

The Currambine Chronicle

Currambine Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter



CURRAMBINE

TOGETHER TOWARDS TOMORROW

Address from Veness

Dear Parents and Carers,

Mr Smith has indicated that he will be taking another term of leave. I will remain as the Principal of the school whilst he is away, and Mrs Tanya van der Walt will continue in the role of Associate Principal.

Kindy Carnivals

Kindy Group A enjoyed their sports carnival on Tuesday and tomorrow is the scheduled sports carnival for Kindy Group B. We are thrilled with the amount of community attendance at these events, as it is a great opportunity for our students to demonstrate their fantastic new skills to their families, whilst having a great time! See page 8 for photos from Kindy Group A's Carnival.

Kindy Farm Incursion

Kindy students will enjoy a visit from the farm next week. Kindy Group A's incursion is scheduled for next Monday 18th, whilst Kindy Group B will experience the farm next Thursday 21st September. No doubt the students will thoroughly enjoy this experience.

2024 Class Placement Information

Parents/carers wishing to provide information to support the placement of their child(ren) in 2024 should do so by writing to me. This may be via hard copy letter or email to: jessica.veness@education.wa.edu.au

Please be aware that the school does not accept requests related to particular teachers or to matters related to composite (split) classes. The information that parents share with the school to support the placement process will be considered by staff but does not guarantee a particular outcome.

Correspondence related to the placement of a student must be received by 3.30pm on Friday 20th October 2023.

2024 Class Placement Information continued...

Information received after this time cannot be considered in the class development process. A reminder to please let us know if you are planning on leaving in 2024 and will be enrolling your child(ren) at another school.

P&C Fundraising

A special thank you to our P&C for all of their efforts with fundraising this term. It is an ever-increasing challenge to get volunteers to jump aboard to help the P&C, yet the efforts have been sustained. Such events as the Tommy Sugo fundraiser at Open Night, the Crazy Hair Day and Father's Day gift stall were fantastic opportunities created by the team to enhance the fundraising in this space.

We thank you for continuing to support our school and encourage all community members to consider attending the P&C meetings which are held on a Monday night in Week Three and Week Seven of each term. The next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 23rd October at 7pm in the Staff Room. See page 11 for an update from our P&C.

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Address from Veness continued...

Sand Pits – Early Childhood

We are very pleased with the new sandpit covers that have been installed this term into the early childhood play space. The sandpit covers are of good quality and are used to ensure that the sanitation of the sand remains high. We would like to keep these covers in good condition and ask that parents please support us by not allowing children to walk or jump on the covers before and after school. Students arriving before 8:15am are expected to be on the astro turf behind the school office until the classroom door is opened. This means that there should be no students playing on the early childhood equipment before school. Thanks for your support.

School Board Awards

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

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

Term Concludes

Term Three concludes on Friday 22nd September which is also a Free Dress Day, with gold coin donations supporting the Angkor Project; our sister school in Cambodia.

Thank You

We have enjoyed another very successful term with many terrific experiences for our students including Science Week, Book Week, sports carnivals, excursions and numerous other enriching experiences. My sincere thanks are extended to our students for the enthusiasm and commitment to their learning, to our parents/carers for the support of their children and our school, and of course to our staff for their tireless efforts to make a difference with every student in our care. Term Four commences on Monday 9th October. We hope that everyone has a fantastic two week break and has time to rest and recharge. See you on the flip side!

Kind regards,

Jess Veness
Acting Principal



R U OK?

Today is R U OK? Day when we are reminded that every day is the day to ask, 'Are you OK?' and to start a meaningful conversation whenever you spot the signs that someone you care about might be struggling with life.

By taking the time for an R U OK? conversation and genuinely listening with an open mind, we can all help the people in our world feel supported and connected.

Find out more about R U OK? Day including tips on how to ask someone if they are okay, at: www.ruok.org.au



Start a conversation using these 4 steps

1. Ask RUOK?
2. Listen
3. Encourage action
4. Check in

Find tips at ruok.org.au

Calendar Snapshot



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
Thurs 21st Sept	Year Five Laser Tag PBS Reward
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

Mon 9th Oct
Thurs 12th Oct
Thurs 12th Oct
Fri 13th Oct
[Mon 16th Oct](#)

Students return for Term Four

Kaboom Music Incursion (Pre-Primary to Year Six)
Year Five Dog Art Show Fundraiser
Graduation & Faction Captain Photos
Assembly B (TA43)
[Play and Learning Skills \(P.A.L.S.\) for 0-4 year olds. 8.45-10.30am. Undercover Area.](#)

[Wed 18th Oct](#)

Thurs 19th Oct
Fri 20th Oct
Fri 20th Oct
[Mon 23rd Oct](#)

[Story Time. 8.45am to 9.15am. Library.](#)
Scitech Challenge Day (selected Year Five & Six students)
Assembly A (TA13)
Year Four Excursion to Maritime Museum
[Play and Learning Skills \(P.A.L.S.\) for 0-4 year olds. 8.45-10.30am. Undercover Area.](#)

Mon 23rd Oct
[Wed 25th Oct](#)
Wed 25th Oct
Thurs 26th Oct
Fri 27th Oct

P&C Meeting. 7pm. Staff Room.
[Rhyme Time. 8.45am to 9.15am. Library.](#)
Waste Free Lunch.
Day for Daniel.
Staff Professional Development Day (no students).

