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We value an approach that seeks to understand and care for each individual student in a way that enables them to achieve to their full potential.

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PRINCIPAL'S POST

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Welcome back to the start of a new term!

School Uniform

The School Board would like to inform the SPPS community that we will be investigating a change in the choice of uniform colours for parents from 2020 onwards. The School Board is considering introducing blue as a main colour choice for the school T-shirt. The current white T-Shirt will remain as an option, but a blue T-shirt will be added. Please view the pictures below to get an idea of the colours and design that we are considering and a survey will be sent home over the next few weeks.



Swimming Lessons

Over the last few weeks our PP- Yr 4 students have been participating in swimming lessons at ALAC. I would like to thank parents for helping to organise their child(ren) with the required equipment each day and for any assistance provided at the swimming pool. These events always run more smoothly with the combined efforts of all parties.

School Tours

Do you know of someone that would like to come to SPPS, but isn't sure and would like to have a guided tour around our school? If so, please refer them to our Facebook page or front office to find out more about when our school tours take place. If any existing parents, particularly in our ECE area would like to find out more about what happens in the rest of the school, please feel free to come along. Tours run the 1st Wednesday of each month from 11.00-12.00. Please book through the front office or [Facebook](#).



Homeless Week

To help raise awareness of Homeless Week SPPS has agreed to participate in Flannie Day Food Drive on Wednesday 7th August. On this day we would love students to come dressed in a flannelette shirt and bring along some non-perishable food. Due to our involvement in this event we will be pushing our [Jeans for Genes free dress day back until Friday 16th August](#). Please refer to the information provided in the newsletter regarding Flannie Day Food Drive.

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FUTURE DATES

Interschool Orienteering Y5/6	Fri 2 Aug
Science Week	5-9 Aug
School Tours	Wed 7 Aug
Eagle Cup LGPS v SPPS	Tues 6 Aug
Assembly Room 2	Fri 9 Aug
Y 6 Primary School Netball Cup	Fri 9 Aug
Jeans for Genes Day	Fri 16 Aug

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Thank you to everyone who collected Earn and Learn stickers for SPPS. The total amount came to over 27,000, which allowed the school to purchase lots of great equipment for the students. This equipment will hopefully be in the school in term 4 and being used by the students across the school.

Have a great fortnight!

Jeremy Hadlow
Principal

VALUES CERTIFICATES

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



Honesty & Trustworthiness			
PP1	Jack	Rm 9	Chloe
PP2	Sasha	Rm 11	Tashara
Rm 1	Neo	Rm 18	Lydia
Rm 2	Annaliesse	Rm 19	Phoebe
Rm 3	Ella	Rm 25	Cairo
Rm 8	Robert		

AUSLAN SIGNING

As advised last term, we are learning Auslan Sign Language across the school as our Language Other Than English (LOTE). It has been fantastic to see all our students so enthusiastic and we hope that parents and carers can participate also. We will include practical demonstrations in the newsletter so that you can, as a family, practice the use of Auslan in your everyday conversations. Happy learning!



Our school is participating in the FLANNIE DAY FOOD DRIVE charity event to help raise awareness and take action on homelessness and hunger in our community.

We are asking students to wear their flannies (flannelette shirt) to school on FLANNIE DAY, Wednesday August 7th, and to donate non-perishable food items for the FLANNIE DAY Food Drive or make a gold coin donation. Students can bring their gold coin and/or food donations in to school any time from now up until FLANNIE DAY.

Our food donations will go to Foodbank, who are the local organization who strive to help locals who have fallen on tough times.

It has been determined that:

Every 500 grams donated = 1 standard meal; and

Every \$1 donated = 2 meals.

Our school goal is to donate 300 meals / 150 kg.

Important Details:

Wednesday 7th August is FLANNIE DAY. Students (and parents too) wear your flannie to school (you may prefer for your child to wear their flannie over their usual school clothes).

