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WHAT'S ON THIS FORTNIGHT?

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
13 May	14 May	15 May Uniform Shop Open	16 May	17 May
	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	NAPLAN	
20 May	21 May	22 May	23 May	24 May Eagles Visit School Councillor Assembly

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Our Values

Excellence Integrity Respect Perseverance Kindness

Teachers and students have been discussing our school values. The focus for the first half of this term is RESPECT. Just as they do in English, Maths and other curriculum areas, your child's teacher is explicitly teaching the skills and knowledge they expect their students to learn hence the focus on what Respect would look and sound like in school. The knowledge of this value is broken down so students understand it.

Have you thought about our School Vision- its purpose? The staff does and so does the School Board.

Our Vision:

Our aim is to provide quality education that will deliver excellence in learning, critical and creative thinking and strength of character for all students.

We will deliver excellence:

"In learning"

"In critical and creative thinking"

"In strength of character"

What does this look like each day, in each classroom and in the playground?

This is not a rhetorical question. Please send any of your observations or thoughts to me so these can be shared and discussed with staff and the Board. Your input is valuable and your perspective necessary so we as a school can continue to meet your expectations and deliver

The school staff are working very diligently and expertly to deliver the right program to challenge and engage our students. Our assessments are focussing our teaching and tell us we are adding value to students learning.

Enrolments 2020

I am currently conducting many tours each week to prospective Kindergarten and Pre Primary students parents each week. If you have any friends who are searching for a school that delivers high quality outcomes in a warm, supportive environment, please ask them to contact the school for a tour and to enrol their child.

We currently have capacity for growth in Kindergarten, Pre Primary, Year 2 and Year 6 for next year.

School wide Assessments

NAPLAN is scheduled to take place during weeks 3 and 4. Our students in Year 3 and 5 have been given familiarity with the testing formats and should be feeling quite comfortable with the process .

Students in other year levels will also be completing writing assessments over this week.

The data collected from the NAPLAN and the School assessments will indicate to the school how well students are progressing and what their achievement standards are compared to other students from different groups around Australia.

Our Pre Primary 11B class will be conducting their assembly this Friday. We invite all Parents and Carers to attend but particularly our Mums and Grandmothers as their item is all about Mums.

To all our wonderful Mums, enjoy the love that will be bestowed upon you on Sunday.



PARKING

Thank you to those families who park correctly around our school. A warning that the Rangers will be targeting our school over the next couple of weeks. Parking in Keane Street is only allowed on the school side of the road. Please do the right thing by our students and neighbours all the time.



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NAPLAN 2019

This year, with the exception of Year 3 Writing, all NAPLAN for Year 3 and 5 students will be online. Students will be taking NAPLAN assessments in the Computer Lab. There will be an opportunity for catch ups on both Fridays if a child is ill on the scheduled day. Some of the tests are first thing in the morning, so please ensure your child gets to school on time and well rested. Year 3 and 5 teachers will send out a timetable to parents.

Mon 13 th May	Tue 14 th May Writing	Wed 15 th May Reading	Thurs 16 th May Reading	Fri 17 th May Catch Up
Mon 20 th May Language Conven- tions	Tue 21 st May Language Conven- tions	Wed 22 nd May Numeracy	Thurs 23 rd May Numeracy	Fri 24 th May Catch Up

Year 4s and 6s will also do NAPLAN paper tests during this time so that we can measure how they are progressing. These are not official assessments and will be marked by classroom teachers and then used to identify areas for improvement with individuals and the whole cohort. Year 2s will do these school based NAPLAN assessments early in Term 4. These results are not sent home but may be requested from your teacher.

Andrea Macfarlane

Deputy Principal



Flu Season

It is coming up to that time of the year when many people contract colds and flu. It is important to keep your child home from school if they are unwell. The Health Department guidelines advise that students should stay home while they have flu symptoms and should only return to school once these symptoms are resolved. Students who have experienced diarrhoea need to stay home at least 24 hours after their last episode. Parents should also consider keeping students home for a similar period after vomiting that is caused by infection.

Chickenpox

There has been an incident of Chickenpox at the school. The infectious period is 2 days before the rash appears until 5 days after. Once crusts have formed, the disease is no longer infectious. However, if you are a non-immune pregnant woman and have been exposed to someone with Chickenpox, you should see your doctor as immunisation within 5 days of exposure may prevent it.

Critical and Creative Thinking

At Cottesloe Primary School we value and promote **critical and creative thinking skills** across the school. We encourage children to pose questions and think of problems where the answer is not immediately known. Costa and Kallick's **16 Habits of Mind**, thinking skills **used by successful learners to solve problems**, are also used within the school to foster thoughtful problem solving strategies for complex problems.

