Welcome to the Book Week edition of our newsletter. As I write this, students from across the school are “Buddy Reading” with younger peers. We are now halfway through a very busy term and the coming weeks promise to be equally as busy.

Congratulations need to be extended to Jacqui Williams and her dedicated team on the P & C Association. They have been successful in securing a Curtin Stronger Communities Program Grant of $10,000 to develop an outdoor kitchen area.

Coming Events –
- Wastewise Incursion: Yesterday and today
- Room 15 & 16 Library Excursion: Wednesday, 24 August
- Upper Primary Book Week Quiz: Wednesday, 24 August
- Room 6 & 7 Assembly: Friday, 26 August
- Hon Julie Bishop Visit: Friday, 26 August
- Australian Book Character Dress Up: Friday, 24 August
- Faction Athletics Jumps & Throws: Wednesday, 31 August
- Pick a Peck of Pickled Poems Incursion: Thursday, September 1
- Faction Athletics Races: Friday, 2 September

As mentioned earlier, BUSY!

We currently have a number of students enrolled in our school with mental and emotional disorders. These children often have difficulty regulating their behaviour and relating socially to their peers. The dynamic nature of classrooms often causes them distress and this can manifest itself in anger and frustration. I recently found a YouTube clip which gives a real insight into the lives of children with autism spectrum disorder. I found it educative.

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=living+with+autism+ky%27s+story

Our Parent Opinion Surveys for 2016 were delivered via email two weeks ago. If you haven’t yet found time to complete them, please do so in the near future. Both surveys close on 31 August. (Neither has been targeted by overseas hackers and your data is completely safe!)

I also need to remind year 4 parents about the Girl Power and Good Guys resilience and friendship workshops. Both sessions will be on Monday 5th September from 3.30 to 5.30. We currently do not have enough parents and students enrolled for the sessions to go ahead. If you are thinking of registering, please do so as soon as possible.
**From the Principal cont...**

Next Friday, September 2, we will be holding our Faction Athletics Carnival. This is a full day event and we welcome any parents who might wish to come along and cheer. (Or come along and help!) Please ensure your children have a hat, are wearing sunscreen and have a water bottle. *If someone could guarantee decent weather, we’d be most grateful!*

Finally, congratulations must go to Nyah Gray who won The West Australian Design an Ad Competition. Her ad for the Revolutions Transport Museum yielded a very handy cash prize. Well done Nyah.

*Mr Doug Cook—Principal*

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**From the Deputy**

**Term 3—Years 3 to 6—After School Netball Clinic**

Wembley Downs Primary School is holding a Netball skill development clinic after school for students in Years 3 to 6 starting at 3:10pm on the netball courts.

The clinic is a one off only fixture for Thursday 25th August and is designed to give students individual skills through group workouts.

**Pick a Peck of Pickled Poems**

Pick a Peck of Pickled Poems will be performing the first show in our under cover area on Thursday 1 September at 9:30am.

Check with your child’s teacher for class times.

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**From the Office**

**Thank you** to the parent/guardians, reminders who have paid their term accounts.

Reminders of Unpaid Billing Items will be sent home with students at the end of this week. Please check your child’s bag.

Payments can be made by Direct Deposit :- details below,

BSB 066161 – **Account Number** -10035840 – **Reference** – Family Name

Or Eftpos/Credit Card/Cash

If making payment by cash please put in envelope with **Student’s name** – **Room No** and **Excursion/Incursion** and put in the White Money Box in the School Office.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to make contact with the School Office on 9245 3199 or e-mail Kerry.Blechynden@education.wa.edu.au

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**Year 6 Fundraiser at the Wembley Downs Community Fair**

**Saturday 29 October 2016**

At this years Luita Street Fair the Year 6 classes will host a Tombola Jar stall as a fund raiser. We will be selling the ever popular tombola jars, and would like every child in the school to donate at least one jar. There will be prizes for the class that donates the most jars (per student).

