

Newsletter
2019



AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

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6th February 2019

WHAT'S ON THIS FORTNIGHT?

| MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI |
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| <p>11 Feb Swimming Lessons Years 2—3</p> | <p>12 Feb</p> | <p>13 Feb Uniform Shop Open</p> | <p>14 Feb</p> | <p>15 Feb Student Councillor Assembly</p> |
| <p>18 Feb Year 6 Leadership Camp Bridgetown</p> | <p>19 Feb</p> | <p>20 Feb Uniform Shop Open</p> | <p>21 Feb</p> | <p>22 Feb Kindy Parent Meeting 9.15am Library</p> |

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

The 2019 School Year is upon us!

Welcome back and welcome to the 42 new families who have joined our community this year. Our school numbers are down on 2018 as expected and we still have capacity to take additional enrolments in some year levels.

All staff have been back since last week and have continued to build on our school knowledge and processes to ensure we offer students a “Quality Education that will deliver excellence in learning, critical and creative thinking and strength of character”. Cottesloe Primary is a successful and positive school. 2019 will see us continuing to develop effective whole school approaches to teaching Literacy and Numeracy. We will have a heightened focus on Critical and Creative Thinking, Indigenous Culture and our School Values of

Excellence, Integrity, Respect, Perseverance and Kindness.

We have had a number of staff join the team: Alana Simmons, Hannah Parsons, Russell Haxby, Linda Visser, Aleisha Niebieszczanski, Brendan Kennedy and Sarah Orton. Each of these experienced teachers brings great skills knowledge and enthusiasm to our school and will contribute to the direction and positive tone.

120th Pavers

Thank you to River stone and Catherine Strickland for having the pavers laid for the start of the year, I am very grateful to all the families and staff who purchased a brick or bricks . The impact of the pavers is fantastic and the collection can be added to in the future. Thank you for supporting the P&C and Cottesloe Primary.



Class and Staff Structure Cottesloe Primary 2018

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| Principal | Graham Dart | Graham.Dart@education.wa.edu.au |
| Deputy Principal | Jane Lowther | |
| Deputy Principal | Andrea Macfarlane | |
| Manager Corporate Services | Lena Harvey | |
| School Officer | Jenni Mitchell | |
| Library Officer | Tracey Willis | |
| School Psychologist | Richard Luyke | |
| Kindergarten | Amanda Duckworth, Brooke Barnett, Jane Potter, Jonine Howe | |
| Pre Primary 11A | Alana Simmons, Philippa Sheldrick, Jazmine Slebos, Chelsea Hedges | |
| Pre Primary 11B | Cath Bestley, Lucy Taylor, Dot Grime, Yvonne Scales, Lee-Anne Druce | |
| Year 1 | Vicki Green | |
| Year 1 | Hannah Parson | |
| Year 2 | Sue Dwyer | |
| Year 3 | Denise Johnston, Andrea Macfarlane | |
| Year 3 | NICKIE JONES | |
| Year 4 | Ceira Van Kuyk | |
| Year 4/5 | Russell Haxby | |
| Year 5 | Jane Lowther, Linda Visser | |
| Year 5/6 | Aleish Niebieszczanski | |
| Year 6 | Darren Taylor | |
| Physical Education | Brendan Kennedy (3 days) | |
| Music | Amanda Oliver (2 days) | |
| Performing Arts | Sarah Orton (1 day) | |
| Visual Arts | Lou Jones | |
| Japanese | Jemma Spicer | |
| Education Assistants | Chris Cosgrave, Ro Butler, Jane Buchan, Jonine Howe, Dot Grime, Lee-Anne Druce, Chelsea Hedges, Yvonne Scales, Jazmine Slebos | |
| Chaplain | Jessica Kenny | |
| Gardener | John Tichborne | |
| Cleaning Staff | John Hack, Kan Bhalodi, Megan Davey, Ashtyn Simpson, Michael Rose | |

Get involved

Class teachers will be holding a class meeting in the next two weeks to discuss with you their program and expectations for the year. Please keep an eye out for this invitation.

Parents are also reminded to make contact with their child's teacher whenever they have any concerns or information that may affect their child's learning. Staff will be in touch if they believe there are some additional actions or support required from home. The education of your child is a shared responsibility.

The P&C will be holding their first meeting and AGM on Wednesday 27th February. Please attend this meeting to see how you can help build a stronger and positive community.

Operational Information

Parking around the school during “drop off” and “pick up” is always a problem.

I remind parents the marked area on Keane Street and Johnston Street is **Drop Off only between 08.15 and 08.50**. Children safely get out of the vehicle (kerb side) and the vehicle departs immediately after your precious cargo has departed. Please keep these areas free for this purpose.

End of school collection causes traffic congestion. Please park safely and respect our neighbour’s properties, driveways, the verges and Council by-laws by parking correctly and mindfully.

If your children are older, perhaps park a little further away from the school or collect them a little later. I strongly encourage students walking or cycling to school as a family or together as a friendship group.

Please keep our school safe and do not use the Staff Car Park for dropping off or picking up children unless you have paid for a VIP parking space.

