

# The Currambine Chronicle

Currambine Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week and into next week our students in Years Three and Five are completing their National Assessment Plan - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests. The children will complete assessments in Writing, Reading, Spelling, Language Conventions and Mathematics. Parents will receive a report on their child's achievements later this year.

### Swimming Lessons

Students in Pre-Primary to Year Four are participating in swimming lessons this term. The lessons commence on Monday 23rd May and continue through to Thursday 2nd June. Separate communication regarding participation and the costs associated with the program have been forwarded home. I encourage parents to ensure their children participate in the program and learn to swim safely.

### School Development Day

A School Development Day will be hosted on Friday 3rd June. Please note that students do not attend school on this day. The staff will be focused on professional learning around trauma informed practice and on strategic planning for the 2023-25 school years.

### Public Holiday

Monday 6th June is a public holiday, and the school is closed.

### National Opinion Survey - Parents

Every second year we seek the views of parents about our school, via the National Opinion Survey. The survey is now available for all parents to complete via the following link: [www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/54zMX4cV](http://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/54zMX4cV)

Thank you in advance for completing the survey, your feedback is much appreciated.

### Assemblies

Assemblies will recommence on Friday 17th June following a hiatus due to COVID restrictions.

### COVID Update

Schools throughout Western Australia will be distributing 20 RATS per student to families in the coming weeks. At Currambine Primary this will mean arranging the distribution of almost 15,000 RATS to our families which will be a significant logistic challenge. Once the RATS arrive onsite, we anticipate setting up a process for families to come and collect the appropriate number of free RATS. Further information will be communicated in the near future.

Kind regards,

**Geoff Smith**  
Principal



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## Calendar Snapshot

Tues 10th–Fri 20th May	NAPLAN (Years Three & Five)
Mon 23rd May–Thurs 2nd Jun	Swimming (Pre-Primary to Year Four)
Mon 30th May – Wed 8th Jun	RAC Road Safety Incursion
Fri 3rd Jun	School Development Day – No Students
Mon 6th Jun	WA Day Public Holiday
Wed 8th Jun	Year Two Perth Zoo Excursion
Mon 13th Jun	P&C Meeting. 7pm.
Wed 15th Jun	Board Meeting. 7pm.
Fri 17th Jun	Assembly (TA23)
Fri 24th Jun	Winter Carnival (Year Five & Six). HBF Arena.
Mon 27th Jun	Fairy-tale Ball (Kindy A)
Tues 28th – Thurs 30th Jun	School Photos
Thurs 30th Jun	Fairy-tale Ball (Kindy B)
Fri 1st Jul	Free Dress Day. Gold coin donation (charity TBC).
Fri 1st Jul	Assembly (TA38)
Fri 1st Jul	Last Day of Term



**Please note the above dates are correct at the time of newsletter issue.  
View the full [Term Planner](#) on our website.**

## Win one of two fantastic prizes!

Thank you to all parents and carers who have already paid your Voluntary Contributions for this year. Your contributions allow our teaching staff to enrich their programs with what we believe are vital educational resources for the classroom, and every cent is allocated to the invoiced school year so that it benefits your child directly.

All families who pay their 2022 Voluntary Contributions (\$50 per child) by Sunday 7th August, will be **entered into a prize draw to win one of the following two fantastic prizes:**

- A two night stay in a one Bedroom Spa Apartment with ocean views, at Quality Resort Sorrento worth \$598.
- A one night 'Essential Escape' stay in a Resort Room at Joondalup Resort, including breakfast for two in The Alcove Restaurant.

The draw will take place by Friday 12th August 2022.



**Many thanks to Quality Resort Sorrento and Joondalup Resort for their generous prize donations.**

## Nominations for School Board



The graphic features the Currambine Primary School logo (a kangaroo) and the school name. A large blue circle contains the following text:

- Thursday 19th May**  
Nomination forms go home
- Monday 13th June**  
Nominations close at 3pm
- Thursday 16th June**  
Ballot forms are sent home
- Friday 24th June**  
Voting closes at 3pm

A purple circle on the right contains the text: **NOMINATIONS FOR SCHOOL BOARD**

### Nominations Open Soon

Elections for three parent representatives on the School Board for a three-year term will be held this term.