You can also view Term Planners at our [website](#)

Donations for Urban Pantry

Joondalup Family Centre

This month we are collecting donations of non-perishable pantry items, toiletries and stationery for Joondalup Family Centre. All donations will be given to their urban pantry for community members to collect what they need.

We have a collection box located in the school office if you would like to make a donation before the end of term. Thank you for your support.





TA22 Class Article



Terrific Time in TA22 for Term Three

We have had the most amazing and busy Term Three. There has been so many things happening inside and outside of our classroom.

Lapathon was great fun with our cartoon animation dress ups. Book Week was even better with the most impressive dress ups we've seen in ages. We had to do heaps of testing in Week Eight, and we all tried our very best so Mrs Buttsworth and Mrs Roberts were so proud.

An extra exciting event was our class excursion to Cockman House as part of our local history program with Mrs Perry.

Cockman House Visit

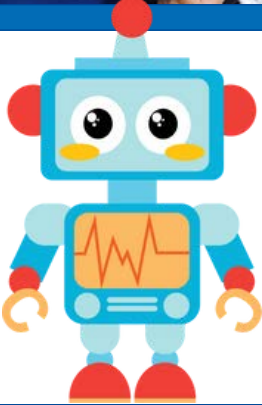
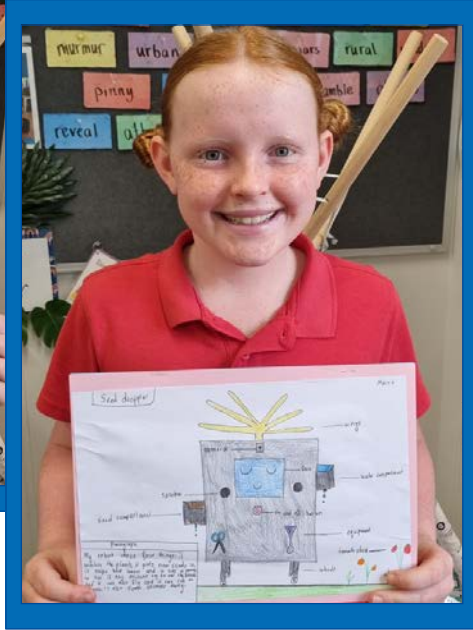
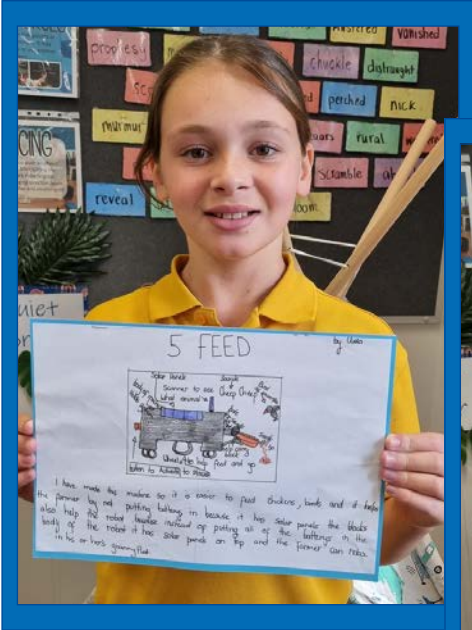
We did a live timeline tracking lots of important events in the Cockman family tree. Did you know Sam and Emma Cockman had 13 children? 13! Can you imagine that mums and dads?

We got to walk through and explore the house that James Cockman built and where his family lived for many generations. It was so interesting. We loved it!

