The Currambine Chronicle

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TOGETHER TOWARDS TOMORROW

Currambine Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter

Address from Veness

Dear Parents and Carers,

Book Week

Many thanks to Mrs Yates for organising the Book Fair during Book Week, and to all staff members who supported her. The Book Fair was very well supported by our school community and we thank you for helping raise funds for our school.

Museum of Innovation

Well done to the students who displayed their innovations at the Currambine Primary School Museum of Innovation at Open Night. The science exhibition attracted lots of people to view the amazing work of our students. View the list of the winners on page 6. Thanks to Mrs Binedell for organising the competition.

EA Appreciation Week

This week is national Teaching Aide Appreciation Week and I would like to personally thank all of our Education Assistants for their hard work in supporting our teachers and students on a daily basis.

I believe that Currambine Primary School has the very best Education Assistants, always going above and beyond for all the students in their care.

Assembly

TA21 will be hosting a junior assembly tomorrow, Friday 1st September. Our next senior assembly will take place on Friday 8th September, hosted by TA41.

Lapathon

Our annual Lapathon will take place tomorrow, Friday 1st September from 11:30am to 1:00pm for students in Pre-Primary to Year Six. Students are encouraged to dress up in the theme of animated characters as chosen by our Faction Captains.

Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Survey

We would be grateful if you could please complete the BYOD survey, accessible via this link: https://tinyurl.com/mry9d8fu by Friday 8th September.

School Board Awards

Nominations for the School Board Awards are now open. The Currambine Primary School Board would like to acknowledge and celebrate the contributions that our staff make to our school, students and school community. You can nominate a member of staff for a Board Award via the following link: https://forms.office.com/r/qTL3DUjGyY. See page 12 for information about the award categories.

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Parking Reminder

We have received complaints that members of our school community are parking in front of home carports in streets surrounding our school. A reminder to please park safely around the school and to remain respectful of our neighbours. Thank you for your co-operation.

Enrol now for Summer VacSwim

Enrolments are now open for VacSwim during the summer school holidays. VacSwim provides children aged five to 17 years with the opportunity to develop the skills to stay safe and build their confidence in the water. There are programs for beginner, intermediate and advanced swimmers. Visit the VacSwim website for further details and to enrol. Places fill up quickly so enrol early to avoid disappointment.

Kind regards,

Jess Veness Acting Principal





Shaping the future

VacSwim

Enrolments now open!
Places are limited, so get in early.

Help keep your child safe in the water. Enrol now for the school holidays.

education.wa.edu.au/vacswim



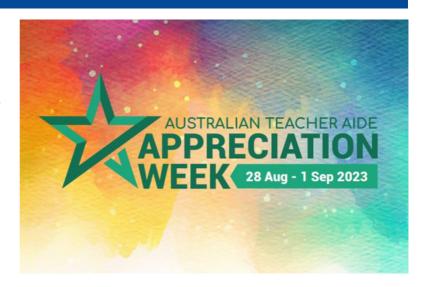


EA Appreciation Week

Thank You EAs!

This week is Australian Teacher Aide Appreciation Week; the perfect time to celebrate the wonderful work that our Education Assistants (EAs) do at our school.

We acknowledge, appreciate and recognise the positive impact that EAs have on the lives of our students, teachers and families. Thank you for all that you do for Currambine Primary!



Calendar Snapshot

Fri 1st Sept Assembly A (TA21)
Fri 1st Sept Kindy B Father's Day.

Fri 1st Sept Lapathon (Pre-Primary to Year Six). Animated Characters Theme.

Mon 4th Sept Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds. 8.45-10.30am.

Undercover Area.

Wed 6th Sept Story Time. 8.45am to 9.15am. Library.

Wed 6th Sept Board Meeting. 7pm. Fri 8th Sept Assembly B (TA41)

Mon 11th Sept Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds. 8.45-10.30am.

Undercover Area.

Mon 11th Sept P&C Crazy Hair Day (see details on page 12)

Tues 12th Sept Year Five Author Incursion
Tues 12th Sept Kindy A Group Sports Carnival

Wed 13th Sept Rhyme Time. 8.45am to 9.15am. Library.

