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Around the School Issue: March, 2014

Wattle's Wacky Wednesdays

Every week on Wednesdays we do cooking. Our teachers get us to pour, mix, measure, roll, and more importantly..taste!

Using Aided Language Displays help us to communicate what our ingredients are, what we need to do and what utensils we need to cook with.

We have so much fun!









Values Education

This term's value is **BE KIND TO YOURSELF**

This term Marian Tetlow, our Community Officer, will be visiting each class to promote the value of the term. Marian will also be selecting and presenting students with their Value Merit Awards during the weekly junior and senior Assemblies.

Focus Values are

- Be Unique
- Eat well
- Sleep well
- Be Active
- Make good choices
- Be positive and have FUN
- Keep LEARNING and GROWING



From the Principal's desk.....

The first few weeks of the school year which are very important for learning routines, establishing relationships and expectations and building friendships have certainly flown. Many thanks to all those families who have made themselves available to participate in their child's Individual Education Planning. It is extremely important that parents, teachers and specialists work together to set IEP goals that are developmentally appropriate to the individual learner and that are achievable within the given time frame.

Bike Week Excursion

Many of our students participated in this excursion during Bike Week at Burswood Park on March 19th. Thanks to the Burswood Park Board who allowed us to use the car park and invited the Farmyard on Wheels to join us. In addition we are grateful to the town of Victoria Park who supplied a BBQ lunch for staff and students. TADWA and Dreamfit attended with a number of bikes which had been adapted for special needs children, and WADSA provided our students with a fun activity involving remote controlled cars. Lastly our friends from Kennard's Cannington donated the use of a large trailer to transport bikes to and from the park.

Parent Handbook

We endeavour to share and keep our community informed. I hope you find the handbook informative. Feedback on items which could be included in future is much appreciated. You can let us know through the home/school notebook when you keep in touch with your child's teacher.

E-Newsletter

Families who prefer to receive an electronic copy of the newsletter please email the School Officer at Chris.Davison@education.wa.edu.au. A contact list can then be compiled. So far, only 5 school families have subscribed to the Carson Street website. This is the easiest way for you to be updated about news at the school and to receive our newsletters. Please log on to www.carsonst.wa.edu.au and enter your email address in the Subscribe to our News Box. Then click "Subscribe Now". The school will no longer be sending out paper copies of the newsletter unless specifically requested. Also, if your email

details have changed in the last 12 months, please let the school office know so that we can update our records. Best wishes for the challenges ahead.

John Exeter Principal

Dream Fit Foundation

Did you know the Dream Fit Foundation have set up a bike library with a fleet of specialised and modified



bicycles? The bikes are available for people to see and test out to find the perfect bike for them. There is a wide variety of bicycles available such as tandems, handcycles and recumbents. An Occupational Therapist is on hand to give a full individual assessment and people can try and test out the bicycles to find the perfect fit. There is also a variety



of other equipment available for use such as pedal boats and kayaks. For more information or to book an assessment contact the foundation by emailing dreams@dreamfit.com.au.

From the nurses.....

A reminder from the nurses that the cold and flu season is fast approaching and if your child shows symptoms of this such as coughing, sneezing and temperatures

then it would be advisable for you to keep them at home in order to prevent the further spread of germs to other vulnerable students and staff members. Many thanks for your continued help with this.

Public meeting of the School Board . . .

Our School Board extends an invitation to parents/guardians and community members to attend our annual public meeting will be held on Week 6, Term 2, Thursday 5th June 2014 at 8.30am. Please rsvp by Friday 30th May to the front office by calling 9361 7500 or by email to corina.botica@education.wa.edu.au

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P&C News . . .

Thank you to those families that have returned their P&C membership forms. The more financial members we have, the more opportunities there are for funding. It only costs \$1.00 to join. Extra forms are available from the front office.

Donations over \$2.00 to the P&C Building fund are tax deductible. All funds go directly to benefit our children. Forms also available from the office.



Disco: This is a very popular event. We are fortunate to have DJ Scott-e donate his time to provide the music.

Friday 28th March. 6pm - 7.30pm.

Entry is a gold coin donation.

We ask that all parents/carers please supervise their children. Feel free to bring along a drink/snack for your child. Siblings are most welcome.

Bike Path: The form work has been completed and very soon the new, improved bike track will be ready for action (see the photos on page 6).