**Advice about Tombola Jars...**

These jars will be sold via a 'lucky dip' to children at the Wembley Downs Fair for $3 each. The container should be clean and odour free with a lid.
A medium to large size glass jar is ideal. The jars should be filled with new/unused items suitable for children aged 4-12yrs and may include:

- **Small toys** - marbles, trashies, squinkies, cars, balloons
- **Lollies** - only wrapped lollies in sealed packets such as fun size chocolate bars or lollipops
- **Stationery & crafts** - rubbers, pens, stickers, transfers, stamps
- **Accessories** - hair clips, hair bands, costume jewellery
- **Cosmetics** - lip gloss, nail polish, false nails, face paint
- **Collector cards/ figurines** - footy cards etc...
- **Money** - up to $5 in coins or cash

We would appreciate if every student could donate a jar to the Wembley Downs stall. Filled jars should be brought to school beginning Monday 29 August and will be collected from the students’ classrooms. Donations of ‘jar fillers’ are also welcome. So start saving a few jars and looking out for things to fill them with.

Any queries please contact the Year 6 form teachers.

Thank you,

*Mrs Akerstrom, Mrs Burchard & Mr Etheridge*

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**Lego Club**

"The Lego Club has started! Many thanks to all parents who have donated. We have had some interesting master pieces created so far ranging from intergalactic space ships, cars to sharks playing the piano! Years 1 and 2 can come to the Library on Wednesday and Year 3 and 4 on Thursday. Mr Cook is happy that the children can come and eat their lunches outside the library and as soon as they are finished, they can come in and create!

If you have any more lego and in particular, small figures and unusual lego pieces, please continue to donate and leave in the office.

*Steffi Knell and Emily Bauch*

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**Interschool Cross Country Top 10 Place Getters**

- **Year 3 Girls:** Siella D - 2\(^{nd}\)
- **Year 3 Boys:** Jack S - 7\(^{th}\)
- **Year 4 Girls:** Georgina G - 5\(^{th}\), Kate T - 9\(^{th}\)
- **Year 4 Boys:** Robert S - 4\(^{th}\), Stacey C - 5\(^{th}\), Levi N - 6\(^{th}\), Luke M - 8\(^{th}\)
- **Year 5 Girls:** Edie G - 5\(^{th}\), Annabelle O - 8\(^{th}\)
- **Year 5 Boys:** NA
- **Year 6 Girls:** Nyah G - 2\(^{nd}\), Georgia M - 4\(^{th}\), Ruby B - 7\(^{th}\), Sophie G - 9\(^{th}\)
- **Year 6 Boys:** Joshua H - 4\(^{th}\)
**P&C News**

**Father’s Day Stall**
This much loved annual fundraiser will be held on Thursday 1 September. Children will need to bring $10 to purchase a gift from the stall. Children are also welcome to purchase additional gifts for $10 for grandfathers.

Mon-Wed Kindy kids will be able to participate earlier in the week.

**School Disco**
This year we are going back to the Blue Light Disco days and holding a children's only disco on the evening of Friday 16 September between 4pm and 8pm. Year groups will be split into two different timeslots and tickets will be available for $5 from Monday 5 September.

Parent volunteers will also be required to assist with supervising. More details to come.

*Rachel Wenham—Fundraising Coordinator*

**Faction Shirts**
Due to overwhelming demand in the last couple of weeks, we have limited availability of faction shirts left in the Uniform Shop. If you need a faction shirt for the athletics carnival, please order online ASAP or visit the Uniform Shop Monday morning. That way if we are out of stock in your size/colour and you need to buy one from elsewhere (Big W or Best and Less) you will have plenty of time. Apologies for the inconvenience.

*Kelly Kennington—Uniform Coordinator*

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**School Banking Competition!**

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Wembley Downs Primary School will be running a competition for the chance to win one of two awesome Dollarmites Prize Packs!

Every time your child makes a deposit at school from now until the end of term 3 they are automatically entered in the draw to win the prize.

All students that make 3 deposits in term 3 will also go into the National School Banking spot prize competition to win some extra awesome great prizes. Check out the School Banking poster at the canteen.

It’s a great time to get involved in the School Banking program and a representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be opening accounts for new student bankers on Tuesday the 23rd and 30th of August outside the canteen. The school will receive $5.00 for every new account opened and activated through School Banking and 5% commission on all deposits received through the school thereafter.

Parents please provide your drivers licence for identification on account opening day.

All new student bankers in Term 3 will receive a mystery prize on their 3rd deposit.

**We would especially love to see you if you have not banked for a while!**

Remember, School Banking day is every Tuesday at 08h30 outside the canteen.
Community News

INVITATION

Good2Grow Garden Event
Churchlands Senior High School
P&C Association

Saturday 10 September 8am – 3pm

A community market day - organic fertilisers & plants, garden ideas, products, activities, information, demonstrations, buskers, raffles, sausage sizzle and cake stall. Drop in! There is something for everyone.

