FROM THE PRINCIPAL’S DESK

Dear Parents, Carers and Community members;

Every term at school is a busy one. Term two has the additional complexities of NAPLAN assessment to complete. This week our year three and five students have been working through the literacy and numeracy assessments. Teachers have commented on the level of maturity show by students while doing the assessment tasks. This reflects on their familiarity with the assessment method and confidence is working through the tasks. We done staff and boys and girls.

Youth Precinct for Baldivis

The Rockingham City Council will be constructing a “Youth Precinct” on a portion of the parkland bordering the school oval. They will be calling for submissions and concepts of activities to be included in the project. It may be a skate park it may be climbing equipment or anything within their budget. As local residents we have a great opportunity to have our ideas incorporated in the design. I will be keeping families informed of the consultation process and will be calling for ideas that we as a school can forward for consideration. This is a good time to talk to children about what they would like to see built.

Children’s Crossing

The School Crossing has been in operation since the beginning of the term and we have been asked by the Police Traffic Warden Management Unit to familiarise the school community to how school crossings operate.

1. All pedestrians will be instructed by the Traffic Warden to wait until the warden gives two short blasts of their whistle before crossing. The Traffic Warden will ensure that all traffic has stopped or a clearly stopping before doing so.

2. Pedestrians who cycle to/from school will be requested by the Traffic Warden to dismount before entering the carriageway. This is a requirement of the Road Traffic Act.

3. Where possible the Traffic Warden will try and group a number of pedestrians before the traffic warden begins to cross them. This helps the traffic/pedestrian flow to work in cohesion with one another. Otherwise traffic jams can become a problem.

4. The Traffic Warden will stand for the greater part on the side of the road opposite the school in the morning and on the school’s side in the afternoon. This allows them to have greater control of the pedestrians.

Students travelling to and from school on scooters and bikes

Road safety is paramount in our minds. Children travelling to and from school on wheeled transport are at additional risk of accident due to the additional factors associated with their transport. I have received reports of students not following simple road safety rules and putting their lives in danger. Parents are asked to speak to children should they ride to school.

Gary Brown
Principal
Settlers Primary School is now taking enrolment applications for students entering Kindergarten and Pre Primary in 2016.

Children born between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2012 are eligible to apply for Public School Kindergarten classes.

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

When making application for enrolment, please bring a copy of:
- your child’s birth certificate
- Passport and Visa Grant Notice if born overseas
- proof of residential address (eg utility bill, lease agreement);
- ACIR immunisation records, and
- Family Court Orders (if applicable)

Application forms for Kindergarten 2016 can be found on our website www.settlers.wa.edu.au or can be obtained from the front office.

Application forms for Pre Primary 2016 have been sent out to our current Kindergarten students as it is necessary for parents of children currently attending Kindergarten programs this year (2015) to apply at the school for Pre Primary placement in 2016 if you wish your child to continue attending Settlers Primary School.

Students in Pre Primary in 2015 will automatically roll over into Year 1 in 2016 and beyond. If your child will not be returning to Settlers Primary School in 2016, please notify the School Office.

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 students.

Applications required by Friday 24th July, 2015.

All applicants will be advised of their child’s placement during Term 3 this year. Enrolment applications can be made through the school office between the hours of 9.30am to 2:30pm.
RELIEF CLEANERS REQUIRED
Settlers Primary School requires relief cleaning staff for both morning and afternoon shifts. A current Working with Children Check and National Police History Clearance are required before work can commence. Interested persons should contact the Business Manager Lynne Phillips on 9523 2335 or lynne.morris1@education.wa.edu.au

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS
Thank you to all families who have paid their voluntary contributions. All funds received are used to supplement student resources. A reminder to families who have not yet paid their voluntary contribution for 2015 that payment is still being accepted at the school office.

Voluntary Contributions for 2015 are as follows:
Kindergarten, Pre Primary and Primary $40.00
(N.B. The contribution level set represents about $1.00 per week for each child.)

Financial statements have been sent home.
Payments can be made in person via cash or EFTPOS or via direct deposit to:
BSB: 016-010
Account number: 498426673
When paying via direct deposit please be sure to include your child’s name as a reference.

