



Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

Semester 1 Reports were sent home with all students on Friday and we hope all families were pleased with their child's/children's progress. Our next whole school reporting event will be our **Open Night** on Wednesday 20th August commencing at 4.30pm. Please place this date on your calendar.

Our netball, football and soccer teams participated in the **Darling Range Learning Community's Winter Carnival** last Friday. All teams gave their best and showed excellent sports manners. Congratulations to our **Netball A Team** who won the trophy. Our thanks to Mr O'Connor for helping to organise the Carnival, to teachers who trained our teams and to parents for supporting the event.



Our **Onesie Fundraiser** last week was lots of fun with \$157 raised for Kanyana. Thank you everyone. We hope to enjoy the photos on Page 3.

After a fifty year career, **Mrs Schreuders** has announced that she will be retiring on Tuesday 29th July. Mrs Schreuders has taught in our Junior Cluster for eighteen years and is a much loved and highly respected teacher. Ms Paget will be Room 12's teacher from 30th July.

We are currently taking **enrolments for Kindy 2015**. To ensure a place at the commencement of the school year, I urge you to enrol by Friday 25th July. **Darling Range Sports College are also taking enrolments for Year 7 and Year 8 2015**. To secure your place, please visit Darling Range and enrol by the same date.

Wishing all families a happy and safe holiday break. A reminder that school commences next term on **WEDNESDAY 23rd July**.

Diane Greenaway PRINCIPAL

IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

4	Last Day of Term 2
23	TERM 3 Starts Wednesday 23rd July
24	P&C Meeting 2.00pm
30	Parent Newsletter

AUGUST

1	Faction Cross Country
6	Student Assembly

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**FRIDAY
25 JULY**
IS AN
IMPORTANT
DATE IN YOUR
CHILD'S
EDUCATION

**You need to apply to enrol your child
in a public school for 2015 if they are:**

- starting Kindergarten – 4 years old by 30 June 2015
- starting Pre-primary – 5 years old by 30 June 2015
- starting Year 7 – that will be the first year of secondary school
- starting Year 8
- changing schools.

Visit your local school to apply to enrol by 25 July.

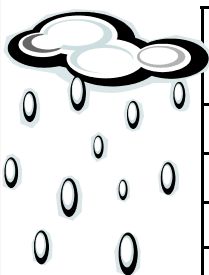
For more information and to find public schools in your area
visit education.wa.edu.au.



ROOM 12 TED ASSEMBLY

At the Assembly this morning we were treated to a wonderful presentation by Room 12. Their Environmental play "Waterwoman Waterman" and singing of "Raindrops Keep Falling on my Head" was enjoyed by everybody.

They also presented a magnificent display of dioramas. Congratulations to all our award winners this week!



Writers of the Month

Rm 2	JayDee O'Donnell, Breanna Alone
Rm 4	Sarah Duff, Mitchell Peterson
Rm 9	Keisha McRae, Sian Lopez
Rm 12	Jack Fernie-Keep, Hannah Thomas
Rm 13	Shinelle Garlett, Saira Finlay

Honour Certificates

Rm 2	Caleb Huata, Dylan Harvey
Rm 4	Ella McIntosh, Caitlyn Urbanek
Rm 9	Steven Little, James Bradshaw
Rm 12	Alexis Duffy, Dayna Plese
Rm 13	Jason Alver, Adrian Howe
Cooking	Saira Akbari, Sara Anderson, Jason

Virtues Certificates - Tolerance

Rm 2	Kuini Bavadra, Zachary Purtle
Rm 4	Gage Woods, Saint Barnes
Rm 9	Kelly Elsdon, Darnell Hewitt
Rm 12	Milly B-Cunningham, Kinston Kara
Rm 13	Teukava Finau, Maison Smith

PACES Semester 1 2014

PACES stands for Primary Academic Challenge and Enrichment Studies. Every semester, Darling Range Sports College hosts a group of primary students selected from the 7 local feeder schools in the Darling Range Learning Community.



Semester 1, 2014 saw a group of 22 talented, enthusiastic and engaged students participate in an interdisciplinary learning program titled "Bones and Mummies." The students enjoyed the varied learning experiences, such as:

- *Anatomy- we dissected a sheep's femur and learned all about the importance of our skeletal system
- *Mathematics- we learned how to predict a person's height based on the length of their femur
- *The Scientific Method- we investigated what would happen if you removed all the collagen and calcium from a chicken bone
- *Archaeology- we reflected on the importance of tools and artefacts both in our society today and societies from the past

The students rounded out this semester's learning by forming groups, researching an ancient society, creating artefacts from that society and creating their own archaeological dig. On Monday, 23rd of June, we welcomed all the PACES students, their teachers and parents for a formal presentation. The students ran informative sessions outlining their new knowledge and everyone enjoyed socialising afterwards at the Morning Tea. I thoroughly enjoyed working with this group of students and we had a lot of fun learning about the past.