Fri 15th Sept Assembly A (TA16)

Fri 15th Sept Kindy B Group Sports Carnival
Mon 18th Sept Kindy A Group Farm Incursion
Thurs 21st Sept Kindy B Group Farm Incursion

Fri 22nd Sept Assembly B (TA42)

Fri 22nd Sept Free Dress Day - Gold Coin Donation to Angkor Project

Fri 22nd Sept Coumbsey Cup

Fri 22nd Sept Last day of Term Three

Mon 9th Oct Students return for Term Four

Mon 9th Oct Kaboom Music Incursion (Pre-Primary to Year Six)

You can also view Term Planners at our website

New Turf for Long Jump

Thank You Advanced Aspects

You may remember our recent Connect Notice, seeking a donation of synthetic grass to help replenish our Long Jump?

A big thank you to Mal from one of our Kindy families, who has very generously donated some AstroTurf for our Long Jump from his Landscaping business Advanced Aspects (www.advancedaspects.com.au). This will benefit our students as part of our athletics program. We greatly appreciate such support from our school community.



TA14 Class Article

Building Robots

This year for Science Week we discussed problems that could arise in farming and created a robot that could help solve these problems. We had so much fun in TA14 brainstorming ways that our robots could help! We were very busy in Week Five using all of our creative ideas to design and make our farming robots. Have a look at what we did below..

"It moves eggs out the way to stop them being broken!"

Max E



We have also been creating amazing stories in our Colourful Semantic writing sessions. Whilst in our 7 Step Writing we have been exploring ways to create characters.

In Maths we have explored mass through hefting and using balance scales. We can now explain how we know something has a bigger mass than another item. It sure is fun in TA14!

Mrs Hale TA14



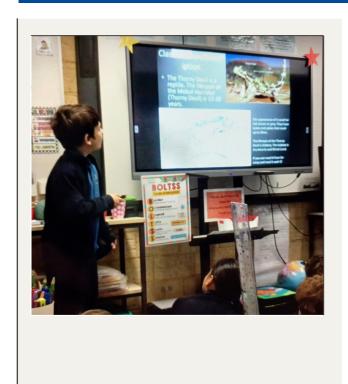


its wheels!"

Ava

Evan

TA42 Class Article





TA42 have had a very jam-packed and busy year so far. In Term Three we are giving presentations on an Australian animal for our Speaking and Listening.

Before we could write our reports, we had to do our research. We needed to get our facts correct because we weren't giving the class our opinions on our chosen animal.

We learnt about our animal's classification, appearance, habitat and diet. Then it was time for us to practise our speeches, make posters or a PowerPoint before presenting our information to our classmates.

In TA42 we have learnt so much about Native Australian Animals.

Mrs West



One Big Voice



7,000 Students Perform Together!

What an amazing experience for our Year Five students who participated in the <u>One Big Voice</u> <u>Festival</u> last Friday at RAC Arena.

Our students did us proud performing beautifully alongside 7,000 students from primary schools across Perth, and were superbly behaved throughout the event.

A big thank you to Ms Barrett for all of her hard work organising our students to be involved in the event, and to the other staff members who supported her.

Video & Survey

If you would like to pre-order the concert video, you can do so via the One Big Voice website: https://onebigvoice.com.au/product/2023-one-big-voice-concert-video/

One Big Voice would also be grateful if students who participated in the event can please complete this survey: https://forms.gle/hs3uQpzBTo1Ht4tJ8

Roll on next year's One Big Voice Festival!

View more photos from the event at our Facebook page.

Museum of Science & Innovation

Thank you to all the students who entered the Currambine Primary School Museum of Innovation Science exhibition at Open Night. The exhibition was very popular and attracted lots of people to view the student's amazing work.

Joining Mrs Binedell on the judging panel, we had two special guest judges on the night: Enrico Gismondi, Managing Director, MondoTalk and Jason Froud, General Manager Strategy and Acceleration, Synergy.

Enrico and Jason are industry experts, leading the way in innovation in their respective fields. The judges were very impressed by the exhibits and the conversations they had with the participants at the meet and greet. Deciding on the winners was a very tough decision and took much deliberation!

