Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome to Term Two

The start of term two has been very smooth. I would like to welcome ten new students and their families to the Safety Bay Primary School community. Our students have quickly settled back into school routine after the holidays. I am very happy with the general ‘tone’ of the school that is evident throughout the school during recess and lunch times.

Term two is shaping up to be a very busy one with NAPLAN tests for years 3, 5 and 7 students scheduled for the 15th, 16th and 17th May. In addition to this we will all be very busy working together and learning about the history of our five local islands: Penguin, Seal, Garden, Rottnest and Carnac as part of our Artist in Residence (AIR) Project “Our Story Islands”. The project will be launched at the school assembly on Friday 11th May. You are all most welcome to come to this assembly and meet the artistic team that will be working with all students in K – Year 7 over the course of terms two and three.

Professional Development Days Term Two

Teachers and Education Assistants spent the 23rd and 24th April working together to build their understanding of the new Australian Curriculum in the English Learning Area. They used this information to align their year level planning with the directions of our very special project – “Our Story Islands”.

On Monday Katy Watson-Kell, our artist-in-residence, presented a professional development session for all staff outlining the research process that students will use during their excursions to Penguin Island, Fremantle Prison, Rottnest Island and the State Library. Katy’s knowledge and understanding of the history of the local area is amazing and we are all looking forward to working with her when the project begins in week three of this term. Thank you to all those parents who have registered to be a helper during the project. Please see the section on “Our Story Islands” inside this newsletter if you would like to register your interest to be involved in this project.

Canteen

Our school canteen is now open four days a week, from Tuesday to Friday. Mrs Lisa Rendell, our new Canteen Coordinator, has worked very hard to make adjustments to the menu in line with our “Healthy Food and Drink Policy”. The canteen now has a slushy machine that is proving very popular with all students. The slushies are “green” in line with the Department’s Traffic Light System for food and drink that is offered in the canteen.

PLEASE SEE LISA IF YOU HAVE ANY TIME TO SPARE AS CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL DESPERATELY NEEDED.

Welcome to Jean Burton, Leah Lindsay, Kathleen Green and Mark Gooderham who are our new School Council members for 2012. The next School Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 8th May at 1pm.
From the Principal

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Bicycling WA Event Cancellation
A great big thank you must go to the hard working team of P&C members and volunteers who put in so much time in preparing for the BWA event and our mini-fete prior to its cancellation due to traffic management issues. Janine O’Hare, the P&C President and her team are to be congratulated on their initiative and energy in planning our involvement in the event. We look forward to the success of our next fundraising event because of the planning that is now in place.

Regards
Jennifer Lee
Principal

P&C News

On behalf of the P&C Association I would like to welcome everyone back to school after the Easter holidays. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families at Safety Bay.

Our next P&C meeting is on Wednesday 16th May (week 4) in the staffroom at 7pm. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see some new faces. Please don’t be shy.

It was a huge disappointment for the P&C that the Bicycling WA event to be hosted at the school on 29th April was cancelled. It was hoped it would have been a big fundraiser as we had a mini fete organized on the school oval. Sadly, Rockingham City Council had some issues with the traffic management plan submitted by Bicycling WA.

I would like to say a H U G E T H A N K Y O U to all volunteers who helped organize the event and those who were coming to help on the day. These events, and of course, any other fundraising events at school take a lot of organizing, they don’t just happen on their own.

The Easter raffle held on the last day of Term 2 was a great success and we raised $692. There was a first and second prize for each class and I would like to thank everyone who donated prizes.

If you have any queries or would like anything explained please don’t hesitate to give me a call on 0488 140 440 or send me an email on janine-sbps@hotmail.com and I will always answer within 24 hours.

Janine O’Hare
P&C President

Canteen Corner

This Term our canteen is open four days a week from Tuesday through to Friday. Our new slushy machine is proving to be a big hit with the students. Slushies are canteen approved and are GREEN under the traffic light system. They are 99% fruit juice, contain no colourings or preservatives and sell for $2.00.

The canteen is in desperate need of volunteers and our canteen coordinator Lisa has put together a volunteer flyer which is going home with your child today. It would be greatly appreciated if you could spare anything from a full day to a couple of hours.

Year 7 Roman Empire Studies
Bayley Wilson in a fabulously adorned helmet he created in class C13 with Mr Ribeiro. Impressive!
Well done Bayley.

