From the Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents, Carers and Community members;

Welcome to the 2015 school year and the Settlers School community. I am excited to be taking up the role of Principal at Settlers Primary and look forward to working with students, staff and the school community to strive to deliver the very best educational opportunities and outcomes for students. It would be remiss of me not to thank and acknowledge the leadership of retiring Principal Mr Steve Yates. He has left very large shoes to fill, I will try my very best to continue the outstanding work he has done.

School Organisation

This is the first year we will be catering on site for students from Kindergarten to Year six. Year sevens are now in secondary school and Tuart Rise Primary is now operational. We have experienced a decline in enrolments with one less cohort of students and families in the Tuart Rise catchment move across to their new local school. I see the reduced student numbers as a big plus as we have less pressure on school resources and will be more able to devote time to our students.

Thank you

Thank you staff who have put many hours to ensure all is ready throughout the school for the term one. Thank you to parents and carers for preparing students for the school year. From day one students were in school uniform and prepared for class with a positive attitude that reflects our new “Settler Way” school vision. We are all looking forward to an exciting and rewarding year.

Gary Brown
Principal

Student Councillors and Faction Captains 2015

Congratulations to the following Year 6 students who after completing a rigorous process of a written application and interview last year were successful in being selected to represent the school as student councillors and faction captains for 2015.

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Head Boy & Head Girl
Zachary and Annabella

SMS Attendance: 0418 938233
GOOD STANDING POLICY AND THE SETTLERS’ WAY

During 2014 the staff, students and School Board all worked together to form a Good Standing Policy, which included the document “The Settlers’ Way”. At Settlers Primary, the Good Standing Policy and The Settlers’ Way supports our values of Excellence, Success, Citizenship and Security by acknowledging and rewarding exemplary behaviour, work ethic, attendance and standards of uniform. We believe learning is enhanced in a welcoming, inclusive, collaborative and caring environment.

These policies emphasise the importance of students taking responsibility for the choices they make on a daily basis, which impacts academically and socially on themselves and others. Both of these policies are a part of and work in conjunction with the whole school Behaviour Management Plan. The Good Standing Policy aims to provide regular acknowledgement/recognition for the majority of students who consistently behave and act according to Settlers policies.

The policy will come into effect as of 2015 and will be reassessed during the year with feedback from all stakeholders.

Both of these documents are attached to the newsletter and can be found on our school’s website.

SCHOOL CROSSING

Parents and community members may have noticed that bollards and road markings have been installed at the roundabout at the intersection of Tranby Drive and Arpenteur Drive. As we have mentioned in previous newsletters, a School Crossing has been approved for this location and these works are in preparation for this. A crossing guard has not yet been appointed and we expect this to occur in the not too distant future.

In the interim, it is important that students and parents are aware, that when a crossing guard is not on duty that this is not an official school crossing. Normal rules apply and this means that pedestrians need to give way to vehicles when crossing at the roundabout.

CHILDREN ARRIVING AT SCHOOL

Parents are reminded that students are asked to time their arrival at school so as not to arrive before 8.30am as supervision before this time cannot be guaranteed. We also ask that students make their way home promptly after school to ensure they do not spend extended time unsupervised in between being dismissed and arriving home. Any children arriving before 8.30am are required to wait in the area outside D Block until 8.30am when teachers will allow access to classrooms to prepare for the day. Sports equipment and playground equipment is not permitted to be used before and after school.

COLLECTING STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL

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Parents collecting students from school during instruction hours for any reason are asked to first visit the school office so that a pass can be completed. In order to further ensure the safety of students we will be requesting some form of identification before the pass is issued. This will allow us to ensure that appropriate adults are collecting children from school. If parents require a friend or relative to collect any child on their behalf, a signed note to this effect would be appreciated. Your support and understanding in assisting us to ensure the safety and security of all students is appreciated.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS 2015

Thank you to all the parents who have paid their Voluntary Contributions. Financial support by parents plays a significant role in providing resources that extends the school capacity to add value to the learning experiences of our students. Voluntary contributions can be paid by cash, cheque or EFTPOS at our administration office or via direct deposit to:

ANZ Bank  BSB:016-010    Account: 498426673

2015 Voluntary Contributions amounts for students in Kindergarten to Year 6 have been set at $40 per child.
2015 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS AND TERM DATES

The following dates are the remaining School Development Days for the 2015 school year. Students do not attend school on these days.

