



# Forrestfield Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents, Students and Community Members,

This week's newsletter features **TED's 5th Birthday** celebrations held last Wednesday. All children wished TED a very happy birthday at the assembly and then participated in teddy birthday tabloids. They played Pin the Bow on Ted, Pass the Parcel and made teddy gingerbread biscuits. It was lots of fun. A big thank you to our Year 6/7 students who organised the games and led groups. Our thanks also to parents who joined us for the Teddy Bears' Picnic lunch. We hope you enjoy all the pictures on Page 3.



As a part of the **Darling Range Learning Community**, all students in Year 5, 6 and 7 will be taking part in the **Citizenship Award**. Last week students brainstormed ideas which they can write about to demonstrate their Participation, Leadership and Excellence.



## IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE	
13	School Council
18	Student Assembly Parent Newsletter PEAC Testing Year 4 students
19	Garden Guardians Meeting 11.15am P&C Meeting 2.00pm in the Library
26	Reports Home Kindy Only
27	Reports Home PP-Year 7 Winter Carnival
JULY	
2	Room 12 TED Assembly
4	Last Day of Term 2 <b><u>TERM 3 Starts</u></b> <b><u>Wednesday 23rd July</u></b>

We are currently taking **enrolments for Kindy 2015**. The cut off date for the first round of applications is Friday 25th July. Please tell your family, friends and neighbours to come to the office and fill out an application as soon as possible to be guaranteed a place in our Kindy for the start of the year.

Last week we had some malicious damage to a car parked in our staff car park. This incident has been reported to the police. We ask parents to take care when parking in and around our school grounds.

*Diane Greenaway* **PRINCIPAL**

## SCHOOL SECURITY

We ask parents to ring **School Security on 1800 177 777** if you see suspicious activity after school hours.

Please help us look after our school.

### TED's BIRTHDAY ASSEMBLY

Our Extra Big Birthday Assembly for TED's 5th Birthday was held last week. Congratulations to Ms Andrews' Room 4 Classroom for their wonderful "Underpants" Item. It was thoroughly enjoyed by every one who attended.

Congratulations to all of our many Certificate Winners and well done on all your achievements.

Honour Certificates	
Rm 2	Brendan Schiller, JayDee O'Donnell
Rm 4	Ben Vua, Tanya Blessy-Suku
Rm 9	Meisha McRae, Dylan Cato
Rm 12	Rowan Dyson, Kingston Kara
Rm 13	Jackia Little, Maison Smith
Music	William Kelly, Saira Finlay

Virtues Certificates—Courtesy	
Rm 2	Sara Anderson, Jordan Woods
Rm 4	Ben Vua, Naveed Juma
Rm 9	Divine Niyera, Hayden Peters
Rm 12	Matthew West, Kingston Kara
Rm 13	Sophie McIntosh, Adrian Howe

Writer of the Month	
Rm 2	Katelin Holland, Brendan Schiller
Rm 4	Senugi Rodrigo, Jack Coffey
Rm 9	Brittany Cugini, Cayleb Kingi
Rm 12	Alicia Toleofa, Germano Masino
Rm 13	Lachlan West, Jason Alver

Our next Assembly will be held on Wednesday 18th June. All family and friends are welcome.



### Enrolling your child in Kindergarten or Community Kindergarten

A year of part-time Kindergarten for 15 hours each week is available either at your local school or Community Kindergarten.

While it is not compulsory, almost all parents send their children to Kindergarten so children get the best start to learning at school.

To enrol, your child must be four years old by 30 June in the year they attend Kindergarten.

If you are applying to enrol your child in Kindergarten or Community Kindergarten for this year or next year, you can do this now.

You will be informed of the outcome of your application by the school as soon as possible.

To enrol your child in Kindergarten for 2015, you will need to submit your application for enrolment by Friday 25 July 2014. Talk with your school for more information.

