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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 term 4!

Athletics Carnival

Students have been practising hard for the faction athletics carnival that is coming up in week 3. Our jumps and throws will be held on Tuesday 24 October for years 4-6 and our main carnival will be held on Thursday 26 October 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.

Class Structure 2024

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 1: Monday and Wednesday & one Friday in a fortnight
Kindy 2: Tuesday and Thursday & one Friday in a fortnight
PP: Full time
PP/1: Full time
Year 1: Full time
Year 1/2: Full time
Year 2/3: Full time
Year 3: Full time
Year 3/4: Full time
Year 4/5: Full time
Year 5/6: Full time
Year 5/6: Full time

Ride 2 School

Last Friday we held a Ride 2 School event to celebrate WA Bike Month, which is celebrated for the month of October. We had a large number of students riding and scooting, many with a Spring style decoration. Prizes were awarded to students who made an effort to decorate their bikes and all participants were treated to some yummy, healthy breakfast snacks in the undercover area. Thank you to Mrs Harris Moroney for organising this event and to all the staff and parents for your involvement and support.



FUTURE DATES

Assembly PP2	Fri 20 Oct
P&C Meeting 6.00pm	Mon 23 Oct
Faction Athletics	
Jumps, Throws & 800m	Tues 24 Oct
Art Exhibition Open Night	Wed 25 Oct
Faction Athletics Carnival	Thurs 26 Oct
Young Writers	Wed 1 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. •

Parent Requests for 2024 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 27 October**.

If your student 262524 is **not returning** in 2024 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

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Honesty & Trustworthiness	
PP1	Tom
PP2	Logie
Rm 1	Lauren
Rm 2	Arden
Rm 3	Alix - Do Your Best
Rm 8	Detroy
Rm 9	Verna
Rm 11	Devin
Rm 19	Jaxon
Rm 24	MacKenzie
Rm 25	Brooklyn

PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE CERTIFICATES

We congratulate the following students who received certificates at the last assembly of Term 3.

Rm 1	Zylas
Rm 2	Indigo
Rm 3	Cindy
Rm 8	Oskar
Rm 9	Eloise
Rm 11	Doreen
Rm 19	Pepper
Rm 24	Jaelyn
Rm 25	Eden
PE	Brooklyn
Music	Kayden
Science	Evelyn

STAFF - STUDENT NETBALL

Students and staff competed against one another in a well spirited netball game in the last week of Term 3. Mr Luscombe was the star of the staff, with his athletic passing and intercepts!



ART EXHIBITION

Art Exhibition

Next Wednesday 25 October at 6.30pm we will have the official opening of the student Art Exhibition at the WA Museum. This begins a two week exhibition window for staff, students, parents and community to visit the museum and view the terrific art on display.



PRINCIPAL'S PATTTER

Welcome back at the start of the final term of the year - how exciting!

We have a busy Term 4 ahead starting with the Faction Athletics Carnival in Week 3, the Art Exhibition in Week 4 and our Year 6's will be joining SPPS for the Year 6 Camp in week 8. Not forgetting our usual swimming lessons every Friday too.

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

Michael, Duke

Room 22

Zayn, Belle

Dakota and Mrs Hotker earned canteen vouchers too.



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 keeping my space tidy.

I

Best



Keeping



Space Tidy



CLASSROOM NEWS - SPESC

Room 26 - AAC Month

October is AAC Awareness Month. AAC stands for **Augmentative & Alternative Communication**, which means all of the ways that someone communicates besides talking. In Room 26 several students have dedicated AAC devices and we are all multimodal.

Jackson uses his **voice** to communicate and he has a new communication device called **Liberator**.

Joseph is using a low tech **PODD book** and his **voice** for initial sounds of words.

Brodie accesses several **high tech** devices and uses his **voice** to communicate.

Tom uses his **voice** to communicate and he has **Proloquo2go**.

William uses natural **gestures**, a low tech **PODD book** and he has a new device called **TD Snap**.

