FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents, Carers and Community members;

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY

I am happy to advise you of our successful pupil free day on Friday 30th May. During the course of the day all staff members were actively engaged in professional learning. Some of the sessions were an examination of our Engagement and Well Being mission and reviewing our work in that area.

We also looked at integrating History teaching across the curriculum and ways of value adding to our guided reading programme. Overall it was a productive day. I thank the staff for their enthusiasm and commitment.

NAPLAN TESTING

NAPLAN testing was completed just over two weeks ago. Congratulations to all students and staff on their efforts in these tests. The results will be available later this year. NAPLAN has become a significant part of evaluating both student and school progress. It must be remembered that these tests are very narrow in nature and teachers compile a more comprehensive picture of the holistic student progress which is gathered over a much longer period of time and in a number of differing contexts. Performance on a test on one day can be a useful part of a holistic approach, but the larger picture offers a more reliable indicator of student progress.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Recently we sent out reminders to those families who may have overlooked payment of their voluntary contributions, to date we have had a pleasing response to the reminder. The requested contribution of $40 per child is significantly below the maximum we are able to request.

We welcome payment of voluntary contributions and thank those of you who have volunteered their support in this way.

E.A. Tim O’Keeffe

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SCIENCE INCURSION - Thursday 12th June

Next week on Thursday 12th June 2014, all Settlers Pre Primary to Year 7 students have the opportunity to attend a science incursion “The Magical World of Crazy Science”. Permission forms have been sent home via the classrooms.

This incursion involves a mixture of visual magical science demonstrations that teaches a wide array of science concepts combining science, illusion and the arts.

Additional permission forms are available from the front office. The cost of this incursion is $4.00 per student. Money and forms are due back to the school by Tuesday 10/6/2014.

SMS ATTENDANCE: 0418 938233
SCHOOL PHOTOS

Class and Individual School Photos have arrived at the school and should have gone home via the classroom over the past few days. For those families that placed orders for Sibling Photos, these are available for collection at the Front Office. If your child has been away and has not received their photo order please check with your child’s teacher or at the office.

Specialist Photos

Specialist photos are available for order for the following groups: Choir, Science Club, Faction Captains, Student Councillors and Foundation Students. These photos can be viewed and ordered at the Front Office at a cost $15 each. Please place your orders by Monday 16th June 2014.

If you have any concerns or queries regarding the photos you have received please contact MSP photography on 9342 3465.

2015 ENROLMENTS - KINDERGARTEN & PRE PRIMARY

Children born between July 1 2010 and June 30 2011 are eligible to apply for Public School Kindergarten classes.

Children born between July 1 2009 and June 30 2010 are eligible to apply for Public School Pre Primary classes.

When making application for enrolment, please bring a copy of;

- your child’s birth extract, certificate or passport;
- proof of residential address (eg utility bill, lease agreement);
- ACIR immunisation records, and
- Family Court Orders (if applicable)

Whenever a child is enrolled at a new school, parents are required by The School Education Act (1999) to present their child’s immunisation records, for example the ACIR History Statement. You can request an ACIR History Statement at any time by telephoning ACIR on 1800563809, emailing acir@humanservices.gov.au, visiting your local Medicare Office or registering with the Department of Human Services Online Services at www.humanservices.gov.au/onlineservices

It is necessary for parents of children currently attending Kindergarten programs this year (2014) to apply at the school for Pre Primary placement in 2015 if you wish your child to continue attending Settlers Primary School. Students in Pre Primary in 2014 will automatically roll over into Year 1 in 2015 and beyond. If your child will not be returning to Settlers Primary School in 2015, please notify the School Office. Local boundaries for the new school on Smirk Road have not been confirmed as yet. Parents are advised to complete all enrolments for Kindergarten and Pre Primary through Settlers Primary in the first instance. The application form makes provision for you to indicate your preference for either Settlers Primary or the new Smirk Road school.

It should be noted that an application does not confirm placement for any child – selection criteria may apply. Application details will be used to assist the school in organising classes and placements for next year. Parents of children who are offered placement at Settlers Primary School will be asked to complete formal enrolment details at that time. Unsuccessful applicants will be offered a place in a school as close to their residential location as possible or be referred to their local school in the case of Pre Primary and Year 1 students.