The nomination process will commence next Thursday 19th May with the distribution of nomination forms which the school needs to receive by Monday 13th June.

If you are interested in joining the School Board, and would like to discuss the work of the School Board and the commitment involved, please contact our Principal Geoff Smith at: [Geoffrey.Smith@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Geoffrey.Smith@education.wa.edu.au)

### Feedback from a current Board

#### Member:

*"I joined the school Board about 12 months ago and am honoured to be part of a diverse group with the common aim of ensuring our kids get an education and help to develop to the best of their individual abilities.*

*The main part of the role is to represent all stakeholders input into the running of the school. The Board members are always respectful of all opinions and the function of Board is the process by which the school is accountable to the whole school community.*

*Being a part of the process encourages me to give a little of my time to help the school achieve its objectives, which as school community members we all share."*

## TA22 Class Update



### Preparing for the Bus!

Year Two students have been having great fun learning the appropriate behaviours for travelling on a bus.

They practised the correct, expected behaviours to prepare them for travelling by bus to their swimming lessons and zoo excursion, coming up soon.

This included lining up in twos, sitting and whispering, facing forward, showing manners to the bus driver, listening to instructions and letting anyone sit with them.

They also enjoyed watching a funny teacher video, highlighting not what to do when travelling on a bus!

They are now all set for the bus journeys coming up and we are sure they will all do a great job in demonstrating our school's PBS (Positive Behaviour Support) values.



**Mrs Buttsworth**  
**TA22**

# Premier's Reading Challenge



## Register your Child to Take Part

The Premier's Reading Challenge is back for 2022! The Challenge is a four-month voyage through the enchanting world of books. Students from Kindergarten to Year Ten are invited to uncover great mysteries through the world of books.

By signing up and logging 12 or more book titles by 9th September 2022, readers will be entered into the draw to win extraordinary prizes, thanks to Tourism Western Australia. No matter where you are from, you can experience the joy of reading and explore thousands of amazing stories.

Students can register online, or have their parents register for them. Once registered, students can:

- choose their own challenge avatar
- search over 7,000 books from the online booklist
- log the books they read during the challenge.

View further information and sign up at [www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au](http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au)

A downloadable reading record is available for students who cannot access an online account.



## Updates from Currambine P&C and LADDs



### \$4,182 raised from Mother's Day Stalls

Our students were very excited to visit the P&C Mother's Day stalls last week, to choose from a variety of lovely gifts and cards to spoil their mums and grandmas for Mother's Day.

Many thanks to our amazing P&C for their hard work in organising the gifts and stalls and to all parents/carers who helped out. **A huge total of \$4,182.70 was raised for our school!**

For further details about upcoming P&C events visit the [Currambine PS P&C Facebook page](#).



### LADDs Lawn Bowls Night

Back by popular demand, the LADDs (Loving and Devoted Dads) are hosting a dads-only event, at **Joondalup Bowls Club on Friday 27th May** from 6pm to 8pm.

Enjoy an evening of relaxed lawn bowls, banter and beer with other dads and father figures. The event costs just \$10 to attend, which includes bowls and pizza.

**Book tickets at:** [www.trybooking.com/BZJPA](http://www.trybooking.com/BZJPA)

For further details about upcoming LADDs events visit the [LADDs Facebook page](#).

## P&C Thank You Morning Tea



### Friday 20th May, 10.30-11am

To acknowledge and thank all parents and carers who contribute towards the great work of our P&C, we would like to invite you to join us for morning tea on Friday 20th May, which is P&C Day WA.