Congratulations to our winnners

A huge well done to the following students on their achievements:

Year One - Three Division

1st place:

Georgie W, TA25

2nd Place:

Ebony J/ Emery H/ Laura H, TA42

3rd Place:

Lachlan R, TA25

Runner Up:

Rose K, TA26

Year Four - Six Division

1st Place

Malachi J, TA34

2nd Place:

Aneesha M, TA34/ Benjamin M, TA48

3rd Place:

Vedant B, TA34

Runners Up:

Grace S-R, TA38

Mila M, TA37

Isobel F-S, TA45

All the students mentioned will be awarded their prizes at assembly on Friday 15th September (junior) or Friday 22nd September (senior).

Take a look at some of their fantastic inventions below...













Book Week









Read, Grow, Inspire

Our students had great fun celebrating Book Week last week, which this year had the theme of 'Read, Grow, Inspire'.

Students enjoyed taking part in a range of activities including sharing what their favourite book is and why. Students and staff loved dressing up as their favourite characters (what fabulous costumes!) and took part in a challenge in the library to guess the favourite children's books of staff members.

Year Six students participated in a Book Tasting activity where they set up a café environment and selected a book they liked. They then wrote a book review, recommending their book to others.

A big thank you to Mrs Yates for all of her hard work to make Book Week such fun as always.

View more photos at our Facebook page.





Year Six Science Extension



Developing our budding scientists

This year, an elite group of Year Six students (identified through their impressive science results in Years Four and Five) have been selected to participate in Science Extension at Currambine Primary; a first for our school. We are very fortunate to have Mr Kevin Vinsen, a Senior Research Fellow at UWA (2009) and Associate of ICRAR (International Centre for Radio Astronomy Research), volunteer his time to inspire and extend the next generation of budding scientists.

Kevin is an astrophysicist, working in the Data Intensive Astronomy (DIA) Program of ICRAR. He researches, designs and implements Petabyte scale data flows and high-performance scientific computing for the Square Kilometre Array.

More recently Kevin has been responsible for the Translation of ICRAR software capabilities into industry. These include live Machine Learning systems to correct sea state forecasts on the NW shelf; an ML system to identify the type of nectar that bees have collected to make honey; an ML system testing the honey for adulation; and a system to provide advice for Digital Assistive Technology for people living with a disability.

Prior to joining ICRAR, Kevin held adjunct positions at UWA, Curtin University and Murdoch University whilst working full-time in industry. He brings with him an incredible wealth of knowledge, passion and enthusiasm for science and indeed a wonder for the world we live in.



Is there life on other planets?

Whilst the students engage in difficult mathematical and scientific concepts, they have also had a fantastic time investigating fun and exciting concepts such as the possibility of life on other planets.

We would like to gratefully acknowledge all of the hard work of Kevin and the students involved, as this is an incredible experience for our students to excel in their field of choice.

We cannot wait to have Kevin as a guest speaker for all Year Six students in Term Four, where we will investigate Earth and Space-Natural Disasters.

Mrs Solly TA34



Perth Scorchers Visit



Students meet cricket stars

Last Tuesday, we were very lucky to be paid a visit by some Perth Scorchers cricket players!

Matt Kelly (Perth Scorchers and WA Cricket player) and Joel Paris (WA Cricket player and former Perth Scorchers player who has recently signed for Melbourne Stars) visited Currambine Primary as part of National PlayCricket Week.

Our students had the opportunity to ask the players some questions and were encouraged to think about trying the sport if they hadn't before, and to understand that it is a sport for all with a range of different programs to suit beginners to advanced players.

The players shared information about upcoming events in cricket, and highlighted the local cricket club – Joondalup Kinross Junior Cricket Club.

Students were left feeling inspired to play cricket, and realising that they could be future Perth Scorchers or WA Cricket superstars!



Does Attendance Really Matter?

The answer is yes!

If you want your child to be successful at school then yes, attendance does matter! 1 or 2 days a week absence from school may not seem much but take a look below at what that can add up to....

