

The Currambine Chronicle

Currambine Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter



Address from Veness

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank You P&C

A big thank to our P&C for their fantastic organisation of our school disco last Friday, and to all parents and students that volunteered on the night. \$3,500 was raised at the event for our school. See page 9 for further details.

The next P&C meeting will be on Monday 20th November at 7pm and all members of the community are invited to attend. Please see page 8 for positions vacant within the P&C Committee for 2024. Please contact me if you are interested in applying.

Congratulations Mr Smith

We are pleased to share with you that Mr Smith received the WAPPA (Western Australian Primary Principals' Association) 2023 Service Award which acknowledges an individual who has made a significant high-level contribution to WAPPA and to its members.

Mr Smith has been a WAPPA member for 34 years and a WAPPA Chapter Chair for over 15 years. He has been instrumental in introducing new members to WAPPA through his role as a Chapter Chair and with leaders in his own school. Mr Smith has supported WAPPA to establish new collegial groups and attends WAPPA professional learning. Congratulations Mr Smith!

Kindergarten Orientation (Caper Groups)

Our school has completed Kindergarten Orientation for 2024 students over the last two Wednesday mornings. We enjoyed the opportunity to welcome and meet with new families, in preparation for the new year. My sincere thanks to Mrs Binedell, Mrs Grace and the Kindy team for their leadership of orientation.

School Board Nominations for 2024-26

The Currambine Primary School Board is responsible for setting the long-term future of our school and maintaining oversight of the implementation of the School Business Plan.

The requirement of The School Board is to have six parent representatives. To ensure we are meeting this requirement, parent **nominations will be open from today**, for the 2024-2026 tenure. Nominations will be open for one week only with nominations closing at 3pm on Thursday 16th November. Please refer to today's Connect Notice for further details including a nomination form, a hard copy of which will also be sent home with students today.

I encourage all parents to consider an application for recruitment to the School Board.

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Uniform Survey

Thank you to those of you who have completed the Uniform Shop Survey (sent via Connect Notice) to help determine whether our Uniform Shop stocks a new item. A reminder that the survey closes this Friday 10th November. We would be grateful if you could complete the survey by then via the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/g4LuTDXvWf>

First Aid Focus

Next week Pre-Primary to Year Six students will participate in a St John WA First Aid Focus Incursion. Thank you to Ms Falco for organising this opportunity. Please see page 13 for a discount offered to parents who would like to attend a St Johns WA First Aid course.

Free Dress Day - 17th November

On Friday 17th November we will host a Free Dress Day in return for a gold coin donation in support of the Type 1 Diabetes Family Centre. Jellies will be available to purchase from the Canteen for \$1. Thanks to the Habbits family for donating the jellies.

Waste Free Lunch

A reminder that our second Waste Free Lunch of the term will be held on Wednesday 22nd November. Please see the Calendar Snapshot on page 3 for more key calendar dates.

2024 Booklists

2024 Booklists were sent home with students last week. If you are ordering via Campion Education, their online order deadline is Friday 24th November. Any orders placed after then will incur a late fee. Please note the school does not handle the Campion orders or queries. Booklists can also be viewed at our [website](#).

2024 Student Diary & Stars Workbook

The 2024 Student Diary (Pre-Primary to Year Six) and Stars Workbook (Years Two to Six) can now be pre-ordered and paid for via Compass. Please note that these need to be paid by Friday 15th December 2023 in order for students to receive their diary and/or Stars Workbook during their first week of school in 2024.

LADDs Big Camp Out

It's not too late to join the LADDs Big Camp Out this weekend on our school grounds. See page 11 for details of how to book.

Kind regards,

Jess Veness
Acting Principal



Breakfast Club

I wish to thank our parent helper, Vini La Frentz for her assistance in collecting the donations from our generous local Woolworths store in Currambine for Breakfast Club.

Many thanks also to Jenny Cherry, Mrs Yates, Amali (TA39) and Callan (TA12) who each and every week help prepare and deliver food to the students around our school. All of their ongoing support this year has been greatly appreciated.

Wednesday 29th November will be our final Breakfast Club for 2023.