We will host the morning tea in our Staff Room from 10.30am to 11am. If you plan to join us please let the school office know by calling 6207 6100 or emailing: [Brenda.Koertzeneeducation.wa.edu.au](mailto:Brenda.Koertzeneeducation.wa.edu.au)

## Term Two 0-4 Year Old Programs



**Story Time, Rhyme Time and P.A.L.S.**

**Free sessions for 0-4 year olds**



**CURRAMBINE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**TOURS FROM 5PM TO 5.45PM**

**TWILIGHT KINDY TOURS**

**Wed 11th May  
Wed 1st June  
Wed 22nd June**

### P.A.L.S, Rhyme Time & Story Time

With Kindy 2023 enrolments now open, our programs for 0-4 year olds are a wonderful way to introduce your child to a school environment, meet other children before they start Kindy, and are a great way for you to support your child's early learning. They don't need to have a sibling attending our school, all children (aged 0-4) and their parents/carers are welcome to attend.

**Rhyme Time** - A fun session of nursery rhymes and singing aimed at supporting phonic awareness skills.

**Story Time** - An enjoyable and relaxing way to spend time with your child, while developing your child's pre-literacy and social skills through stories.

**Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S)** - Includes outside play, indoor activities, singing and music to enhance fine/gross motor skills, develop social skills and provide engaging learning experiences to enhance their readiness for Kindergarten.

No need to pre-register, simply come along to a session.

### Upcoming Sessions

#### Week Four

**Mon 16th May: P.A.L.S.** 8.45am to 10.30am, Currambine Primary School Undercover Area.

**Wed 18th May: Rhyme Time.** 8.45am to 9.15am, Currambine Primary School Library.

#### Week Five

**Mon 23rd May: P.A.L.S.** 8.45am to 10.30am, Currambine Primary School Undercover Area.

**Wed 25th May: Story Time.** 8.45am to 9.15am, Currambine Primary School Library.

#### Week Six

**Mon 30th May: P.A.L.S.** 8.45am to 10.30am, Currambine Primary School Undercover Area.

**Wed 1st June: Rhyme Time.** 8.45am to 9.15am, Currambine Primary School Library.

#### Week Seven

**Mon 6th June: No P.A.L.S due to public holiday**

**Wed 8th June: Story Time.** 8.45am to 9.15am, Currambine Primary School Library.

**We are also hosting Kindy Tours on Wednesday mornings 8.45-9.30am.  
Contact the school office on 6207 6100 to book.**

# App Checklist for Parents

## App checklist for parents



### Checklist

The aim of this checklist is to help you navigate the app world and give you the tools to ensure you and your family enjoy safe and positive online experiences.

#### Do your research

- [The eSafety Guide](#) is a good starting point.
- Other sources include [Common Sense Media](#) and [ConnectSafely](#), which review the most popular apps.
- Search for recent reviews from Google Play and Apple Store.
- Discuss the benefits and risks with family or friends who use the app.

**eSafety tip:** Check whether the app can be used for [content sharing](#), [photo and video sharing](#), [messaging and online chat](#), [voice chat](#), [video calling](#), [live streaming](#), [gaming](#), [in-app purchasing](#), [online relationships](#), [location sharing](#) and [encryption](#).

#### Check the age rating and requirements

- Apps usually state a minimum age for users in their terms of use but they don't all have verification requirements.
- [The eSafety Guide](#) includes the stated age for many popular apps.
- [Common Sense Media](#) makes an independent assessment of provides age recommendations.
- Check the advice on the eSafety Parent page [Are they old enough?](#)

**eSafety tip:** When deciding if an app is suitable for your child, think about their level of maturity and judgement as well as the age recommendation.

#### Consider privacy – read the terms and conditions and ask yourself these questions:

- What information does the app request?
- Does the app provide privacy protections?
- Can you restrict who sees your profile?
- Who can find you in a search?
- What information can people see about you?

**eSafety tip:** See the eSafety page [Connecting safely – Apps](#) for more advice. [The eSafety Guide](#) contains links to information about how to adjust privacy settings in popular apps.

