Principal’s Word

Last weekend we had a group of hard working parents who helped demolish the walls in the covered assembly area and then installed roller doors. The purpose of the exercise was to enable the possibility of ALL students being able to be seated in the area and also to improve viewing access for parents. Led by Scott Cleary the team had the walls down in next to no time, which allowed Darren from Residential Garage Doors to come in and complete to job. Darren, the area looks sensational and, with another door to be added near the art room, there will be plenty of room for everyone to see the performances. The seats will be placed between the poles around the area for the children to sit on in the mornings.

I want to thank Scott, who runs Scott Cleary Bricklaying and Natasha Trajceski, (Residential Garage Doors) for coordinating the project. Also to all of those parents who came in the morning to help, a big thanks.

Easter Bonnet Parade

Last Friday saw the whole school assembled for the Easter Hat parade. Nearly every student had a hat and paraded to the large number of parents. Thank you so much to the P&C for arranging all the prizes and raffle. Also, thank you to those parents who donated to the raffle enabling the committee to make over $2 800. This money will help to put air-conditioning in the Kindy rooms for the coming summer. Thank you to the committee and all those that helped ensure this was such a great event.

ANZAC

We have two major ANZAC events coming up before the end of term. Firstly, on Monday 4th April there will be an in school performance for the students. This will take place at school from 9.30am to 11.30am. Please ensure you have paid your money as soon as possible. Then on Friday 8th April, we will have our ANZAC Day assembly, led by C19. The Safety Bay ANZAC Assembly has always been a very well received event and I’m sure the tradition will continue. All parents are welcome to attend. The assembly will commence at approximately 2.00pm around the Flag pole area.

School Council Meeting

At the upcoming School Council Meeting on 31st March the members will be contributing to the development of the next Safety Bay Primary School Strategic Plan. The purpose will be to review the current vision of the school and look toward what our Focus Areas will be for the next three years. We have also invited Jill Erikssen, the President of the school’s P&C to attend. Members of the council will also be invited to attend the Leadership Team meeting on Monday 4th April to put together a DRAFT Plan.

GRIP Conference

The student leaders of Safety Bay will be attending the annual GRIP Leadership Conference on Thursday 31st March at the Gary Holland Centre in Rockingham. The program exists to train and develop leaders with a special focus on school students. The conference promotes the values of Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity and People. Ms Cooke will be attending with our 18 school prefects and captains, supported by Ms Casey.

Quote: It is not because things are difficult that we do not dare, it is because we do not dare that they are difficult.

Wayne McKay
Principal

LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS FRIDAY 8TH OF APRIL—STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR TERM 2 ON WEDNSDAY 27TH APRIL
IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 24th March  School Development Day—Students do not attend school on this day.
Friday 25th March  Good Friday
Monday 28th March  Easter Monday Public Holiday
Tuesday 29th March  Easter Tuesday—School closed
Thursday 31st March  Year 6 GRIP Leaders Conference
Friday 1st April  Group A Assembly—C16
Monday 4th April  ANZAC—Sydney or the Bush In School Performance
Wednesday 6th April  Years 4-6 Interschool Swimming Carnival

MERIT CERTIFICATES—GROUP B ASSEMBLY 11TH MARCH

Congratulations go to the following students, the latest recipients of our prestigious Merit Certificates. Well done!!

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YEAR GROUP % ATTENDANCE FROM 08-18 MARCH
Today our class, C17 went to the garden after lunch. We are focusing on putting pavers between the garden beds, then painting them. I hope that we get to plant some more stuff. I think we are just weeding and watering the garden today. We also have a worm farm in our garden that I hope to learn more about. I love going to the garden because it gives us all a chance to work together and we can all have a lot of FUN!

Felicity M. C17

We understand from time to time that your child may require to take short term medication whilst at school, (ie antibiotics etc). When this occurs we need you to bring the medication to the office and complete a form for the administration of short term medication.

We are finding an increased number of students are just turning up with medication and unless we have the completed paperwork we can not administer the necessary medication.

The Safety Bay Primary School canteen needs support from the community to make sure that our canteen remains fully operational, especially on Monday’s and Tuesday’s.

The canteen offers a range of healthy and tasty recess and lunch time foods. So help to keep our canteen running by considering purchasing recess or lunch from the school canteen.

Easter Egg Raffle
I would like to thank everyone who donated Easter Eggs for the Easter Egg Raffle. We had enough Easter Eggs so that each classroom had 8 prizes, plus prizes for the winners of the Easter Bonnet Parade.
We raised $2848.20 from ticket sales which is fabulous.

Undercover Area Renovations
Thank you to all the volunteers who turned up Saturday 19th March at 7.30am to help tear down the brick walls in the undercover area. I was very impressed with how many people showed up and I was impressed with how fast everyone was working. When I arrived at 7.45am the above photo is what I saw…impressive!

