

## NEWSLETTER No. 4

22 March 2018



### PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents and Community Members,

#### THREE Program & Child and Parent Centre

This term we are fortunate to have the Child and Parent Centre visiting Spencer Park PS to offer a 'Story Time' to children aged 0-4 years. Story Time is between 9.30am-10.30am Thursday mornings in the Library and we would love to see lots of parents bring their children along.

Next term we will commence our THREE Program, which is a free program for pre-kindergarten children and their parents. The program offers an opportunity for these students to view our kindergarten and socialise with other children. A simple program of songs, play and hands-on activities are offered, which are fun for children and informative for parents. These sessions will occur each Thursday 9.00-10.30am from Week 2 onwards. For more information please contact the school.

#### P&C Information

Throughout 2017 our P&C have undertaken some wonderful fundraising events to raise money for a range of equipment across the school. The events held last year included: Book fair, Open Night, Disco, Yr 6 Disco, Movie Night (Adults), Neighbourhood Party, Lapathon and Crazy Hair Day. The total raised through these events was **\$4,904.28**

The equipment purchased by the P&C in 2017 included: a new freezer for canteen, footy goals, iPad Caddy and some of the nature playground equipment. The total spent on these items was **\$14,020.00**

Please continue to support our P&C and if possible volunteer for any of the events planned throughout the year. The first of these will be the **Run4Fun** event this Friday where parents are needed to help supervise different points around the oval and squirt colour on students as they run.

#### Assembly

Room 8 will be presenting their assembly item on Friday. Please come along and support our students as they perform and receive merit certificates.

#### Swimming News

Well done to our Year 5/6 classes who have completed their swimming lessons last week. It was very pleasing to see the majority of students participating in lessons and this certainly helped in yesterday's faction swimming carnival. Congratulations to all the students who participated in the events (both fun and competitive) and a big thanks to all the parent volunteers and staff for their efforts on the day. Well done to our individual champions on their performances and well done to Green faction who won the carnival with 566 points.

Have a wonderful week!

**Jeremy Hadlow** – Principal

#### Future Dates

Assembly Room 8	Fri 23 Mar
P&C Colour Fun Run 3.15pm	Fri 23 Mar
Good Friday	Fri 30 Mar
Easter Monday	Mon 2 Apr
Easter Tuesday	Tues 3 Apr

#### Reminder:

Year 6 Camp Fundraiser on Sunday 8 April.  
Sausage sizzle @ Bunnings on Albany Highway.  
Helpers required from 7.30am – 4.30pm  
minimum of 3 people manning the booth at all times.

Funds raised will go directly to assist with camp costs for those who volunteer their time.

If you would like to donate your time and go on the roster please contact Vicki Doak on 0438 412 633.

### Spencer Park Primary School Code of Behaviour

- Respect other people, their rights and their property.
- Be safe.
- Let others learn.
- Treat others as you would like to be treated.

## VALUES CERTIFICATES

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

Value	Care for Our World	Responsibility
Rm 1	Travis	Emma
Rm 2	Storm	Storm
Rm 3	Kiara	Winter
Rm 8	Aliciah Mae	Skyla
Rm 9	Kasey	Ruth
Rm 11	Jacinta	Imogen
Rm 18	Emerald	Anima
Rm 19	William	Zoe
Rm 25	Lily	Lewis



## LUCKY TICKET DRAW

Recognising effort, excellence and good citizenship. Congratulations to these students who won ice cream tickets at the assembly last Friday.



Junior		Senior	
Imogen	Room 1	Kertis	Room 2
Emma	Room 1	Evie	Room 18
Ellie	Room 1 (Goldie)	Aashna	Room 18 (Goldie)
Indigo	Room 2 (Goldie)	Lachlan	Room 19
Kayden	Room 19	Zoe	Room 19

## INTERM SWIMMING LESSONS

### Pre-Primary to Year 4

Interm Swimming Lessons for our Pre-primary to Year 4 students will occur in weeks 4 and 5 of Term 2 commencing on Monday 21 May for 10 days. The cost of these lessons for 2018 is \$53.00. If your child has ALAC membership the cost will be \$20.00 for the bus only. In order to spread the cost of these lessons over a longer term you may begin making payments now at the school office. EFTPOS is also available.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR CANTEEN

We hope you have had the chance to try out our canteen. The food is sublime and planned very carefully to nourish your children. We are currently seeking volunteer help in the canteen. If you can spare some time only occasionally or on a regular basis please give your name and contact details to the office or to Nicole in the canteen for inclusion on the roster.