Bring in non-perishable food donations and/or make a gold coin donation.

Place your food donations: Your child's classroom teacher

Give your gold coin donations to: Your child's classroom teacher

Only non-perishable foods can be donated. Here are a few suggestions: CANS of soup, baked beans, tuna, veggies, peaches, juices; JARS of peanut butter, vegemite, honey or other spreads, baby food, pasta sauces, curry sauces; PACKETS of pasta, rice, noodles or packet meals; BOXES of breakfast cereal, long life milk. Cans must be sealed, cannot be dented or the labels of the can damaged or scratched off.

We know that FLANNIE DAY will be a fun day for students as well as an opportunity to learn about the important role that each one of us can play in supporting those experiencing hardship in our community. We hope you are as keen as we are to team up to help make a difference in the lives of disadvantaged Aussies.

On FLANNIE DAY we will be taking some photos, which may be posted on social media.

Please direct any questions or suggestions about FLANNIE DAY to the Front Office.



PRINCIPAL'S PATTERN

PBS Golden Bee Award Winners Week 2

Congratulations to Isla, Ruby and Seth



PBS expectation of the week

Be Safe, keeping your hands and feet to yourself.

Upcoming events

Litter recycling project

'Not our rubbish, but our beaches are for all of us to share'

Staff and students from Rooms 14 and 21 are embarking on a litter recycling project that will lead to Science and Art activities in the classroom. Staff and students will travel to Middleton Beach and Emu Point to collect litter every Wednesday in Term 3 between recess and lunch times. Students will collect 'safe' litter from the beach under the supervision of staff, and then carry out an audit of the litter collected. Back in the classroom the students will create artwork with some of the litter that has been cleaned, while the audit will be used by students to create graphs and charts as a visual measure of the type of litter they have found.

Calendar

Early Close: 13th August 2019

School Board Meeting: 5th August 2019 1.30pm

ESC Assembly, combined Spencer Park Primary

School and Education Support Centre: 30th August 2019

School Photos: 18-19 September 2019

Bec Wheatley
Principal

CELEBRATING NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK

Destination Moon is the theme this year which is no surprise as the 50th Anniversary of the first moon landing has recently been celebrated. Next week a themed quiz of the first moon landing and our solar system will be held each morning on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you haven't already, watch the [Behind the News: Classroom Episode 19, 2019](#). There may be some quiz clues in there! Also a timely documentary, which is currently being aired on TV, is *The Planets* which is narrated by Professor Brian Cox. It is an incredible visual journey into space and our galaxy history. Check it out on ABC iView.

This term we are exploring Earth & Space Sciences across the whole school. There are some investigations on the go already in the lab, so feel free to pop your head in and have a look. If there are any earth & space scientists (or enthusiasts) out there in the school community, please come and see us- we would love to hear from you.

Finally, during weeks 3 and 4 students will take part in a tree planting project during science lessons. Our aim to attract more native birds and insects into our gardens so we can celebrate everyday science in our school backyard. We will post photos of this project in the newsletter in the coming weeks.

Have a great term everyone.

Ms Edwards and Mrs Murray



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.

SCHOOL TOURS

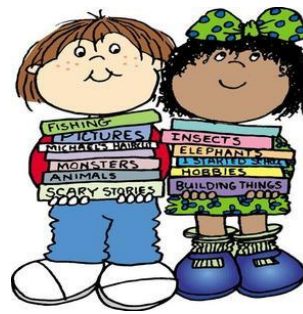
Once again, next Wednesday 7 August from 11.00am, potential families are invited to tour our school. This is a fantastic opportunity to see just what Spencer Park Primary School can offer to students enrolled here.

Please call the school on 6821 3000 to book a tour.

NAIDOC WEEK



It was wonderful to see one of our murals being brought back to life as part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations. We would like to thank Kiya and Donna for guiding our students in the rejuvenation of this mural.