Glen uses his **voice** to communicate and he also accesses a low tech **PODD book**.

Kelsey uses her voice and she engages with many different styles of AAC. (She's so **multimodal**.)

We always have our devices with us as we always have things to say and opinions to share. It does take us longer to communicate with our AAC, but trust us, what we have to say is worth the wait. Looking forward to communicating with you.



GARDENING COMMITTEE

Our SPESC Education Assistants are not just “happy, happy” carrying out their roles with the children during school terms but, as part of the Gardening Committee these EA’s, Bre, Wilma and Sarah, can be seen as “happy, happy” Busy Bees. During the last term break, in their own time, our Busy Bees can be seen happily cleaning up the children’s garden area. The students returned this term and were “happy, happy” to see their garden makeover.

Thanks to the Gardening Committee and Cleo, Bre’s dog, who came to do the final inspection!



Bec Wheatley-Deal
Principal

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.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club orders due by 24/10/23.

Christmas is coming and Scholastic has lots of fun books on offer.

If you want to make sure the delivery just magically appears under the tree on Christmas morning, please make sure to mark your order as a GIFT.



Scholastic Book club orders can be placed online at LOOP

<https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent.aspx>, or at the school front office.

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?

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

All Children's University Western Australia students need to bring their passports in to enable the tallying of their hours.

The school will keep a record of hours earned as well as forward them to the UWA so they can prepare graduation certificates. This also means that if you should misplace your passport you do not lose your hours.

Invitations to the Graduation ceremony will be sent out by the University soon.

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.

Spencer Park Primary School
and the
Museum of the Great Southern
have pleasure
in
presenting

BENEATH THE SEA

an exhibition of art
by the students of Spencer Park Campus

Western Australian Museum
Residency Road, Albany

Exhibition Dates
26 October to 8 November 2023

Artwork by Scarlett (Y4, R2)

Hello High School

A FREE parent information session with author, speaker and Youth Coach, Claire Eaton.

Join Claire for an evening of practical information, strategies, tips and tools to help tweens transition to high school with more resilience, optimism, and confidence.

Parents and caregivers will learn more about:

- Teen brain changes and developmental shifts impacting transition to high school
- Executive function skills essential for organisation, time management and productivity
- Emotion regulation strategies helpful in managing and reducing STRESS, ANXIETY and WORRY
- Empowered think-tools required to navigate failure, disappointment and success too!
- Mindset and mood boosting tips needed to make the most of high school and new opportunities
- Social confidence and finding healthy teen friendships in high school

WHEN
Thursday 26 October 2023
6:30pm - 8pm

WHERE
Retravisation Stadium,
156 Lockyer Ave,
Centennial Park WA 6330

BOOKINGS
Margot on 0448 137 192
GreatSouthernPCWA@wanslea.org.au

This is a FREE event, brought to you by PCWA. Bookings essential.

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LEARN ENGLISH

Improve your English to get a job or to study other courses.

English courses for migrants. Classes for all levels. Start learning English.

Certificates I, II & III in Spoken and Written English
Course in Preliminary Spoken and Written English (Beginners)

Learn reading and writing for:

- Informal messages & emails
- Résumés
- Formal writing

Learn speaking and listening for:

- Conversations & phone messages
- Job interviews
- Giving instructions

There are no entry requirements for these courses, which start at the end of January 2024. Depending on your visa, classes are low cost. You may be eligible for free English classes through the Adult Migrant Education Program (AMEP).

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HIP HOP DANCE CLASS

STARTS MONDAY
16 OCTOBER
AT 4PM

8 WEEK PROGRAM | \$88
SUITABLE FOR AGES 7 - 9 YEARS

TERM 4 TODDLER TIME

Join us at ALAC in Term 4 for a range of fun programs designed for your little ones!

Monday	Kid's Gym	Tuesday	Toddler Bop
Wednesday	Jazz Ballet	Thursday	Play Time
Friday	Jazz Ballet		