Also as of Term 2 lunch orders placed later than 9.00am will incur a \$1.00 charge.

Thank you.

## Year 6 Camp Fundraiser

Our Year 6 students are fundraising for their camp later in the year. Raffle tickets for the Easter Raffle can be bought from the school office and are \$1.00. (No EFTPOS)



## RUN FOR FUN – COLOUR RUN

One more sleep!!!

1. Please remember to bring a suitable shirt and protection for your car. The colour may stain, and participants will get wet.
2. Online donations are closed and online prize choices need to be completed by the 28<sup>th</sup> March.
3. All Cash donations and prize choices (including the cash component of mixed online and cash donations) need to be to the school office by Monday 26th March.
4. All participants receive complimentary sunglasses, icy pole and wrist band for participating and all participants who raise over \$10 are eligible to claim a prize.
5. It will take some time to collate the prizes and for them to reach our school, but we are hopeful they will be distributed before the term 1 holidays.

It is looking to be an awesome event, we can't wait to see you there!

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact the school.



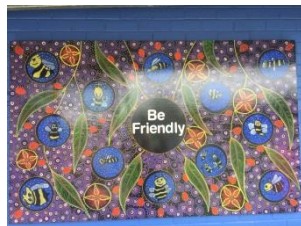




## News from ESC

Everyone here is getting very excited as we are off to camp this week. There has been lots of planning and organising of events and games. Students will be spending time at Denmark Thrills, picnicking at Emu Point and there is an amazing treasure hunt to be had back at the camp site also.

This week our PBS wall has been installed in our playground and it looks absolutely fabulous. It features our Queen Bee accompanied by many other bees that were created by students. It is a great reminder to everyone, students and staff, to always strive to 'Be Safe', 'Be Friendly' and 'Be Your Best'.



### What's Going On

Room 14 have been getting their biological science hats on this term and have been conducting experiments to see under which conditions plants grow best.



They have also ventured out to their plot in the school garden to clean up and add some plants.



### PBS Golden Bee Awards

Our Golden Bee Awards Winners this week:



**Well done to Tim, Quinn, Tobias and Bree.  
Also Lachlan, Wade, Taylor and Mrs Peters**

### Thank you for Being Friendly

Remembers to Be Your Best we need to be organised, on time, put rubbish in the bin and keep our work areas tidy.

### What's Coming Up

- **Easter Holiday 30 March to 3 April**
- Spencer Park ESC PBS Assembly on 6 April at 9am in the Primary School Music Room. We would like to see as many parents as possible so please come and join us. We ask that you please bring a plate to share and join us for morning tea.

## 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.*

### WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MUSEUM PRESENTS



### BIKE WEEK 2018



#### LET'S GLOW RIDE Free family event

Ride along the bike path from Emu Point with your glowsticks on board  
Friday, March 16 5:30pm - 7:00pm  
With music and face painting  
WHERE Emu Point, near Emu Point Cafe

#### BICYCLES FOR HUMANITY Workshop

Donations collection and half-day volunteer workshop  
Sunday, March 18 9:30am - 1:30pm  
WHERE Museum of the Great Southern



Bicycles for Humanity Western Australia is part of an exciting global volunteer-run, non-profit organisation that uses donated bikes to alleviate poverty through sustainable transport.

#### BIKE TO WORK Open Breakfast

An open breakfast for those who ride to work within the CBD or near vicinity.

