Principal's Word

Last Thursday, ‘in shot productions’ came to the school and took some photos of our students, teachers and community members. They did this for our school’s application toward becoming an Independent Public School. On Tuesday 23rd August, Mrs Elleke Bosworth (School Council Chair) and myself will have the opportunity to explain why Safety Bay Primary School should be provided the chance to become an Independent Public School, ahead of another 130 schools. When Kristen from ‘in shot productions’ offered the use of their drone to get some aerial photos showing the students, teachers and community, we jumped at it.

Below is one of the brilliant photos. Thank you to Kristen and Craig for their contribution.

Cross Country

Today we have sent 24, Year 4 to 6 students off to the Interschool Cross Country. A couple of weeks ago we had many of the students take part in our own cross country event, which was a great success thanks to the organisation of Mr McLaren and the support of staff. We hope we have had some winners and everyone had some fun.

Learning Journey

On the evening of Thursday 8th September we will be holding a Learning Journey as a way of providing an opportunity for parents to see the sorts of work their child or children have been undertaking in the classroom. There will be a sausage sizzle organised by the Year 5 students to raise money for their school camp in 2017; the school choir will be performing and all classrooms will be open for viewing. Your child will be able to guide you through various aspects of their school work undertaken throughout the term and in some cases for the year. It is for YOU (the Parent) to spend time and talk to YOUR CHILD about their school work and activities. Please lock this date into your diary.

One Big Voice

This Friday our Senior Choir will be travelling to the Perth Arena to perform at the “One Big Voice” Festival. It is Australia’s largest ever children’s choir performing live. There will be 4,000 singers in one single performance, including our wonderful students. Mrs Sally Quealy has worked very hard to ensure the students are ready to perform at this historic event. Thank you to all parents of the performing students for your support.

Wakakirri Performance Night

On Wednesday 17th August a group of our Year 3 and 4 students will be performing at the Regal Theatre in Subiaco from 7.00pm. Wakakirri is a story dance competition opened to all schools in WA. Our story is based around how the destruction of rainforest for palm oil (in Indonesia) is impacting on orang-utans and how young conservationists attempt to change this by protesting in Perth, Australia. Miss Alden, supported by Mrs Dixon, Mrs Muirhead and a number of parents, have produced costumes, props and music to create this extravaganza. Thank you to all involved for providing an exceptional opportunity for our children. Good Luck.

Quote: “Action may not always bring happiness; but there is no happiness without action.” Benjamin Disraeli

Wayne McKay
Principal
**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Thursday 11th August**  
P&C Meeting 7.00pm in the staff room

**Friday 12th August**  
C13—Whole school Assembly  
‘One Big Voice’ - Senior Choir Festival at Perth Arena

**Tuesday 16th August**  
Scholastic Book Fair begins in the Library

**Wednesday 17th August**  
Wakakirri Performance night 7.00pm at The Regal Theatre

**Friday 19th August**  
NAIDOC Day assembly

**Monday 22nd August**  
Last day for Scholastic Book Fair  
Year 6 Safety Bay Library visit

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**MERIT CERTIFICATES—ASSEMBLY 29th JULY**

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

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**YEAR GROUP % ATTENDANCE FROM 18th JULY—9TH AUGUST**

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**WAKAKIRRI—IT’S ALMOST SHOW TIME!**

Over a term and a half worth of rehearsing has all led up to this big day, the regional finals of Wakakirri! 60 students from Years 3 and 4 will join Miss Alden and Mrs Dixon at the Regal Theatre on Wednesday 17th August. We will be competing against 11 primary schools from all over WA and looking to win the Best Environmental Awareness Story Award.

Here is the synopsis of our story which is title *Deforest Devastation*:

Our story is set in two countries: Borneo, Indonesia and Perth, Australia. We begin in Borneo, a beautiful, lush forest of oil palm plantations where the orang-utans live harmoniously. In Perth, consumers begin to buy more products that include palm oil. The plantation is flagged to be cleared. Without warning, the arborists come along and the orang-utans have nowhere to run. Young conservationists protest in Perth, attempting to save the rainforest. Will they be able to change the ways of the consumers in Perth, or is it too late?

The teachers joining us are Mrs Muirhead, Mr McLaren, Mrs Greenacre and Mrs Chatley. We would like to thank all Wakakirri parents for their ongoing support. An extra special mention to Lee Snelgar who has worked tirelessly over the past three weeks to create our orang-utan and palm tree costumes. Thank you also to Sue Clark for her assistance with costumes.

Good luck to all our Safety Bay Wakakirri children. Mrs Dixon and I know that the children will perform to their best and make our school proud. If you are attending on the night, please cheer for our school!

Miss Alden
Teacher—C15

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**C19 NEWS**

This semester, the students of C19 are designing and creating small craft items to sell at the fete in term four. This allows us to see how everyday craft items can be used to create some wild and wacky things. We are enjoying having parents come in and help us too.

**HELP NEEDED**

We are needing craft odds and ends for our Technology & Enterprise projects in semester two. These things will be used to create items to be sold at the school fete, fundraising for camp in 2017.

We need things like: ribbon, wool, beads, feathers, sequins, buttons, thread, wobbly eyes, etc. Anything we can use to create!!!

If you can help, please drop material off at C19.

THANKYOU!

Miss Holtom and the Year 5 and 6’s.

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**LOST PROPERTY**

Once again the lost property box is full of unlabelled items, school jackets, lunch boxes and drink bottles are just an example. Please remember to write your child/ren’s name on all their school property, so if in the case that it does get lost it can be returned to your child/ren’s class.

