Hello to all ADF families,

The kids have settled in to some great learning and activities throughout the first half of the year. It has been a busy time welcoming new families and farewelling others. With our ADF family numbers remaining high, Safety Bay Primary School has succeeded in obtaining funding to keep the DSTA program going through to 2016. I am pleased to be a part of such a dynamic and passionate team as we work together to meet the educational, emotional and social needs of all students.

In early May the school held its annual ANZAC assembly. In keeping with the Centenary Celebrations the students from C21 put on a re-enactment of Simpson’s Donkey. I would like to thank students and staff for their efforts; the re-enactment, attitude and behaviour of all students showed enormous consideration and respect in which the occasion deserved. A thank you goes to, LCDR Michael Kerrisk, who represented HMAS Stirling as our special guest.

In an effort to provide the school with a memorable experience we put together an interactive military display in Challenger block. The display included uniforms, photos, memorabilia and equipment. Students were able to wander through, try on uniforms and learn more about Australia’s involvement in all conflicts. We were also fortunate to have some of the poppies from the Albany celebration in our display. Thank you to the Army Museum Fremantle, Department of Veterans’ Affairs and families & friends of Safety Bay Primary School for the loan of items included in the display.

In an effort to encourage friendships, resiliency and inclusivity, I have been holding activities for students at lunch times. The activities are held on a Wednesday & Thursday and range from games to craft. Its lots of fun and very noisy☺ All students are most welcome to come along.
I will continue to monitor students friendships and progress throughout the remainder of the year, including working with them in their classrooms.

Please keep me advised of any changes to your family, such as deployments and postings as this will assist teachers and myself to cater for students/family needs.

I have access to a range of resources which may assist your family or if I can be of further assistance please don’t hesitate to contact me.

To all ADF parents/carers/ and non-school aged siblings you are invited to attend a morning tea.

When: Thursday 13 August 2015
Where: Staff Room
Time: 9.00 am – 10.00 am

Please come along and meet other families and enjoy a hot/cold drink and a biscuit. I hope you can join me, please remember to sign in at the front office 😊

Kind regards,

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