

# The Currambine Chronicle

Currambine Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter



## CURRAMBINE

TOGETHER TOWARDS TOMORROW

## Address from Veness

Dear Parents & Carers,

May I extend a warm welcome to Term Two to all members of our school community, particularly those families who are new to our school this term. I look forward to an educative and exciting term ahead.

### WA Student Assistance Payment Now Available

The WA Student Assistance Payment is now available to claim. This is to help with extra school costs such as books, stationery, computers, uniforms, and school excursion fees. \$150 can be claimed for each primary school student. Please see page 6 for details of how to claim.

### Teacher Industrial Action

The Department of Education is negotiating with the State School Teachers' Union (SSTUWA) and Principals' Federation of Western Australia to reach a new industrial agreement. While these negotiations are still ongoing, the SSTUWA has proposed **industrial action for half a day on the morning of Tuesday 23rd April**.

The stop-work action begins at the start of the school day. It is expected that any employee who participates is back in the classroom ready to teach at 12.30pm.

The School will remain open next Tuesday morning as usual and will ensure it meets the duty of care of all students; however, there will be timetable changes which may include the collapse of some specialist lessons if required. Relief teachers will be employed to replace those teachers who take part in the action. We respectfully request that you do not ask teachers if they are taking part in the action.

Should parents choose to keep their children home, this decision is respected by the school.

### Principal Selection Process

The selection process to appoint a new Principal is underway, and our school will have a new Principal by the beginning of Term Three. I will then return to my role of Associate Principal.

### ANZAC Service

Next Wednesday 24th April we will host our annual ANZAC Commemorative Service from 8.45am which members of the school community are welcome to attend. The Beachside Barista coffee van will be located in the early childhood area, kindly sponsored by Jay Dass Real Estate. We just ask for a gold coin donation for your order and all funds will be donated to our P&C. We thank Jay Dass for supporting our school.

### Key Events in Term Two

Please see the Calendar Snapshot on the following page for key events taking place during this term.

Kind regards,

**Jess Veness**  
Acting Principal



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## Calendar Snapshot

Fri 19th Apr	Assembly A (TA24)
Mon 22nd Apr	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds. 8.45-10.30am. Undercover Area.
Wed 24th Apr	ANZAC Ceremony. 8.45am.
<b>Thurs 25th Apr</b>	<b>ANZAC Day Public Holiday</b>
Fri 26th Apr	Assembly B (TA32)
Mon 29th Apr	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds. 8.45-10.30am. Undercover Area.
Mon 29th Apr	P&C Meeting. 7pm.
Tues 30th Apr	P&C Crazy Hair Day (see details on page 5)
Wed 1st May	Rhyme Time. 8.45am to 9.15am. Library.
Wed 1st May	Waste Free Lunch
Wed 1st May	Year Two Perth Zoo Excursion
Fri 3rd May	Assembly B (TA31)
Mon 6th May	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds. 8.45-10.30am. Undercover Area.
Tues 7th May	Kindy A Group Mother's Day
Tues 7th to Thurs 16th May	Recycling Incursion
Wed 8th May	Story Time. 8.45am to 9.15am. Library.
Fri 10th May	Assembly B (TA37)
Fri 10th May	Kindy B Group & Pre-Primary Mother's Day
Fri 10th May	Year One AQWA Excursion



Visit our [website](#) to view the full Term Two planner

## School Board Vacancies

The purpose of the School Board is to enable staff, parents and members of the wider community to engage in activities that will advance the efficacy of the School and the interest of students.

The Board's work is strategic, rather than operational, and takes part in reviewing the objectives, priorities and general policy direction of the School, with particular attention to the approval of the School Business Plan every three years. Members who join the School Board, are expected to hold the full tenure of three years, within reason.

The School Board is required to have six parent representatives and two community representatives. The latter are not to have children enrolled at the School.

**Five Board positions will become vacant for parents at the close of Term Two, 2024.**

A specific nomination process will be advised closer to the time, and the School wishes to inform the community in advance of the arising vacancies. Parents are encouraged to learn more about the responsibility of joining the School Board and consider nominating for the role. The School Board meets once per term, on a Wednesday evening in Week Eight. The only exception to this, is a second meeting held in Term Four, Week Four.

If you have any questions please contact Jess Veness, at [jessica.veness@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:jessica.veness@education.wa.edu.au).



## TA19A Class Update



### Kindy Fun

We have been having the best time in Kindy this year!

