Dear Parents, Carers and Community members;

NAPLAN Results

We have received the 2015 NAPLAN results for our students in Years 3 and 5. We are presently in the process of copying individual student reports for our records and will be sending the original reports home with students during Week 7.

The staff have had a brief opportunity to review the school performance in Years 3 and 5 across the testing areas. We will be undertaking a rigorous review process to identify areas of celebration and concern. This information is vital in reviewing our school business plan and operational plans.

A general summary of our data shown below indicates our students have fared as expected in comparison to like schools.

I would like to thank parents for their ongoing support to improve student performance in these academic areas. Whilst we are pleased with the results we know we can and must focus on further improving both individual and school results.

NAPLAN Comparative Performance Summary

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Expected - within one standard deviation of the predicted school mean
Below Expected - more than one standard deviation below the predicted school mean
If blank, then no data available or number of students is less than 6

STRANGER DANGER

It is with great concern that I report that a student from Settlers Primary school was approached by an unknown person whilst travelling to school last week. The student acted appropriately in this instance and the matter has been referred to the police. This is a timely reminder about speaking to children about travelling safely to school when unaccompanied.

Gary Brown
Principal

NEXT SENIOR ASSEMBLY - Friday 28th August 2015, A4 Year 3, Mrs Needs/Mrs Mitchell
NEXT JUNIOR ASSEMBLY - Friday 4th September 2015, E1 Year 1, Miss Watson


SENIOR ASSEMBLY - Friday 14th August


Congratulations to the Paths Champs and Care Bear certificate recipients from the assemblies on August 14th and 21st.

Jack D, Annabella J, Ashtyn S, Olivia M, Ruby D, Jacob T, Leondre B and Sebastian J.

Congratulations also to Blair T for receiving a Recognition Award from the Australian Defence Force.
SCHOOL CROSSING

The two crosswalks are operating very well. Thank you to all the positive feedback that has been received. Just a few things that we need to remember:

- The crosswalk is the responsibility of the crossing attendants during the times they man the crosswalk. Parents please follow the attendants’ directions when using the crosswalk. This sets a good example to the students.
- Whilst driving around the school, please be patient and drive slowly and with care.

CANTEEN NEWS

The ladies in the canteen wish to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone who has ordered from our new Winter Menu. We hope that you are enjoying the nachos, shepherds pie, roast beef and roast chicken gravy rolls as much as we enjoy making them for you. We are also making lots of wraps and burgers as these have now become available everyday. SO THANKS AGAIN for supporting your canteen and your school as all profits go back into resourcing our school community through the P&C.

SPORTS CARNIVAL - Once again this year the canteen will have an assortment of food and drink available for purchase. If you have an hour or so that you could give to assist us in our food tent please pop in and let us know in the canteen or contact us through the P&C Facebook page.

VOLUNTEERS - A special THANK YOU to our lovely volunteers who assist us each week - you are greatly appreciated. If you would like to volunteer please come and see us. There’s lots of different ways that you can help for as little or much time as you can give. Come down and say hello and let us know.

Sharon Cheesman
Canteen Manager

BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY - FRIDAY

DRESS UP DAY - FRIDAY 28th August

To celebrate Book Week we are having a dress-up day, so come along dressed as your favourite book character. Make sure you bring your book with you on the day.

I’m looking forward to seeing all the wonderful outfits.

Lynn Walker, Library Officer

OPEN NIGHT—Wednesday 9th September

Please take the time to mark your calendars for our annual Parent Open Night which has been scheduled for Wednesday 9th September from 4.00 – 5.30pm.

We always have fantastic community attendance at the Open Night which gives our students the opportunity to share their learning and their achievements with family members.

Teachers will be available on the night to assist your child to share their progress with you. If you would like to discuss your child’s progress in more depth with their teacher, please make an appointment time with the teacher concerned.
The Athletics Carnival will be held next week, in Week 7 on Monday 31st August, Tuesday 1st September and Wednesday 2nd September.

Monday 31st August - Distance and Jumps Events Years 3-6
- 200m and 400m Events (Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 ) will be held from 9:00 – 10:30 on the school oval. Only students that have qualified for these events will be participating.
- Long Jump Events (Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 ) will be held from 10:50 – 2:00 on the School Oval.
Students in these events will be notified by Thursday 29th August.

Tuesday 1st September – Senior Athletics Carnival Years 3-6
- Running Events and Relays will be held from 9:20 – 11:30 approximately
Tabloid Events (Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 ) will be held from 12:00 – 2:00 approximately

Wednesday 2nd September – Junior Athletics Carnival – Pre Primary, Years 1 & 2
- Running Events and Relays will be held from 9:20 – 11:30
Tabloid Events (Pre Primary, Year 1 & 2 only) will be held from 12:00 – 2:00

Parents / Guardians
- Please ensure that your child wears appropriate footwear on the day. Skate shoes or slip on shoes are not appropriate. If a student’s shoes fall off during a race they will be deemed to not have finished the race.
- Students are encouraged to support their faction by wearing faction colours
- Parents / Guardians are encouraged to attend and support the students. Please note that this year, the Parents / Guardians viewing area will be in the middle of the oval. Please remain behind the cones at all times for safety reasons.
- If your child will not be attending the carnival, could you please let your child’s teacher or the office know ASAP so events can be finalised.

In the unfortunate event that rain postpones a day of the carnival, the back up day will be Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September.

If any parents can help set up the carnivals on Tuesday or Wednesday between 7 & 8:30 am could you please let me know through the office, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Look forward to seeing you on the day.

