

# Weld Square Primary School Newsletter



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## MISSION STATEMENT:

To develop, within a caring environment, the cognitive, social, physical and creative abilities of all children to enable them to realise their full potential and to maximise future opportunities as members of the community.

Dear Readers

### Coronavirus Update (COVID-19)

While the Department of Health advises the risk of transmission of COVID-19 in Western Australia is low, we are monitoring the situation and acting on their advice to take some precautions to minimise the transmission of the virus. We should remain alert but not be alarmed.

The Department of Health promotes regular and thorough hand-washing. Students and families should:

- Frequently wash their hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and running water or use an alcohol based hand gel.
- Refrain from touching your mouth and nose.
- If coughing or sneezing, cover your mouth and nose with a paper tissue or flexed elbow.
- Dispose of the tissue immediately after use and wash your hands.
- Avoid close contact with anyone if you, or they, have a cold or flu-like symptoms (maintain a distance of at least 1 metre).

COVID-19 is most likely to spread from person-to-person through direct close contact with a person while they are infectious and/or coughing and sneezing; or touching surfaces or objects contaminated from a cough or sneeze from a person with a confirmed infection and then touching your mouth or face.

Most infections are only transmitted by people when they have symptoms. These can include fever, a cough, sore throat, tiredness and shortness of breath. If you are at all concerned please seek medical advice, contact Health direct on 1800 020 080 or visit [www.healthy.wa.gov.au/coronavirus](http://www.healthy.wa.gov.au/coronavirus). If a student does have COVID-19 symptoms and has had possible exposure to the virus, they should not attend school until they have medical confirmation that they do not have the virus.

Who cannot attend school: Students or staff cannot attend school and need to self-quarantine if they have:

- left or transited through **mainland China** in the last 14 days, they must isolate themselves for 14 days from the date of leaving mainland China;
- left or transited through **Iran** on or after 1 March, they must isolate themselves for 14 days after leaving Iran;

- left or transited through the **Republic of Korea**, on or after 5 March, they must isolate themselves for 14 days after leaving the Republic of Korea;
- left or transited through **Italy** in the last 14 days, they must isolate themselves for 14 days from the date of leaving Italy;
- been informed by public health authorities that they have been in close contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus, they must isolate themselves for 14 days after the date of last contact with the confirmed case.

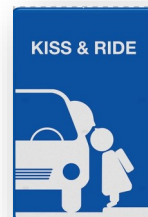
Students or staff who have been tested for COVID-19 should follow the advice of the Department of Health and stay away from school whilst awaiting results.

The above applies to all parents/carers, contractors, visitors and volunteers on school sites.

Parents/carers should notify the school if their child will be away for the isolation period and confirm the date in which they were last in mainland China, Iran, the Republic of Korea or Italy, or have been advised by the Department of Health to isolate.

### Kiss and Ride

A reminder to all parents and carers that the Kiss and Ride section of the carpark directly outside the Administration Office is for drivers in vehicles only. If you need to leave your vehicle to get your children from class, you must park in one of the visitor bays. This is to reduce traffic build up and allow efficiency for families with older children. Also, please adhere to the speed limits of 10km/hr in the carpark as there are many young children crossing the road at this time and it is a safety concern.



### Health and Well-being Parent Forum

As part of our Health and Well-being Plan this year we are developing a 'Be You' consultation group who will help to shape the direction our school takes in this space. 'Be You' is designed to provide educators with knowledge, resources and strategies for helping children achieve their best possible mental health. If you have an interest in student health and well-being and would like to be part of the consultation group, please leave your name at the Front Office or email me at [asher.dragun@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:asher.dragun@education.wa.edu.au).

### Kindergarten Comprehension Screen

Kindergarten students have recently completed a comprehension screen as part of our early intervention strategy. The screen assesses each student's ability to answer blank level comprehension questions about a particular text. This allows us to direct our planning and teaching programs to better suit the children's needs.

### On Entry Assessment

Students in Pre-primary have recently completed the On-Entry Assessment as part of the Department of Education's data study. On-entry assesses the knowledge and skills in language, reading, writing, counting and numbers that students have when they begin formal schooling at Pre-primary. A summary of results will be provided to all parents in the near future. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to Ms Rechichi about the assessment.