Term 2 Event
The P&C’s Term 2 Fundraiser will be a very special Obstacle Course Walkathon! We are still working on all the details so if you have some obstacle course ideas then come to Wednesday nights P&C meeting.

Meeting
The P&C meeting is tonight, Wednesday 23rd March at 7.00pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Jill Erikssen
P&C President

You’re on the road to success when you realise that failure is merely a detour.
KidsMatter would like to acknowledge ‘World Autism Awareness Day’, this will take part on the 2nd of April. At Safety Bay Primary some classes will be undertaking activities to support awareness on the 1st of April. Around the world thousands of landmarks will be lit up in blue, on the 2nd of April to support awareness.

**History**

On December 18, 2007, the United Nations General Assembly adopted resolution 62/139, tabled by the State of Qatar, which declares April 2 as World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD) in perpetuity. Her Highness Sheikha Mozah Bint Nasser Al-Missned, Consort of His Highness Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani, the Emir of the State of Qatar, supported the campaign for a World Autism Awareness Day through the current 62nd UN General Assembly Session, garnering consensus support from all United Nations Member States.

This UN resolution declares WAAD as one of only four official health-specific United Nations Days and will bring the world's attention to autism, a pervasive disorder that affects tens of millions. The World Autism Awareness Day resolution encourages all Member States to take measures to raise awareness about autism throughout society and to encourage early diagnosis and early intervention. It further expresses deep concern at the prevalence and high rate of autism in children in all regions of the world and the consequent developmental challenges.

World Autism Awareness Day shines a bright light on autism as a growing global health crisis. WAAD activities help to increase and develop world knowledge of the autism epidemic and impart information regarding the importance of early diagnosis and early intervention. Additionally, WAAD celebrates the unique talents and skills of persons with autism and is a day when individuals with autism are warmly welcomed and embraced in community events around the globe. By bringing together autism organizations all around the world, we will give a voice to the millions of individuals worldwide who are undiagnosed, misunderstood and looking for help. Please join us in our effort to inspire compassion, empowerment and hope.

**Did you know ...**

- Autism now affects 1 in 68 children and 1 in 42 boys
- Autism prevalence figures are growing
- Autism is one of the fastest-growing developmental disorders in the U.S.
- Autism costs a family $60,000 a year on average
- Boys are nearly five times more likely than girls to have autism
- There is no medical detection or cure for autism

**Understanding Autism**

Autism spectrum disorder, commonly known as ASD, affects how people communicate and interact with others. It affects how they make sense of the world.

Autism is a developmental condition that typically lasts throughout a person’s lifetime. People with ASD experience difficulties with communication, social interaction and restricted/repetitive interests and behaviours. These difficulties are often accompanied by behavioural challenges and sensory issues.

The term “spectrum” is used to emphasise that autism presents differently in every single person. People with autism have a wide range of challenges as well as abilities.

These difficulties might present as some (or all) of the following characteristics:

1) Social communication and interaction
   - Lack of social-emotional reciprocity – pointing, smiling, showing you things
   - Lack of non-verbal communication such as nodding and shaking head, using hand gestures
   - Difficulty in developing and maintaining relationships appropriate to developmental level, such as peer play, lack of close friends – this very much depends on the age
   - Delayed speech or unable to speak two words by age two
   - Lack of eye contact when speaking
   - Loss of language skills at any age

2) Restricted and repetitive behaviours:
   - Excessive adherence to routines, patterns or behaviour, distressed at changes
   - Stereotyped or repetitive speech, movements or use of objects, such as rolling wheels before eyes, flapping hands, toe walking
   - Hyper or hypo-reactivity to sensory input such as sound, pain or textures
   - Restricted or fixated interests such as only playing with certain toys or discuss certain topics
   - Aggressive toward other people or toward self

Typically diagnose is for a child at about 2 years of age, when it becomes apparent they are not meeting their developmental milestones. Symptoms of autism can sometimes be subtle and may not become obvious until a child starts school or moves into adulthood.

Whilst there are some shared characteristics, it’s important to remember and respect that autism presents differently in different people.

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Autism is not a physical disability so people on the spectrum look no different to their peers. This can make it difficult for some people to understand why an autistic person might be behaving or reacting in a particular way.

Many people with ASD live completely independent lives, others need support in almost all aspects.

Let’s all aim to see each person with ASD for the person they are, and not for what we think their diagnosis means.

2016 RASSA SUMMER CARNIVAL

Our annual RASSA Summer carnival was held on a very warm Autumn day, Wednesday, 9th March.

Our two teeball teams travelled to Lark Hill, two Cricket teams to Lark Hill and our three netball teams to the Mike Barnett Stadium.