Thursday, March 22 7:00am - 9:00am  
WHERE Museum of the Great Southern

Enquiries: Museum of the Great Southern, Residency Road, Albany

(08) 9841 4844 or [greatsouthern@museum.wa.gov.au](mailto:greatsouthern@museum.wa.gov.au)



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## Affirmation Service

The YouthCARE Council chaplaincy and Christian Values Education affirmation service is on Sunday 8 April commencing at 5.30pm at Calvary Chapel. The service will be followed by a sausage sizzle. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### Great Southern's own "Let's Go Surfing Days"



Supported by: DSA Southwest [www.facebook.com/DisabledsurfersSw/](http://www.facebook.com/DisabledsurfersSw/)  
& the national DSA [disabledsurfers.org/](http://disabledsurfers.org/)

As you may be aware DSA Southwest have been coming to Albany once/year for the last 4 years, each time a huge success with the biggest smiles from participants, carers, parents and volunteers. Albany has now formed its own group DSA Great Southern.



#### Participants & Water Volunteers

Register 9am, in water 10 am – 12 noon, free BBQ

**February 10th, March 17th, April 21st**

Middleton Beach, (bring your own refillable water bottles)

[www.facebook.com/DisabledSurfersGS/](http://www.facebook.com/DisabledSurfersGS/)

Please 'like' (events too) and 'share' this page so we can get 'up and swimming'  
Please, if you would like to be more involved NOW!



### PARENTING WORKSHOP For parents of children with a disability

- Meet other parents who have a child with different abilities
- Crèche provided so you can listen, join in, and enjoy your refreshments!
- Presentation by a health professional
- Plenty of opportunities to have your questions answered & listen to other's experiences & ideas
- New topics each week!

14 March: **Gross Motor Development & Embedding Therapy into every day routines.** Guest Speaker: Physiotherapist  
21 March: **Sensory Processing.** Guest Speaker: Occupational Therapist  
28 March: **Resilience.** Guest Speaker: Positive Behaviour Support Therapist  
6 April: **Developing Communication Skills.** Guest Speaker: Speech Pathologist

Where: Busselton Family Centre, 19-21 Kent Street  
When: 14, 21, 28 March & 6 April, 2018  
Time: 9.30-11.30am  
Cost: FREE  
Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/ability-centre-and-parenting-connections-16939119590>  
Phone: 1300 106 106 Email: [katy.anderson@abilitycentre.com.au](mailto:katy.anderson@abilitycentre.com.au)



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## Net Set Go Junior Netball

10 week program starts Monday, May 7  
from 4pm to 5pm at ALAC

Activity/Skills for 5 to 6 year olds  
(Birth year from 2013)

Activity/Game Play for 7 to 10 year  
olds

### Registrations are online:

Go to  
[albanynetballassociation.wa.netball.com.au](http://albanynetballassociation.wa.netball.com.au)  
And look for the NetSetGo link to begin  
your registration

More information is available on the  
website or email [albany.netball@gmail.com](mailto:albany.netball@gmail.com)



*Can you open your heart and home  
and become a foster carer?*

To learn more about fostering a child visit  
[www.fosternow.com.au](http://www.fosternow.com.au) or call 98 43 00 77

## Foster caring...it's not just the child's life that changes!

Do you enjoy looking after kids?

Do you want to make a difference in a child's  
life?

If so, you may want to consider foster care. The Department of Communities - Child Protection and Family Support's Albany Office is looking for foster carers who can provide a loving home to children for occasional weekends, short and long periods of time.

Please contact Chung Siew on (08) 9841 0777  
for more information.



# BOOKCLUB

Book club orders are due by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March if you wish to receive your order before the end of school term. Place them online via LOOP to earn extra titles or complete the form with the club and return it to the school. Remember the school earns reward points for every dollar spent through these clubs. These points are then used to buy books for the library. Last year these reward points were used to add over 180 new books to the library for all students to enjoy.

**NEW! 142. Rodney Loses It!**  
Join the hysterical hunt for Rodney's missing pen! Where could it be?  
32 pp hardcover. AGES 3+  
\$24.99

**ONLY \$9**  
SAVE OVER 60%

**170. The Fabulous Friend Machine**  
Popcorn the chicken finds a mobile phone and makes new friends. But are these new friends what they seem?  
32 pp hardcover. AGES 4+  
\$24.99

**ONLY \$8**  
SAVE OVER 65%

**032. Jungle Bullies**  
A great tale for explaining bullying and understanding others' feelings.  
32 pp AGES 3+  
\$9.99

