From the Principal

The end of the term is rushing towards us and, after a term of hard work, I'd like to wish all students a restful and relaxing holiday break. I will be on Long Service Leave for the first 5 weeks of next term. Mr Tolev will be taking on the principal role in my absence and Ms Armstrong the role of deputy.

During the school holidays we will see some major renovations being carried out on our Quad area. The bitumen surface has become cracked and presents many trip hazards and we have been lucky enough to secure Government funding to have it replaced. Much of the cracking has been caused by tree roots between the bitumen and the substrate. These roots will need to be removed when the new surface goes down and an arborist has advised that the trees will not survive. (This doesn’t include our large tuart tree. It’s been here since before the school was built and its roots are below the substrate.)

An increased area of unpaved land will be left around the large tuart. This will prevent the tree suffering further stress. Our plan is to put a low wall around this area and fill it with mulch to allow another natural area for kids to play. (It will also be a great place for Spare Parts play.) The current “garden strip” down the middle of the Quad will be expanded to about 2m wide and a root barrier will be installed. This will allow us to plant mature native trees to replace those being removed. It will also provide enough room for seating solutions down the centre of the Quad.

The netball court on the north side of the Quad will also become a netball and basketball court with dual use goals. (As with the current goals/courts on the south side.) The south side court will also be moved away from the building so that the revolving goals no longer bang into the roof.

All works will be completed during the holidays, but the line marking won’t occur until week 3 of next term as the bitumen needs to “cure”. Our next “push” for funding will be for a coloured acrylic court surface. This is considered as standard for new schools and I see no reason as to why we should be further disadvantaged by the age of our buildings.

I’d like to wish our interschool swimming team every success for tomorrow’s carnival. The carnival begins at 9.30 and should finish by 12.30.

The first day of next term is a School Development Day and the students do not return until Wednesday 27 April. We will hold our ANZAC Commemoration Assembly on Friday 29 April.

I’d like to thank all families for their support of our school during the past term and thank the staff for their dedication and commitment to the growth of our students.

Have a safe and restful holiday.

Mr Doug Cook—Principal

Wembley Downs Primary School
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email: wembleydowns.ps@education.wa.edu.au
Deputy News

Interschool Swimming Team

On behalf of all teachers and staff we would like to congratulate the students who achieved selection for the 2016 Interschool team.

The following students are participating in the carnival:


We would like to wish them all the best. Go Kookas!

Mr George Tolev—Deputy Principal

Note from the School Office

Permission Slips

With the introduction of Term Accounts, it is important for parents to remember to that the permission slip needs to be returned to the School Office.

Signed permission forms are required for any school excursion that occurs.

Musical Notes

Choir

The choir will be singing at the ANZAC Day assembly, which will be held on the first Friday of next term. Have a lovely holidays and we’ll see you next term ready to go!

Good Luck!

Good luck to all those students who are auditioning for high school music programs during the holidays – we will be thinking of you, and I am sure you will do really well.

PSOC (Perth Summer Orchestra Camp)

Perth Summer Orchestra Camp is running a combined choir and orchestra camp during the day in the school holidays. It is available to any primary student who would like to sing in a choir and all the string students – no audition is required. Please see www.psorchcamp.com for more details. Applications close on the 5th of April.

All Year 4 Students

The year 4’s will have their test this week, playing ‘School Bell’ and improvising their own tune. All students will receive a recorder mark in their ‘test lesson’, but if they want to come back in their own time and try for a better mark, they are most welcome.

All Year 5 and 6 Students

The students will be assessed on their Rhythm Riot performance task this week. All students will receive a mark in class, but if they would like to come back in their own time and try for a better mark, they are most welcome.

Mrs Archer—Music Teacher
TiqBiz—Communication App

Have you downloaded Tiqbiz yet? This is the new form of communication that Wembley Downs Primary School is implementing to be able to communicate effectively and efficiently to all parents and staff. Download as per instructions and be up-to-date with communication from the school.

We're using an app to communicate with you.

You'll be notified of our news, messages, events and other communications.

Simply download the tiqbiz app to your phone or tablet following the instructions on this leaflet.

For technical support, please email our friendly team.

tiqbiz

Here’s how to download tiqbiz

Step 1. Download for phone and tablet.

Search tiqbiz in your app store.

For Apple: Select ‘allow’ notifications.

Android  Windows 8  iPad & iPhone

Step 2. Find & Tick.

Log-in
Open tiqbiz and register/log-in.