Mrs Thompson



Calendar Snapshot

Fri 10th Nov	Assembly A (TA14)
Fri 10th Nov	Year Five & Six Dance Lessons
Sat 11th to Sun 12th Nov	LADDs Big Camp Out (see page 11 for details)
Mon 13th Nov	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds, 8.45-10.30am Undercover Area
Mon 13th to Mon 20th Nov	First Aid Focus (Pre-Primary to Year Six)
Wed 15th Nov	Story Time, 8.45am to 9.15am, Library
Fri 17th Nov	Assembly B (TA44)
Fri 17th Nov	Free Dress Day (gold coin donation for Diabetes Family Centre)
Fri 17th Nov	Year Five & Six Dance Lessons
Mon 20th Nov	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds, 8.45-10.30am Undercover Area
Mon 20th Nov	P&C Meeting, 7pm, Staff Room
Wed 22nd Nov	Rhyme Time, 8.45am to 9.15am, Library
Wed 22nd Nov	Waste Free Lunch
Fri 24th Nov	Assembly A (TA15)
Fri 24th Nov	Year Five & Six Dance Lessons
Mon 27th Nov	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) Christmas Party for 0-4 year olds, 8.45-10.30am Undercover Area
Wed 29th Nov	Rhyme Time Christmas Party, 8.45am to 9.15am, Library
Wed 29th Nov	2024 Kindy Info Evening
Wed 29th Nov	Board Meeting, 7pm, Staff Room
Thurs 30th Nov to Fri 1st Dec	Year Three Camp (Rottnest)
Fri 1st Dec	Year Five & Six Dance Lessons



View the full Term Planner via our [website](#)

Well done Jayden!

Well done to Year Four student Jayden Drew who recently competed in the Primary Champion Schools Track & Field Event at UWA Little Athletics, organised by School Sport WA.

Jayden had great fun taking part and making friends with students from other schools from throughout WA and achieved the following great results:

- **Long Jump:** 9th out of 20 with a distance of 3.67m.
- **80m Sprint:** 13th out of 21 with a time of 12.80 seconds.
- **200m Sprint:** 11th out of 20 with a time of 34.15 seconds.





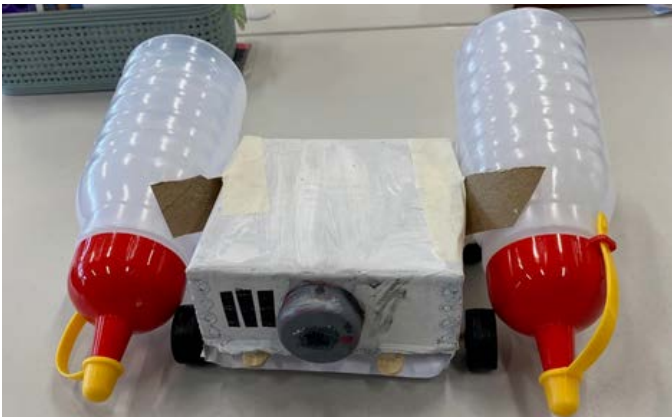
TA48 Class Article

Designing Farm Innovations

Year Four class TA48 have been busy designing Farm Innovations in Design and Technology and Science, to assist with the many problems farmers face. Here are some solutions that we came up with...

This is the 'Exact Spray Bot'. It sprays water on the exact spot that the plant is. This helps farmers by saving time and water.

By Olivia.



I created the 'Turbo Cabbage Collector'. It sucks up cabbages and stores them. It helps farmers by picking the cabbages and saving them time.

By Harper.



This is my innovation called 'Shady Days.' It works by keeping plants protected from the sun. There is also a remote control to take it off in winter to allow the sun to come through. It helps farmers by stopping the plants becoming too dry and helps them to grow better.

By Isla.



I made the 'Shade Robotic'. It is a shade and watering system that can help the plants to grow better because the farmer doesn't have to spend lots of time watering.

By Eviee.





TA48 Class Article continued...

This is the 'Wireless Fly Swatter'. It works by creating a very high pitched sound that kills flies that go near it. It is not dangerous to humans. This helps farmers by killing pests that may eat the plants.

By Jack.



I made the 'Shade Cover 2000' to keep the plants from drying out. There are automatic sprinklers that are powered by solar panels. This is helpful to assist with watering on the farm.

By Poppy.



Well done TA48 for creating such fantastic Farm Innovations!

**Belinda Rogers
TA48**

Dog Show Ribbons Awarded



Here are some photos of the Year Five Dog Show winners being awarded with their specially made ribbons (thanks to Mrs Heartcliffe) at last week's assembly.

Well done again to Maximilian S, Joshua G, Ruby P and Stevie P!



