# The Currambine Chronicle

Currambine Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter



# Address from Veness

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### **Assembly**

The staff and students of TA15 will host the final regular assembly of the year tomorrow in the undercover assembly area. All members of the community are most welcome to attend. The Final Assembly for students in Pre-Primary to Year Five will take place on Tuesday 12th December at 8:40am. The Book Awards will be presented at this assembly.

#### **Year Three Camp**

The staff and students of Year Three will enjoy a camp to Rottnest Island on Thursday 30th November and Friday 1st December. There is no doubt that all attendees will have an educational and exciting experience and will return to families with many stories to tell. I thank all staff involved in this event for giving up their time to ensure that the students can have this wonderful opportunity.

#### **Board Meeting**

A School Board meeting will be held on Wednesday 29th November at 7pm for the final time this year. The Board will be reviewing both the School's overall performance in 2023 and the strategic planning in place for the 2024–2025 school years to enhance student achievement.

I would like to acknowledge the resignation of Ms Peta Drew from her position on the School Board. Peta has been a School Board member since 2019 and has contributed greatly to the decisions made. I thank her for her contribution to the Board.

The School has recently called for nominations to the School Board to begin in the new year. No nominations were received on this occasion. The School Board will be calling for new nominations in Term Two of 2024.

#### **Kindergarten Information Evening**

The Kindy staff will be hosting an information evening for 2024 students on Wednesday 29th November at 5:30pm. If you are attending the evening, please arrive promptly and head to the undercover area.

#### **Parent Helper Morning Tea**

We are very grateful to receive much support from parents and carers throughout the course of the year. Whether the assistance be for a year level excursion or helping in the classroom, we couldn't do it without you! We will be hosting a morning tea to thank our special helpers on Tuesday 12th December in the Library at 10:30am.

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#### **P&C** Association

I would like to acknowledge the work of the P&C Association this year. They have done an incredible amount of fundraising, raising a total of over \$19,000. This is an amazing effort, with the funds contributing to a new playground and the end of year Book Awards. A huge thank you.

Mrs Nikki Buck, Fundraising Coordinator, and Ms Donna Genetti, Treasurer, will be stepping away from their roles in 2024. We thank them both for their dedication and service. Please see page 9 for details of how to register your interest for either of these P&C roles for 2024.

#### **Parking**

As a large school with many children to drop off and pick up, we have significant challenges with traffic movement and parking each and every day. These challenges are usually resolved within a twenty-minute window with families well aware of the processes of our Kiss and Drop at the front of the school and on Moore Drive. The Kiss and Drive on Moore Drive is not a parking space. May I remind parents/carers to be respectful and kind; values we seek to instil in our students, when managing parking around the school. Thank you for your co-operation.

#### **End of Year Dates**

With a busy few weeks ahead for the remainder of the term, please check the key end of year dates that are listed in the Calendar Snapshot on the following page.

A reminder that the last day of term is Thursday 14th December.

Kind regards,

Jess Veness Acting Principal



## 2024 Year Six Leavers Shirt

#### **Order by 1st December**

A reminder that families of 2024 Year Six students are invited to purchase a Leavers Shirt for their child with all the names of their year group printed on the back.

To ensure the students have their shirts as early as possible in 2024, we are ordering them this year.

The cost of the shirt is \$35 each, and you are able to purchase more than one if you wish. Please refer to the sizing chart that was sent to you via Connect Notice (also available on CompassTix) for your information.

We are using CompassTix to make the ordering process and purchasing of these shirts easier for all. Orders can be placed up until 3pm on Friday 1st December.

Orders will then be collated and sent as one whole order. Please note that this is the only time we will be ordering the 2024 Leavers Shirt.

Order now via the the following link to CompassTix: <a href="https://compasstix.com/e/db5x0rzps9">https://compasstix.com/e/db5x0rzps9</a>

If you have any questions relating to the use of CompassTix or regarding the Leavers shirts, please contact the school office.

## **Calendar Snapshot**

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

Thurs 30th Nov to Fri 1st Dec

Fri 1st Dec

Board Meeting, 7pm, Staff Room

Year Three Camp (Rottnest)

Year Five & Six Dance Lessons

Tues 5th Dec Kindy A Group Incursion

Wed 6th Dec Year Six Graduation Assembly
Thurs 7th Dec Year Six Outback Splash Excursion

Fri 8th Dec Carols by Twilight. 6pm.