Find
Inside the menu, click on ‘Find & Tick’.
Type our name into the search bar.
Select us from the results.

Tick
Click the grey tick on the boxes that apply to you.
When the tick turns green, you’re connected.

Inbox
Click on the Inbox icon.
This is where you will receive our instant messages, newsletters, notices and calendar events.

Don’t have a smartphone or tablet?
Download tiqbiz on your PC or Mac at www.tiqbiz.com/register

ANZAC Day Service

ANZAC DAY

The Wembley Downs Primary School Service will be held on Friday 29 April at 9am in the school undercover area. Student councillors will host the assembly service.

Every student is asked to bring a flower to their classroom on Thursday 28 April. It will be part of a small wreath that the students will assemble. Teachers are asked to assemble one wreath for their class.

Students who belong to uniformed organisations such as Brownies, Cubs, Life Saving and Scouts are invited to wear their uniform. They will be seated with their class.

If parents have been given medals by relatives for their children to wear, protocol decrees that they be worn on the right side of the chest.

Hats are not to be worn. (except for uniformed groups)

Friends and relatives are welcome to join us.
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Save The Date

- **Quiz Night Fundraiser & Silent Auction**: Saturday 11 June. Start putting together your table of 10! Tickets on sale in Term 2. More details to come.

- **Mother’s Day Stall**: Thursday 5 May (week 2). Please send $10 with your child to purchase a gift. Kindy A & B only Tuesday 3 May. More details to come.

Silent Auction Items

The hunt is on for Silent Auction items for our parents Quiz Night (and major 2016 fundraising event) on Saturday 11 June. If you have a skill (hairdressing, gardening, painting) then I would love to hear from you, otherwise merchandise, gift vouchers and hampers are greatly appreciated.

Local businesses have already started to show their support with thanks to Lawleys Bakery, Medifoot Podiatry, Grill’d Shafto Lane, Flux Impressions, Rob’s Joy Flights, Ocean Village Pharmacy, Karma Waters, Symmetry Cabinets, Nestor Group, Sushi WaWa, Revolution Sports/Inflatable World, Coastal Tennis, Customised Optics, Scarborough Beach Cycles, Hale Swim, Wenham Constructions and DBS Fencing.

If you have a business but cannot offer merchandise or a service, or would like to personally donate an item, please remember that Bunnings, Event Cinema, Myer, Karrinyup, restaurant and hotel vouchers are all welcome along with offers of accommodation at holiday homes.

Please contact me at Rachel_wenham@hotmail.com if you would like to know more.

Movie Fundraiser

Thank you to all the families who supported our first movie fundraiser. It was a lot of fun and I will be looking at holding another one later in the year.

Rachel Wenham—Fundraising Coordinator

Canteen Roster for Term 2

Our canteen can’t continue to operate without our valuable volunteers.

We welcome parents, extended family and friends.

Canteen offers a variety of jobs, and not limited to:

- Assist preparation of morning tea items, as directed by Mel, ie making pikelets, pizza toast etc.
- Preparation of fresh sandwiches, toasted sandwiches, wraps etc.
- Assist in preparation of daily lunch specials
- Pack food tubs ready for collection at lunch
- Serve children at recess and lunch
- Wash dishes/tidy food prep areas
- Enjoy lunch of your choice and unlimited coffee/tea
P&C News cont...

If you don’t like washing up, no problems, then don’t – if you are nervous about cooking, Mel is more than happy to guide you on what is required. If you feel more comfortable just washing up/cleaning up, that is fine too. We aren’t picky, we just need your help!

We are also again offering, as an incentive, a prize of “Free Lunch for One Term, for One Child once per week (to the value of $7.00)” for the following term. This prize will be drawn at the end of Term Two and the winner will be notified, and results published in the school newsletter.

Also, the first class to fill their three volunteers will receive a free box of paddle pops for the whole class to enjoy.

Please ensure when you sign up, you include your Child’s name and Room number (only one Child’s name and Class number please), so we can enter you into the draw.

Here's how to sign up in 3 easy steps:

1) Click this link to see our Sign-Up on VolunteerSpot: http://vols.pt/6QSbPM

2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It’s Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on VolunteerSpot.

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Thank you for your help.

Sarah—Co-canteen Convenor
Mobile: 0438 387 351

WDPS Running Club 2016

Yay!!! By popular demand, the Wembley Downs Primary School Running Club is back for term 2 (and term 3 and probably term 4).