Fireman Kev Kindy Visit



Firefighting Fun

Last week, our Kindy students were very lucky to enjoy a visit from Fireman Kev. He read a story about firefighters and how they fight fires. He also told us about a kitten called Blackie (which was actually orange in colour) that the firefighters had to rescue using their ladder.

Each of our students had great fun taking turns to use the fireman's hose, aiming it carefully to try and spin the wheel. After that we all got to go for a ride in Fireman Kev's fire truck and some students got to ring the bell as we were driving along. Fireman Kev used his siren and we loved waving to everyone who passed us.

We had so much fun, thank you Fireman Kev!

Mrs Grace
TA 17KA & B





Kitchen Garden Update

Digging for Treasure

As part of our Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden program, we harvested our crop of potatoes during Garden Club. It was like digging for treasure!

Mrs Edwards used some of the potatoes with her Year Three group to make a tasty potato salad, also using spring onion, parsley and celery from our school garden.

Mrs Rogers used the rest of the potatoes to make a potato, carrot, spinach and celery curry. The students were keen to taste our creations and thought they were very tasty!

Mrs Rogers
TA45



Tree Gift from the City of Joondalup

Celebrating 25 Years

The City of Joondalup is celebrating its 25th anniversary and as part of the celebrations, they have provided all Joondalup schools with an opportunity to mark this occasion with the gifting of a Jarrah sapling (*Eucalyptus Marginata*) to be planted amongst the school grounds.

Jarrah trees are native to the south-west of Western Australia. Growing up to 50 metres tall, Jarrah's provide a great habitat for native fauna including local threatened species like the black cockatoo. This makes it an ideal choice to have on our school grounds and in our community.

A Team Effort

Many thanks to our School Gardeners Dave and Devlin who kindly helped find the perfect spot for our Jarrah sapling (near the Spiderweb playground) and prepared the hole for it to be planted.

Thanks also to Mrs Rogers and her Year Four students from TA45 who helped fill the hole with potting mix, planted the sapling and watered it. The class will continue to help nurture the sapling as it grows, with a watering roster scheduled.

We can't wait to see it grow! Many thanks to the City of Joondalup for our new Jarrah tree.





P&C Disco

Last Friday Currambine Primary School P&C held its biggest disco yet! Here are some stats:

- Junior disco: 197 tickets sold
- Middle disco: 179 tickets sold
- Senior disco: 113 tickets sold

Students partied the night away in the Undercover area, to the pumping tunes played by DJ Stiel, and showed their ERIK values throughout the evening. It is testament to our wonderful kids that the night ran so smoothly.

The P&C would like to thank DJ Stiel, plus Creagh Ferdinands from Harcourts Real Estate for your donation to keep our expenses down.

\$3,500 Raised!

A very heartfelt thank you to all of our volunteers – both the parents that signed up to help out and those students who put on a hi-vis vest and jumped into help without being asked! They were such fantastic little helpers. We cannot run a disco without our helpers, and we are very grateful to all those who supported the event.

The disco raised over \$3,500! We hope the kids had a marvellous time – and we thank you for supporting your P&C.

Nikki Buck
P&C Fundraising Co-ordinator



P&C Update

Upcoming P&C Events

- Monday 20th November: Last P&C meeting of 2024.
- Late November: Year Six graduation signing bears/balls/shirts
- Friday 8th December: Year Three Carols by Twilight and P&C sausage sizzle

Did you get your booklist last week?

The P&C have teamed up with Label Kingdom to bring you quality and affordable name labels to take the hassle of writing names on items while supporting the school. Place your order online at: www.labelkingdom.com.au/ and enter our **Fundraiser ID SF6028**.

The 2024 Booklists are available on our [website](#).

P&C Positions Available for 2024

All parents/carers and members of the local community are welcome to attend our monthly P&C Meetings and are invited to get involved with our P&C Committee.

It's a fantastic way to make new friends and to help fundraise to provide additional resources to support your children's education.

