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We value positive relationships and
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PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Friends

Crazy Sock & Hair Day

For a little fun students and staff participated in the crazy sock and hair day on the 8 September. It was great to see a vast variety of hair creations and a multitude of colourful socks being worn. We even had some crazy hair sock designs!! Classroom winners were provided with canteen vouchers. Thanks to everyone for your support of the day.



Music Festival

On Wednesday 6 September our percussion and choir students participated in the Great Southern District Primary Schools Music Festival at the Albany Entertainment Centre. This event involves over a dozen schools from the local area performing a variety of musical presentations. SPPS students entertained the crowd with three separate pieces. Congratulations to all the students involved and to Mrs Swann for her

coordination and organisation of our students and the event itself.

Open Night

Although the weather wasn't the best, we had another great turn out for our annual Open Night. Parents had the opportunity to visit classrooms, including specialist rooms, to view the wonderful work that students had completed. Our choir and percussion students presented a number of items in the undercover area, which was then followed up by the P&C providing a selection of food from the canteen. Thank you to all the parents who provided cakes & slices and to the P&C for coordinating. The school really appreciates the support that parents provide on these nights and welcome any feedback to help make these events even better.



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FUTURE DATES

Assembly ESC & POE
Students Return Term 4

Fri 22 Sep
Mon 9 Oct

- **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. •

Teach Learn Grow (TLG) Mentors

Throughout this week we have been privileged to have TLG math mentors work across the school to support the teaching of numeracy skills. These mentors buddied up with different students from across the school and worked in small groups to help develop math understandings. This year our mentors came from the Presbyterian Ladies' College in Perth to volunteer their time and energy. Thank you to all of our volunteers from TLG.



End of Term

It has certainly been another busy term and I would like to thank staff for their efforts throughout this term. I would like to acknowledge parents and caregivers for your support and assistance 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

CRAZY HAIR & SOCK DAY

We had such a fun day celebrating Crazy Hair &/or Socks Day. Thank you to our very creative staff, students and families for getting into the spirit and having a good laugh.





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 Best and have earned a Golden Bee Award:

Room 13

Eden, Duke

Room 14

Logan F

Room 22

Logan H, Jax

Room 26

William, Tom, Joseph, Brodie

(Some students were not present for the photos)

Troy and Mrs Siwiecki earned a canteen voucher for being their best too.

Fantastic work!! You are all being great role models in our school.



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 play equipment. I can keep my feet on the ground.

I



Safe



Climb



Equipment



Feet



On



Ground



CLASSROOM NEWS - SPESC

Room 14 - News

For Community Access last week, Room 14 took our Containers for Change wheelie bin to the CFC Depot at Spencer Park shops. We all walked together and some of us dragged the heavy bin. We waited our turn and then watched the man sorting all the bottles and drink containers into the different bins. We noticed that some people had put rubbish in the bin as well. Next time, we will remember to tip the bin out at school and make sure that there is no rubbish. We will also take the lids off all the bottles. We got \$22.60 for the school for our containers. What a great effort!

If you have empty containers, you can put them in the wheelie bin outside the ESC office and we will take them to the Depot next term.

We had lots of fun!



Bec Wheatley-Deal
Principal



Chaplain's Chat

Dear Parents and Friends,

I hope you're well and enjoying the beginning of Spring!

A few weeks ago I was visiting at Coolangarras Barmah, a kindergarten attached to our school, and in our neighbourhood. I walked outside to do something and a memory came back to me, one that I recall from time to time...

As a child I didn't attend kindergarten, my neighbour's daughter my age did, and sometimes we collected her

in the afternoon from the building that is now Coolangarras.

I used to look up at this kindly which at that age seemed high on a hill, from the playground opposite where we would park. It seemed like a special place, and I used to wonder about it.

Now all these years later, after having moved away and then back to Albany, I have the privilege of going in there to visit. I get to go inside, see the wonderful work being done, and mingle with the beautiful children who attend.

In that recent moment I marvelled again at the way we never know where life's journey will take us, and sometimes we may even go full circle!

Wishing you all a relaxing and safe holiday, as you continue in your life's path this year.

Kind regards,
Jennifer Hunt

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Care & Compassion	
PP1	Max
PP2	Adish
Rm 1	Braxton
Rm 2	Tyler
Rm 3	Isabelle
Rm 8	Patrick
Rm 9	Savanah
Rm 11	Kayden
Rm 19	James
Rm 24	Clara
Rm 25	Lloyd



Do Your Best	
PP1	Netty
PP2	Harry
Rm 1	Leo
Rm 2	Kade
Rm 3	Lizahn
Rm 8	Byron
Rm 9	Cody
Rm 11	Bella
Rm 19	Pepper
Rm 24	Ashley
Rm 25	Samuel

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.