PATHS
PATHS, is a whole school curriculum programme that teaches social and emotional skills to all students from Kindy to Year 6. Because PATHS is a whole school approach, all students benefit, not just those at risk.

There are 5 major concepts covered in PATHS.

- Self-Control
- Emotional Understanding
- Building Self Esteem
- Relationships
- Problem-Solving Skills

A Random Act of Kindness
Leanne V F2

"In a recent Health lesson that I was taking, it was the end of the day and the students were packing and stacking. As I looked over I saw a student struggling to carry and stack two chairs. Without any hesitation Leanne went over to the student and helped him to stack the chairs.” Mrs Moorman

Congratulations Leanne on your Random Act of Kindness

NEXT JUNIOR ASSEMBLY - Friday 15th May 2015, Year 2 - B4 Mrs Anderson and Mrs Fortescue
NEXT SENIOR ASSEMBLY - Friday 22nd May 2015, Year 6 - D3 Mrs Dennerley
Hi everyone!

Wow, it's week 4 already! Wishing all of our students luck with their NAPLAN testing this week.

Our P&C meeting was held on Thursday night and was a very productive one. Lots of great information was provided by our guest speaker Councillor Matt Whitfield regarding the Youth Zone space behind the school. Plenty of exciting P&C events are in the making, so watch this space for more details. At the meeting a donation was made from the P&C to the school for much needed home readers for our Kindy and Preprimary classes. Next meeting is Thursday, June 11.

Our Mothers Day stall and hamper raffle was held last week. Our winners were drawn by Mr Brown on Friday afternoon and we'd like to congratulate Evan J, Riley D, Emma & Sam C! We hope your Mum's loved their prizes.

A big thanks to everyone who supported our Mother's Day stall & raffle this year. It was great watching the kids enjoy it so much. To the wonderful ladies who volunteered their time to help run it all, THANK YOU! Without you, it wouldn't have been possible. We'd also like to give a shout out to the following local businesses; Jeanswest, Poppy's Beauty, Sugar Jet, The Cheesecake Shop, Jamaica Blue, Bally Boutique, Olde Vintage Charm, Lucky Charm Newsagency, Kmart Baldivis, Baldivis Florist Gifts & Party, Cut It Glue It Scrap It, Monkey Beanz, Priceline Baldivis, and Three Bags Full. Thanks to these fantastic local businesses for their donations for our raffle!

A meeting for all Year 5 parents who would like to help with fundraising for 2016's Year 6 cohort, as well as more fundraising ideas for this year's graduating class will be announced shortly.

Have a great week everyone!

Jen Howard
P&C President.

UPCOMING P&C EVENTS

We will be running 5 cent Friday this term, so start gathering all that pesky loose change and let's see who can take out the trophy this term!

The PJ disco is back for Term 2!! Give your fave Jim Jams, funniest Onesie and snuggliest uggies a fun night out on Friday June 26th. Details to come later this term.
The number of overweight children in Australia has doubled in recent years, with a quarter of children considered overweight or obese. In an effort to combat this worrying trend, the Settlers Primary School “Pace Yourself Runners Club” will be held again in 2015 during Terms 2 and 3.

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 (Years 4-6) cross country run and ultimately the Interschool Cross Country Competition later in the year.

By participating in the “Pace Yourself Runners Club” children will have the opportunity to receive certificates based on their achievements.

The children do not have to run the entire time, power walking is also a great form of exercise. Parents are also welcome to participate with their child/children.

“Pace Yourself Runners Club” will operate before school on Wednesday mornings commencing 13th May 2015, between 8:00am-8:30am on the oval. Please be aware that if it is raining at the commencement time “Pace Yourself Runners Club” will not go ahead.

For those students who are interested, parents can complete the permission slip below. Once the permission form has been returned, each student will be issued with a runner’s card, which allows them to attend the “Pace Yourself Runners Club”. This card must be brought along to each session.

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 unacceptable student behaviour. If your child is involved in any inappropriate behaviour during “Pace Yourself Runners Club” they will be asked not to return for a number of sessions.

If your child suffers from asthma please make sure they have their puffers with them or any other appropriate medication necessary.

Lynne Moorman
Health and Physical Education Teacher

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I give permission for my child _____________________________ of Class_________Year _________ to attend “Pace Yourself Runners Club” on Wednesday mornings before school.