The following positions will be available within our P&C Committee in 2024:

- **Treasurer**
- **Fundraising Co-ordinator**

To find out more or register your interest, please email: jessica.veness@education.wa.edu.au

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

LADDs Update



**WE NEED
YOU
DAD!**






Currambine LADD's - Putting Fathering First
 Its term 4 already, so why not get ready for the annual Camp out!!
 Its organized and will take place on: -

Sat 11th Nov 2pm thru to Sun 12th Nov Noon

The evening will again include Target Sports (SoccerPlay) games session inclusive of Dads/Kids team organized sports such as Soccer, Dodgeball, Footgolf, Tugs of War etc. on Saturday 3pm to 6pm and other TBC entertainment, movies, fire pit, sausage sizzle dinner and tasty breakfast. Bring a small tent and pitch within the school grounds to enjoy a quality night out with the kids.
 Only \$10 in total per family group

Scan the QR code to book the family tickets







I hope everyone has had a chance to use the LADDs Community Telephone Box Library, if you haven't just pop in and have a look with your child, choose a book or 2 and take them home to read to your kids at bedtime, return them the following week and swap – Simple.

If you need support, why not check out the top shelf - Self help parenting books!!

*For up-to-date info with regard these events, LADDs News etc. and other Fathering Project events check out our Facebook page, search **LADD's Fathering CPS** Also find tips and ideas on how to be the best Dad you can be!*

More Upcoming Events/Activities:

- Planning to finish off Term Four in December with a Dads' and Daughters' Hair session (TBC).
- Running a fundraising sausage sizzle at Joondalup Bunnings on Friday 29th December.
- Planning a Term One (in March 2024) North v South interschool Billy Cart Derby (TBC).

Keep up to date with the LADDs at: www.facebook.com/groups/LADDsFatheringCPS



Staff Spotlight

French Teacher

Hamid Hafid



My Favourites

Food: Seafood, Figs, Rock Melon

Animal: Cat

Book: The Lorax, Dr Sues

Song: Diamond by Rihanna & Just Say You Won't Let Go by James Arthur

Movie: Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs & National Security

Sport: Soccer, athletics, snooker/pool



Hobbies

Sleeping, gardening, fruit trees, coffee, google and playing dominoes with my old friends.



Fun fact about me

When I was 10 I went to a school that was 8kms away from home because my local school did not have a French teacher! I often walked with my older brother there and back. Other times we got a lift on a donkey's back or in the back of a ute from people in my village. No seatbelt!



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

A News reader. Instead, I became a teacher. What an escape from the bad news!



What I love most about Currambine Primary

A lot of things, but what I see everyday is the best school in the nation for real! Currambine is an environment where children learn, play and connect respectfully, while teachers practise kindness and teach with excellence.





Community Notices

First Aid Focus

Our students recently participated in the free St John WA First Aid Focus incursion.

The First Aid Focus program aims to train and equip students with the skills to assess and respond to first aid situations, while developing strategies to seek help for themselves or others.

St John can teach you the vital skills to keep your family safe and well. Get 10% off your next first aid training by using the discount PARENTS10 when booking your course.

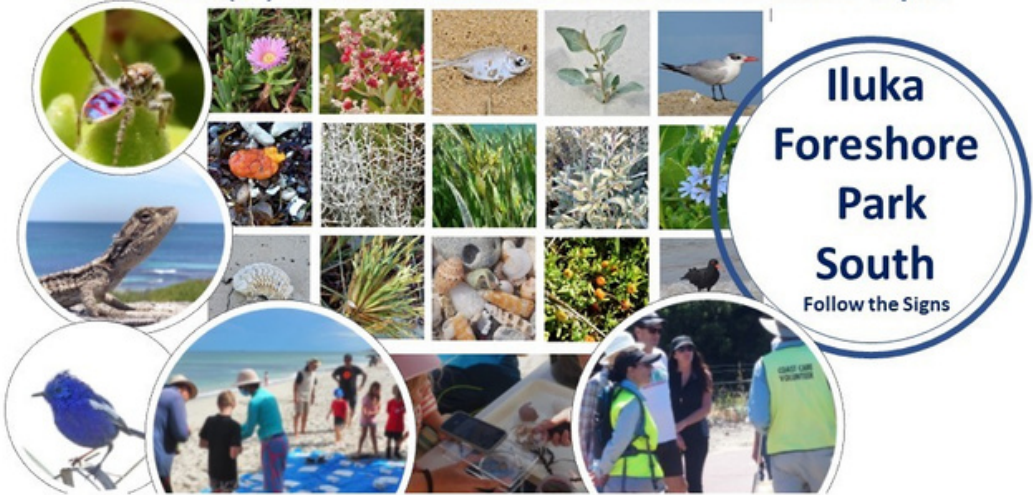
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