**Mrs Buttsworth
TA22**



TA39 Class Article



Designing Robots

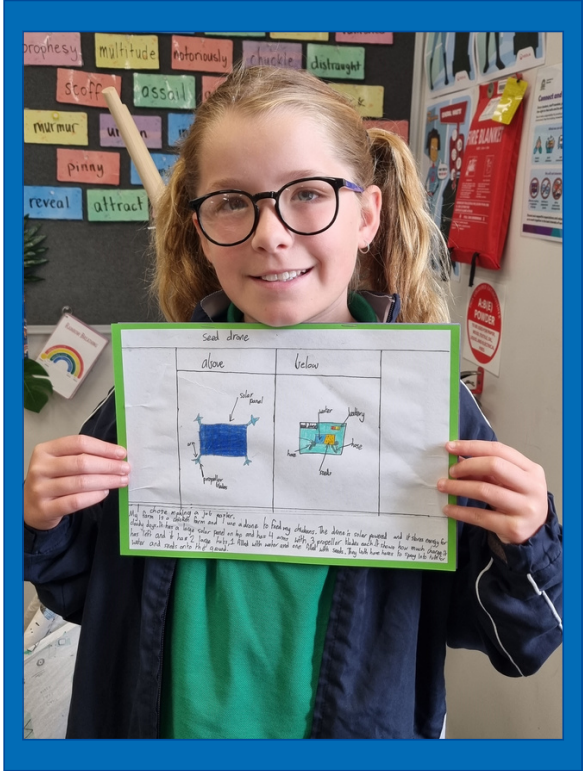
Year Four class TA39 have been working hard at innovating ideas and putting their creative minds to work.

During Science Week they were given the task to invent a robot to work on a farm. Students had to either solve a problem or address a need that farmers might have. There were some fantastic ideas with robots that could really help out farmers!

Students designed their robot and wrote some information explaining what this robot does to help on farms. All of this incredible information, plus a picture of their design, was put into a Keynote on the iPads which was displayed at our recent Open Night.

I can't wait to see what the future holds for all of these wonderfully creative minds!

**Ms Finch
TA39**





Father's Day Fun

Kindy Father's Day Celebrations

Here are some photos of our Kindy students celebrating Father's Day with their dads, or other special men in their lives, when inviting them into school recently.

Our students enjoyed taking part in the following activities with their special guests:

- Paper plane making and then having fun testing them out.
- Completing a colour by number Father's Day page, remembering to follow the key.
- Drawing a picture of themselves and Dad as a selfie.
- Having fun with the props in the photo booth.
- Building together with Lego.
- Playing with playdough.
- A picnic and play afterwards.

The dads/father figures loved their special card and gifts too!

**Mrs Grace
TA17KA&B**





2023 Lapathon

\$7,700 raised!

Last Friday our students had great fun taking part in Currambine Primary's annual Lapathon. Students, staff, plus some parents/carers, ran or walked laps of the school oval with many dressed up as their favourite animated characters.

Faction Captains handed out on-the-spot prizes to reward students for their best efforts, ERIK behaviour and fun dress, and all students were given a free icy pole to cool them down afterwards.

Thank you to all staff involved in organising the event, particularly Ms Falco and Ms Smith, plus the parents/carers who helped too.

Well done to our students and families for their fantastic fundraising efforts. We have raised a huge \$7,700 to date!

If you have yet to collect sponsorship money for the event which will be used to purchase resources for the Physical Education department, please hand your sponsorship money into the school office as soon as possible before the end of term.



View more photos from the Lapathon at our [Facebook page](#).



Kindy Sports Carnival



Kindy Group A Carnival

This week our Kindy students are having their very own Kindy Sports Carnivals! Kindy A Group had great fun taking part in theirs on Tuesday and Kindy B Group will take part in their Carnival tomorrow (Friday 15th September).

On Tuesday, the Kindy Carnival began with a marching parade around the bike tracks using musical instruments. Then the students took part in a running race and sack race. It was great to see lots of parents and other family members joining in too and supporting the children.

Students then moved around four different stations, testing out their skills that they have been learning in Kindy's Fundamental Movement Skills program. Activities included an egg and spoon race, Around the World game (throwing and catching), an obstacle course and a bike race.

Kindy Super Stars

Ms Falco commented on how impressed she was with the Fundamental Movement Skills that the Kindy students demonstrated. She also expressed a big thank you to our Year Six Faction Captains for their enthusiasm and competence in supporting the younger students to complete the various tasks.

A special thanks also to Ms Falco, our Kindy teachers and all other staff who have helped organise the Kindy Carnivals.

We are sure Kindy Group B will enjoy their Carnival tomorrow!



Primary Champion Schools Track & Field Event

Friday 27th October

School Sport WA, in conjunction with UWA Little Athletics Club, will be hosting a "Champion of Champions" athletic carnival for Year Four to Six students who were champions at their respective Interschool Carnivals.

The event will take place on Friday 27th October at UWA Little Athletics Centre, Mount Claremont and is a twilight event starting at 5pm.

The program includes the following events:

- Sprints (80m for Year 4) and 100m (Year 5 & 6)
- Middle Distance (200m Years 4-6)
- Middle Distance (400m for Year 4) and 800m (Year 5 & 6)
- Long Distance (1500m Years 4-6)
- Long Jump (Years 4-6)
- Turbo Javelin - (300 grams Years 4-6)
- Shot Put - (2kg Years 4-6)

Ms Falco encourages Year Four to Six students who placed first to fourth in Division 1 at this year's Faction Athletics Carnival, or who have represented our school in athletics at interschool level, to register to take part in the event.