### New Community Space

We are very excited to announce that the P&C have finally moved into their new area of the school in the Hall. This is a long awaited change at the school, as our P&C dedicate so much time and energy to helping us, it is important for them to have a place to call home. In light of the Hall being converted into a new

community friendly zone we wanted to ask everyone to think about what we could call the space! If you have an idea, pop into the office and let us know and we will publish your suggestions for a vote later this term!

### Honour Certificate Recipients 6 March 2020



Back row: Tahj, Layla, Laurence, Trinity, Emily and Sakul.  
Front row: Poppy, Pasquale, Jaxon, Serenity, Shaam and Juanita.

Asher Dragun  
Principal

# Assembly Highlights



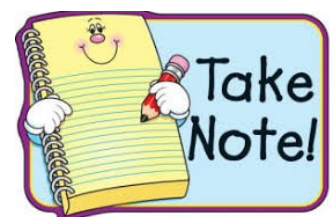
### DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 12 March  
Monday 16 March  
**Tuesday 17 March**  
Thursday 19 March  
Friday 20 March  
Monday 23 March

Thursday 26 March  
Friday 27 March

**Saturday 28 March**  
**Mon 30 March - Wed 1 April**

- Playgroup 9.00—10.30am
- River Ranger Cadets 3.00-4.00pm
- **P&C AGM 6.00pm**
- Playgroup 9.00—10.30am
- Harmony Day
- School Council Meeting 3.15pm
- River Ranger Cadets 3.00-4.00pm
- Playgroup 9.00—10.30am
- Assembly LA5
- Clean Up Australia Day
- **50th Anniversary Fete 12.00 - 6.30pm**
- **River Ranger Cadets Bickley Camp**





# LA10 News

Year Five have been learning about light and its properties. Students conducted two experiments. One was looking at shadows and the other experiment investigated three different types of objects (transparent, translucent and opaque) to see if they cast shadows. Students also conducted a research on light's behaviour and had to make predictions before researching.



Year Six have been learning about solar energy and circuits. They conducted experiments and looked at panel angles, cloud cover effect, types of wheels that provide the greatest speed, and then built, tested and modified the cars to get the fastest speed.





# P&C NEWS



Hi there

I hope you have all settled into first term well. It's been a busy one. Lunch order was a great success with homemade burgers being a popular menu item. Thank you to our canteen helpers who make these days happen effortlessly.

The Weld Square 50th anniversary fete is on in two and a half weeks. Save the date [Saturday 28th March 12.00pm - 6.30pm](#). Invite your family and friends to enjoy inflatables, games, dunk tank, animals, car racing and much, much more! Plenty of delicious food options including T Sister's Fresh Foods, a pizza truck, ice cream trucks, coffee van, Kate's sweet treats PLUS for a gold coin donation - popcorn, slurpies and fairy floss. There will be raffles, silent auction prizes and a memorabilia display, we might even throw in an Easter bunny hunt .

Over 20 stalls will be there, with all sorts of interesting things to learn, taste and enjoy. Live entertainment throughout the day including Hampton and John Forrest Senior High school performances, our very own awesome choir and LOTE Dragon and Fan dancers. We finish off the night with Retro Inc! - a great 80's cover band including our very own, Melissa Kuljis, ex Weld Squarian and a mother and aunt of three current Weld Square students. Come on down, bring your picnic blanket and finish the night off with a little singing and dancing.

A big thank you to all who have donated items towards our second hand toy and book stalls. Unfortunately anything other than toys or books cannot be accepted. However we would appreciate the donation of any new items to used in our raffles.

Special thank you to staff, teachers EA's and students who have been assisting us with amazing artwork signs and all round help and suggestions to make this event a success. We cannot wait to showcase our school and positive vibe to the wider community.

Volunteers are still required! If you do have some time to help out, even with setup, food preparation or during the big day selling at the school stalls, we would welcome the support. Please contact either myself on the number below or email [ws.fete@gmail.com](mailto:ws.fete@gmail.com) Hope to see you all there.