This year, we’re going to provide a little bit more structure and hopefully get even more bright and smily faces coming along. Parents are ENCOURAGED to come and can lend a hand with timing or marshalling. We are aiming to plan the term in advance and a “training program” will be emailed to participants.

**MONDAY**

*Years 4 - 6.* Approx 2km steady run around the local streets. Meet at school gate at 8am. Return will be before 8:30. There will be a minimum of 2 parents running with the group. Children need to be responsible enough to stay behind the lead parent, show some awareness when crossing roads and stick with the group.

**FRIDAY**

*Years PP – 6.* Meet on the oval by the wooden logs at 8am.

Warm up is a lap on the footpath around the outside of the oval followed by stretching.

*Years PP – 2.* Game based running/fitness activities.

(Kindy kids are welcome to join in, however we ask for parents to please stay for crowd control purposes)
**WDPS Running Club 2016**

**Years 3 – 6. Sessions based on endurance or speed or both**

We will finish with a brief, fun relay for all year groups.

To help things run smoothly and for your children to get the most out of Running Club, especially when the numbers are large, we NEED you to know the following points:

- The running club is a **free**, parent-run activity. Whilst the school is very happy and supportive for running club to take place, it is not an official School activity;

- The aim of the running club is to get children of all ages and abilities out and about, to improve their fitness and start the school day feeling fresh and lively;

- Parents are more than welcome to also participate in the training sessions if they choose to;

- You don’t have to sign your child up for a term, they can come along as often as they like. There are no ongoing obligations;

- **Running club is not** a free babysitting or before-school care option, it is for children who genuinely want to come along, have fun and improve their fitness;

The year groups are a guideline only. For example, if your child is in year 3 and you are happy for them to run the streets on a Monday morning with the group and they are willing to give it a go, that’s fine. Likewise, if your child prefers more of the games structure of the younger age groups, that’s also fine;

- Please be on time. It’s only half an hour. If children are late, they will not have warmed up properly and this increases risk of injury. It is also disruptive if sessions are underway with children in selected teams;

- **Children are expected to follow the instructions of parent helpers at all times!** If they don’t, then the child will be asked to sit on the bench outside rooms 3 & 4 until the classrooms open (I have done this to my own children several times). If this continually happens, then the parents will be told that their child can no longer come to running club. This is so that the children who do want to participate don’t have their time wasted;

- Whilst running club is for all abilities, children are expected to have a go at all of the activities (including warm up). It doesn’t matter how fast they are, as long as they give it a go. If your child is injured or sick, don’t send them to running club, it will only make them feel worse. (If they have reached their limit, then of course, it is fine for them to stop and rest.) However, it is amazing how if one child has a “false” tummy ache or injury it spreads to about 6 or 7 children in a matter of minutes. This can be frustrating for other children if they are working in teams and for the parent helpers;

- If it is raining, running club will go ahead in some shape or form;

Information from time-to-time may be sent out via the P&C Facebook page so please ‘like’ the page.

After all that, if you’re still keen, please fill in the information form and hand in at the office. We’ll also have forms with us on Friday/Monday’s throughout the term.

We look forward to seeing you!

*Claire and Rita*
WDPS Running Club 2016

Student’s Name ________________________________________________________________

Year ____________________   Room ______________________________

Medical conditions/Allergies ________________________________________________________

Emergency Contact details:

• Parent’s Name ________________________________________________________________

• Mobile Number ________________________________________________________________

• Email address ________________________________________________________________

My child would love to come to running club on:   I will be able to be a parent helper on:

MONDAY  FRIDAY  (please circle)  MONDAY  FRIDAY  (please circle)

By getting my parents to sign this form and give their contact details, I promise to listen to all parent helpers and try my very best at all times!!

Parent’s signature __________________________________________________________________

Student’s signature __________________________________________________________________
**APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**

This school holidays we will be running a number of programs:

**Guitar Masterclasses**
- Set-up and Maintenance
- Tone and Tonality
- Advanced FX and Guitar Gymnastics

**Drum Clinics**
- similar to the Guitar Set-up and Maintenance, this session is a hands on workshop covering all aspects of building your drum kit, setting it up for maximum performance, tuning drum heads, how to choose and look after your cymbals

**Recording Clinics**
- an intensive workshop running over four days on the very specialised skills and techniques involved in creating a piece of recorded music.