BOOK WEEK BOOK SWAP

22 August in the School Library

Do you have any books at home you no longer want but that you think another student might enjoy reading? Send them in to the library now!

At lunch time on Thursday 22nd students who have sent books to the library will be invited back to choose a swapped book to take 101084 home and keep. Don't miss out on this great chance to update your bookshelf.

Bring 1 book – take 1 book home.
Bring 5 books – take 5 books home.

Bonus offer!!
We have had some wonderful books donated to the school library that we do not need.

Any class that brings all of their library books back during weeks 3,4 and 5 will get a book swap ticket as a prize for each student. So each student in the class will get the opportunity to pick a book from the swap for every week that their class does not have overdues. See you there.

WHAT'S NEWS!

Over holidays Abi, Ziva and Ellie represented Lower Great Southern in the Upper Great Southern Hockey Carnival. After winning 5 out of 6 games they went down in the grand final and became runner up champions.



Abi and Ziva also participated in a hockey camp with the Hockeyroos and Kookaburras. The pics are Ziva with Georgia Wilson (Hockeyroos #8) and a kookaburra the medal around her neck is his Olympic gold medal.

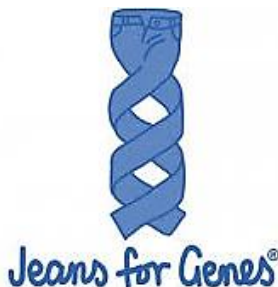
It's always great to see our students excelling at school and in the community. Does your child participate in a community club or group or joined in a special event? We'd love to celebrate this with you ... why not share your snaps? Email your photos to spencerpark.ps@education.wa.edu.au along with a brief description and we'll publish it in our next newsletter and to Facebook.

JEANS FOR GENES

Friday 16 August

Bring a gold coin donation and wear your jeans for the day.

Funds raised go to the Children's Institute.



VACSWIM 2019

You can now enrol your children in VacSwim swimming lessons for the October school holidays.

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, it's important your children are safe in the water.

Programs are available for children from five to 17 years and cater to all skill levels - from beginners to those doing their Bronze Medallion. They are being offered at pool venues across the State.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming

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To enrol online visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

Enrolments close in August 2019. Specific closing dates for different VacSwim programs are on our [website](#)². Parents can enrol their children [online](#)³ or by contacting Swimming and Water Safety.

HAVE YOU MOVED HOUSE OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER?

We need to know! Please call into the school office and check that we have the correct details for your children. This will help us care for your child more efficiently in the case of an emergency. This also relates to changes to those people who are listed as your emergency contacts.

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.

ALBANY LIGHT OPERA AND THEATRE COMPANY
PRESENTS
Albany's Got Talent
2019
COMPERED BY Carmen Fasolo
CO-ORDINATED BY Janet McCartney and Jill Larsen
A brilliant showcase of elite local talent
AT ALBANY PORT THEATRE, PRINCESS ROYAL DRIVE
AUGUST Friday 9th 7.30pm | Saturday 10th 7.30pm | Sunday 11th 2pm
Tickets \$25 & \$20 at Paperbarks, 240 York St or online at www.paperbarks.com.au www.facebook.com/AlbanyLightOperaTheatreCompany

Department of Education
VACSWIM OCTOBER 2019
Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the October school holidays.
Choose from two programs:
9 Days
1 - 11 October
40 minute lessons
Prices:
\$30 per child / \$20 concession
\$81 for a family of three or more / \$54 concession (plus pool entry).
Enrolments close 25 August.
5 Days
7 - 11 October
35 minute lessons
Prices:
\$16 per child / \$10.50 concession
\$41 for a family of three or more / \$27.50 concession (plus pool entry).
Enrolments close 1 September.
Enrol now
Visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming or call 9402 6412.

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Presented By:
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Albany
ALBANY
PARK TO POINT
FUN RUN
Sunday 20th October
SCAN ME
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10KM - 5KM - 2KM