Mon 11th Dec Kindy A Group Final Assembly

Mon 11th Dec Year Six Graduation Dinner

Tues 12th Dec Final Assembly (Pre-Primary to Year Five)
Tues 12th Dec Parent Helper Thank You Morning Tea

Wed 13th Dec Kindy B Group Final Assembly

Thurs 14th Dec End of Year Excursions (Pre-Primary to Year Five)

Thurs 14th Dec Last Day of Term - Students return Wed 31st January 2024



# Little Honey Thief to the Rescue

#### Swarm of bees safely relocated!

A big thank you to Guy and Laura from 'The Little Honey Thief' who promptly came and removed a swarm of bees that were getting comfortable at Currambine Primary last week.

The swarm of bees was quickly and safely removed by Guy who remarkably did not even wear gloves or protective clothing! Please note that Guy is an expert and we do not recommend that others get this close to a swarm of bees! The bees were safely relocated far away from the school to continue making honey.

If you should need to use a bee removal service, we would highly recommend the Little Honey Thief that can be contacted on 0405 705 052. You can also view their Facebook page.





## **K19A Class Article**





#### 20 Things We Love About Kindy!

As the year draws to a close, I asked my students what they love most about Kindy at Currambine Primary. Here is what they had to say...

#### Mrs Seivwright TA19KA

**Ava** – I love Mrs Seivwright and Mrs Hack and Mrs Fraser.

**Brooklyn** - I love playing with the puzzles.

Carla - I love playing with the My Little Ponies.

**Charlie** – I love playing in the home corner. I love how it's always different.

**Daniel** - I love the stories Mrs Seivwright reads to us.

Eli – I love the musical instruments.

**Elijah** - I love writing in my writing book.

Ethan - I love it when we have dance parties.

**Hinata** - I love drawing.

Hopper - I love all of the toys.

**Hudson** – I love making sandcastles in the sand pit. I love mixing it with the water.

Jack – I love having picnics for lunch with all of my friends every day.

James - I love playing with the MagnaTiles.

Jessica - I love playing with the dollhouse.

Layla - I love painting at Kindy.

Meika - I love playing outside on the monkey bars.

Nathan - I love playing with the Marble Run.

Riley - I love building with the Duplo.

Sadie - I love playing with my friends.

Willow - I love helping Mrs Seivwright tidy up.



## **First Aid Focus**

#### **Learning Life Skills**

All last week and Monday of this week, St John's Ambulance visited Currambine Primary to teach students from Pre-Primary to Year Six essential first aid skills.

Pictured here are Pre-Primary students from TA16 and Year Five students from TA38 enjoying learning ageappropriate practical skills to assess and respond to first aid situations.

Many thanks to Ms Falco for organising this opportunity for our students.

See the Community Notices section for a **discount** code offered by St John WA to parents/carers who would like to book a First Aid course.









# Student Leadership Day



#### **Year Five Leadership Experience**

Well done to our Year Five students who attended the Joondalup Learning Community Leadership Day at Belridge Secondary College last week.

Year five students Emily M, Isabella D-P, Stevie P and Milla M were selected to attend the leadership day along with other Year Five student leaders from local schools.

They learned lots of leadership tips throughout the day, attended a Student Councillor meeting, chatted to Belridge Secondary College Year Ten student leaders and had the opportunity to meet with Emily Hamilton MLA who discussed the power of letter writing as a way of making a positive difference in the community.





## **Christmas Donations**





#### **Give Write**

An estimated 105,000 children and young people live below the poverty line in WA. That is 1 in every 6 children. Give Write is a WA based charity that takes donations of new and used stationery to recycle, repackage and re-gift to children who are in need.

Stationery donations either go into Give Write School Packs for primary or high schools, or are taken into a Free Teachers' Store, where teachers can select resources for their students in need.

If you would like to donate any of the stationery highlighted above, please place it in the Give Write donations box located in our school office **by Thursday 15th December.** 

#### **Wanslea Christmas Gift Donations**

Wanslea's Foster Care program provides out-ofhome care to children that cannot live safely at home.

Wanslea are seeking donations of unwrapped Christmas gifts for children in out-of-home care, aged 2-16 years. We are therefore pleased to be collecting donations of gifts to help bring a smile to a child this Christmas.