Just to add to the mix we have our AGM on Tuesday 17 of March [at 6.00pm](#) followed by our general meeting. We would love to see some new faces and all are welcome. Financial members please remember your \$1.

See you soon

Dana Harle  
WSPS P&C President  
[0430 039 466](tel:0430039466)

Photo taken last week of all students.



## Year 6 Graduation Muck Up Photo

On photo day, a **Year 6 Graduation Muck Up** photo was taken at your school. These images can be viewed and purchased at a unique website, which is **DIFFERENT** to where you order the portraits and class photos online.



1. To place your Order online simply go to <https://mspphotography.shootproof.com/>
2. Click **Specials 2020**, then select the album titled: **Weld Square PS - Year 6 Grad Muck Up - 2020**.
3. You will then be required to enter a password to view the Album. The password for this **EJKRNM20**.
4. Please ensure that you use your child's name at the checkout.
5. The images you are viewing are uncropped and will be cropped to fit to a 10x8 print (as per the first image in your gallery, a sample of layout & colour).
6. Your gallery includes a Graduation Muck Up photo. This photo is not included with the Graduation Pack we print for all graduating students, so we make it available for the parents to buy additionally.

- Online orders will be open until **midnight Wednesday 18 March 2020** – for the **Bulk Pricing Offer**.
- **The Bulk Pricing Offer is \$20 per print and these will be delivered to the school by class group.**

After the \$20 pricing expires, the photos will remain available online, but the photos are now at a cost of \$35 per image and delivered to a preferred address.

If you have any queries please contact MSP Photography via email on [ordering.perth@msp.com.au](mailto:ordering.perth@msp.com.au) or phone on **9240 8000**.

## GREEN BATCH ACCEPTED ITEMS



PET



HDPE



PLUS!



The **River Ranger Cadets** and their leaders are thrilled to announce that our partnership with the Green Batch recycling program is commencing next week. All of the above items can be accepted.

**It is very important:**

1. **Only items displayed on the poster above are accepted**
2. **All items are clean to avoid contamination.**
3. **Remember to empty and rinse all containers**
4. **To find out more about Green Batch check out their Webpage or Facebook page**

♦ <https://www.greenbatch.com/> or <https://www.facebook.com/greenbatch/>







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# Apply now for 2021

## Specialist Cricket Program:

Applications close: Thursday 26 March 2020

Cricket Trials held at the WACA Thurs 2 April 2020

## Specialist Tennis Program:

Applications close: Friday 27 March 2020

Tennis Trials held at the College Wed 1 April 2020

## Specialist Netball Program:

Applications close: Friday 1 May 2020

Netball Trials held at Morley Sport & Rec.

Wed 3 & 20 May 2020

## Specialist Music Program:

Applications close: Friday 1 May 2020

Music Auditions held by appointment at the College

Saturday 23 May 2020

## General College Enrolments:

Applications close: Friday 24 July 2020

Email queries to: JohnForrest.SC.SpecialistPrograms@education.wa.edu.au

## SPECIALIST PROGRAMS

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## Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to the families that have already paid their 2020 Voluntary Contributions.

Voluntary Contributions are \$60.00 per child from K-6 and can be paid by either cash or cheque to the school office or by payment to the account below:

Account Name: Weld Square Primary School

BSB No.: 016 363

Account No.: 3409 59672

Reference: Child's name and what the funds are for: (eg: Lindsay/Vol Contributions)

Voluntary Contributions are used to supplement school expenditure in the following areas:

- English Teaching Resources:	\$10.00
- Mathematics Teaching Resources:	\$10.00
- Science/Technology & Enterprise Teaching Resources:	\$10.00
- History & Social Science Teaching Resources:	\$10.00
- The Arts Teaching Resources:	\$10.00
- Health/Physical Education Teaching Resources:	\$5.00
LOTE – Teaching Resources:	\$5.00



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## Healthy lunchbox session

**Come along to a FREE 90 minute session for tips and advice on how to pack a healthy lunchbox and choose healthy snacks!**

**Date:** Friday 13 March

**Time:** 9.00-10.30am

**Place:** WSPS Library