Parent/Guardian _____________________________
Some allergic reactions are mild or moderate. These reactions may involve hives, welts, tingling mouth, and/or swelling of the lips, face and eyes. Mild reactions to food can involve abdominal pain and vomiting. Anaphylaxis (severe reaction) may or may not involve these signs and symptoms.

Food intolerances are not life-threatening and should not be confused with allergies.

For further information contact:
- Australasian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy [www.allergy.org.au](http://www.allergy.org.au)
- Allergy & Anaphylaxis Australia [www.allergyfacts.org.au](http://www.allergyfacts.org.au)

### Anaphylaxis - recognising a severe allergic reaction

Anaphylaxis is a severe allergic reaction which can be life-threatening. It causes closure of the airway and/or a drop in blood pressure. Look for one or more of the following;

- Difficult or noisy breathing
- Swelling of the tongue
- Swelling or tightness of the throat
- Wheezing or a persistent cough
- Difficult talking and/or a hoarse voice
- Persistent dizziness or collapse
- Pale and floppy (especially in young children)
- Abdominal pain or vomiting (if following an insect bite or sting)

### Emergency first aid for anaphylaxis

Lay the person flat, do not stand or walk. If breathing is difficult, allow to sit.

**Give the adrenaline auto injector without delay.** (Make a note of the time it was given.)

Ring an ambulance - 000 (mobile phones 112).

Stay with and reassure the person. **Do not allow the person to walk at any time.**

Give another adrenaline auto injector if no improvement after 5 minutes

If the person loses consciousness and there are no signs of breathing, begin CPR.

Monitoring in a hospital is required for 4-6 hours, even if symptoms improve.
Wanted: Treasurer

Are you good with numbers and have a spare **2 hours** a week?

Ever thought about being more involved at your child’s school?

**What does the Treasurer do?**
* Maintains the P&C Financial records
* Pays invoices
* Reports on P&C financial activities
* Supports Canteen, Fundraising and Uniform Committees.

MYOB experience is **helpful**, but not essential.

Our 2014 Treasurer is available to provide a thorough handover and is also available for any questions and ongoing support!!

If you would like to find out more about this role, contact the P&C Secretary on 0427 394 067 or email: settlerspandc@yahoo.com.au
Join in and tell us how YOU want to use it

Where: Mary Davies Library and Community Centre
17 Settlers Avenue, Baldivis

When: Sunday 17 May 2015

Time: 10am – 1pm

There will be fun activities for people of all ages. Share your ideas on how you want to use the town square outside the Mary Davies Library and Community Centre.

The library will be open and the markets will be on so come along, give us your thoughts and help to shape the future of your local area.
“Excellence in Education and Australian Football”
Comet Bay College focuses on ensuring the continued provision of a high standard of educational opportunities for all students. The clear expectation of high standards and a consistent approach that utilises the excellent facilities and builds upon staff expertise, ensures that all students have the opportunity to be successful.

Program Details
The West Australian Football Commission has labelled the Comet Bay College Australian Football Specialist Program the “Benchmark” of school specialist programs in Western Australia. All program enquiries are to be directed to the Program Coordinator Steve Thomson on 9553 8100.

Registrations are now open for current:
- Year 6 students applying for Year 7 in 2016
- Year 7 students applying for Year 8 in 2016
- Year 8 students applying for Year 9 in 2016
- Year 9 students applying for Year 10 in 2016
- Year 10 & 11 students applying for Year 11 & 12 in 2016

There are no school boundaries for entry into this program, and Year 5 students who were accepted in 2014 trials do not need to reapply.

Registration Process
Register online by Wednesday 3rd June 2015 via our website at: www.cometbaycollege.wa.edu.au

- Registrations submitted after this date cannot be accepted.
- Online registrations will be confirmed upon submission by an automated electronic notification. No further written confirmation of registration will be issued by administration.
- Families will be notified via email of their allocated trial timeslot after close of registrations.

Trial Details
Date: Thursday 11 June 2015.
Venue: Comet Bay College, 2 Allatoona Ave, Secret Harbour.
Bring: A photocopy of the most recent school report (no originals), football boots, shorts, socks and running shoes. Football guernseys will be provided.

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