We have been very lucky to have had support from Shane Jez, CECWA and Rotary of Como. We have to also say a huge **Thank You** to Gary Leach (Nette's husband) and their son for donating the materials and labour to this project.

Upcoming Events:

Easter raffle: This year Easter falls in the middle of the school holidays. Our raffle will be drawn on the last day of term one (11th April). In the next week Easter raffle tickets will be sent home with your child. We always have a large number of prizes but this wouldn't be possible without support from our families. If you would like to donate something with an Easter theme or other items, please send them in to school with your child.

Your continued support of the P&C is much appreciated. It enables us to provide extra resources for the school and our children.

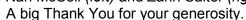
Liz Green

P&C President



Donation to MyTime program from the Bahai Community

The local Bahai Community in Victoria Park have been very kind in donating a range of items for dressups and imaginative play for the MyTime program. Pictured with the MyTime co-ordinator Ruth Harlow, is Nan McColl (*left*) and Zarin Salter (*right*).









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Bluegum are working hard throughout the week in all areas of the curriculum. The children choose which working area they want to explore and are learning to share and take turns!

As you can see, they are having so much fun!





Harmony Day performance

Students from the Belmay satellite class took part in the Town of Victoria Park's Harmony Day celebrations at the Harold Hawthorne Centre. They performed the Australian national anthem and a song to an audience of local community members.



Room 7 has been 'out and about'

This has been a very exciting term for room 7 staff and students as we have been visiting places of interest around Perth.

We look forward to each coming week with anticipation and excitement of what we are going to see and learn about!

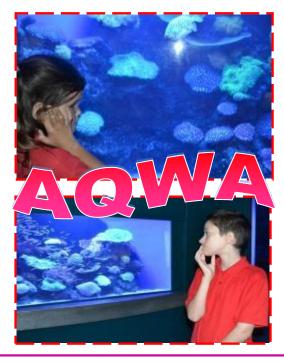














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Belmont Forum Presentations

Our friends at Belmont Forum came last week to present the monthly student awards.

Congratulations go to Arshia from Room 5 (right). Receiving his award from Sarah, and Lochlan from Wattle (left) receiving his award from Tanya.





bonus of \$1,581 donation being the proceeds from the 'Photos

with Santa' promotion at the end of 2013.



New Bike Track







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Community Support Officer

As Community Support Officer I have begun working alongside Melinda Davies to help promote the Values program across the school.

The value for this term is "Be kind to yourself". I have visited classrooms to carry out activities which help reinforce this value. One of the activities involved learning a hand sign for the value which is then practiced during the school assembly. Some other activities the children have enjoyed include making a face collage and a poster about their favourite things.

We have also had our first Information Morning Tea for Parents. This was held on 4th March when our LACs Vicky Kay and Roselind Coe came to explain about their services. This was a very worthwhile time of sharing information. They also left pamphlets behind which further explained their role and what is available.

Please note there has been a change of date for our next Morning Tea.

Our next morning tea:

DATE: Tuesday 8 April at 9am PLACE: Carson Street, Room 8 GUEST SPEAKERS: Therapy

Focus

(There is NO COST to attend this morning tea.)

I welcome opportunities to catch up with parents and am available for a confidential chat on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. My contact details are Marian.Tetlow@education.wa.edu.au or 0432 570 768

Autism Awareness Day

Join Professor Andrew Whitehouse from the Telethon Institute for child Health Research & The Rotary Club of Scarborough for a Wolrd Autism Awareness Day morning tea.

Wednesday 2nd April - 9:30am to 12noon

In the first floor function room at Ascot Racecourse, 71 Grandstand Road, Ascot

RSVP to Anna Hunt by email: ahunt@ichr.uwa.edu.au or phone 9489 7721

Carers Community Expo

Information about respite, funding options, multicultural care, technology and carer services

Thursday 3rd April - 12noon to 3pm

At the Butler Community Centre, 55 Kingsbridge Boulevard, Butler

Please RSVP by 31st March at www.ilc.com.au/events or call 1800 052 222

Happy Birthday to You!

Kezia	Room 2	1st April
Levi	Parent & Child Group	10th April
Enoch	MyTime	14th April
Anisha	MyTime	17th April
Dakota	Belmay Class	21st April
Luke	Banksia Class	30th April



What's on what's coming up		
Tuesday 8th April	Parent/Carer Morning Tea—guest speakers from Therapy Focus	
Friday 11th April	Last day of Term	
Wednesday 30th April	Students return—Term 2	