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We value positive relationships and  
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different cultures and abilities.

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## PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Friends

### Interschool Athletics Carnivals

The interschool jumps & throws carnival held on 21 November and the main carnival held on 23 November were both wonderful events, with our students performing with perseverance and great sportsmanship. Our school performed very strongly at the jumps and throws carnival, and several students came away from the day with ribbons. The main carnival was a very windy day, but our students participated well and continued to persevere right throughout the day. Thank you to the parents for your support on the day and to all the staff that assisted in organising our students.



### Assembly

Congratulations to PP1 and our Instrumental Music School Services (IMSS) students, who held their assembly last Friday. Our PP1 students performed a song that reminded us of how special we all are.

Our IMSS students performed several wind and brass items that they have been learning throughout the year.

### Transition & Orientation

Our Kindergarten transition program took place a few weeks ago and involved lots of information being shared by our kindy teachers and a tour around our school by our Year 6 students. These transition programs provide opportunities for new students to visit the school and become familiar with their surroundings and for parents to receive lots of information about the operation of the school. Our Pre-Primary orientation (for current kindy students) will occur this Thursday and our Yr 6 students will complete their final orientation on Friday.



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## FUTURE DATES

Year 6 Camp	27-30 Nov
High School Orientation	Fri 1 Dec
Christmas and POE Assembly	Fri 8 Dec
Year 6 Graduation 9.00am	Thurs 14 Dec
Last day Term 4	Thurs 14 Dec

- **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. •

### Children's University

On Thursday last week twenty-four students from SPPS were recognised for their involvement in the Children's University program run by the University of WA. These students have participated in learning programs and experiences throughout the year and have completed between 30-230 hours of participation. Thank you to Mrs Mackenzie and Mrs Hunt for your support of this program this year.



### Yr 6 Camp

Our Yr 6 students are currently on camp at Camp Quaranup. They have a full program of fun activities planned for the four days, which should see some very tired and fatigued students by Friday! We will have some photos and more information next newsletter!

Jeremy Hadlow  
Principal



## STORY DOGS

We have been so fortunate to have the Story Dogs Program running in our school for the past few months. Our students have 826414 really engaged with these precious pooches and enjoyed story time in their company. Thank you to Janette and Jennifer for bringing them to visit us each week.



## VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Care & Compassion	
PP1	Ada
PP2	Olivia
Rm 1	Lauren
Rm 2	Olivia
Rm 3	Harmony
Rm 8	Patrick
Rm 9	Phoenix
Rm 11	Lachlan
Rm 19	Monique
Rm 24	Lindsay
Rm 25	Amber

Do your Best	
PP1	Ella
PP2	Matilda
Rm 1	Erik
Rm 2	Riley
Rm 3	Emily
Rm 8	Byron
Rm 9	Azaria
Rm 11	Brooke
Rm 19	Elsie
Rm 24	Jude
Rm 25	Craig





## 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  
Alaki, Quin  
Room 22  
Jax, Zayn  
Room 23  
Bentley  
Room 26  
Brodie, Tommy



Belle and Mrs Coppock earned a canteen voucher for being their best too. Fantastic work!! You are all being great role models in our school.



Our total Bee points so far this term add up to 8752 which means we only need another 3248 to reach 12000 for our reward.

#### 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 packing away and putting rubbish in the bin.

Best



Packing Away



Put



Rubbish in



Bin



### CLASSROOM NEWS - SPESC

#### Room 14 - News

Last week the students of Room 14 went to the Albany Model Railway. We were able to view the trains and the magnificent scenery that surrounds them. The men who run the Railway told us all about the trains,

the history of the association and showed us how they make the hills and other parts of the display.

We even got to run two of the trains, as well as make the lights flash and siren sound on the ambulance and police car in one of the displays.

Many thanks to the staff of Albany Model Railway who opened up just for us. The Model Railway is open every Saturday from 1:30 - 4:00pm and in school holidays also on Wednesdays 1:30 - 4pm. It is well worth a visit.



## GREAT SOUTHERN ABILITY FESTIVAL

Our students from Rooms 13, 14 & 22 began the festive season last Friday by singing and signing Christmas songs at the Great Southern Ability Festival held at the Albany Town Square. The glorious weather added to the enjoyment of the morning!



Be  
Safe

Be  
Friendly

Be  
Your  
Best

Bec Wheatley-Deal  
Principal

## MOVING IN 2024

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 2024. 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 2024 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 2024, please ask them to contact the office as soon as possible - 6821 3000.



# SPENCER PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL SUPPORTS THE ALBANY COMMUNITY



We at Spencer Park Primary are renowned for our generosity at this time of year. We invite the whole school community to contribute to the collection for our Christmas hampers.



If you feel that you could donate non-perishable food items to make up hampers, there will be boxes in classes and the school office. Hampers will be distributed through the Salvation Army, who will collect the donations at our Christmas Assembly which commences at 9.15am Friday 8 December.



This is our opportunity to support others in our community who are struggling. Please help if you can.

Thank you



## YEAR 6 TRANSITION

Our Year 6 students experienced a day at high school familiarising themselves with the changes to school routine they will experience next year. They enjoyed tastes of Home Economics and science and the layout of the school facilities. We wish them all the best for their future learning Journey.