Primary students, if they arrive at school before 8.30, are to meet in the covered area, where they will sit and wait quietly. They will be supervised from 8.15 and dismissed to go to classes at 8.30. Classes will be open to students at 8.30.

Regular school attendance has been proven to make a difference to student achievement. If your son or daughter has one day away from class each week, they effectively lose nearly a whole term of learning. Over the Primary School years a child would lose over a whole year of school! Attendance matters as does punctuality. It is very disruptive and sometimes embarrassing for the student if they arrive after lessons commence. Please have your child at school and ready to join in lessons by 8.45 at the latest.

If you have any questions at any stage throughout the year about the school or your child, the first port of call is your child’s class teacher.

Some classes ask for parent help throughout the year. I encourage you to volunteer to be a class helper when you can. You and your child will love it!

I look forward to seeing you around the school. My door is always open and I am always looking for ways to make Cottesloe Primary even better so I encourage your visits and ideas.

We will achieve excellence through a culture of high expectations and a culture of improvement.

Forms to look out for and to return to school.

The following forms will be sent home within the next few weeks—please complete and return to school as soon as possible.

- Health Care Form - Update (**these must be completed each year even if there are no changes**)
- Mobile Phone, Computer and Internet Acceptable Use Agreement.
- Swimming Form for Years 2—6

After School Play - Parents are reminded that unless students are being supervised by a parent or a nominee/carer, they should leave the site soon after dismissal. If students remain onsite with their parent or carer, the adult will be responsible for their children's behaviour and safety. Families are welcome to use the site after hours. If you are planning a "party" please speak to the office to ensure they are aware of the event and are satisfied that the activity is suitable for site.

FACTION FRIDAYS

We encourage the children to wear their Faction shirts every Friday. Plenty of shirts are available in the Uniform shop and they have the list of all faction allocations.



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Weekly Tip: Rough and tumble play with restraint.

- Rough and tumble is important for a boys development
- Teach your boys how to hold back and play with restraint
- Getting dirty is ok
- Teach your boys to take calculated risks – but always maintain control
- Teach them to control their aggression before someone gets hurt.

PERFORMING ARTS 2019

Drama, music and dance can help our children in so many ways. It engages them mentally, physically and emotionally, builds confidence and expands the imagination and is an alternative and affective way of accessing the curriculum.

My Name is Sarah Orton, I have had 20 years of experience as both a Music and Performing Arts Specialist in primary schools across Perth with the last 8 years at Mosman Park Primary School. I also run a private business teaching theatre, drama, photography and film making.

I will be teaching the year three and four students this term in the area of Performing Arts. I am confident on being able to build strong relationship with the Cottesloe students and empower them in finding a love of performance, both in front of the camera and on stage.

I will be running a Cottesloe Performing Arts Group from year 4 - 6 at 8.15 am on Tuesdays, I want as many students as possible. It will commence week three and I would like to encourage everyone to have a go. I have equal numbers of boys and girls in my existing group and I know they are going to love it.

I have known Graham Dart for many years and am very excited to be teaching at Cottesloe Primary School.

Sarah Orton

HELP NEEDED

Are you looking for a way to help out at school? Then this may be the opportunity for you. The lovely Bec has been co-ordinating our Scholastic Book Club for the last 2 years, and helping for the last 4 years, but she has other things happening in her life, and would like to pass it on to another parent. The Scholastic Book Club is a great initiative, it gets books into the hands of kids, which is so important, and also gets free books for our school. If you would like to find out what is involved, either email Bec at becciallella@gmail.com, or Tracey Willis tracey.willis@education.wa.edu.au in the library. Bec is happy to help the new person settle into the role, and there are other mums already helping out. Please consider this request, as it is a great resource to the school that we wouldn't want to lose.

Kind regards

Tracey Willis





COTTESLOE PRIMARY SCHOOL CHESS CLUB 2019

New members welcome

The Cottesloe Primary school morning Chess Club will be welcoming new members in term 1, 2019

If you would like your child to continue learning chess in term 1 or you wish to have your child join, could you please fill out the form below and hand it directly to me on the first club day please.

The chess club lesson starts at 7.30 am sharp and the first part of the lesson each week is learning about the game, so it is important that your child does not miss out on this section, so, **please arrive before 7.30am**

We have good numbers attending so current members will have first option to join. The fees are \$100 per child per term, or (\$90 per child when 2 or more siblings attend.)

The lessons will commence on Thursday morning the 14th Feb in the library.

(The cost is based on an 8 week term, with weeks 9/ 10 free of charge but those two weeks will also cover any sick days etc that I or the club member may need. .

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COTTESLOE PRIMARY SCHOOL CHESS CLUB. 2019 YRs 2 to 6.

NAME _____ YR ____

NAME _____ YR ____ Tick Current _____ New _____

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Please put form and payment \$100, (\$90 each if more than 1 child, cheques made payable to Jack South) in envelope marked chess club with child's name, year, and school.

Please state if you are a current member or new member please. Payment to be made on the first club day please. Jack South, Chess for Life Ph 92711006. Email jacksouth@iinet.net.au