Rivervale Primary Newsletter

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Hello Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are already well into term 4. This is a very exciting term. We get to celebrate and farewell our year 6 students at the "Year 6 Farewell and Whole School Awards Assembly" on TUESDAY DECEMBER 17 AT 10 am. We have swimming lessons taking place in weeks 9 and 10, Reports going home and our senior students going on camp.

SWIMMING

Previously we have only been able to have 60 children attend swimming. This resulted in many disappointed children who missed out. We negotiated for the swimming instructors to increase our numbers to 120 so that all students who wanted to be involved could be. Currently we have 93 Children attending. You have until Friday to get money and permission notes back.

BOOKLIST

Booklists for next year are included in this newsletter. We use a local business, Newspower, on Kooyong Road to supply our booklist items. If you desire to secure your own booklist items then this is fine. Booklists are due back at school by **Thursday 12 Dec** and can be paid for when they are collected from the newsagency after the 7 Jan or the school on **Thursday 30 Jan**.

SCHOOL HOURS

8:45am - 11:00am

11:00am - 11:20am—Recess

11:20am - 1:00pm

1:00pm – 1:30pm—Lunch

1:30pm - 2:50pm

Early Close—Thursday 2:30pm

Classrooms open at 8:30am. There will be supervision available from 8:15am in the undercover area for children who arrive earlier than 8:30am.

Please phone or email us at the school if your child is going to be absent from school.

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SPORTS DAY

We ended last term with another fantastic Tabloid Sports and Carnival day. Well done to YAGAN Faction on your victory. Well done to these students on your individual achievements:

Junior Champions

Runner ups Zayleeyah Pickett Sio Ashford

Champions Julia Chuwah Xavier Wong





Senior Champions

Runner ups Tansy Boyce Kozah O'Brian

Champion Rosa-Marie Pickett Heath Steffert.

BUILDING AND FACILITY UPGRADES

Rivervale PS has been provided with 2 allocations of Federal Government funding for improvements and upgrades. The first allocation is \$26000 and will be spent in term 4 on: flag pole upgrades, paving, playgrounds and improvements to the school entry points. The second allocation is \$113000 and will and be used to repaint and recarpet classrooms and wet areas.

SCHOOL REVIEW

In week 8 of term 3 the school was reviewed by 2 independent reviewers from the Education Department. The school is asked to provide evidence on performance in the following key areas:

- Relationships and Partnerships
- Learning Environment
- Leadership
- Use of Resources
- Teaching Quality
- Student Achievement and Progress

The good news is that Rivervale PS was evaluated as an effective school. Particular mention was made of the high quality staff attitude, the use of data interrogation to inform decision making and the use of resources to bring about the best possible educational setting for children.

The complete School Review Report has been uploaded to the school website. If you would like to visit the site go to http://rivervaleps.wa.edu.au/

CLASSES FOR 2020

We are soon to begin organising classes for 2020. If you know that you child is moving schools we would appreciate it if you could let us know as soon as possible. We are a small school and so do not a have a lot of classroom choice. Some year groups for 2020 will only have one class. If you do have reason to have special circumstances linked to your child's classroom placement then please speak with Mr Burns before the end of Week 6. You can phone, email or meet with Mr Burns.

SCHOOL CROSSING

Recently we had a review of our school crossing. Mention was made of our wonderful crossing attendant Mr Will Pascoe. An area of concern raised by the evaluation team has been copied directly for you to read:

Hello Mr Burns,

I am the Department of Education's representative on the Children's Crossing and Road Safety Committee (CC & RSC).

At a recent CC&RSC meeting a report concerning a periodical review of the Children's Crossing at your school was presented. Observers noted that a number of the school children were not utilising the school's Children's Crossing.

Could you please encourage your students to utilise the School Crossing perhaps via your school newsletter?

Regards

Taras Ozarczuk

Land Support Officer (Children's Crossings & Road Safety Committee, Department of Education Representative and Liaison Officer) Asset Planning and Services, Department of Education

It is obviously very important for the safety of your child to use the crossing correctly.

SUPERFLEX STARTS

The Belmont City Council has generously provided the school the funds to run a program which supports student pastoral care. Because of the funding we have been able to introduce the fantastic SUPERFLEX Social Thinking Program. The program is in a trial phase. We have selected 6 students to participate in the SUPERFLEX program, starting in week 3 of this term. An overarching aim of this program is to create in students the potential to be future leaders at the school.

VacSwim 2019-20

Enrol now for VacSwim summer holiday swimming lessons!

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, it's essential that your children learn how to swim and stay safe in the water.

VacSwim is for all children - from beginners to more advanced swimmers. Your children can start as young as five years old.

There are over 180 VacSwim locations around Western Australia, so wherever your family is spending these summer holidays, there will be lessons near you.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming.



- Farewell/Award Assembly—TUESDAY 17 December

- Schools starts 2020— Monday 3 February.

VOUR AWARDS



Pre Primary

Samzam Nuur, Dolma Wangmo

Year One/

Maya Arkell

Pre Primary

Year One/Two

Ava Leckie, Raymond Mackrill, Hannah Saeed

Year Two

Leon Jury, Diether Mosqueda

Year Three/

Four

Patrick Button, Scarlett Ward, Raiden Watson

Year Four/Five Jayden Faneva, Sydney Lockyer, Linton Ninyette

Year Five/Six Alyssa Faneva, Tameem Noori, Hayden Tran