Every day we work hard doing our Literacy and Numeracy sessions. We have learnt about words in a sentence, compound words and syllables. We have been practising our pre-writing skills and trying really hard to hold a pencil correctly.

We now know our colours, shapes, positional language and are working so hard to recognise numbers and count really high!

We love our afternoon sessions in Kindy, we do lots of craft, playing, colouring in, drawing and role-playing in the home corner - at the moment it is a Hairdressers Salon.

We have so much fun in Kindy!

**Mrs Seivwright**  
**TA19KA**





## Garden Club



### Growing our own food

The Garden Lunchtime Club has been busy planting new seedlings of tomatoes, basil, capsicum, spring onions, coriander and lettuce.

We are keen to take care of these plants and watch them grow, as they will be used in our Kitchen Classes later this term.

**Mrs Rogers**  
**TA48**





## 2025 Kindy Enrolments



### Apply Now

You can enrol your child to start Kindy next year if they are 4 years old by 30th June 2025. Enrolments for Kindy 2025 are now open and the enrolment deadline is Friday 19th July 2024.

If you would like to enrol your child at our school, please visit our [website](#) to download an Enrolment Form, and access links to other useful documents.

### Kindy Tours

From Wednesday 1st May we will be hosting Kindy Tours every Wednesday morning from 8.45am to 9.30am, until the end of this term.

We will also be hosting **Twilight Kindy Tours** from 5pm to 5.45pm on the following dates:

- Wednesday 15th May
- Wednesday 5th June

Our Kindy Tours are a great way for you and your child to familiarise yourself with our school and to ask one of our Kindy Teachers any questions you may have.

**To book a tour, please contact Brenda Koertzen at: [brenda.koertzen@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:brenda.koertzen@education.wa.edu.au) or call 6207 6100.**

## 0-4 Year Old Sessions



### Returning Next Monday

Our free programs for 0-4 year olds are a great way to introduce your child to a school environment and to meet other children before they start Kindy. Children don't need to have a sibling attending our school, all children aged 0-4 and their parent/carer are welcome to attend.

### Upcoming Sessions:

#### Week Two

- Mon 22nd April: P.A.L.S. 8.45am to 10.30am, Currambine Primary School Undercover Area.

#### Week Three

- Mon 29th April: P.A.L.S. 8.45am to 10.30am, Currambine Primary School Undercover Area.
- Wed 1st May: Rhyme Time. 8.45am to 9.15am, Currambine Primary School Library.

#### Week Four

- Mon 6th May: P.A.L.S. 8.45am to 10.30am, Currambine Primary School Undercover Area.
- Wed 8th May: Story Time. 8.45am to 9.15am, Currambine Primary School Library.

**Learn more about the sessions at our [website](#).**



## WA Student Assistance

### Available Now

The WA Student Assistance Payment is now available to claim until Friday 28th June 2024 via the ServiceWA app.

For families unable to use the app, you can claim via the following link: [www.education.wa.edu.au/wasap/claim](http://www.education.wa.edu.au/wasap/claim)

Your child's student number (WASN) can be found via the following methods:

- School Report
- NAPLAN results documentation
- SmartRider Card

Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students received a letter from the school with your child's student number towards the end of last term.



The advertisement features the Government of Western Australia logo and the ServiceWA app logo. The main text reads: "WA Student Assistance Payment now available to claim through the ServiceWA app". Below this, it says "To learn how, visit [wa.gov.au/servicewaapp](http://wa.gov.au/servicewaapp)". The background is yellow and shows two children, a boy and a girl, riding bicycles.

**Please refer to the Connect Notice sent to you towards the end of last term, including the letter from the WA State Government with further details.**

## Recycling IncurSION 7th to 16th May

### CLOSING THE LOOP ON ORGANICS

Waste Education Workshop for your class provided by Veolia - courtesy of your local council.



This is a reminder that your child will need to bring an empty plastic bottle to school for an incurSION.

The bottle should be a 1 or 1.25L clear plastic soda bottle with a lid and be clean and empty.

(No coloured plastic bottles, milk bottles or small water bottles please. Masks are also recommended for this workshop).

### Please save empty bottles!

In Weeks Four and Five of this term, our students will get to enjoy a Waste Education incurSION.

All students will need a clean and empty 1 litre or 1.25 litre clear plastic bottle with a lid, to take part in an activity during the incurSION. Therefore, we ask you to please start collecting your empty bottles to send in to school.

