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NEWSLETTER No.19



PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Friends

Graduation

On Thursday morning commencing at 9.00am our Year 6 students and their parents will celebrate their graduation with our Year 3-5 staff and students in the school hall. The ceremony will include the presentation of graduation certificates, individual awards, speeches and a morning tea. Many thanks to all the staff for their preparations and organisation of this event.

School Board Nominations

The school would like to call for parent nominations to come onto the School Board for 2019. One position is currently available and will require a commitment of approximately 4-5 meetings throughout the year. The general role of the School Board is to assist the school with setting policy, reviewing performance and reviewing financial planning. If you would be interested in participating on the School Board please contact the front office to indicate your interest or obtain further information.

Farewells and Thank You



As the year ends it is time to thank those staff that are leaving SPPS and acknowledge them for their input to our school. This year we have Mrs Nicole Link leaving the school. Nicole has worked throughout the school providing support for many classes and taking

on relief classes for teachers who were away. I would like to recognize the hard work that Mrs Link has provided to the school and wish her well for 2019 and beyond.

13 December 2018

I would also like to farewell all the graduating Year 6 students and the families who have ended their association with SPPS. We will have many families that have had long associations with SPPS leaving us and we will miss your support and dedication towards the school. The school community wishes you well as you commence your next adventure.



Finally to all the parents, community, staff and students – thank you for your support, hard work and commitment to SPPS throughout 2018. This year has been another very successful one with many highlights and enjoyable moments.

Thank you to the all the staff for the different roles you have performed across the school. Your help in making everything within the school happen in a fairly smooth and calm manner is greatly appreciated. Thank you to the P&C and School Board for your efforts throughout the year in helping to provide direction and support for staff and students.

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FUTURE DATES

Pick up Books from Stationers	14 Jan
Uniform Shop Open 10-2pm	Fri 1 Dec
Class lists up outside Room 6 - 10am	Fri 1 Feb
First Day for Students 2019	Mon 4 Feb

To all our volunteers who come in to support reading programs, coordinate the uniform shop, assist in the canteen or carry out the myriad of our roles performed - THANK YOU!!

Reports

Reports will be sent home on Thursday and should provide parents with a detailed overview of learning throughout this semester. Please take the time to go through the report with your child(ren) and discuss areas of success and areas of need. Above all please provide encouragement to you child for the work and effort put in this year.

If parents have any queries related to reports please contact the class teacher or school administration.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday period and a very Merry Christmas!

Jeremy Hadlow Principal

NEWSLETTER COMPETITION

How do you feel about the opportunity to win a \$10 SPPS canteen voucher each time you read our newsletter? We are pleased to announce that we will be running an exciting competition in each of our newsletter publications, commencing with this edition. 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.

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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





Tolerance and Understanding		Care for Our World	
PP1	Bryce	PP1	Sienna
PP2	Phoebe	PP2	Ronan
Rm 1	Robert	Rm 1	Ziva
Rm 2	Heath	Rm 2	Kertis
Rm 3	Jayden	Rm 3	Mia
Rm 8	Joshua	Rm 8	Lily
Rm 9	Thomas	Rm 9	Kai
Rm 11	Bella-Jayne	Rm 11	Portia
Rm 18	Harrison	Rm 18	Ella
Rm 19	Eloise	Rm 19	Mitchell
Rm 25	Kade	Rm 25	Vela

PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE

We congratulate the following students who received Term 4 certificates at the last assembly.

Rm 1	Violet
Rm 2	Agyarko
Rm 3	Arsh
Rm 8	Aliciah Mae
Rm 9	Eric
Rm 11	Abi
Rm 18	Skye
Rm 19	Teresa
Rm 25	Lily
Music	Lily Rm 9
Science	Jarvis Rm 2
Science	Amber Rm 9
Indonesian	Ethan Rm 2
Design and	Hailey Rm 3
Tech	

FACTION CAPTAIN RESULTS

Congratulations to the following students who have been elected by their peers to represent their faction.



Gold = Jade and Kai Red = Mick and Nathan Green = Ethan and Joshua

SEMPA TENTA (ALWAYS STRIVE) AWARD

The annual Faction Tally from all the students is as follows:

1st place: Red 2nd place: Green 3rd place: Gold 10763 points 8956 points 8710 points

THANK YOU



We would like to thank Libero Pietropaolo of Jo Jo's Pizzeria for generously donating the pizzas for our Choir and Percussion Group reward lunch. Libero's donation has allowed us to put the money saved on pizzas towards

extra resources for our 2019 Choir.



Last Wednesday the whole school participated in singing and signing at the Disability Awareness Festival

Today we have celebrated an amazing year with our final PBS Assembly for the year.

We said good bye to our Graduating Year 6 students Liam, Breanna, Jonty, William, Jacob, Crystal



We thanked our parent helpers and volunteers, board members and community members.