OPEN NIGHT

Last Wednesday we were delighted to welcome families to wander the school and admire the work and talents of their children. We had great attendance and hope that our families have even more reason to be proud of our school.



BIBULMAN TRACK WALK

On Wednesday, September 13, Mrs Harris-Moroney, Devin, Xavier, Kayden, Felix, James, Kaylah, and Erin walked the last few kilometres of the Bibbulmun Track as part of the tracks 25th Anniversary celebration. The weather was very wet, and even though we were saturated it was a fun experience and the hikers really loved us joining in. We had a special visit from our very own Spencer Park end to end hiker; Mrs Pangler and Ms Vaz also joined us. The Bib Track 594612 is one of the world's longest through hikes and people come from all over the globe to hike along it. We are lucky we have it in our very own backyard, so if you have not walked along it yet, the holidays would be a great time to explore a little section of it.



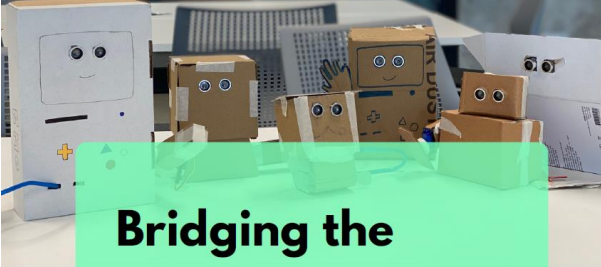
GREAT VEGIE CRUNCH

On Wednesday we had the challenge of trying to crunch louder than a crocodile as part of the Cancer Council's GREAT VEGIE CRUNCH. We were fortunate to receive a \$75 grant from the Cancer Council to buy a selection of vegies for students to try. The visiting TLG students prepared and assembled 11 delicious vegie platters and together with Spencer Park student leaders delivered them to classes. It was fantastic to see our students trying different vegies including celery, carrots, broccoli, cucumbers, mushrooms, sugar snap peas, tomatoes & capsicum.





ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

Year 5 and 6 students are invited to participate in a FREE ROBOTICS WORKSHOP on Saturday September 30. Information was sent home with students earlier this week.



Bridging the Gap: Robotics Education for All

Bringing education closer to Australia's next generation of leading engineers



Grand Challenges

CRICKET CLINIC

Our PP to year 3 students got to participate in some fun cricket activities on Tuesday, run by Holly who is one of our cricket development officers in Albany.

Any students interested in playing cricket this year can contact Albany and Districts Cricket Association or sign up through Facebook.



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?

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.



2023 SUNDAY OCTOBER 1ST | **123 NEWBOLD ROAD, TORBAY WA 8130** | **HALF DAY \$35 FULL DAY \$50** | **AGES 6 YEARS + COURSE SUBJECT TO AGE**

ACTIVE COLOUR GAMES!

Register at www.activefarmers.com.au/gameswa or contact Boyd Rae on 0427 990 531 for more information



SCAN FOR MORE INFO



RioTinto



September/October School Holidays



Cooking Classes

Session 1: Tuesday 26 September
Session 2: Thursday 28 September

10-17 yrs



3x3 Basketball Competition

Tuesday 26 September @ALAC
Category 1: 10 - 14 years
Category 2: 15 - 18 years

10-18 yrs



Succulent Workshop

Wednesday 27 September
@Bloomin Flowers

10-17 yrs



1UP Games

Friday 29 September
@Paragon Games

10-17 yrs



Soap Making Workshop

Wednesday 4 October
Session 1: 9:45am - 11:00am
Session 2: 11:30am - 12:45pm
@Retravis Stadium

10-17 yrs

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



GO FOR 2 & 5 ALBANY KITE FIESTA

SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER '23
10AM - 4PM ANZAC PEACE PARK
KINJARLING ALBANY FORESHORE

FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT

GIANT KITES

ART DRAWING

Kite Making kits \$6

Join Michael + Jan Alvares of
KITE KINETICS
www.kitekinetics.com.au
& **GREEN SKILLS**
for kite making and kite flying FUN!!

THIS EVENT IS PROUDLY SPONSORED BY HEALTHWAY TO PROMOTE THE 'GO FOR 2 & 5' MESSAGE
ENQUIRIES: GREEN SKILLS 98483310



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Free children's concert

Do You Know Your Poo?

AND OTHER FUN SONGS ABOUT HEALTHY EATING

Incl. Sneaky Sugar, Holy Moly Guacamole, Lunch Box (W)rap, I'm a Pizza Chef, Vitamin C Shanty and more...