Families will be sent further information regarding the incurSION via Connect.

Please see the diagram for details about the bottles that students will require. Many thanks for your support.







## P&C Update



### P&C Meeting

All parents/carers are welcome to attend the next P&C meeting which will take place on Monday 29th April at 7pm in the staff room. It would be great to welcome some new faces.

### Your P&C Team

Thank you to those of you who have volunteered to be a member of the Currambine P&C Committee this year. This year's P&C Committee members are as follows:

**President** - Claire Stone

**Vice President** - Hannah Rebbeck

**Treasurer** - Danielle Nolan

**Secretary** - Tami Haefele

**Fundraising Coordinator** - Jodie Jones

**Executive Members** - Claire Ihlein,  
Jacqui Alhawadi & Nikki Buck

### Fundraising for Sensory Space

Our P&C are constantly working behind the scenes planning and organising fundraising events and activities with the goal of continuing to improve our school.

All funds currently raised by the P&C will be used to upgrade the school cottage, to enable it to be used as a sensory space for students who have sensory needs and experience challenges with regulation.



### Crazy Hair Day

Currambine P&C are hosting a Crazy Hair Day on Tuesday 30th April. All students (and staff!) are invited to come to school with whacky, crazy hairstyles that day in return for a gold coin donation to raise funds for our school.

There will also be a couple of P&C volunteers outside the staff room from 8am to 8.20am that morning, spraying hair in return for a gold coin donation.

### Uniform Shop Opening Times

Please note that the Uniform Shop will be closed on Thursday 25th April due to the ANZAC Day public holiday. For next week only the Uniform Shop will be open as follows:

- Tuesday from 2-3pm
- Friday from 8-9am

Keep up to date with news and events from Currambine P&C via the P&C Noticeboard in the undercover area or their [Facebook page](#).



## LADDs Update - Free Cyber Safety Workshop



**Cyber Safety & Digital Wellness Workshop**

**Monday 10th June  
6.30-8.30pm**



### Cyber Safety & Digital Awareness

- Do you wonder how technology might affect the developing bodies, brains and behaviours of children?
- Do you struggle to get your child to turn their device off?
- Are you worried your child is spending too much time online?
- Are you concerned about what your child might find, or what might find them?

### Help is at Hand!

Currambine LADDs are funding a **FREE workshop** for parents of our students to attend on Monday 10th June, 6.30-8.30pm in our undercover area.

The workshop will be delivered by Kayelene Kerr, one of WA's most experienced providers of Protective Behaviours, Body Safety, Cyber Safety and Digital Wellness education workshops. Please see further details over the page.

**Register now at: [www.esafekids.com.au/events](http://www.esafekids.com.au/events)**

### Pottery Ready for Collection

For those of you who had fun visiting the Pottery Playroom with the LADDs at the end of last term, your items have been fired and are now with Mrs Heartcliffe for judging. The winners to be notified soon, watch this space!

### Planning Session - Sat 27th April

The LADDs are hosting an informal event at The Dome, Currambine at 9am on Saturday 27th April, to plan events for the remainder of this year.

All fathers/father figures in our school community are welcome to attend to share a coffee and ideas. It would be great to see some new faces.

**Follow the [Currambine LADDs Facebook page](#) to keep up to date with news and upcoming events.**

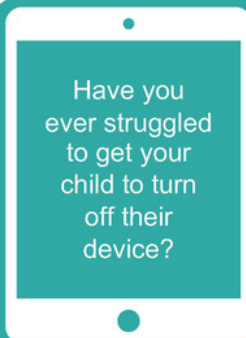


# Online Safety & Digital Wellbeing Workshop




EDUCATE | EQUIP | EMPOWER | SUPPORT | PROTECT

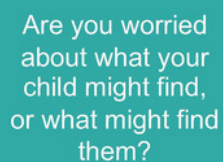
Presented by eSafeKids, this workshop is filled with up-to-date information, real world examples, practical strategies, conversation starters and resource recommendations to support you.



Have you ever struggled to get your child to turn off their device?



Do you want to reduce conflict and enhance relationships?



Are you worried about what your child might find, or what might find them?