They are only missing just	That equals to	at equals to Which is		
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly half a year	
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 minutes per week	Over 2.5 weeks per year	Nearly 1 year	
30 minutes per day	Half a day	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years	
60 minutes per day	1 full day	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years	

Attendance Rate	When your child misses just	That equals	Which is	From Kindergarten to Year 12 that is	Which is the equivalent of attending until
90%	1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years of school	Part way through Year 11
80%	1 day each week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years of school	Part way through Year 10
60%	2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of school	The end of Year 7
40%	3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of school	The end of Year 4

Thank You Domino's Joondalup

\$1,000 donated!

Thank you to all of you who purchased pizzas from Domino's Pizza Joondalup on Friday 4th August to help support our school 'Doughraiser'.

A total of 853 pizzas were sold that day!! The Management Team at Domino's Joondalup; Sourabh, GK and Rehan, said they were so overwhelmed with the response and support from our school community that they have very kindly rounded up the numbers and donated \$1,000 to Currambine Primary!

A huge thank you to Domino's Joondalup for their generous donation and to Mrs Heartcliffe for developing the partnership.



Lapathon - Tomorrow!

Friday 1st September

A reminder that we are hosting our annual Lapathon tomorrow. Pre-Primary to Year Six students will complete a course on our school oval according to their age, between 11.30am and 12.45pm.

We would like to raise as much money as possible for our school and your support in this fundraising event would be greatly appreciated. Sponsorship forms have been sent home with students. Please remind your child(ren) that they are not to knock on stranger's doors to collect sponsorship, in the interest of their safety.

Sponsorship money raised this year will be used to add shade structures to the school and to support the Physical Education Program with resources.

There will be a prize from our sponsor, Fair Game Sports for the student raising the most sponsorship in each class.



Our Faction Captains have decided on the theme of Animated Characters this year, therefore students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite Disney, Pixar, Nickelodeon, ABC Kids or Marvel character (for instance).

School Board Awards



Nominations can be made online until 3pm on Friday 22nd September via the following link: https://forms.office.com/r/qTL3DUjGyY

Nominate Online

Is there a member of staff at our school who you would like to be recognised for their great contribution to our school?

The Currambine Primary School Board would like to acknowledge and celebrate the contributions that our staff make to our school, students and school community.

You are therefore invited to nominate members of our staff for an award in any of the three School Board Award categories:

- Excellence in Teaching and Learning Award
- Excellence in Educational Leadership Award
- Community Contribution Award

Please read details about the nomination process and selection criteria for each award, that have been sent to you via Connect Notice.

P&C Update

Crazy Hair Day

On Monday 11th September, students (and staff!) are invited to attend school with crazy hair in return for a gold coin donation to raise funds for our P&C. Students can style their hair as crazy as they like that day – we can't wait to see their whacky ideas!

Tommy Sugo Fundraiser

Our P&C have partnered up with Tommy Sugo to help make dinner time easier for you, whilst also raising funds for our school.

Don't worry if you missed out on purchasing a tasty Italian meal from Tommy Sugo's at our recent Open Night. You can still order the delicious premade Italian meals online and have them delivered straight to your door with free next day delivery for orders over \$90.

<u>Click here</u> to visit their website. View the menu options on page 17.



LADDs Update



Bunnings Family Night - Tonight!

Join the LADDs (Loving and Devoted Fathers at Joondalup Bunnings tonight; Thursday 31st August, from 5-7pm for a FREE Father's Day Family event. There will be a FREE sausage sizzle, face painting, tool demos, entertainment, games and prizes! See page 16 for a QR code to book activities.

Save the dates

The annual LADDs Big Camp Out will be held overnight at our school from Saturday 11th to Sunday 12th November. Details to follow soon!

The LADDs will be taking part in the Joondalup Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on Friday 29th December.

Staff Spotlight

Associate Principal (Years 4-6)

Paula Harmer-Watkins



Food: Chocolate Animal: Panda

Book: The Dry by Jane Harper Song: Following the Sun by Super-Hi

Movie: The Castle

Sport: Swimming



Bush Walking

Sydney Harbour Bridge.

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

A Teacher.

What I love most about **Currambine Primary**

I love the kindness people show at Currambine Primary and how friendly everyone is.







Community Notices

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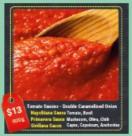














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