Rhyder
Rm 2	Ebony
Rm 3	Ella
Rm 8	Thomas
Rm 9	Savanah
Rm 11	Doreen
Rm 19	Ashton
Rm 24	Matthew
Rm 25	Brooklyn

ENROLMENTS 2024

We are currently taking enrolments for 2024. If you or someone you know has a child eligible to enrol for Kindy to Year 6 for 2024, please contact the school. Applications for enrolment close on 21 July. While we will still take enrolments over the course of the year, early applications to enrol assist in planning resources and staffing for the new school year. Application forms are available from the school office.

WELCOME TO SPSS



Mitch Williams

Hi, my name is Mitch Williams and I have just started as the Pastoral Care Engagement Office (PCEO) here at Spencer Park Primary School. I have only been here for a week, and I am already amazed at the incredible work the staff and students have been busily doing!

In this new PCEO role, I will be working with Ms Harris-Moroney to support identified students who struggle to come to school regularly. The focus is very much on supporting students and families and thinking outside the box to help get children to school.

I look forward to working with you!
Mitch Williams

Jesse Hall

Hello! My name is Jesse Hall. I am a Pre-service teacher and will be completing my final professional placements in Room 11 for terms 2 and 3 this year .

I currently live in Bremer Bay and enjoy my weekends swimming at our beautiful beaches.

I am passionate about art and technology. I enjoy using my knowledge and skills to make learning fun and enjoyable.

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.



PRINCIPAL'S PATTER

PBS AWARDS

Golden Bee Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have done a great job in class being Friendly, Safe and their Best and have earned a Golden Bee Award:

Room 13
Eden & Gracie
Room 14
Ellie & Emily
Room 22
Logan H & Belle
Room 26
Brodie & Tommy

Some students were not present for the photo.
Keep up the amazing work, you are superstars!



Spencer Park Education Support Centre Behaviour Expectations

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

Be / 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 being resilient and trying again even if I make a mistake.

I



Can



Best



Try



Again



Mistake

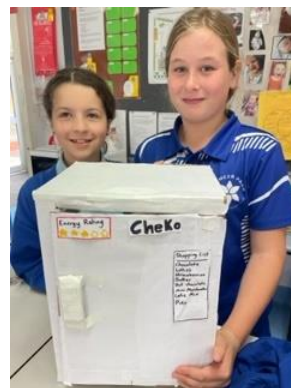


CLASSROOM NEWS - SPESC

Room 26 - News

Room 26 have been gifted a fabulous play area by a community group, The Porridge Bikers, who gave up their time and their hard earned fund raising dollars to support our school. We are loving the concrete to ride on and the grass to run around it. It looks amazing and is so wonderful.





Bec Wheatley
Principal

PHYSICS CAN BE FUN!

Students have had fun learning about light and sound, forces, air resistance, magnetism, movement of heat and electric circuits.

Room 9 and 11 have recently combined their culminated knowledge and skills to create a model powered by a circuit(s) and switch to turn on and off. They demonstrated excellent teamwork, problem solving and creativity. Well done!

Mrs Murray



Chaplain's Chat

Dear Parents and Friends,

Greetings to you all, as we move towards the end of autumn, and into winter in Albany. While this might be a time when the skies become grey, we see some stunning rainbows in our part of the world.

When leaving school one day last week, I saw one of these amazing sights, and stopped to take a photo of it. It conveyed to me the idea that there is beauty above what may be happening below, in a stormy scene. I needed to be reminded of this that day; I'm glad I still have the photo.

I hope there may be things that help you to remember this too – it may be some other image or picture – let's be looking out for what encourages us in our days and weeks. It may be the words of the children we care for; the funny and sweet comments they make, or the actions of a beloved pet. There are so many possibilities, especially in our spectacular part of WA.

I wish you all these moments that might bring peace and tranquillity.

Kind regards,
Jennifer Hunt

ORIENTEERING SPPS

Thursday 4 of May, we left school at 9:00 to start a long, but refreshing trek to the ovals for orienteering. We passed many people and flowers on the way. When we got there, we had a few minutes to socialise with our friends from other schools which were Bethel, Grammar, Yakamia, Little Grove, Flinders and Spencer. Once we got our scanning cards and maps, we got started. We had to use our maps and teamwork skills to navigate around the course. At each station, there was a scanning pole for us to swipe our cards. Running around in our little groups was so much fun. Although we came fourth overall, it was an awesome experience. We learnt that we can't win all the time and we need to stay humble.