**ONLY \$4**  
LESS THAN HALF PRICE

**043. Anzac Biscuits**  
A touching story of a family torn apart by war.  
32 pp. AGES 4+  
\$15.99

**ONLY \$8**  
SAVE OVER 45%

**038. Pig the Pug**  
Join Pig, the greediest pug in the world, as he learns a lesson the hard way!  
24 pp hardcover. AGES 3+  
\$16.99

**ONLY \$8**  
LESS THAN HALF PRICE

**270. Pokemon Classic Collection**  
Eight of Ash's best Pokemon adventures.  
Each 96 pp + slipcase. AGES 7+  
\$99.99 Club Price \$20.00

**SAVE \$19.99**

**NEW! 009. Great Australian Picture Books**  
Ten fabulous, full-size Aussie picture books in a super-value pack.  
24-32 pp. AGES 3+  
\$148.99 Club Price \$15.00 ONLY \$1.50 PER BOOK

**SAVE \$133.90**

**NEW! 053. Somebunny Loves You**  
Barbie and her sisters can't wait for the Easter Egg Hunt!  
24 pp. AGES 4+  
\$5.99

**ONLY \$3**

**NEW! 138. I Wanted a Giant Chocolate Egg But All I Got Was This Stupid Book**  
Join an hilarious Easter egg hunt!  
32 pp hardcover. AGES 3+  
\$16.99 Club Price \$15.00

**NEW! 110. Picture Book Favourites**  
Ten fabulous picture books in a super-value pack.  
24-32 pp. AGES 3+  
\$149.99 Club Price \$15.00

**SAVE \$134.90**

**426. Wonder**  
Auggie doesn't look like everyone else. Can the kids at his new school see past that?  
320 pp. AGES 10+  
\$19.99  
Club Price \$17.00

**033. Gallipoli**  
Fourteen-year-old Victor is one of the first soldiers to reach Anzac Cove during WWI.  
256 pp. AGES 10+  
\$14.99

**ONLY \$4**  
SAVE OVER 70%

**443. The Bombing of Darwin**  
The morning of 19th February 1942 was a morning that Tom would always remember-the morning when everything changed.  
192 pp. AGES 10+  
\$16.99

**ONLY \$5**  
SAVE OVER 70%

**KEEP THE READING MOMENTUM ROLLING & EARN BONUS BOOKS!**

START ORDERING ON CLUB

ANY ISSUES → ORDER AND SPEND \$10+ → NEXT ISSUES → ORDER AND SPEND \$10+ → THIRD ISSUES → ORDER AND SPEND \$10+ → ONGOING ISSUES → ORDER AND SPEND \$10+ → BONUS

Register and place your child's Book Club orders via **LOOP** for the opportunity to earn **Bonus Books** throughout the school year!

## The **EASIEST** way for parents to order and pay for **Book Club!**

Linked **O**nline **O**rders & **P**ayment platform

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's **Book Club** order using your credit card. Your order will electronically be linked to your school when you order and pay by **LOOP**.

Keithlea Mackenzi  
Library



**SPENCER PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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Albany WA 6330  
Telephone 08 9841 2488 Fax 08 9842 1493

"To build up a library  
is to create a life. It's never just  
a random collection of books."  
-CARLOS MARIA DOMINGUEZ

## DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE OPENING HOURS DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre will be open 8am to 4pm during the school holidays, we will only be closed on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April. If your child requires emergency dental treatment on this day please contact Yakamia Dental Therapy Centre on 9841 3498. For emergencies outside of opening hours, please contact your own private dentist or Albany Regional Hospital on 9892 2222.

Your child will be eligible to attend a Dental Therapy Centre from ages 5 to 17. If you no longer intend to use our service please let us know as soon as possible as your valuable appointment could be used by someone else.

All appointments are now sent to your home address. If you have moved in the last few years we may not have your correct address and your child could miss out on their check-up, please contact us to update your details either by **phone: 9841 3967** or **e-mail: [spencerparkdtc@dental.health.wa.gov.au](mailto:spencerparkdtc@dental.health.wa.gov.au)**  
The staff at Spencer Park Dental Therapy Centre would like to wish all children and parents an enjoyable break, keep smiling ☺

## Hosting French Students in July (June/July)

For the last 9 years a programme has been in place offering the opportunity to young French students aged 14-17 years to discover Australia and its education system.