The lost property box can be found outside the staff room, so if you have lost any items please check to see if they have been placed in there.

Thank you.

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**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR**

Safety Bay Primary School annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the Library from Tuesday 16th August finishing Monday 22nd August. Remember to save your money as it is a great opportunity to buy some fantastic books as well as helping support our school Library!
THE FROG POND
We arrived back from the term two holidays to see that the area behind C16/C13 had been cleared of all the grass and weeds. What had happened? The P&C along with some volunteers had been hard at work planning out a frog pond garden.

Mrs McCulloch told the gardeners (students of C17) to dig out the frog pond. We had to watch out for some pipes. Next Mrs McCulloch and Mr Fernandez lay the pond liner over the hole we dug. Finally C17 placed rocks around the pond so the frogs have places to hide in the hot dry summer.

By Ethan Fear C17

SAFETY BAY PLAYGROUP
When: Fridays – 9:00am-10:30am
Where: W8

All welcome to just come for a chat and a cuppa and get to know other parents and their toddlers. Ms Bell and Miss Venn have kindly allowed us to use their room, so there are lots of things to engage your toddler/baby.

We are under the WA Playgroup Association arrangement so there are some costs involved with membership of $30/family or $15/family with a Concession Card. This is transferrable to other playgroups run by the association each year.

We also ask for a gold coin donation to top up resources.

Look forward to seeing you there!!!

Sharon Young and Sandra Casey

For more information about events held by PlaygroupWA, please click on following link http://login.missilemail.com.au/l/ViewEmail/r/8A6CCB018AFB66892540EF23F30FEDED/E393CA81F2250D55DCC9454293137CA2

P&C NEWS
P&C term three events to note:

This Thursday 11th August at 7.00pm—P&C meeting-everyone is welcome to attend

Friday 26th August—Summer Uniform pre-order forms go home

Friday 2nd September— Summer Uniform pre-order forms due back to school

Thursday 8th September at 1.30pm—P&C meeting-everyone is welcome to attend.

Thank you.

Jill Erikssen
P&C President

2016-2017 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Entertainment Books available at office or online - Help us fundraise!
The 2016/2017 Entertainment Book is now available to purchase. There will be limited numbers of both the printed book and the digital version available so make sure you get in early so you don't miss out!

Getting in early for mental health and wellbeing

Keeping children healthy and happy involves looking after their mental health as well as their physical health. Mental health is how we think or feel about ourselves and what is going on around us, and how we cope with the ups and downs of life. Good mental health helps us to form positive relationships with others, handle challenges and be able to generally enjoy life. With good mental health, children think positively about themselves and learn and achieve better results at school. Good mental health in childhood lays the foundations for positive mental health and wellbeing, now and into the future.

Children's mental health difficulties and how to get help

Should I be concerned? Suggestions for families

Some children have emotional and behavioural difficulties that are mild, short-lived and can be resolved with minimum help and support. Others may have difficulties that seem more serious, and interfere with everyday life. Their emotions or behaviour seem to be different to other children of the same age. When problems occur for more than a few weeks and interfere with school, home, friendship or daily life, it is probably time to seek assistance.

The following signs may indicate your child has a difficulty that needs professional attention:

- Frequent, unexplained temper tantrums
- Unusual fears
- Difficulty in going to sleep or staying asleep
- Sadness and feelings of hopelessness that don’t go away
- Avoiding friends or family and wanting to be alone most of the time
- Refusing to go to preschool or school on a regular basis
- Inability to get along with other children
- Hyperactive behaviour or constant movement beyond regular playing
- Noticeable disinterest or decline in school performance
- Frequent aggressive reaction (more than typically expected in the situation)
- Severe difficulties with concentration, attention and organisation
- Significant changes in behaviour over a short period of time

Things to take into account when deciding on the need for treatment

1. How severe the symptoms are in terms of:
   - how much distress they cause
   - how often they occur.

2. How much impact the symptoms have on the child:
   - at home
   - at school
   - elsewhere

3. How the child's behaviour and feelings compare with that of other children the same age.

4. Any particular experiences within the child's family, school, community or culture that may be influencing the behaviours of concern.

5. How the difficulties are affecting the child's:
   - behaviour
   - emotions
   - thoughts
   - learning
   - social relationships
This term we are focusing on building better relationships with our local communities. As per learning outcome 2 children are connected with and contribute to their world “My Time Our Place”.

A few of the children have discussed with educators and amongst each other that when they grow up they would like to be firemen. We have also been practicing our fire drills and lock downs so the children become familiar and are confident when in an emergency situation.

To further encourage these life skills we decided to call the local fire department to see if they could come in to discuss safety and so we could have a look at their cool fire trucks! After all, if they want to be firemen they need to try before they buy! We had such a fun day and most of the children said their favourite part was using the hose to squirt the water everywhere!
NOTICES FROM OUR COMMUNITY:
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FREE SOFTBALL CLINIC
Bring the kids to “Have a Go” at Softball. Boys and girls aged 7-14 are welcome to attend this FREE CLINIC on Sunday 28th August 10.00am—11.30am at the Lark Hill Sportsplex Port Kennedy. Softball is a great sport for kids of all abilities. Softball runs on Saturday mornings at Lark Hill – so no travel involved. Softball is very affordable for kids to play - fees range from $30 to $60 for the entire season!!! Season runs from October-March.

For more information ring Linda 0431 327 442 or email deboni57@bigpond.com.au or visit the Rockingham City and Districts Softball Association Facebook page.
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