We have some Santa sacks located in our school office that will be available to place any gift donations in **up until Friday 8th December.** 

Further information about Wanslea can be viewed at their website: <a href="https://www.wanslea.org.au">www.wanslea.org.au</a>

Thank you for any donations you are able to provide to help support these charities.



# **Update from the P&C**



#### **Donations to School**

We are very happy to have made the following donations from Currambine P&C to the school:

- \$10,000 to replace the Spider Web playground
- \$3,000 for the Book Awards at the Final assembly

Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts. We are very excited to see our students use the new playground in 2024!



#### P&C Noticeboard

Did you know that the P&C has a noticeboard in the Undercover Area? This lists current P&C members, their positions and contact details.

There is an "Upcoming Events" section which will showcase our current fundraisers. Please check the noticeboard regularly to keep up to date with P&C news and events.



#### **Year Six Graduation Gifts**

Congratulations on our Year Six students reaching the end of Primary School. To celebrate this milestone, the P&C are selling graduation keepsakes including:

- Graduation Signature Bears
- Graduation Signature Soccer Balls
- Graduation Signature Frames
- White Currambine Primary School shirts

You can view and order the items online via the following link: <a href="https://cpspc.square.site/">https://cpspc.square.site/</a>.

Items are available to purchase up until **Wednesday 13th December**. Once ordered, items can be collected from the Uniform Shop during the usual opening hours of:

• Tuesday: 2pm - 3pm

• Thursday: 8am - 9am

If you have any questions, please contact the P&C at: <a href="mailto:currambinepcfundraising@gmail.com">currambinepcfundraising@gmail.com</a>

Read more P&C news over the page...

# **P&C Update**

#### **Upcoming P&C Events**

- Friday 24th November: Fairy Bread Day! The school canteen will be selling Fairy bread for 50 cents per slice. This is available to order online or over the counter.
- Wednesday 6th December: There will be a coffee van available before the Year Six Graduation Assembly. The van will be located behind the Undercover Area, opposite the school oval.
- Friday 8th December: Our P&C will host a sausage sizzle at the Carols by Twilight event.
   Fairy floss, Iollies, glow items and Christmas items will also be available to buy.
- Tuesday 12th December: Coffee will be available in return for a gold coin donation during the Pre-Primary to Year Five Final Assembly. The van will be located behind the undercover area, opposite the school oval. Thank you to Jay Dass of Noble Avenue Real Estate for sponsoring the coffee van.

#### **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

#### **Uniform Shop Open Tomorrow**

Please note that our Uniform Shop will be open this **Friday 24th November 8am to 10am**, in addition to the regular opening hours of:

• Tuesday: 2pm - 3pm

• Thursday: 8am - 9am

May we remind you that, a new school uniform has been introduced with blue shirts replacing the old white shirts. There has been a transitional period towards everyone wearing the new school uniform and we ask that **only blue shirts be worn from 2024**.

The Uniform Shop is fully stocked to cater for all of your uniform needs for next year. For further information about our uniform visit our website: <a href="https://www.currambineps.wa.edu.au/parents/uniforms/">www.currambineps.wa.edu.au/parents/uniforms/</a>



#### **Order your Name Labels for 2024**

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: <a href="https://www.labelkingdom.com.au/">www.labelkingdom.com.au/</a> and enter our Fundraiser ID SF6028

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

## **LADDs Update**





### **LADDs Big Camp Out - Big Success!**

Another annual LADDs Big Camp Out was successfully held on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th November.

A huge thank you to Rob Wilson, the main organiser of the event, and to Josh Ihlein for heavily supporting the event.

Many thanks also to SoccerPlay for running the activities, Joondalup Rotary for cooking dinner, Coles Currambine for donating most of the food, Tx Chin for supplying the movies and to all those who helped at breakfast and clean up.

As you can see, the 150 people who attended had a great time!

#### **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).









Staff Spotlight

Year Four Teacher

# Kelsey Finch



# My Favourites

Food: Nachos Animal: Cats

Book: Harry Potter series

Song: Summertime by Peabod

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Movie: Nightmare Before Christmas Sport: Netball



# Hobbies

Singing and painting.



# Fun fact about me

I played the flute in an orchestral band in high school and also sang in a band!



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

A veterinarian or a teacher!



# What I love most about Currambine Primary

Having such a supportive group of people around me and chatting with parents.

# **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**.

For bookings call **9334 1233** or visit our website **stjohnwa.com.au** 



# **Community Notices**



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