We are looking for families willing to host students for the four weeks of their visit. They will travel to and from School with your children.



The purpose of the programme is for these French students to experience living with an Australian family, to see how an Australian school operates, to improve their English language skills through this full immersion and to create a strong friendship with their Anglophone peers. The programme is highly successful and both Australians and French students greatly enjoy the exchange. Many families still keep in touch with each other.

The students are fully briefed about the school rules, are not to leave the school premises and will attend classes daily. They will be fully covered by appropriate insurance.

Host families will be visited prior to the arrival by the organiser to explain the programme. We believe such an exchange is also highly beneficial for our Modern Languages students, opening their eyes (and ears!) to similarly minded students for an extended period.

Please contact **Martine Floyd**, email : [martine.floyd@iinet.net.au](mailto:martine.floyd@iinet.net.au) , mob : **0403 019 609** if you are interested in hosting.







## Contact

 1300 610 355

 [Saverplus@bsl.org.au](mailto:Saverplus@bsl.org.au)

 [www.saverplus.org.au](http://www.saverplus.org.au)

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO JOIN A SAVINGS PROGRAM THAT MATCHES EVERY DOLLAR YOU SAVE, UP TO \$500.**

As you may be aware, the Department of Education supports parents to provide financially for their children and refers families to community and government organisations that can offer additional support to families. Saver Plus, Australia's largest matched savings program, is one such program and assists people to save for education expenses by matching their savings dollar for dollar up to \$500.

Saver Plus was developed by Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ in 2002 and is delivered by The Smith Family and Brotherhood of St Laurence in Western Australia. More than 32,000 people across Australia have participated in the program, saving over \$17.3 million.

The Department wishes to offer eligible parents the opportunity to participate in Saver Plus.

#### **What this means for you**

Saver Plus is a free ten month program that provides financial education, budgeting and savings tips, and matches your savings up to \$500 for education costs. Saver Plus can help you:

- build your skills around managing money
- become a regular saver, and
- reach a savings goal.

Once you finish the program ANZ will match your savings dollar for dollar, up to \$500. You can use your matched savings for education-related costs, such as, computers, laptops, and tablets, school uniforms, text books, sports fees and equipment, school excursions and more.

#### **Can I join?**

You may be eligible to join if you meet all of the below criteria:

- have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- are at least 18 years old

Saver Plus is an initiative of Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with The Smith Family, The Benevolent Society and Berry Street and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to [www.dss.gov.au](http://www.dss.gov.au) for more information.

- have some regular income from work (yourself or your partner) including casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal work, and
- have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.

Please note: a family may receive matched funds only once.

### **Hear what past Saver Plus participants had to say**

"With one child at high school and four children in primary school I found it extremely difficult to find the money for school costs. Participating in Saver Plus has really taken away the stress of these costs."

"Now I'm much more relaxed and confident that I will always have money behind me to not only support my family, but also give them the extras in life."

### **Your privacy**

The Department, through local schools, will communicate directly with families where the Saver Plus program is available. The Department respects your privacy, and your personal information has not and will not be provided to any of the organisations associated with this program.

The Department will not know if you decide to participate and your decision to participate in this program is entirely voluntary.

### **How do I find out more?**

Saver Plus is delivered by The Smith Family in the City of Stirling, Swan and Wanneroo in the north and the City of Kwinana, Cockburn and Rockingham in the south, and by Brotherhood of St Laurence in the Mandurah, Peel and Albany areas.

The Smith Family and Brotherhood of St Laurence invite you to join Saver Plus today. To contact your local Saver Plus Coordinator enquire online at [www.saverplus.org.au](http://www.saverplus.org.au), call or SMS your name and postcode to **1300 610 355**, or email [saverplus@bsl.org.au](mailto:saverplus@bsl.org.au).

Kind regards,



SHARYN O'NEILL  
DIRECTOR GENERAL  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



PETER COLLIS  
NATIONAL MANAGER, SAVER PLUS  
BROTHERHOOD OF ST LAURENCE

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