We all really enjoyed orienteering and hope we have more events like this in the future.
Vela, Phoenix & Eloise



LIBRARY NEWS

Book Fair



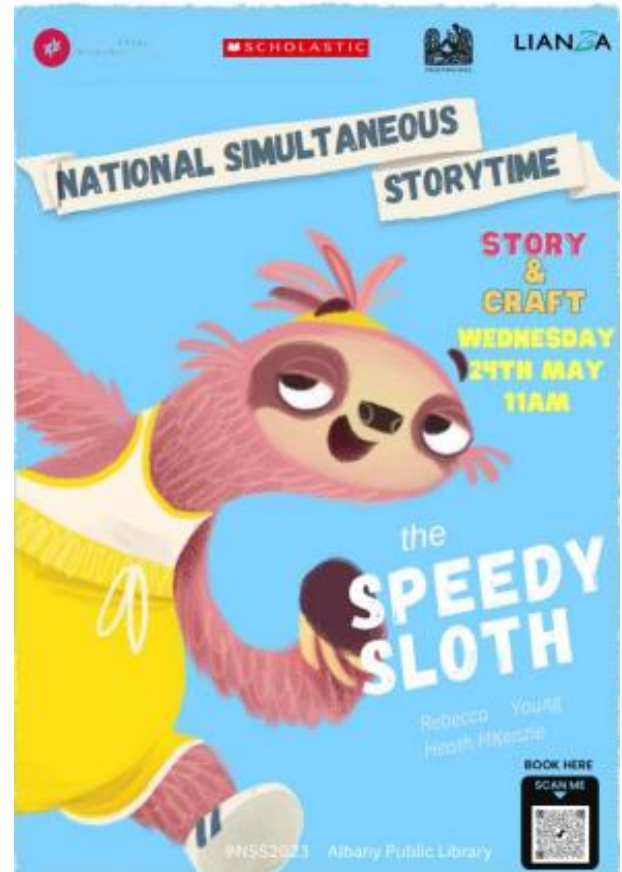
Wishlist will be heading home next week for you to review and discuss possible book choices with your family.

Fair is open from Monday for online purchases via the click and collect function.

We can put them aside for you. (Or order for you if required). Use the following link [Book Fair Top 200 titles - Larrikin House](#)

Or we will see you Thursday 25 May 2023.

National Simultaneous Storytime



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?





P&C Day WA
Friday 19 May

**Let your
light shine**



Let's celebrate the
one day dedicated to
recognising what our
P&C does everyday

#PANDCDAYWA

**P&C DAY
WA**

Indigo in Year 4 competed in an Irish Dance Feis (competition) in Perth.

It was her first time competing in Perth and she came home with 3 medals, a trophy and a heap of great memories and experiences!



COMMUNITY NEWS

Parents and guardians:

Your rights and obligations

1:30pm – 2:30pm, 1 June 2023, online

Register via the [Working with Children Screening Unit Eventbrite page](#)

Would you like to know more about the WWC Check and when it is required?
 Are you aware of when it is your right to ask to see an individual's WWC Card?
 Did you know that under certain circumstances you may be considered an employer under the WWC legislation?
 To find out the answers to these questions and more parents and guardians are invited to join us for a free one hour online information session.

Working with Children Check

ALBANY ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE & BARKING GECKO THEATRE PRESENT

CICADA

ADAPTED FOR THE STAGE BY ARIELLE GRAY, LUKE KERRIDOE & TIM WATT'S
FROM CICADA BY SHAUN TAN

BARKING GECKO THEATRE

24 MAY 2023 AT 6.30PM
+ SCHOOLS SHOW ON 25 MAY 2023

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LEARN TO RIDE PROGRAM

AGES 5 - 12



A new national program, designed by Australia's peak cycling body, AusCycling, is launching at Albany Mountain Bike Club soon.

AusBike gives kids the essential skills to experience the freedom, fun and adventure of life on a bike.

AusBikers are safe & active kids!
Our accredited coaches will help build your child's competence and confidence on two wheels.... and who knows where their love of riding will take them?!



REGISTER NOW

The AusBike program has been developed with the support of the Australian Government through the Australian Sports Commission.