## WORKSHOP CONTENT

- Technology's effect on developing bodies, brains and behaviour.
- Screen time and healthy boundaries – Creating a Family Technology Plan.
- Social media, gaming and media literacy.
- Age inappropriate, hurtful, harmful and illegal content, including sexualised media and pornography.
- Tricky People & Unsafe Behaviours.
- Interpersonal conflict, peer relationships, managing emotions and digital reputation.
- Parental controls – safer devices and homes.

**DATE:** Monday 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2024

**TIME:** 6:30pm – 8:30pm  
Followed by questions

**VENUE:** Currambine Primary School

**REGISTER:** [www.esafekids.com.au/events](http://www.esafekids.com.au/events)





# Staff Spotlight

Year Two/Three Teacher & Music Specialist

## Kate Ermacora



### My Favourites

Food: Anything Biscoff flavoured

Animal: Deer

Book: The Chronicles of Narnia

Song: Anything I can dance to!

Movie: The Barbie Movie

Sport: Bouldering (climbing)



### Hobbies

Bouldering and lifting weights.



### Fun fact about me

I have a black kelpie named Baloo (like the bear from The Jungle Book).



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

A teacher!

### What I love most about Currambine Primary

The staff are incredibly supportive and kind. They make me feel like a valued member of their team.







## Community Notices

**FREE** Trial Class



# TENNIS AT SCHOOL

**ALL ages are welcomed!**



Every **TUESDAY 7:30 - 8:15am** Starting **23/4**  
**\$140 per term (8 weeks)**  
**At the School Tennis Courts**

**TO REGISTER**

Email Coach Jack:

**lyttlestarstennis@gmail.com**

With child's name, year & contact number

**ALL EQUIPMENT IS PROVIDED**





## Community Notices



# Soccer Development PROGRAM



Every Wednesday

Ages: Pre-Primary to Year 6

Time: 2.45pm to 3.45pm

Basketball Courts

Meeting point:  
Undercover Area

24th April to 19th June

Players to bring:

- Indoor boots
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Water

**\$165 Per Term**

**SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE**



SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO REGISTER



1300 554 765

[bookings@isasoccer.com.au](mailto:bookings@isasoccer.com.au)

[www.isasoccer.com.au](http://www.isasoccer.com.au)

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**Currambine Primary**

# Multi-Sports

8wks for only

**\$120**

**Weekly Before-School Classes**

**Wed 7:30-8:30am**

**Weeks 2-9 of Term 2**  
**Limited Spots Available**

Join our active non-competitive classes where kids get to try their hand at different sports and no week is the same. Build confidence and learn sports skills the fun way!

**Sports Include:**

- AFL • Athletics • Baseball • Cricket • Hockey • Lacrosse • Netball
- Rugby • Soccer • Ultimate Frisbee • Volleyball & more

**To book go to:**

**[bit.ly/3vXqQBG](https://bit.ly/3vXqQBG)**

0467 156 964 westcoast@geckosports.com.au



**Gecko Sports**



# Community Notices



## SPECIALIST CONTEMPORARY MUSIC

### APPLY FOR YEAR 7 2025

Our Specialist Contemporary Music program is open to students who **reside in and out of area**, who have a passion for music and includes **places for beginners.\***

The Specialist Music Course is made up of three main sections:

- Class Music
- Instrumental Lessons
- Ensemble Rehearsals

Places for the following instruments are available in 2024:

- |                    |              |                    |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| • Percussion       | • Flute      | • Bass Guitar *    |
| • Keyboard         | • Trumpet *  | • Saxophone *      |
| • Classical Guitar | • Voice *    | • Electric Guitar* |
| • Clarinet         | • Trombone * |                    |

**Applications close Friday, 26 April 2024.**

Application forms are available on our website:

[www.oceanreef.wa.edu.au/learning/our-programs/specialist-music](http://www.oceanreef.wa.edu.au/learning/our-programs/specialist-music)





## Community Notices



OCEAN REEF SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY 6.00PM – 8.00PM

GATES OPEN 5.30PM

FREE TICKET ENTRY – TICKETS ARE LIMITED

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM TRYBOOKING (NO DOOR SALES)



OR CODE OR [HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CQPPX](https://www.trybooking.com/CQPPX)

FOOD AND DRINK AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE DISCO

STUDENTS INVITED FROM BEAUMARIS PRIMARY, CONNOLLY PRIMARY, CURRAMBINE PRIMARY, MULLALOO HEIGHTS PRIMARY, MULLALOO BEACH PRIMARY, OCEAN REEF PRIMARY, POSEIDON PRIMARY