Dear Parents

Our new fence security and safety measures have now been put into effect. I am sure that as we all get to understand the locking times for gates, we will appreciate the value of improved safety for our children. This does not mean we can be any less vigilant about the safety of our children travelling to and from school.

Sadly, there seems to be an increasing number of incident reports involving cars around schools, including in Morley, with drivers attempting to entice children to “come for a ride”. These incidents have occurred with children, usually when they are alone and travelling to or from school.

In the Playground
Students enjoying a naturescape playground.

Lots of students are really enjoying building their own humpies. A humpy or Gunyah was a small temporary shelter made from bark and tree branches, traditionally used by Australian Aborigines, with a standing tree usually used as the main support.

Assembly Highlights

Book Review
By Dakota
and Kasey

Honour Certificate Winners

Congratulations to the following students:

LA1 K/PP: Thala
LA2 K/PP: Lachlan
LA3 Year 1: Joshua and Reia
LA5 Year 2: Priyen
LA8 Year 3: Skye and Jayde
LA10 Year 5/6: Rishi and Jacob
LOTE: Mahnoor and Charlie C.

Virtues Awards 9 May
Virtues Awards 16 May

Mathletics Awards 23 May

Interschool Sports

Congratulations to the teams who visited Ashfield Primary School on Friday.

Below is a letter I received from the Deputy Principal of Ashfield.

"I am just writing on behalf of the two ladies that took our netball teams on Friday. They asked me to email you to congratulate both your netball teams and your school for the amazing 'sportspersonship' that was shown on Friday afternoon. Our netball teams are mainly made up of year 3/4 students, who never really played netball before and obviously struggled. Please congratulate all involved for the compassion, sportspersonship that was shown by all involved and the way that the girls played the game, it is a credit to you and your school."

Regards

Christiaan Moir
Deputy Principal
Ashfield Primary School

Congratulations to our student project leaders

Well done to Emma Rose, Syakirah and Annie on their successful application for a Waste Wise Schools grant. With the support of staff member and River Ranger Cadet Instructor, Mrs Manikam, the students applied for and were awarded a $500 grant.

The Project Title: Keep Calm and Recycle Batteries!

The Objectives:

i. To educate Weld Square Primary School community on the importance of recycling
ii. To create and maintain a safe battery collection station at WSPS so that less batteries will end up in landfills.

Learn About Parenting

Take the opportunity to read books and websites, listen to talks and discuss fathering (and, more generally, parenting) with others. We have all had different experiences (good and bad) of being parented, but this should not be our only reference in determining how we will parent our own children.

- The Fathering Project website and resources are a good place to start.
- Share your parenting experiences with your partner so you know where you are both coming from as you parent your children.
- If you learn of an idea you want to try - give it a go, but remember that it may take a while and some perseverance to see results.

For more tips, please visit the dedicated section in our website.

Glen Cookson
Principal
The Magpie Attack by Jenelle Abello

Yesterday, on Thursday the 19th of May we saw a magpie. The first one who spotted the magpie was Vince. We were all scared of the magpie. It flew to the other side of the classroom. Mr. Birkelbach told Ethan’s group to move to the other side of the classroom. Then he told our group to move to the other side of the classroom as well. Then he told to Ella’s group to move on the mat. Then Mr. Birkelbach said it would be safest to wait in the wet area while he fixed things. Isha turned the light off and everyone was even more scared. Then Mr. Birkelbach came back. He told us he took a photo of the magpie and that it was gone now. We went back in the classroom. Everyone was still scared. Mr. Birkelbach told us that the magpie had pooped at the back of the whiteboard. Everyone was saying “Ewwwwwwwwwwww!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!”

Our Special Guest
By Mollie Pearce

On Thursday the 19th of May a magpie secretly came into our classroom in LA8. Vince spotted it first in the computer area. Mr Birkelbach slowly got all of our groups on to the two mats. Then I named him/her Maggie. He got us all in the reading room while he tamed it. While waiting Taj would not stop screaming his head off. Then, to top it off, Isha turned off the lights! But super hero Mr Birkelbach saved us.

The Intruding Magpie
By Jayde Burrows

On Thursday the 19th of May a Magpie secretly came into LA8’s classroom. Mr. Birkelbach said that he asked the Magpie if he could come and scare us to death for $5. Then we all went into the wet area while Mr B “pretended” to tame him/her. When we were outside Taj was screaming his head off and Isha was turning the lights off!

STUDENT COUNCILLORS AT WORK

This is how you do it guys!
Hi Everyone

**Coming up:**

- Next P&C Meeting - Tuesday 7 June 6.00pm. Special Guest: Ian Britza. All welcome.
- Family Night - Friday 24 June 6.00—8.00pm. Book your spot now and grab some raffle tickets. P&C members will be selling tickets each morning. Raffle prize: Escape Hunt double pass.
- Lapathon - Friday 22 July 10.00am.
- Busy Bee - Sunday 24 July 9.00am. Come down and help keep our school tidy and safe.
- Lollipops - Friday 12 August 6.00—8.00pm.
- Bunnings Sausage Sizzle - Sunday 18 September. If you can help, contact us at weldsquareprimary@gmail.com. 2 hour block is all we need.
- EduDance Open Night - Monday 19 September.

**Hampton Senior High School** is celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year and would love to hear from anyone who has passed through their halls as a student and/or member of staff since 1966. If you have a story/photo/memorable moment that you would like to share, please contact the school at Hampton.shs@education.wa.edu.au or leave a message on their Facebook page. They are compiling an oral history and will be celebrating in November. As chair of the board, you can also contact me.

**Uniforms:** The uniform shop is open every Thursday morning at 9.00am.

‘Your mind will always believe everything you will tell it. Feed it hope, Feed it truth, Feed it with love.’

Michelle Hughes
P&C President
0402 779 118
weldsquareprimary@gmail.com

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**KINDY & PRE PRIMARY ENROLMENTS FOR 2017**

Applications for enrolment of students entering Kindergarten and Pre Primary in 2017 are now being taken.

Children entering Kindergarten must have a date of birth between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013.
Children entering Pre Primary must have a date of birth between 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012.

The school Education Act of 1999 requires parents/guardians to provide their child’s immunisation records when the child is enrolled in school. The Australian Childhood Immunisation Register (ACIR) Immunisation History Statement is also a requirement of the Department of Education Student Health Care Policy. Parents are therefore asked to obtain a current copy of the immunisation details from:

- Medicare Online Services.
- By requesting a statement to be sent in the mail.
- By calling the Immunisation Register on 1800 653 809

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**Australian Model Rail Exhibition**

4th, 5th & 6th of June 2016

Claremont Showgrounds  (Exhibition Centre, Ashton Ave, Claremont)

Gates open:
Saturday & Sunday (9am—4:30pm)
Monday (9am—4pm)

Don’t miss the annual **Australian Model Rail Exhibition (WA)** spectacular running over the **Celebrate WA June long weekend**.

See amazing model rail layouts, intricate scenery and a smorgasbord of model trains.

Children can ride the Miniature railway or TRACTION ENGINES.

There will be over **30 model layout exhibitors** and **13 trade exhibitions**.

Not to mention **2 dioramas** (3D railway scenes) and **LIVE demonstrations**.