From the Principal

As the 2015 school year draws to an inevitable close, I’d like to take an opportunity to mention a few highlights from the past year and also thank some people who have helped make the past year such a success.

One of the biggest highlights, for the students at least, is the sports carnivals. We competed in swimming, netball, soccer, football, cross country and athletics. In addition to this, our students have participated in coaching clinics for rugby, basketball, athletics, lacrosse, cricket, ... We have also had a group of dedicated students and parents gathering on the oval each Friday morning for Running Club. These opportunities have been made possible thanks to the hard work of Mrs Ewen, Mr Norman, Mr Tolev, Mrs Gray and the support of our parents. I’d particularly like to thank Mrs Ewen, who retired during the year, and wish her all the best for the future.

It is also important that we acknowledge other members of staff who will be leaving us at the end of this year. Thank you to Mrs Todd and Ms Lahne who have been guiding the development of our youngest students. Thanks to Mr Norman who leaves us to take on a classroom teaching role. Thank you to Mrs Clohessy who is taking a break from teaching to begin the adventure of motherhood.

Another of the highlights for our students are the “events” that occur throughout the year. From the “Go Purple Day” to the “Bad Taste Day”, from “Peter Combe” to “Datiwuy Dreaming”, our students are given opportunities to experience events they will remember for a long time to come. Thank you to all the staff, students, parents and volunteers who have enabled these events to take place.
From the Principal con’t

When speaking of events, it is impossible not to acknowledge the huge contribution that is made to our school community by the P&C Association. During the past year the P&C have funded playground improvements, supported workshops for parents and students, organised a multitude of events and been a great support to the school’s administrative team. Whether it’s a Fashion Swap, a Disco or a Walk to School Day, the volunteers of the P&C work tirelessly to enrich the lives of the entire school community.

In closing I’d like to thank the School Board for all the support they have given me as the school makes the transition to Independent Public School status.

I would like to wish the staff, students, parents and wider community of Wembley Downs Primary School a merry Christmas and a restful summer holiday.

Mr Doug Cook—Principal

School News

Class Lists

For parents convenience we will be emailing class lists, this will save parents a visit to the school site before school commences. Class lists will be emailed out by Friday 29th January.

Class lists will also be displayed on class room doors at the beginning of the year and outside the office.

Term Accounts

We will be introducing Term Accounts in 2016 to allow parents to pay in full for a term’s excursion/incursions etc. Accounts will be sent home with your child via the classroom.

It would be appreciated if these accounts could be paid as soon as possible. For parent/guardian/carers who may be having difficulty in paying in full, please come to the School Office to arrange to pay in instalments.

Mrs Kerry Blechynden

Congratulations

Congratulations to Siella DeWit – she won a silver medal for the 4 x 100m State under 8 girls relay.

Well done Siella,
School News Con’t

Pre-Primary Consistant Savers

Miss Henley’s class in Pre-Primary at Assembly this week as they have 17 school bankers in their class of 21.

PPA have made 25 deposits or more during the year and wish them luck in the Disneyland Competition which will be drawn on 12/1/2016 and published in the West Australian on 26 of January 2016.

Mrs Rachel Clegg
School Banking

P&C News

Uniform Shop

We will be open on Friday 29th January from 8.30 to 9.30am for pick up only. Orders placed during the holidays can be collected on Friday 29th. Deliveries will continue from 2nd February onwards.

Uniform shop will not be open on the first Monday of school - re-opening on Monday 8th February from 8.30am to 9.30am.

Claire, Kelly, Narelle, Lisa and Rox

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JUNIOR FISHING CLINIC JANUARY 2016

- Tuesday 12th 9:00am to 12:00pm Learn how to rig a rod, casting practice and games, safety on the water and on boats
- Wednesday 13th 7:00am to 1:00pm Boat Fishing Sausage Sizzle
- Thursday 14th 7:00am to 1:00pm Boat Fishing Sausage Sizzle
- Age 9 – 16 $200

Weigh in Competition Prizes

Contact Mel T 9246 2833 E development@hillarysyauchtclub.com.au

HILLARYS YACHT CLUB 65 NORTHSIDE DRIVE HILLARYS
Bad Taste Day
Community News

Deanmore Dental Health Clinic Closures

Deanmore Dental Therapy centre will be open on Thursday 17th December morning only. Then closed from 18th December to 29th January 2016

Should an emergency arise after clinic hours or during a public holiday please contact the emergency service on 9325 3452, your local practitioner, or the Oral Health Centre of Western Australia on 9346 4400.

Gifted and Talented Secondary Entrance Programs

Applications are now open to all Year 5 students for entry in Year 7 in 2017.

Gifted and talented Secondary Selective entrance programs provide a unique and challenging curriculum designed to bring out the very best in gifted students. These programs offer our brightest students the opportunity to study a selective academic, language or arts curriculum at one of 17 public secondary school or online.

Parents can find more information and apply online at education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented or they can contact the Gifted and Talented Selection Unit on 9264 4307 or at gtsu@educatin.wa.edu.au

Applications close Monday 8th February 2016. Late applications are not accepted.

Minecraft School Holiday Course

A Creative Adventure

Date:   Monday 18—Friday 22 January 2016
Time:   9am—12 noon daily
Venue:  Future Sphere, Christ Church Grammar School
Cost:   $215.00 per person

Bookings: http://www.trybooking.com/JUFA

This course is aimed at students aged 8—12 years. Experience with Mine Craft is preferable, but necessary.

At the end of the course students will be able to, build basic redstone structures, work together as a team to create a unique, collaborative world. Participate in fun, competitive adventures.

Bring to the course a snack for morning tea and a water bottle.

Enquiries: Christy Dangerfield cdangerfield@ccgs.wa.edu.au<mailto:cdangerfield@ccgs.wa.edu.au>
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC

Learn to play the Scorchers way at #THEFURNACE these summer holidays!

Over two action packed mornings, participants will take part in MILO T20 Blast skill sessions, be involved in social cricket games and have the chance to meet our mascot Blaze!

Registration is open to boys and girls aged 5-14 years old. The focus of the clinic is to have fun, participate and develop your cricket skills.

When: 4 & 5 January 2016
Time: 9.00am - 12.00pm
Where: #THEFURNACE (WACA Ground)
Cost: $100
What to bring: Hat, water bottle, cricket gear (if owned)

REGISTER AT:
All the Staff at Wembley Downs Primary School

Wish you a

Happy and safe Christmas