Mr Ratz
Physical Education Specialist
Hi everyone!

Wow, what a busy Term 3 we are having! There is so much going on. Just so you don't miss out, here's a list of P&C events to mark on your calendars for the remainder of the term.

- Thursday 27th August - Year 5 Fundraising Committee meeting at 4pm and Quiz Night Committee meeting 5pm. Both in the staff room. All welcome.

- Monday 31st Aug and Friday 4th Sept - Fathers Day Stall & Raffle

- Wednesday Sept 9th - Open Night at school. A chance to view your child’s artwork that can be made into personalised Christmas gifts.

- Thursday Sept 10th - P&C meeting, 7pm Settlers PS staffroom. All welcome.

- Friday Sept 18th - Disco night - details coming soon

Don't forget Dollarmites Banking Day is before school every Thursday in the library. It’s never too late to join in, just come down and meet our lovely volunteers for more details.

Last chance to grab your faction shirts before sports carnival week! Uniform shop will be open Friday morning. There are also hair accessories available in faction colours for $4 each.

There has been a fantastic response from families to support the Earn and Learn promotion. Keep the stickers coming. There is a box in the office completed sheets and or stickers can be deposited into or you can pop your stickers straight into our school’s box after shopping at the front of the Baldivis Woolworths store.

As always, any time you may be able to give to help with any school or P&C run events is highly valued. Please let us know if you would like to join in and help make these events a success at settlerspandc@yahoo.com.au

Thanks everyone!
Jen Howard
P&C President
UPDATE 2—TERM 3—25th August, 2015

We are progressing very well with our planning and we are now getting a steady stream of enrolments for 2016. If you are intending to enrol your child/children, please do so as soon as possible as this will greatly assist us with our planning. Again we strongly encourage families who live in our catchment area to enrol in their local school.

Our new school will have a very strong emphasis on our community, our values, social and emotional well being and, of course, our core business of teaching and learning. We will also be ensuring that our students are focusing on higher order thinking strategies that can be used in all facets of their life as well as making important decisions.

Steering Committee

Thank you to those parents who attended our Steering Committee meeting Monday, 17th August (last week).

School Name Survey
The results of the school name survey was discussed. Of the 107 families surveyed, 90 responded which is a fantastic response. The top three names have been submitted to the Minister and we now await his decision. The names submitted were (in order):
1. Rivergums Primary School
2. Rivergums Lakes Primary School
3. Rivergum Park Primary School

Uniform Update
A sub-group of parents met with two uniform suppliers. After due consideration it was decided to select Nell Gray as our supplier. Two T shirt designs/styles where shortlisted with one being chosen. A ‘prototype’ will be developed. This will be published once it is received.

Playground Equipment
The Steering Committee has made decisions on the style of playground equipment to be placed around the school. These will be located in the Kindergarten and Pre-Primary area (Nature Play), Junior Primary area (Playmaster) and Senior Primary area (Playmaster).

School Motto
The Steering Committee also spent some time on an exercise which was used to develop a number of suggestions for our school motto. This will continue with a meeting of a sub group who will develop this further. Their recommendations will be presented to the main group at our next Steering Committee meeting.

Before and After School Care
I have had quite a number of enquiries from parents about whether the school will be having Before and After School Care. The answer to this is yes. We will be meeting with a number of providers of this service over the next few weeks. As soon as we have made a decision parents will be notified.

Staffing
Associate Principals: These have been advertised on the WA Governments Job website and applications will close on Tuesday 25th August. The successful applicants will commence term 4.
MEGA DANCE HIP HOP NIGHT

Friday 4th September 2015

HI P HOP DANCE OFF
For 10 to 13 years of age ONLY
Time: 7.30pm to 9.30pm

1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes to be won
$5.00 dance off registration fee
Must contact office to register for dance off – 9592 1232

$5 ENTRY FEE PER PERSON
(Supervising Adults FREE ENTRY)

Children MUST be collected from INSIDE THE BUILDING
EMMA STREET, ROCKINGHAM, WA 6168
Phone: (08) 9592 1232
www.facebook.com/rockinghampcyc
Mums Raising Boys
- up to the age of 12 years

However well-prepared mothers are logically, the emotional response to having a boy is often still, ‘Wow! This is unknown territory.’ It is true that for many mothers, the idea of raising a son carries its own set of worries.

As the primary female role model in a boy’s life, mothers play an important role in the development of their son’s identity including their ability to be nurturing. This in turn affects how they relate to others, particularly to girls and women.

This workshop will discuss:
- The importance of the mother-son relationship
- What boys need from their mums
- Practical ways to improve and maintain a positive and rewarding relationship

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Time: Daytime 10am-12.30pm
except *** 6.30-9.00pm
Fee: $25 per person

Places are limited so please book now on 9489 6322
Everyone wants their children to grow up happy, healthy, strong and kind and that’s what resilience is all about. We can strengthen children’s capacity to better manage adolescence – and we can also build this life-coping capacity during adolescence. In this seminar, parenting author, educator and resilience specialist Maggie Dent explores her 10 resilience building blocks for childhood as well as looking at the essential value of healthy support during adolescence.

Venue: Serpentine Jarrahdale Grammar School
Cnr Bishop and Soldiers Rd, Mundijong
Date: September 16th 2015
Time: 6.30pm
Cost: Gold coin donation
RSVP: 12th September to the school on 95259140 or Mundijong Public Library on 95261133