Congratulations to all of 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 of the carnivals: Safety Bay, Charthouse, Waikiki, Port Kennedy, Rockingham Beach and Rockingham Lakes.

Our results for the day were:

**Teeball Boys – 5th; Teeball Girls - 5th**

**OVERALL: 5th**

Thank you to Miss Holtom for coaching and training leading up to the day and Mrs Coulter for volunteering her day to coach the girls’ team at the carnival.

**Netball “A” – 5th; Netball “B” – =2nd; Netball “Boys” – WINNERS!**

**OVERALL: 3rd**

Thank you to Mrs Johnsen for coaching and training and Mrs Kermath and Mr White for volunteering their day to coach a team.

**Cricket “A” – 6th; Cricket “B” - 2nd!**

**OVERALL: 5th**

Thank you to Mr McLaren for coaching and training leading up to the day and Mr Doig for volunteering his day to coach the “B” team.

Also, a huge thank you to the many parents who came along to the carnivals and supported our teams, some of whom assisted with scoring and helping out the teams.

Mrs White
Physical Education Teacher
EASTER HAT PARADE
FRIDAY 18TH MARCH
On Monday March 2016, Safety Bay Primary School had a food fair. All year sixes and year fives brought in food from different countries. I brought in Toffee Pop biscuits. My friend Alisha’s grandma made amazing Indian food. I loved her chicken samosas. The fair started at 12.00noon.

The food that I thought was delicious was the kangaroo. The brown yoyo’s were to die for. There were salmon toasties too. They looked so good but I could not eat the salmon because it makes me sick. Lullah in my class brought some mini scones and some haggis. I’ve never had haggis before but it was really good. Scottish food was really yummy.

The Italian ravioli pasta was divine. I haven’t had ravioli in a long time and it was still as good as I remember. I really wish there was garlic bread, which would have been amazing. There was pulled pork in the Italian area. I didn’t know that pulled pork was Italian.

Most of all, by far the Australian was the best because there were ANZAC biscuits. I had never tried emu and kangaroo sausages before. The sausages were really chewy. The mini Pavlovas were really rich for me but boy were they good.

I want to say a special thanks to all the parents for cooking and serving and managing. You guys and ladies are the best. Thank you so much.

By Cohen H – Year 6/C19

On Monday 21st March, all the Year 5 and 6 classes took part in a food fair to celebrate Harmony Day. We all had to bring a plate of food from the country our family comes from. I brought chicken samosas, vegetable samosas, bajyahs and chutney from India.

Our class lined up and walked to Challenger a few minutes before lunch time, to take part in the food fair. There were many different varieties of delicious foods from different countries to choose from. We had to line up and wait to receive our plates. Once we were given our plates, we chose what foods we wanted to eat.

After everyone had eaten their first serve, you were allowed to go in for as many serves as we liked! I mostly ate desserts as almost all the meals had meats in them that I was not allowed to eat. I think I ate about four or five delicious servings. I was too full to eat any more.

I enjoyed the Harmony Day food fair because I had the chance to sample foods from different countries. The food was really delicious. I wonder what they will do next year!

By Alisha B—Year 6/C19
As part of Safety Bay Primary School’s focus on improving Literacy for all students, we are continuing to run a program called Multilit. This stands for Making Up Lost Time In Literacy. Multilit is an intensive word attack and reading program designed to improve children’s progress in reading and comprehension.

We are very enthusiastic about this program, as research has shown that children can make up to 18 months’ gain in their reading progress, in just two school terms.

The program is delivered by volunteer tutors who are trained in the program. Each child attends 3 – 4 x 30 minute sessions per week. To enable the program to continue successfully, we require the assistance of more volunteers. If you have 30 minutes to spare per week, on a regular basis, then we would love to hear from you. You can contact Katrina Muirhead at the school on 9528 3680 or email Katrina.Muirhead@education.wa.edu.au

Katrina Muirhead
Multilit Co-ordinator

Parent help is needed to help run the Commonwealth Student School Banking.
If you can spare one hour on a Thursday morning before school 8.00am to 9.00am your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Joy on 0466 540 559 or email pjnikulandra@yahoo.com.au, or you can pop down to see Joy and Tamara in person on Thursday morning outside the canteen.
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Scooter Skate + BMX Autumn 2016
BMX and Scooter Skills Clinics
Saturday April 9 | 11am - 1pm
Rockingham PCYC Skatepark, Emma St Rockingham

Thursday April 14 | 12pm - 4pm
Pop-Up Skate Park in Baldivis Town Square, Settlers Avenue Baldivis

Friday April 15 | 11am - 1pm
Daniel Kelley Memorial Skatepark, Aura Boulevard Golden Bay

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