SUMMER CARNIVAL 2012

Our annual summer carnival for Year 6 and 7s was held on Wednesday, 4th April. Our Volleyball team travelled to Koorana Primary, Teeball to Port Kennedy Primary, Basketball to Warnbro Rec and Cricketers to Rockingham Beach Primary on a day that saw our first bit of drizzly rain for many months!

Congratulations to all our students who reportedly had a great day, with very pleasing sportsmanship and behaviour shown by Safety Bay Primary School participants.

There were six schools represented at each carnival: Safety Bay, Charthouse, Koorana, Port Kennedy, Warnbro and Rockingham Lakes.

Our results for the day were:
Teeball Boys – 5th; Teeball Girls - 3rd
Thank you to Mrs Walker and Mr Leeson for coaching.
Volleyball “A” – 6th; Volleyball “B” – 6th
Thank you to Mrs Beard for coaching.
Basketball Boys – 2nd; Basketball Girls – 5th
Thank you to Mrs Geiseb for coaching and Mrs Gough for scoring.
Cricket “A” – 4th; Cricket “B” - 5th
Thank you to Mr Ribeiro and Mr Wilson for coaching.

Thank you also to the many parents who came along to the carnivals and supported our teams in the correct spirit.

Mrs White
Phys Ed

Our Teeball Team

Bayley Wilson in a fabulously adorned helmet he created in class C13 with Mr Ribeiro. Impressive!
Well done Bayley.
Please call in to the canteen and have a chat with Lisa about which day would suit you best. If we don’t get volunteers our canteen will not be able to continue operating. The P&C believe that it is a valuable resource for our children and it would be a shame if it had to be closed.

UNIFORM HINT: Please remember to label your child’s school uniforms (especially jackets and jumpers) with a permanent marker. Thanks

“Our Story Islands”

Don’t miss your chance to be involved in this great opportunity.

Safety Bay Primary School has been successful in securing a grant for an ‘Artist In Residence’ program. We have called our project ‘Our Story Islands’, a journey in writing and storytelling.

The project will take place during Terms 2 and 3. Students will attend excursions to gather information and workshops to learn skills and techniques in writing, storytelling, art and music. The cost of all activities will be covered by the grant money. There will be no cost to families, however you will need to give your written permission for your child/children to go on each excursion.

In order for the Project to be as effective as possible, we need the help of parents and caregivers. Ideally these parents would attend as many of the activities as possible so they can follow the progress of the students.

Please return the slip below by Monday 7th May.

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“Our Story Islands” Expression of Interest

Name:_____________________________________________________________________
Phone: ________________________________
Mobile: ________________________________
Email: __________________________________
Child/Student: ________________________ Year: ______
Class: ________ Teacher __________

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Community News

We have registered to take part in Woolworths Earn & Learn 2012. Collect stickers when shopping at Woolworths (one for every $10 spent) and place completed sticker cards in the collection box located at the school administration office. The more stickers we collect the more valuable learning resources we earn.

Rockingham Shopping Centre School Rewards Program 2012 runs between 16th April and 22nd June. This year the top three local schools will receive cash prizes to $6000. To support our school simply save your receipts and place them into the Safety Bay Primary School marked box located between Woolworths and Kmart and outside Coles, or into the box at the school office.

Track our progress by visiting runaroundaustralia.com.au

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Courses about parenting primary school aged children.

123 Magic and Emotion Coaching
Mums Raising Boys
Positive Parenting Program – Triple P
Protective Behaviours

Call 1300 364 277 for bookings and more information.

CLAN WA Parenting Workshops - Term 2, 2012
Please ring the office on 9581 5595 to book.

Managing Sibling Rivalry – Mandurah
Tuesday mornings: 8th & 15th May

Raising Boys – Rockingham
Tuesdays: 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th June

Bringing up Great Kids – Mandurah
Mondays: 11th, 18th, 25th June & 2nd July

123 Magic & Emotion Coaching – Mandurah
Thursdays: 31st May, 7th & 14th June

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Ngala facilitate a number of parenting education workshops to assist and support families with early parenting issues. Please see the flyer for our upcoming parenting workshop for Term 2 2012 at Ngala’s Rockingham office.

For more information, please contact Ngala’s education department via email, at education.admin@ngala.com.au

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Rockingham PCYC
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