## HONOUR CERTIFICATES

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

PP 1	Jace, Isaiah, Clark, Netty
PP 2	Tyler, Kylo, Levi
Rm 1	Aaliyah, George, Chayce
Rm 2	Charli, Arden
Rm 3	Zena, Emily-Rose
Rm 8	Jaxon, Serena, Dante
Rm 9	Lily, Braxon, Kaleb
Rm 11	Mason, Bryce, Agam, Hendry
Rm 19	Jobe, Charlie
Rm 24	Mackenzie, Rhea, Chance
Rm 25	Dante, Hendrix, Chase, Flynn
Science Mrs Murray	Elena Rm 8 Rhyder Rm 1 Lily Rm 8 Finley Rm 19 Maxon Rm 24
Phys Ed Ms Guy	Charli Rm 2 Arden Rm 2

## 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.

### Out of Hours School Care


  
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 9842 1716
   
 77 Sanford Rd, Albany 6330

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE



**ENROL NOW FOR NEXT TERM!**

**ABOUT**

Our team is committed to providing a safe, stimulating and positive environment, which fosters children's development and enjoyment.

» Ages 5-12

» Breakfast, afternoon tea and school drop-off provided

**WHEN**

Monday to Friday

- Morning 8.30 - 9.00am
- Afternoon 3.00 - 6.00pm

**BETTER HEALTH CO.**

**FREE prizes**

**FREE fun healthy lifestyle programs**

to help children and their families create healthy habits!

**BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM**

for eligible children 6-12yrs

10 week program online or in person!

Starting: 2nd of Feb

Sign up for Term 1:

[www.betterhealthprogram.org](http://www.betterhealthprogram.org)





"Every parent should know about this!"



## FREE PARENT WEBINAR

### A BRAIN-BASED HOLISTIC APPROACH TO WELL-BEING & LEARNING STARTS IN THE HOME!

Learn how to help your child realise & reach their incredible true potential – to be happy, healthy, successful and satisfied!

**PRESENTED BY:**  
**Tammy-Anne Caldwell** – Teacher, International Presenter, Social Emotional Learning & Educational Neuroscience Specialist.  
**Todd Budden** – International Presenter, Educator, Sound & Mindfulness Specialist.

**WHEN & WHERE:**  
 Wednesday December 6th, 5pm to 8pm  
 Held online via Zoom

**TO REGISTER HEAD TO:**  
[www.abovebeyondeducation.com/freewebinar](http://www.abovebeyondeducation.com/freewebinar)

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*"This delivery is essential to an overall healthy existence."*  
*"OMG. It was amazing!! ...Brilliant presenters - Inspirational exciting & so motivating. WOW!!!"*  
*"It was perfect!"*  
*"I'm really happy I attended. There's so much I have taken from the workshop. Thank you both so much!"*  
*"Your passion is contagious! You are changing the world one workshop at a time."*

**FASCINATING, FUN, PRACTICAL & full of TRUE STORIES** - all based on cutting edge neuroscience and psychology.

**YOU WILL LEARN:**

- How your child's Mind & Brain works, learns and grows best
- How to help your child Manage Emotions, Anxiety & Stress
- How to improve Perseverance, Resilience & Confidence
- How to boost their Self-Esteem, Gratitude & Compassion
- How to improve their Attention & Academic Learning
- Practical Tools & Techniques for Optimal Sleep, Nutrition, Thoughts, Emotions and Mental Health for Kids & Teens.




*"Completely brilliant!"*  
*"Excellent. It opens the mind, challenges the way you may have thought about things."*  
*"I wish I could put in words how good Tammy-Anne is!"*  
*"Ground-breaking and the future!"*  
*"So valuable, reliable, relevant."*  
*"Amazing, really useful!"*

behind *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge* and foster a greater understanding of one another's perspectives. After a performance and reading of *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge*, you and your child will explore three activities that bring out creativity, play and compassion, as well as produce a beautiful puppet to take home! This session features a special memory-sharing activity that can be enjoyed by young and old, so we encourage you to invite a grandparent or older friends and relatives to join the fun with your child. At the end, we will all gather back together to share what we've learned and learn some puppetry skills from our Puppet Playtime performers before taking our new puppets out into the world! Suitable for children aged 3 to 5, accompanied by an adult.



## PUPPET PLAYTIME: Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge by Mem Fox

Dates: Wednesday 6 December, Two sessions: 9.30am-11am and 1pm-2.30pm  
 Cost: \$10 per child

Bookings essential: [Book online](#) through our [website](#). Join us for a performance and reading of *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge*, activities that bring out creativity play and passion, and create your very own puppet to take home.

Lovingly designed for curious minds and busy hands, Puppet Playtime encourages curiosity, imagination and social and emotional well-being. Directed by acclaimed puppetry artist Bec Bradley, Puppet Playtime at the Museum of the Great Southern will feature Mem Fox's classic *Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge* brought to life by talented performers, hands-on creative learning activities and puppet making.

With help from Telethon Kids Institute, Spare Parts Puppet Theatre have designed Puppet Playtime to help you and your child learn about social and emotional well-being through creative play. Through simple activities you can recreate at home, your family can explore and expand on the messages