

Newsletter
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Celebrating 120 years

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WHAT'S ON THIS FORTNIGHT?

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
16 Oct	17 Oct Dance lessons	18 Oct Board Meeting 6pm Kindy Orientation 9.15—10.30am	19 Oct	20 Oct Assembly Year 5/6 Room 14 Sailing, Canoeing & Tennis commence
23 Oct	24 Oct Dance lessons	25 Oct	26 Oct	27 Oct Pre-Primary Information Morning—Library 9.15am THE FOUNDATION DAY COLOUR FUN RUN

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

I can not believe it is Term 4 already **Five new families** (seven students) have started this term so please keep your eye out for any new faces and say "hello", to welcome these families to our school community.

It is interesting, last term our total enrolments dropped to 336 students, after the school opened the year with 370 students. Our current enrolment is now 356! It is amazing to see the changes in our school population and how mobile Cottesloe families are.

Term 4 major events include:

- The Foundation Day (Colour) Fun Run
- Dance
- School Open Night & Photography Exhibition
- Cottfathers Camp Out
- Swimming Lessons for Pre Primary and Year 1 students.
- Christmas Concert and Parent Thank You Morning Tea
- Graduation Assembly

Students in Years 5 and 6 will have the opportunity to join in Sailing, Canoeing and Tennis lessons. What an exciting 10 weeks ahead of us!

Thank you to Mrs Andrea Macfarlane who stepped into the role of Principal in my absence during the last week of term. It is very reassuring to know there is a team of very professional and dedicated staff who can continue to lead the school, support teachers, parents and students.

Johnston Street Tree

The big news of yesterday was the discovery of a major crack through the trunk of the large gum tree on Johnston Street.

The area around the tree was immediately taped off to ensure the safety of students, staff, parents and the public. The Department of Education has sent out staff to assess the tree and to make a recommendation on what action to take. The 120th Avenue of Trees planted last term shows the Cottesloe Primary Community is keen to maintain a strong tree canopy, even if trees are required to be removed at different times. The 120th Avenue will provide an understory which at one point in time, will become the canopy when the older trees die. The Johnston Street Gum is a magnificent tree but our community safety is paramount.



Congratulations

I am really pleased to announce that Denise Johnston has been successful in her application for Level 3 Classroom teacher.

To be awarded this status is a huge achievement and a reflection of Denise's outstanding teaching skills, commitment to the teaching profession and educational leadership.

Congratulations Mrs Johnston

Works around the School

Over the holidays a number of jobs were completed.

Thanks to your generosity and the support of the P&C, the covered walkway from the Kindergarten to the Senior Block was completed. Students will now be able to move with a little more comfort around the school. The IT services across the school were also upgraded. This caused disruption to the access to email and the network over the holidays but we are now back on line.

The Administration Upgrade is back on track and it looks as though the builders will be finishing their work before the end of this month.

WILL YOUR CHILD BE AT COTTESLOE PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2018?

To assist with planning for 2018 I ask that you inform the school if you are planning on leaving our wonderful and successful school. The information will remain confidential but will assist me in making decisions about staffing and school structure.



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Helping your children's education

- Don't compare report card results to those of other children (or your own results!)
- Focus on attitude and effort, not grades
- Don't put pressure on them - encourage them to be as good as they can be

CottFathers & Kids Lane Poole Reserve CampOut 2017

**Friday 3rd, Saturday 4th, and Sunday 5th November
At Nanga Mill Campsite, Lane Poole Reserve, Dwellingup**

The CottFathers & Kids CampOut is a fun event for Cottesloe Primary School students and their dads (or grandfathers, father-figures or mums if dads are unable to make it) to camp out and enjoy the bush and water activities. Dads and their children will enjoy precious time together and have the opportunity to participate in a ropes course and bushwalking, cook a meal, spend time with other dads and friends and sleep out in a bush setting. You are welcome to participate in organised canoeing activities, or do your own thing.

See attachment to email for more details.