FRIDAY 29TH SEPT. 1-2PM
SATURDAY 30TH SEPT. 10-11AM

ALBANY LIBRARY | **221 YORK STREET ALBANY, WA**

Bring the whole family for lots of fun, singing and dancing.
Tickets are FREE and available from the links below and Library web site
[Go Bananas Friday 1-2pm](#) [Go Bananas Saturday 10-11am](#)

FREE ACTIVITIES AT YOUR LIBRARY

STORY PLAYGROUND

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

TUES 26 AGE 5+ 10.30-11.30 TREEHOUSE FUN
Celebrate the final book in this epic bestselling series with our fun Treehouse session!

WED 27 AGE 6+ 4-5PM LEGO CLUB
Super fun holiday challenges are in store these school holidays.

FRI 29 AGE 1+ 1-2PM SHANTY FESTIVAL EVENT - GO BANANAS!
Sing and dance to some fun and catchy songs. Packed with ideas for healthy eating.

SAT 30 AGE 1+ 10-11AM SHANTY FESTIVAL EVENT - GO BANANAS (Repeat)!
Sing and dance to some fun and catchy songs. Packed with ideas for healthy eating.

TUE 3 AGE 10+ 4-5PM BULLET JOURNALLING
Create a beautiful Bullet Journal to stay organised and motivated.

WED 4 AGE 5+ 10.30-11.30AM SPRING FLOWERS
Learn how to make beautiful and clever rolled velvet art flowers.

THURS 5 AGE 3+ 10AM-12PM BIKE MONTH STORY SCOOT
Read and Ride to celebrate Bike Month! Bring your bike, trike or scooter and helmet to join. This session is at ANZAC PEACE PARK. Free drink included.

SCAN TO BOOK

ALBANYLIBRARY.COM.AU
221 YORK STREET 6820 3600

YouthCARE ART COMPETITION 2023

for primary schools

1st Prize
\$200
VOUCHER

2nd Prize
\$100
VOUCHER

3rd Prize
\$50
VOUCHER

FRIENDSHIP

- TO WIN, CREATE A PIECE OF ART THAT REFLECTS WHAT FRIENDSHIP MEANS TO YOU.
- OPEN TO YEAR 1-6 STUDENTS ACROSS WA.
- SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY BY 31 OCTOBER 2023.
- TOP 12 FINALIST WILL BE DISPLAYED AT THE YOUTHCARE ART EXHIBITION.
- THE WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON 8 DECEMBER 2023.

THE WINNER'S ARTWORK WILL BE FEATURED IN THE 2023 YOUTHCARE ANNUAL REPORT

COMPLETE AN APPLICATION FORM AND SEND IT WITH YOUR DIGITAL ARTWORK OR A PHOTOGRAPH OF YOUR WORK TO COMPETITION@YOUTHCARE.ORG.AU

ANY SIZE ARTWORK AND MEDIUM CAN BE SUBMITTED.

FOR ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE ABOVE EMAIL OR YOUR LOCAL YOUTHCARE CHAPLAIN/STUDENT SERVICES STAFF MEMBER.

youthcare.org.au

The Boost Program

Do you want to know more about how to help your child read and write?

Boost provides information to parents of children in Kindergarten to Year 1 about how literacy skills develop.

It looks at:

- the sounds in words
- putting sounds and letters together
- how to be a good reader and speller
- building vocabulary and reading comprehension skills

A free one-day workshop will be held at **Albany Primary School** on **Thursday 19th October 2023**, from **9.00am to 3.00pm**. It is important that parents attend the entire session. Morning tea will be provided.

The Boost program is an initiative of DSF Literacy Services and is generously funded by the Fogarty Foundation

All parents participating in the sessions will receive a 'Literacy Pack' containing an information booklet, DVD, games, reading captions and other resources (over \$80 in value!) to support what is covered in the workshop.

Fogarty Foundation
Creating opportunity, realising potential

BOOST **dsf**

Please contact Albany Primary School (albany.pseeducation.wa.edu.au) to book a place for this workshop.

ANACONDA KIDS ADVENTURE CLUB

SUNDAYS
OCT 22 - NOV 26

MIDDLETON BEACH, ALBANY

Y1 - Y3 9:00am - 10:30am	\$120
Y4 - Y6 11:00am - 1:00pm	\$210

or \$200 including participants

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OUTDOORS

GEOCACHING

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ADVENTURES
AGES 8-12

\$20
per person
per session

SEP 26 ALBANY The Fort
OCT 4 DENMARK Koorabup Community Adventure Park
OCT 5 ALBANY The Fort

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