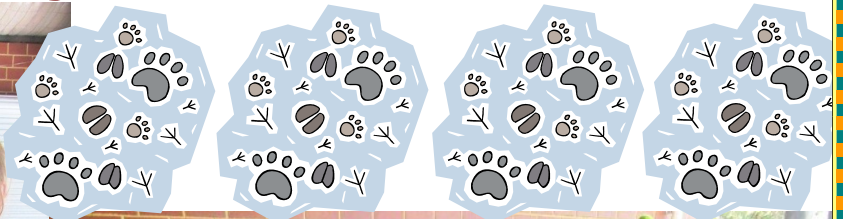
Next semester, I am looking forward to welcoming year 5 students from Forrestfield Primary School to learn all about the science of sport!

Mrs SCHEMBRI, PACES Teacher
Darling Range Sports College



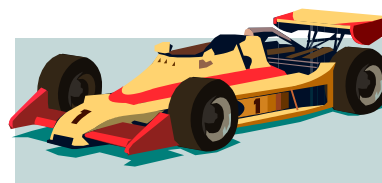


Onsie Fundraiser for Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre



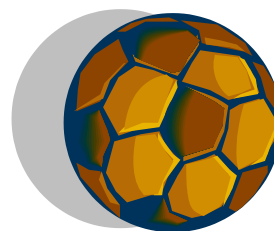
HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

These days there always seems to be something significant in the sporting world to watch for hours on TV. At the moment it is the World Cup in soccer and Wimbledon in tennis, but the stream of various games and events hardly ever breaks for long. There is always an important rugby or AFL match to catch, and the rousing finals come around so quickly. There is motor sport and wrestling, baseball and cricket, golf and athletics, horseracing and hockey, as well as netball, basketball, cycling, sailing, surfing, marathon and iron-man events. So much to watch and keep up with, and not enough hours in a day!



With all this activity to watch, sometimes I think we can forget what sports and team games are played for. The main reason these things are organised is not so that spectators can cheer and make bets, but so that people can enjoy the fun of participation together. The whole idea of sport is that people can regularly use their energy and practice their skills in an enjoyable and challenging activity. Even professional sport with all its pressures to make money does not work when people lose the focus of *playing* the game. I still think sport is meant to be played more than watched.

When we are growing up, we need all the exercise and outside exertion we can get. Children love to go outside and play games, despite our often poor example of being idle spectators rather than involved players. We should take every opportunity we get to play outdoor sport and games with our kids, even in winter. This holiday time, let's make an extra effort to spend some time playing kick to kick or chasey or catch with our children. Rather than sitting in front of the Box and watching someone else enjoy a game, let's kick the kids off their electronic amusement equipment and go for a run in the local park together, or play duck duck goose with the littler ones. Even at my age, I often go with my adult sons and daughters down the road to a park or oval and play kick to kick or baseball or catch. If I can do it, you can too!



Wishing you and your dear family a really great July holiday time together, from your school chaplain Paul Johnston, here for you on Mondays and Tuesdays again next Term.

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WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK— Choose a water efficient lawn

It is important to manage lawns correctly to minimise water wastage and reduce groundwater pollution through excess fertilising. Choose lawn that requires low water use, is heat and drought tolerant. Warm season grasses such as Couch, Buffalo, Saltene or Kikuyu respond well to the hot summers in Western Australia. By growing your lawn longer you will protect the roots and reduce evaporation, so hold off from mowing your lawns another week or two during summer.



ZERO WASTE LUNCH DAY

Every Wednesday this year our School is holding Zero Waste Lunch Day !!!!!

We encourage all children to bring their lunch and recess in a re-usable container— like a lunch box or takeaway plastic food container. Please try not to use any plastic wrap like Gladwrap, plastic wrappers, plastic bags etc.

Zero waste lunch days are linked to our Sustainability Focus for 2013 and makes kids and parents aware of what we throw out and our need to recycle as much as possible.



VIRTUES AND BEHAVIOUR FOCUS

Our focus virtue is currently **TOLERANCE**
and our focus behaviour is
“Hard Surface Behaviour”.

We ask that
parents
reinforce these
at home with
their children.