Our whole school book awards winners are:



Art Award - Emily



Robert - Be Safe Award Xavier - Be Friendly Award Jayden - Be Your Best Award



Woodside SciTech Award - Tairhys



Principal's Award - Caleb



Rock and Water - Monty

As the year comes to an end we unfortunately say good bye to some very wonderful people who have worked in our centre and supported students and their families. We wish them all the best in their new

endeavours. Mat Ham Michelle Lamont Melissa Parnell Kristen McGregor Carly Talbot

Paul Smith Julie Cloud Sam Savage **Damien Greaves**

> **Bec Wheatley** Principal



Chat

Dear Parents and Friends,

As this school year comes to an end, I've been reflecting on my memories of what has happened. I've realized that so much of it has been joyful moments with our school community.

Our recent Christmas assembly was conducted so beautifully and enjoyed by those attending. The representatives from the Salvation Army who came this year were very appreciative of our gifts; I would like to sincerely thank you all for your generosity and willingness to give.

Seeing the faces of our athletes at the recent Interschool Carnival, posing for a photo after winning the Handicap Shield, was a precious moment. New 'Interschool Team' shirts were worn with pride on that day as the children represented our school.

These are just several examples to mention among many. I hope you all have your own store of memories, and that you cherish them, maybe adding more over the coming summer holidays!

Wishing you all a very safe and happy break, and a wonderful Christmas and New Year. I look forward to seeing many of you in 2019.

Kind regards, **Jennifer Hunt**

LETTER FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF **EDUCATION**

Dear Parent/carer

We believe every child has the right to be safe at school. We provide learning environments that foster good behaviour and respect for your children and those around them.

Fortunately, most students attending public schools in Western Australia are able to learn in safe and supportive environments. At times, though, some students can be physically aggressive. This is never acceptable as it can cause psychological and physical harm to those involved, as well as disruption to teaching and learning.

The State Government has released a Statement to address violence in schools. It sets out 10 actions to help school staff, families and communities work together on this complex issue. Programs and resources will be available for parents to support their children and where appropriate parents and staff will work closely to ensure their children maintain positive behaviour at school. A copy of the Statement is available on the Department's website at education.wa.edu.au.

It is important to understand that these changes focus on students who have intentionally been physically aggressive towards others. Students with a disability who either cannot manage their behaviour or do not intend to harm others are not the target of this plan.

As parents, you also play a vital role. Your children benefit from you modelling and rewarding positive behaviour. I look forward to your ongoing support to keep our school a safe place for all.

Yours sincerely Jeremy Hadlow PRINCIPAL

P&C NFWS



The Uniform Shop will be open from 10.00am to 2.00pm on Friday 1 February.

The regular opening day for the Uniform Shop for 2019 will change from

Monday to Wednesday, 8.45 to 9.15am

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please note notices appearing below are not necessarily endorsed by the school. We provide this space for community groups 200172 to advertise to the school community. It is up to parents to scrutinise the activity and organisers for their child.

BACK TO SCHOOL TIME



Anglicarewa

This can be an emotional and stressful time for you and your child, particularly if they are going to school for the first time. It is important to be well prepared. Financial Counselling may help to relieve current or potential financial stress and may assist with strategies for meeting costs of school camps and other large expenses.

Anglicare WA provides a free, independent, confidential and fully qualified Financial Counselling Service. Phone 9845 6624 for an appointment.

Stressed about back to school costs? Make next year different.



Saver Plus will match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to \$500

To join Saver Plus, you must have a Centrelink Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, be at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner), and have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself.

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our local Saver Plus Coordinator Phone Call or SMS your postcode to 1300 610 355 Email saverplus@bsl.org.au Web





8/1 Tuesday - Age 5+ 15/1 Tuesday - Age 12+ Clever Calendars: Create your own 2019 calendar.

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Parenting Centre, Mt Lockyer

(Humphreys Street)

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Game On: This is a great opportunity to check out Dungeons & Dragons, Magic 9/1 Wednesday - Age 5+ Tie Dye Tea Towel: Have you

the Gathering and a load of new games. Bring your friends or bring your family, just don't

funky individual design? We will miss it! 10/1 Thursday - All Ages Story Walk: Join us for an adventurous story walk to the 16/1 Wednesday - Age 5+ Jamie the Clown Show: It's community garden, bring a picnic to enjoy after the story. *This Session is at: Child &

party time! Celebrate the Summer Reading Club with a Party and Jamie the Clown.

17/1 Thursday - All Ages Story Ride: Story book pages will be placed along the bike path starting from the Pirate Ship at Middleton Beach at 10.30am

22/1 Tuesday - Age 5 Creature Magnets: Create your own dangly foam curious creature magnel

23/1 Wednesday - Age 5+ LEGO Creature Creations: Get ready for some awesome creature challenges to build.

24/1 Thursday - Age 5+ Creature Squishy: More creature madness, make your own balloon curious creature squishy stress ball.

Sessions are Free 10.30am - 11.30am **Bookings Essential**





This alternative dance school nurtures creativity, socialising, encourages health & fitness, and accepts all ages and abilities. Class and costume fees kept low.

Sym: 0428 639 461 symmove@gmail.com facebook/albanycontemporarydance



See you on Monday 4 February 2019