For more information on our April School Holiday Program, please see our website. [http://www.rockscholars.com.au](http://www.rockscholars.com.au)

**TERM 2**

Time for new enrolments for next term. We are currently taking enrolments for Term 2 bands. If you’re between the ages of 10 and 18 and want to be playing in a band and mentored by the most experienced band mentors in Perth, let us know! We are proud to have the most established and unique band mentoring program in Perth (with two hour weekly rehearsals) and to offer our students the best gig and recording opportunities around!


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**KUMON—DALKEITH AND FLOREAT**

**FREE TRIAL**

Must register by 9 May 2016

At Kumon Dalkeith & Floreat, we want to give families the opportunity to experience how we develop children’s reading and calculation ability by trialling the Kumon English or Maths programme for two weeks from 16 to 30 May 2016 … for FREE.

Please contact the following for further information:

Amy Lee-Smith—Instructor
Kumon Dalkeith & Floreat
Phone: 0433801381

Email: amylee@aapt.net.au
NUTRITION MAKE OVER FOR KIDS

Give your kids a Nutrition Makeover with our school holiday workshops.

We offer 3 hours of fun for your kids in an environment where our Nutritionists will teach them how much sugar they are feeding their growing bodies as well as how to cook good, nutritious food the whole family will love.

For kids aged 10-17, every Friday in the school holidays between 10am – 1pm. $95 per child. Call now to book (08) 9385 7755.

Nutrition Force Pty Ltd
Suite 1, Level 1
401 Scarborough Beach Road
Osborne Park WA 6017
www.nutritionforce.com.au
Ready to enrol? You can download an enrolment form or check out the marquee event schedule now.

we are uwa sport | www.sport.uwa.edu.au
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KIDS FESTIVAL

Saturday 23rd April
9am-12pm

Venue: Scarborough Primary School
Age 5-12 years Toddlers welcome

Inflatables, Gooey lucky dips, crafts,
water balloon games
& more Fun Entertainment

This is a FREE event run by C3 Scarborough
The ultimate kids obstacle course & family fun day out!

Kids can climb, jump, crawl, slide and run to their little hearts' content! There will be slip and slides, climbing walls, ball pits, monkey bars, inflatables and heaps of other obstacles to challenge and entertain the little adventurers.

Kids 6 – 12 years will have a blast with 30 minutes to go nuts on the course and do the obstacles as many times as they like! Plus there will be roving performers, hands-on art and crafts, music shows, bubbles, games, activities for kids under 6, food and more!

Saturday 16 April | 9.00am – 1.30pm
Stirling Civic Gardens, Cedric Street, Stirling

All Ages | Free Entry & Activities | Shows | Games | Craft | Music | Fun | Food | More

Obstacle Course $10 (6 - 12 years) | Buy tickets now at www.stirling.wa.gov.au/kids-kerfuffle
Community News cont.

TACKERS

is a great introductory games-based sailing program designed for kids aged 7 to 12.
It’s fun, safe and best of all, affordable!

CLICK TACKERS TO ENROL

**Tackers 1** – Having Fun — kids sail in pairs in small boats. It’s a great way to meet new friends and kids have the chance to sail with other in their group.

**Tackers 2** – Tricks and Techniques Enrolment into Tackers 2 requires the completion of Tackers 1. This course is designed to consolidate the experience and knowledge gained in Tackers 1. New skills and knowledge are introduced that will enable the successful participant to safely and competently sail a dinghy in controlled conditions independently.

**APRIL - 5 day courses**

Mon 11 to Fri 15
Mon 18 to Fri 22

Time: 8:30am – 1:30pm  Cost: $300
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MEL – 9246 2833
development@hillarysyachtclub.com.au
www.hillarysyachtclub.com.au
HILLARYS YACHT CLUB 65 NORTHSIDE DRIVE HILLARYS 6025
**KIDS TRAVEL FREE TO ROTTNEST ISLAND IN SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

**ROTTNEST FAST FERRIES**

For every adult that travels in the school holidays, one child travels FREE!

Book a Rottnest Island Day Return for travel during the school holidays, and quote “KIDSFREE16”

Travel dates:
- Saturday 9th – Sunday 24th April 2016
- Saturday 2nd – Sunday 17th July 2016
- Saturday 24th September – Sunday 9th October


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**NEW!!!**

Join Perth’s newest Multi-Sports based programs for children 3-8 yrs. old.

Are you looking for a variety of different sports/skills for your children to try?

Come join us for a FREE TRIAL!