One of the 16 Habits of Mind is **Persisting**. In this habit we encourage students to stick at a task and overcome obstacles as they move towards a solution or goal. We can teach students what they can do when they are stuck so they can become unstuck. To help students to improve in their ability to be persistent we can help them to successfully negotiate obstacles. This gives students an opportunity to learn and develop their ability to be more effectively persistent.

Developing good thinking skills comes with practise and **Thinker's Keys**, developed by Tony Ryan, are fun to use and encourage creative solutions. They could encourage interesting discussions around the dinner table.

The **Construction Key**, from *Tony Ryan's Thinkers Keys*, is the focus for our thinking this fortnight. Here is an example of really practical creative thinking It goes hand in hand with outright fun.

Construct;

A free standing bridge that holds the weight of 4 dictionaries.

Materials: paper and sticky-tape.

You will probably be using the Habits of Mind

Thinking Flexibly

Thinking and Communicating with Clarity and Precision

Creating, Imagining and Innovating

Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations

Questioning and Posing Problems

Your creative, innovative ideas need to be shared!!! Show your efforts to your teacher. Perhaps you could take a photograph.

Kind regards,

Denise Johnston

MERIT AWARDS



Congratulations to the following children who will be receiving Merit Awards at this Friday's assembly: -

<i>Annabelle</i>	Year 1	<i>Sam F.</i>	Year 1
<i>Frank</i>	Year 1	<i>Indi</i>	Year 1
<i>Roman</i>	Year 2	<i>Isabella</i>	Year 2
<i>Jacob</i>	Year 2	<i>Gavesh</i>	Year 3
<i>Jack</i>	Year 3	<i>Ewyn</i>	Year 3
<i>Leonardo</i>	Year 3	<i>Nina</i>	Year 4
<i>Mischa</i>	Year 4	<i>Harrison</i>	Year 4
<i>Eva</i>	Year 4	<i>Finn</i>	Year 5
<i>Neve</i>	Year 5	<i>Indi</i>	Year 5
<i>Ben</i>	Year 6	<i>Matilda</i>	Year 6
<i>Tom</i>	Year 6	<i>Kaylan</i>	Year 6
<i>Daniel</i>	Year 6		

2020 Enrolments Now Open

APPLICATION TO ENROL FOR 2020 – NOW OPEN (KINDY, PRE-PRIMARY & YEAR 1)

Applications are now open for Kindy, Pre-Primary and Year 1 enrolments for 2020. Application forms have been sent home with current Kindy and Pre-Primary students or are available from the office. They can also be downloaded from our website www.cottesloeps.wa.edu.au under 'Information' then 'Enrolments' at the bottom of the page. Applications will remain open until Friday 26th July 2019 but we would appreciate forms being returned as soon as possible so that we can anticipate staff needs for 2020. If you know of anyone who has a child eligible for Kindy next year, please let them know that applications are now open. Thank you.

Collection Of Clothing, Bedding And Toiletries

The school is collecting toiletries, clean clothing and bedding for families in need over winter. If you have any items you wish to donate please take them to the meeting room beside the office over the next 2 weeks. They will be donated to Community Organisations around Perth.



Woolworths Earn & Learn 2019

We will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program to earn new equipment for our school. From today until Tuesday 25th June when you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers and place them on a sticker sheet which can then be placed in collection boxes located around the school or at Woolworths Cottesloe. You will earn one Earn & Learn sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Thank you for your support and we look forward to earning lots of new equipment for our school.



We are excited to announce the classroom stalls that have been so kindly and generously arranged by the classroom reps and year groups.

Kindy Classes	Little Kids Under 5 Zone
Pre Primary Classes	Christmas Stall
Year 1	Side Show Alley
Year 1	Plants Stall
Year 2	Second Hand Clothes
Year 3	Hair/Nails and Beauty
Year 3	Cupcake Decorating
Year 4	Cake Stall/Lolly Bags and Popcorn
Year 4/5	Tombola
Year 5	Second Hand Books/Toys/Stuff

The P&C will run some stalls with some help from all year groups being the silent auction, food stalls, rides and Devonshire tea.

DONATION REQUESTS THIS WEEK

Year 2 are collecting donations of good quality clothing for children and designer clothing for adults. Please leave items in the basket from next Monday in the year 2 classroom (room 7) or contact Debbie (debbie.cooray@westnet.com.au) to arrange delivery or collection, or with any questions.

If you have any ideas, skills or experience to share, please contact Kat (secretarycott@gmail.com) or Anna (classparentscott@gmail.com) as soon as possible.