SCHOOL SPORT WA
CHAMPION SCHOOLS
PRIMARY TRACK & FIELD



Please note: entries must be made on an individual basis by parents/carers and cannot be submitted by schools. A parent will need to attend the event with their child.

To find out more and register your child to enter visit:

www.schoolsportwa.com.au/interschool/primary/track-and-field/

Year Five Author Incursion



On Tuesday Year Five students took part in an author incursion. This term we have been reading *The Amazing Spencer Gray* by Deb Fitzpatrick and we were lucky enough to have her come and visit!

We heard heaps about her inspiration for the book and learnt lots about gliders too. Thank you for visiting us Deb. We loved your energy, and you answered ALL our questions both big and small!

Mrs Kelly
TA36



Thank You for Supporting our Book Fair



Thank you to the families who donated books to our library during Book Week!



New Books for our Library

A big thank you to the families who generously purchased books (pictured above) from our recent Book Fair to donate to our school library.

Pictured to the right is all of the amazing books that we purchased for the library using the commission raised from the Book Fair, thanks to your purchases.

We are so grateful for the amazing support from our students and community, thank you!

Mrs Yates
Library Officer





P&C Update



Crazy Hair Day

It was so great to see all the amazing crazy hair styles on Monday! Everyone looked so fabulous, thank you for your support for this event and for your gold coin donations which raised \$635.

\$1,970 raised by Gift Stall!

Thank you to our volunteers and to our organisers, Kerry and Estelle for a very successful Father's Day gift stall. With your support, we raised \$1,970! We hope the dads and father figures enjoyed their gifts.

P&C Meeting Highlights

- The P&C are researching online ordering options for the Uniform Shop.
- The Uniform shop has organized a Clutterbugs collection for the old white polos that are being phased out. It has been a wonderful success and a great way to avoid landfill. Please continue to bring in your old white polos.
- The canteen had 372 orders in Week Six!
- We'd love to see some new faces at our next P&C Meeting on Monday 23rd October at 7pm in the Staff Room.

Kindy Tea Towel

Our Kindy students have been busy creating self-portraits for their special commemorative Kindy tea towel. Haven't they all done a terrific job?

Tomorrow (Friday 15th September) is the last day to order. Order your tea towel online now at: <https://sites.google.com/view/cpspc/>

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 Open Night last month. You can still order the delicious pre-made Italian meals online and have them delivered straight to your door with free next day delivery for orders over \$90.

[Click here to order online.](#)

Keep up to date with P&C events and activities at: www.facebook.com/CurrambinePC



Staff Spotlight

Physical Education Specialist

Jane Falco



My Favourites

Food: Seafood Marinara
Animal: Turtles and Otters
Book: Matilda by Roald Dahl
Song: La Boheme by Giacomo Puccini
Movie: Little Miss Sunshine
Sport: Tennis, I also used to enjoy fencing.



Hobbies

Eating out, swimming,
going to the beach,
snorkelling.



Fun fact about me

My family name Falco comes
from a little town called Nola
in Naples, Italy.



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

A famous tennis player.



What I love most about Currambine Primary

As one of the inaugural members of staff (I've been at Currambine Primary since 1997), I've built many friendships over the years and really appreciate how supportive the staff and community are. I also love how committed the students are to the work we do in Physical Education.





Community Notices

GKR KARATE
KARATE FOR EVERYONE

FREE UNIFORM

+ DISCOUNTED MEMBERSHIP

CONFIDENCE FOCUS DISCIPLINE

SMS "MORE INFO" TO
0404 400 074

KARATE FACT SHEET

Did you know? There are over **600 muscles** in the human body and you will use every one of them during an average karate class.

Did you know? An adult can burn **hundreds of calories** in a typical one hour karate class with many students reporting significant weight loss during the first 6 months.

Did you know? Karate kicking engages **all muscle groups** in the upper and lower abdominal areas and strengthens the lower back.

Did you know? **Enhanced flexibility** from karate training can greatly increase posture and vitality ... and can assist in the prevention of many age-onset injuries.

Did you know? Children who train in karate are much less likely to be bullied – or become bullies – as they develop greater **self-confidence** and **respect** for others.

Did you know? Children's school work and classroom behaviour can be greatly improved through karate's **disciplined** and **respectful** training environment.

Did you know? Accomplishments in karate are often seen in a positive light by prospective employers who rightly attach images of **strength, trust** and **good character** to those who study it.

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Community Notices



PLAY CRICKET



Come and Join the Fun at
Joondalup-Kinross Junior Cricket Club
Cricket Blast starting November for Ages 5-10
Junior Cricket starting October for Ages 10+



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