We are opening up our enrolments for 2016 which commences in February

For all enquiries and bookings email us info@popsports.com.au

or call 0478 503 252  Popsports.com.au
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The Language of Friendship

Internationally-recognized friendship program that empowers tweens with the skills, language, and self-confidence to be better friends and develop healthier relationships.

Through interactive parent-tween activities, parents will learn strategies to help their child put out *Friendship Fires*, how to put a voice to their feelings, & the best ways to support him/her through unhealthy friendships. We will also highlight the fascinating similarities and differences between boys & girls and their experiences in friendship.

For girls in Years 3 to 6 and their Parents:
Thursday 10 March 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm (facilitated by Dana Kerford, Founder)
Saturday 30 April 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Saturday 18 June 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Saturday 23 July 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Thursday 25 August 4.30 pm – 6.30 pm
Saturday 17 September 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm
Saturday 29 October 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

For boys in Years 3 to 6 and their Parents:
Friday 11 March 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm (facilitated by Dana Kerford, Founder)
Saturday 23 July 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

Location:
Founders Centre for Early Learning
Perth College
32 Queens Crescent, Mount Lawley

Register Today!
Tickets to the workshop are $35 per person and includes: expert instruction, handouts, pencils and stickers, and an opportunity to ask questions one-on-one following the workshops. *The Friendship Project* parent-daughter workbook and posters will be available to purchase.

To register go to: https://urstrong.com/events/

Deb Perich
Licensed GirlPower + GoodGuys Facilitator

Empower kids!
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**Language of Friendship Junior**

Internationally-recognized friendship program that empowers tweens with the skills, language, and self-confidence to be better friends and develop healthier relationships.

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**For girls in Years 1 & 2 and their Parents:**
- Thursday 10 March 4.00 pm – 5.30 pm (facilitated by Dana Kerford, Founder)
- Saturday 30 April 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm
- Saturday 18 June 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm
- Saturday 23 July 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm
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Empower Kids!
School Parking

Areas in and around schools present potential parking problems as there may be speeding motorists, busy roads and limited parking bays.

Offences include:
• Parking over footpaths
• Blocking driveways
• Parking in a No Stopping or No Parking area
• Double parking
• Parking on a verge without the owner’s consent
• Parking facing the wrong way.

Remember
It is also an offence to stop or park a vehicle:
• Within three metres of a continuous dividing line or median strip
• Within ten metres of an intersection/corner (without traffic control signals)
• On a median strip or traffic island
• So that any portion is within a bus zone.

How can parents help?
• Walk or cycle to school when dropping off or collecting children
• Park nearby and walk a short distance to the school
• Plan your trip so you arrive on the school side of the road
• Avoid leaving your vehicle for long periods
• Adhere to signage at all times
• Form a School Road Safety committee (contact your principal and P&C)
• Use public transport
• Slow down around schools and be aware.

How can schools help?
• Educate students about parking procedures around the school
• Encourage children to educate their parents and carers on safe school parking
• Establish a supervised Kiss-n-Ride facility or traffic policy, which can be published for the reference of all parents and carers
• Notify parents of any problems via school newsletters and at assemblies.

We can help!
The City of Stirling officers conduct regular school parking patrols during school times and are happy to help with any parking concerns your school may have. We can attend your school to remind parents about safe parking and follow up by issuing infringements if needed.

Safe Parking At Schools

No stopping areas
No Stopping areas can be defined by signage or a continuous yellow line painted along the edge of a road. A driver is not permitted to stop on a length of road or in an area to where no stopping restrictions apply. Vehicles may only stop in these zones to comply with other regulations (for example at traffic lights or to avoid an accident). Drivers are not permitted to drop off passengers or goods in “No Stopping” areas.

Double parking
A driver must not stop a vehicle so that any portion of the vehicle is between any other stopped vehicle and the centre of the road.

Parking DOs and DON'Ts

DOs
• Be aware
• Be courteous
• Be responsible
• Use the Kiss and Drive facility (if provided)
• Observe and adhere to all regulatory signage
• Drive Safely.

DON'Ts
• Block driveways
• Park on footpaths
• Park in Bus Zones
• Obstruct children’s crossings
• Park on a verge without consent
• Double park.
Term 2 2016
Recreational Synchronised Swimming Lessons

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Term fee: $121 including GST
SynchroWA annual joining fee (new members only): $10
SSAI January joining fee (new members only): $20
Total for new members: $151
Total for existing members: $121

Enrollments now open! Contact Jessica at synchrowarec@gmail.com for more information

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Website: www.synchrowa.com