### DARLING RANGE SPORTS COLLEGE

#### Year 6 and 7 Parent College Tour

Parents of Year 6 and 7 students are invited to attend a tour of the College on **Wednesday 4 June from 9.00am until 9.45am**. The tour will give parents the opportunity to view the College grounds, meet the Transition Coordinator and ask any questions. If you would like to attend, please register your interest with Sam McShane, the Transition Coordinator, by calling 9453 0146 or via [email](#).

#### AFL, Netball & Soccer Trials

Trials are being held for AFL, Netball and Soccer at Darling Range Sports College on the following days

#### AFL – 5 June

Year 6 students – 9am -12pm  
Year 7 students – 12pm - 3pm

#### Netball – 5 June

Year 6 students – 9am -11.30am  
Year 7 students – 12pm—3pm

#### Soccer – 12 June

9am— 11am

If your **child currently plays any of these sports at club level**, then we encourage you to apply. Please complete and return the

[Expression of Interest – Sport](#) together with **copies** of the list of items on the first page prior to the trial date. For more information go to—

<http://darlingrangesc.wa.edu.au/>





# TED'S 5th BIRTHDAY

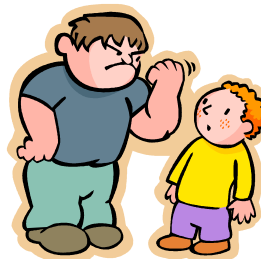




## FEEL SAFE, FEEL RIGHT

During this term our school is running a program called *Feel Safe, Feel Right*, for children in years 1 to 4. This is part of the BUZ (Build Up Zone) set of programs that are designed to build and support the social and emotional strengths our children need. The *Feel Safe, Feel Right* program is an opportunity for children to learn and practice protective behaviours for themselves, at their own level of development. It will help children become more aware of what they think or feel is 'not safe or not right' in order to help them create a safe environment and empower them with options when confronted with an unsafe situation or when they feel something is not right. This will include all forms of potential child abuse. Children have varying degrees of dependency on adults for their safety, so the program meets a child where they are at and builds on their knowledge base of unsafe situations and how to handle them.

As parents who truly care about our child, our role in this process is to be someone who is available and approachable for when they need us most. Children may be quite safe and contented with things most of the time, but when something is bothering them we will only be confident in if we have already shown that we are safe and caring. It requires us to treat them with respect and to listen to their everyday worries and concerns, so that they will be comfortable enough to share more important things with us if they crop up. Problems with their own safety or protection are not supposed to be carried by a child, but we responsible adults need to be good listeners so that a scared child can freely and safely pass any worrying load on to us.



These days, more than ever, children are vulnerable and close to danger quite often. Most of the dangers of modern life had not even been invented when I was a child! Apart from the risk of unscrupulous, violent or unsafe people who may cross a child's path, there are many opportunities for children to be exposed to environments that are unsafe or wrong for them. Today we are surrounded by adult social media and overt adult content, from swearing to images to behaviour. We cannot shield children from everything, but we need to be aware that they are not ready or able to cope with much of the adult world we live in. Little children often need a safe and caring hand to hold and a listening ear to share their fears. After all, everyone has the right to feel safe and be respected!

Wishing you and your dear family protection from harm and lots of joy shared together, from your school chaplain Paul Johnston, here for you on Mondays and Tuesdays.

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## WATERWISE TIP OF THE WEEK— Use Waterwise Plants

Choose Waterwise Plants, such as natives that have their origins in Australia. Those of local origin are perfectly adapted to our climate and have evolved over millions of years. There is a wide range of plants that have been grouped according to their water efficiency. As the seasons change, monitor and adjust the amount of water that is applied. For a full list of Waterwise plants visit the Water Corporation website at [www.watercorporation.com.au](http://www.watercorporation.com.au)



## 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

**"At Assembly we "**

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



- ✦ Sit with our legs crossed and hands in our lap
- ✦ Look at the person speaking
- ✦ Stand, sit and move quietly when instructed

