



Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



A harmonious innovative environment nurturing excellence.

Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

With twelve school days to go before the end of term, all teachers are currently finalising their **Semester 1 Reports**. Reports will be sent home on Tuesday 28th June.

The date for our **Open Night** has now been set for Tuesday 2nd August (Tuesday of Week 2). Further details will be sent home next term.

Garden Guardians have now been selected and presented with their badges. We look forward to hearing from our new student leaders in our next newsletter.



As a part of the **Sporting Schools Program**, Mr Christian Tuffilli from the Swan Districts Football Club is working with students for five sessions after school this term to develop their football skills. Mr Tuffilli is working in conjunction with the Forrestfield Rhinos to promote AFL and encourage children to get active and join their local football club.

A huge thanks also to Mr Shane Lanzon and the Lesmurdie Football Club for the donation of 12 footballs to be used in the Football Program.

IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE	
24	DRLC Winter Carnival—AFL and Netball
28	Semester 1 Reports home
29	Room 4 TED Assembly Parent Newsletter
30	Fun Run
JULY	
1	Last day of Term
18	School Development Day Students do not attend school
19	Tuesday —Term 3 commences

On Friday our **Pre Service teachers**, Mrs Vicki Stockley (Room 13), Mr Stephen Jones (Room 2) and Ms Nicole Baradjie (Room 1) will complete their teaching practicum at our school. We thank them for their contribution to our school this term and wish them well in their future teaching career.

Last Friday our School Council met and endorsed our **2015 School Report**. The School Report will be placed on our website next week and is also available from the office.

Diane Greenaway
Principal



STUDENT ASSEMBLY

Congratulations to the following students who were presented Honour Certificates at the mornings Student Assembly.

Congratulations also to;

Students in Room 13—Highest Attendance Award

Students in Room 12—Runner Up Attendance Award

All parents are invited to our next TED Assembly on Wednesday 29th June when the students from Room 4 will be presenting the item. We invite all parents and family members to join us in the kitchen for morning tea following the assembly.

Honour Certificates

Rm 1	Gage Woods, Senugi Rodrigo
Rm 2	Jack Fernie-Keep, Ella McIntosh, Alexis Duffy
Rm 4	Millena Bitkash-Cunningham, Jackia Little
Rm 12	Ali Rajaey, John Narrier
Rm 13	Muzammil Jafari, Rhys Fahy
Rm 14	Jarn Ada, Taliyah Minchin
Rm 17	Louelle Tuckett, Joanna Kabamba
Science/Sport	Adrian Howe, Nelah Hulton-Toleafoa



Deputy's Diary - Reading: its importance in literacy development:

It's a good idea to **read with your child often** – you can start from birth onwards. Children who have had experiences with language and print from an early age are more likely to develop a solid literacy foundation.

Reading with your child: gives you enjoyable time with them as you share an activity, looking at pictures and playing with words. It also

- helps them start to appreciate what books have to offer, and shows them that books can give both pleasure and information
- helps them learn the sounds of letters in spoken language
- helps them understand that stories aren't coming from you, but from the words on the page – this teaches them about how the printed word works
- helps them develop a larger vocabulary, which increases their understanding, pleasure and interest in reading (this is because books offer more unusual words than are used in everyday language or on television)
- improves their thinking and problem-solving skills allows them to start a conversation about a new concept, an event or something that interests your child.

What you can do

- Read with your child. You can start from birth, but it's never too late to begin.
- When your child is old enough, encourage them to hold the book and turn the pages. This will help them start to understand that the book should be a certain way up, and that pages are always turned in the same direction.
- Slide your finger along underneath the words as you read them, pointing out each word. This indicates to your child that we always start on the left and move to the right when reading English, helping them start to understand the rules of reading.
- Point out pictures and talk about the pictures your child points to.

Make the sounds of animals or other objects in the book – have fun!

Taking the time to read daily with your child is one of the greatest gifts you can give them.



P & C News

Today was the last P & C Meeting for this term. Check the Term 3 Planner for the date of the next P & C Meeting.

Uniform Shop

Winter is here and we have school jumpers, zip jackets and tracksuit pants in stock to keep students warm.

We also have school shirts available in all sizes.

Our size range is from 4-16

School Banking is this Friday.

Canteen

Kids love it when they see they parents helping out in Canteen!

We are looking for new Canteen volunteers to join us in Term 3.

You can do it once a term, once a month or more - its up to you.

Grandparents are also welcome.

Book Club orders are due tomorrow.

P & C Transport Fund

Each week, some of the Canteen profit goes into a Transport Fund to help reduce excursion costs.

In Term 2, we have helped subsidise bus hire for Room 1's visit to Parliament House and Room 2's trip to Fremantle Prison.

This meant that the cost was reduced for parents with kids in those classes

WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK—

Waterwise Tip - Mulch your garden

Using mulch can reduce evaporation loss from the soil surface by as much as 70%. Mulch should be spread over the entire planted area to a minimum thickness of 75mm and have at least a 50mm breathing space around the stems at base of plants. Adding organic material such as compost to the soil also helps with retaining moisture. Soil wetting products break down the water resistance that soils and lawns build up and allow water to penetrate to the roots.



News from the Chaplain

Every morning we run a Breakfast Club for kids that come to school without breakfast or have very little breakfast. Breakfast club starts from 8am and finishes at 8:25am, and you can find us in Mrs Parker's Pantry. Each morning we have some great staff that will serve the kids some hot toast, eggs, baked beans, pancakes and/or cereal. We also make the kids a warm Milo to help settle them in for the day. All our food is donated from Manna, so there is no need to charge the kids anything for a free hot meal. If you would like to come and check out the Breakfast Club or maybe you would like to help out feel free to contact me at the school for more details.

If you require any assistance or would like to have a chat about anything, feel free to contact the office to make an appointment with me. I am available Tuesday and Wednesday.

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PLASTIC FREE JULY

LET'S GET READY!

EXPERIENCE PLASTIC-FREE LIVING!

When Sunday, June 26, 9am to 12noon

Venue Old Midland Courthouse,
Helena Street, Midland (next to Midland Library)

FREE WORKSHOPS AND ACTIVITIES

- Make your own reusable produce bags
- Pasta making demonstration
- Create beeswax wraps to protect fresh food
- Learn other ways to reduce your need for plastic
- Meet inspiring people giving up plastic and waste
- Write your pledge for Plastic Free July 2016
- Kid's activities

WHAT IS PLASTIC FREE JULY?

The challenge is quite simple... attempt to refuse single-use plastic during July.

Plastic Free July aims to raise awareness of the amount of single use disposable plastic in our lives and challenges people to do something about it. You can sign up for a day, a week or the whole month; and try to refuse ALL single use plastic, or try the TOP 4 - plastic bags, water bottles, takeaway coffee cups and straws.

FREE EVENT

GUEST SPEAKERS INCLUDING:

- The creators of Plastic Free July
- 'Treading My Own Path' blogger Lindsay Miles
- Four-year Plastic Free July veteran Amanda Welschbiller

For more information and to accept the challenge online visit www.plasticfreejuly.org