Applications close on Friday 25th July, 2014.
MERIT CERTIFICATES

**Junior Assembly – 23rd May 2014**


C Block - Donnel M, Danni H, Ruby C, Mia B, Maya F, Amirul R, Tayah J.


HEALTH - B2

**Senior Assembly – 29th May 2014**

C Block - Mannix W, Chris D, Lachlan B, Ethan L,

F Block - Ella H, Mitchell H, Jaxon A, Charlize W, Michael C, Sophie R, Emily D, Bella Q


LIBRARY - C8 HEALTH - F1

PARKING AROUND SETTLERS

We have several students attending our school with disabilities. Where appropriate the parents of these students have been issued with ACROD permits to enable them to park in the ACROD designated car parking bays.

All parents are asked not to park or otherwise prevent access to these bays. These parents need our co-operation and support to ensure their children have the access they require.

P&C NEWS

Five Cent Friday is back next week if you wish to donate your small change to Settlers Primary School.

Start looking around the house and car, in your hand bags, fruit bowls and all the other places that 5c coins tend to hide.

Collection tins will be placed in each classroom from **Monday 9th June until Friday 13th June**.

The top 5 classrooms will be announced in the newsletter and a trophy will be awarded to the classroom that collects the most change.

Many thanks, Settlers Primary School P & C

HIGH SCHOOL ENROLMENT FOR 2015

Parents seeking to enrol their child at Baldivis Secondary College for Year 7 or 8 in 2015 need to complete an Application for Enrolment form and lodge it at the college with supporting documentation by 25 July 2014. Enrolment packages have been sent home with all Year 6 and Year 7 students. Baldivis Secondary College will advise parents of the outcome of their application in writing by 22 August 2014.

Further information is available on the college website [http://baldivissc.wa.edu.au](http://baldivissc.wa.edu.au)
Week 4 saw the introduction again of the Settlers Primary School “Pace Yourself Runners Club”.

This purely optional out of school activity is being offered to children of all levels who would like to keep fit. It is also an ideal opportunity for those wishing to do well in their own year level cross country run and ultimately the Interschool Cross Country Competition later in the year.

So far nearly 200 students from all year levels have signed up for the Pace Yourself Runners Club which is run every Wednesday morning from 8:00am to 8:30am. By participating in the “Pace Yourself Runners Club” children will have the opportunity to receive certificates based on their achievements.

Totals Run Each Week

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Please Note:

- Each student that has registered for Pace Yourself Runners Club has been issued with a Green Runners Club Card. This must be presented to staff as the students walk onto the oval. If a student does not have their Pace Yourself Runners Club Card with them, they will be asked to return to the undercover area in D Block until the siren.

- If a student has lost their Pace Yourself Runners Club Card he/she will need to see Mrs Moorman and another one will be issued.

- Please understand that staff who help out before school do so on a voluntary basis and do not wish to be spending this time managing children’s unacceptable behaviour. If your child is involved in any inappropriate behaviour during “Pace Yourself Runners Club” he/she will be asked to leave the oval. In addition he/she maybe asked not to return for a number of sessions.
FIFO AND DEFENCE FAMILIES EXPO

This free event brings together a diverse range of services that can assist in supporting you and your family.

Light refreshments available throughout the day.

For advance bookings and a full list of exhibitors check out the event details at www.trybooking.com/ElGH. Book online or come along on the day.

Venue: Gary Holland Community Centre
       19 Kent Street Rockingham

Date: Tuesday 24 June 2014

Time: 9.30am – 3.30pm

Children’s Activities: Gym Bus from 10am – 12pm
                      Storytime at 11am and 1pm

Seminar Schedule:

10am - 10.30am
Survival Tips for FIFO Families
(Nicole Ashby, FIFO Families)

10.30am - 11am
Supporting Defence Families
(Defence Community Organisation)

11am - 11.30am
Survival Tips for FIFO Families
(Nicole Ashby, FIFO Families)

11.30am - 12pm
Coping Strategies for a Balanced Lifestyle
(Cath Ashton, Healthy Workforce Consultancy & Training)