## App Checklist for Parents continued...

**Check the permissions and other settings – read the community guidelines and ask yourself these questions:**

- What permissions does the app request?
- What information the app collect?
- Does the app need microphone and/or video camera access to perform its functions?
- What are the default settings?
- Do you need to change default settings, initially and after each update?
- Does the app allow in-app purchases?

**eSafety tip:** See the eSafety Parents page [Taming the technology](#) for advice on using parental control and safe browsing tools.

**Safety check**

- Can you report things in the app? (For example: online abuse, impersonator accounts, offensive or illegal content).
- Is the in-app reporting process easy and clear?
- Are the in-app reporting options limited or can you report a wide range of safety concerns?

**eSafety tip:** Let you child know they can come to you for help if anything makes them feel uncomfortable or unsafe and they won't be in trouble. You can help them [report serious online abuse](#) to the eSafety Commissioner.



eSafety.gov.au is a useful resource for parents and children to help ensure your family stays safe online. Visit [www.esafety.gov.au](http://www.esafety.gov.au) for more useful downloadable resources.

# Staff Spotlight



## Staff Spotlight

Year One Teacher (TA26)

# Kieran Harding



### My Favourites

- Food: Chicken - KFC is my go to!
- Animal: Camel
- Book: Deltora Quest books
- Song: Axwell Ingrosso - Something New
- Movie: Back to the Future Trilogy
- Sport: Aussie Rules Footy



### Hobbies

I play lots of Rocket League on Xbox.



### When I was a child I wanted to be

I loved WWF so it was a Pro Wrestler. I'm quite thankful the teaching career won out though!



### Fun fact about me

I spent 6 months trying to learn acoustic guitar, learnt how to play one full song properly by the end and then quit because in my eyes that counted as succeeding!

### What I love most about Currambine Primary

I've worked at four schools, and Currambine's culture of friendly, caring and passionate people, mixed with the right level of high expectations easily tops all others and will keep me here hopefully for years to come.





## Community Notices



We're here for your kids, if they need support they can...



Call us for FREE  
**1800 55 1800**



Email us



WebChat with us

Parents! For more information and resources,  
please check out our Kids Helpline parents section

[kidshelpline.com.au/parents](http://kidshelpline.com.au/parents)

## Community Notices



**Quality**  
RESORT  
BY CHOICE HOTELS

**Quality Resort Sorrento Beach**  
1 Padbury Circle Sorrento, WA 6020  
+61 8 9246 8100  
reservations@sorrentobeach.com.au  
www.sorrentobeach.com.au