Where: Churchlands Senior High School perimeter
Lucca Street and Memory Place, Churchlands

Preorder: compost, mulch, fertilizers, soil solver & more
https://churchlandspandc.wordpress.com/good2grow2015/

Churchlandsgood2grow@gmail.com

Invitation

QUIZ NIGHT
Churchlands Senior High School
P&C Association

Friday 2 September 7-10:30pm

The Olympics will be over. Get off the couch. Time to give the brain a workout lead by Quiz master - Gary Adshead, 6PR morning host.

Tables of 8 Cost - $15 per head.

Tickets https://www.trybooking.com/LMXT

Licensed bar  BYO nibbles

Lots of great prizes. Book soon to avoid missing out.

Where: Churchlands SHS Gym
20 Lucca St, Churchlands

VacSwim 2016-17

VacSwim October school holiday swimming lessons closing soon

VacSwim provides children from five to 17 years old with opportunities to learn vital swimming and water safety skills.

Enrolments closing soon for VacSwim October school holiday swimming lessons

It is important for every child to learn to swim properly and develop essential water safety skills. VacSwim October school holiday swimming lessons are run by instructors who teach children the skills to be confident swimmers and safe in the water. To enrol or find out more visit www.education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

Hurry, enrolments close on Monday 29 August.
Who makes a difference at our school?

As part of the WA Education Awards 2016 we’re asking students and parents to vote for staff who make a difference in our school and give them a chance to win $1000.

The People’s Choice Award recognises dedicated and talented staff in WA public schools. The staff member who receives the most votes will be awarded the People’s Choice Award at the WA Education Awards 2016 presentation event on Monday 28 November.

All school staff who receive a vote will be acknowledged in The West Australian on World Teachers’ Day on Friday 28 October. You can vote for more than one staff member.

To vote, visit education.wa.edu.au [link to: http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/about-us/programs-and-initiatives/wa-education-awards/people-s-choice-award/]. Voting closes at 5.00pm on Friday 23 September.

For more information about the WA Education Awards, visit education.wa.edu.au.

COMMUNITY BEACH CLEAN

PARENTS, STAFF, AND STUDENTS ARE ALL INVITED!

- **What**: Community beach clean @ Trigg in honour of Keep Australia Beautiful Week
- **Who**: Keep Australia Beautiful WA, Responsible Runners Scarborough and volunteers of all ages and abilities
- **When**: Sunday, 28 August 9:30am (come for an hour to clean, stay all morning if you want too!)
- **Where**: Meet @ the steps of Kailis Cafe in Trigg
- **What to Bring**: sunscreen, a hat and your own reusable mug/cup for hot drinks. Morning tea will be provided for all volunteers by KAB
- **How**: Please sign up at the below link and join the Responsible Runners Facebook page for news of future cleans

Here is a link for volunteers to register

Summer Fun with Water Polo!

Thinking about playing water polo this summer? Registrations are now open for The UWA City Beach Water Polo Club Friday Night Flippaball (Years 2-5) and Saturday Morning District Schools Competitions (Year 5+) commencing in October at HBF Stadium.

For those new to the sport, there are three ‘FREE’ Come and Try days in the water polo pool at HBF Stadium on -

- Sunday 18th September 10am to 11am
- Saturday 24th September 10am to 11am
- Friday 14th October 6pm to 7pm

For more information please go to http://uwawaterpolo.com.au/flippaball/
Welcome to the 2016/2017 Subiaco Marist Cricket Club cricket season!

Registration Day for new players will be Saturday the 27th of August 9am-12 noon at the Newman sports complex of Newman College on Tuscany Way, Churchlands. Registrations will be closed two weeks after Rego day to facilitate organisation of teams. Requests regarding age group and teams are to be included in the ‘Comments’ section of the online rego. Please register online via the link below as it reduces the work for club volunteers!

https://playreg.cricket.com.au/pages/noauth/olregstart.aspx?entityid=1449&fl=1&type=0&id=15701&misc=dTHONZOlkkI3GVxTH3MvxRfB0Dv5dUDa7W7V8pbUq8=

All players are encouraged to come to the club on Rego day for uniform - uniforms will be available to try, purchase and take on the day (or to order if stocks run out). Clothing can also be ordered online.

Please contact Alicia Mason with registration queries masonam@bigpond.net.au

Looking forward to an exciting season of cricket and sunshine!

Subiaco Marist Cricket Club