Friday 29th May (Long weekend)
Monday 20th July
Monday 12th October
Friday 18th December

2015 Term Dates

Term 1
Commences - Monday 2nd February
Concludes - Thursday 2nd April

Term 2
Commences - Monday 20th April
Concludes – Friday 3rd July

Term 3
Commences – Tuesday 21st July
Concludes – Friday 25th September

Term 4
Commences - Tuesday 13th October
Concludes – Thursday 17th December

ASSEMBLY DATES 2015

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[Legend: JUNIOR ASSEMBLY PP-Yr2  SENIOR ASSEMBLY Yrs3-6  * THURSDAY ASSEMBLY]
The Settlers Primary P&C Association Inc would like to welcome back to the school our families returning for another year and also the families of our students new in 2015!

What an exciting time to be at school!

2015 sees us welcoming a new principal – Welcome Mr Brown, our kindergarten classes being back on site and our year 6’s being the new primary graduating cohort.

As this year is just beginning it brings an awesome opportunity for families to join the P&C and become involved in the school community and the decisions made which affect all of our students.

The Settlers Primary P&C are holding their Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Thursday 26th February 2015 at 7.00 pm in the School Staff Room.

Come along and join us in having a coffee and conversation with past and present P&C members.

Please like us on facebook and share us with your Settlers school friends:

https://www.facebook.com/SettlersPrimarySchoolPcAssociationInc

**KISS AND DRIVE**

The Kiss and Drive strategy has been successfully operating at Settlers Primary School since 2008. It moves an enormous number of students in a very structured and safe manner. Without it, there would be parking chaos. This strategy was introduced by the P&C and generally has been well supported and manned by parents.

A parent roster is required to be reinstated and adequate support pledged, otherwise this service will stop. In a school of over 500 families, a minimal commitment would ensure the continuation of this program. If you are able to assist 15-20 minutes of your time after school (3pm), I urge you to make contact with the administration and pledge your support in order for this service to continue.

Please call 9523 2335 or email tanya.tasovac@education.wa.edu.au with your contact details and availability to assist. Alternatively pop into the office and speak with one of our administration staff.
Register now for the 2015 netball season.

We will be taking registrations at the following times and places:

PUBLIC and MEMBERS

- **Settlers Primary School** netball courts, Friday 13th February 2015 3.15pm – 4.30pm
- **RDNA Open Day**, Mike Barnett Stadium, Dixon Road, Rockingham, Saturday, 21st February 2015 9am – 3 pm

We will only be doing grading for new members and those who are changing grades. This will take place in March – date to be confirmed. Forms and payment need to be returned before this date. If you wish to change teams please submit this request with explanation in writing to the club email.

**Age Categories:**

Seniors      Born 1997 and earlier
Junior       Born 2005 – 2004
Net Set Go!  Born 2006 – 2007
Funnet       Born 2008 – 2009 – Register directly through RDNA, 21st February

Forms can be emailed directly to the club on settlersnc@hotmail.com
Please contact Club Mobile 0476918119 for more information.
BALDIVIS FOOTBALL CLUB

REGISTRATION DAY

SUNDAY 22ND FEBRUARY, 2015

10am - 2pm at our club rooms (Cnr Fifty Rd and Baldivis Rd)

This year we will have EFTPOS facilities available or please ensure you have cash for registration payments.

- Auskick children (years Prep, yr 1, yr 2) will need to register online before the day: http://www.aflauskick.com.au/

Junior participants (Years 3,4,5 & 6) will need to register online before the day at:
https://reg.sportingpulse.com/v6/regoform.cgi?aID=7&pKey=a124b86961ca5faeffcc78bd7e554424&cID=191&formID=36056

- Please bring copies of registrations with you on the day and birth certificates for all new members.

Please like our Facebook pages for information – Baldivis Brumbies Auskickers and Baldivis Football Club