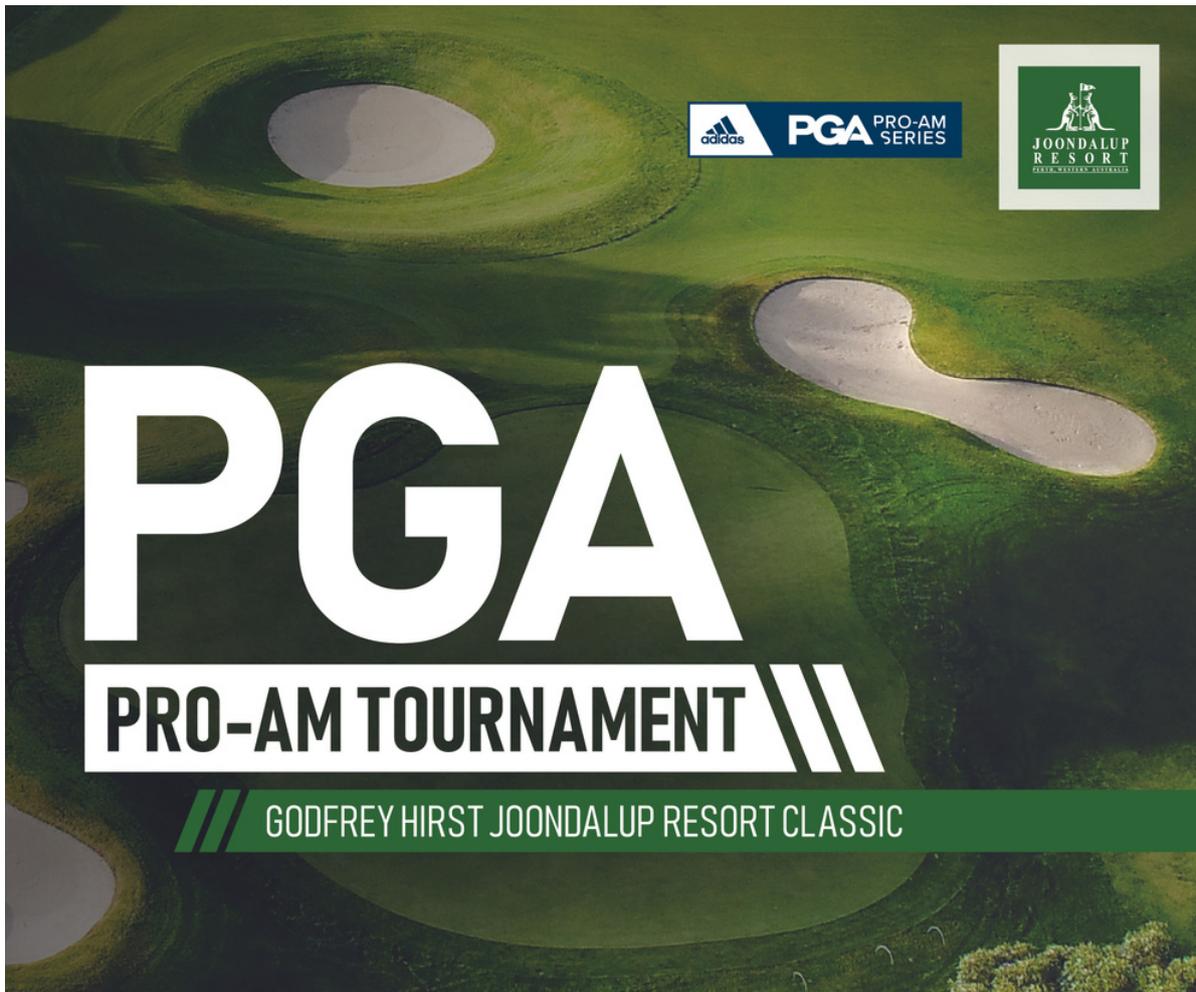
**REST, RELAX, UNWIND**



The Quality Resort™ Sorrento Beach is ideally located for guests to enjoy the best of the beach, marina and attractions of town. Sorrento Beach is located in Joondalup, north of Perth and is popular for its pure white sand, azure waters, family-friendly swimming and large grassy area, which is great for picnics. Just north of the beach is Hillarys Boat Harbour, which houses a number of restaurants and cafes, and the Aquarium of Western Australia. This Sorrento accommodation is a short walk to the beach and has rooms with balconies and spectacular ocean views.



# Community Notices



# 21-22 MAY 2022

SATURDAY 21 MAY & SUNDAY 22 MAY

## PRO-AM TOURNAMENT

PGA professionals & tee off times to be announced on our website closer to the event

**FOOD STALLS**

**FOOD & BEVERAGE SPECIALS**

**POP-UP BARS**

**FREE SPECTATOR ENTRY**

Quarry and Lakes Courses

Joondalup Resort and Country Club

[WWW.JOONDALUPRESORT.COM.AU](http://WWW.JOONDALUPRESORT.COM.AU)

MONDAY 23 MAY

## PLAY LIKE THE PRO'S PLAYED

18 HOLES OF GOLF + LUNCH IN THE CLUBHOUSE \$119pp

Mention the Godfrey Hirst Joondalup Resort Classic when booking. To book your tee time call 9400 8811 or email us at [golfbookings@joondalupresort.com.au](mailto:golfbookings@joondalupresort.com.au).

