



AVERSHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Growing Together"

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From the Principal's Desk

Welcome students, families and staff to the 2017 school year as an Independent Public School. We start the school year with 318 children of whom 81 are new to our school. Staff returned to work last Monday. Professional learning on the Digital Technologies curriculum took place at Edith Cowan University with network schools.

Thank you to Carmen, Nicole and Melissa, our wonderful P&C uniform shop volunteers who opened the uniform shop last Tuesday to allow families to collect their pre-orders.

In the holidays the undercover area has been refreshed with a coat of paint, concrete sealing, new bird ceiling net, bag racks installed. A new Behaviour Expectations mural will soon take pride of place in the undercover area. The mural design is by the students and will feature the endangered local Western Swamp tortoise (as painted by a local Aboriginal artist), our behaviour expectations and the Cavy Champs. Encompassing the colours blue and yellow, representing our school colours as well as the sun and sky and importantly 'welcome' in languages from around the world, symbolising our multi-cultural school community of which we are so proud.

Class Structures

The classes/teachers are as follows:

Kindergarten: Mrs Jane Matthis

Kindergarten: Ms Kylie Frampton

Pre Primary: Mrs Frieda Allingham

PP/ 1: Miss Shenae Chave

Year 1: Mrs Beth Yagmich and Mrs Nicole Gardner

Year 1/2: Mrs Sheena Dell

Year 2: Ms Eliza Harrison

Year 3: Mrs Rhonda Thunder

Year 3/4: Ms Dawn Cameron

Year 4/5: Mrs Susan Mortin

Years 5: Mr Steven Parsons

Year 6: Mrs Kerry Gillies

Education Assistant: Ms Annika Engstrom

Education Assistants: Ms Bec Klomp/Mrs Di Tate

Education Assistant: Ms Savita Singh

Education Assistants: Ms Kerry Kennedy

Education assistant: Ms Samantha Wijesiri, Mrs Sandra Francis and Mrs Di Mawby

Support Teachers: Ms Brigitte Ombrasine and Mrs Linda Galbraith

PE: Mrs Sarah Jeayes and Performing Arts: Mrs Amanda Eversden

Voluntary Contributions and Charges

Thank you to those families that have already paid their voluntary contributions for 2017. The contribution of \$50.00 per child, maximum \$100 per family can be paid by cash or cheque at the office or by electronic transfer to **BSB: 066-109 Account #: 00900114 using the narration 'fees and your child's full name'**.

I would like to stress the importance of parents making the payment of the voluntary contribution to the school. If every family made this payment the schools budget would attain \$10000 that the Department of Education considers as part of the school's resourcing when allocating school funds.

Class Meetings - Week 4

Class meetings will be held in **Week 4 from 3.10 – 4pm**. Please take the time to attend your child's class meeting. This is the time to establish a relationship with the classroom teacher, understand class expectations and find out how you can support your child's learning. If you are unable to attend, classroom teachers will provide an overview of the points covered.

Rooms 9, 10, 2, 3, 13 & 5 – Monday 20th February 2017 (Pre Primary, PP/1, Year 1, Year 6)

Rooms 12, 7, 8, 4 – Tuesday 21st February 2017 (Year 1/2, Year 2, Year 3, Year 3/4, Year 4/5 Year 5)

Kindy: Red Group – Monday 20th February 2017 and **Blue and Green Group** – 21st of February 2017.

Supervision will be provided for children on the oval/playground whilst parents attend class meetings.

OSHClub Before-and-After School Care

OSHClub continue to provide before-and-after school care for our families on site at Caversham. Visit www.oshclub.com.au for more details or visit the OSHClub staff for more information.

Important Reminder - Food Allergies and Anaphylaxis

A reminder to families that we have several children with **allergies to eggs and nuts**. This calls for us as a community to work together to ensure that these students are kept safe.

We ask that school lunches avoid peanut products such as peanut butter and nutella and egg sandwiches. If students bring these foods to school they will be required to sit apart from the children with allergies. I have always found that children are very helpful in ensuring their peers are kept safe.

School Hours and 2017 School Development Days

Classroom doors open at 8.30am, this is time for students to unpack bags, set up for the day, read quietly and be ready for the official start of the day at 8.45am. It is important that students are not on school grounds before 8.20am as supervision and hence duty of care is not provided. **The end of day siren goes at 3.00pm. Students must be promptly collected. Please discuss with your child where you will meet them each day and remind them if you are not at your usual meeting place when they are released from class that they are to move immediately to the Library where supervision is provided.**

School Development Days in 2017-These are student free days. The dates for 2017 are:

Term 2 – Monday, 24th April (Students recommence Term 2 on Wednesday 26th of April, after ANZAC Day)

Term 3 – Monday, 17th of July

Term 4 – Monday, 9th of October

Please also note public holidays as marked on the term planners. Students do not attend on these days.

Run Club 2017 Starts Tuesday 14th February

Run Club will again be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:05 till 8:35 for all Year 1-6 students. Pre-Primary students are welcome with parental supervision, especially to move from the oval to class at the appropriate time. OSH club students are also welcome with parents informing the OSH staff.

There is significant evidence on the beneficial aspects of being physically active for all students in their academic studies as well as health benefits. Similar to last year, distances will be kept and milestones recognised. A cumulative total will be kept and we are aiming to beat last year's efforts of 131 students participating and reaching a distance of 4791 km. Every person and every lap counts, so be a part of the action!

Additional Items Coming Home Today

Included with the newsletter today is the Term 1 Planner. The term planner is subject to change. Changes will be communicated via the school newsletter.

Each individual student will also receive a copy of the Health Care Form 2017 (K-Yr 6) utilized when students attend excursions throughout 2017. In the coming week's students with individual Health Care Plans will receive new plans to complete. **If your child has developed a medical condition or specific need that we are currently unaware of please visit the office to complete the necessary documents. Please also notify the office immediately if your contact details have changed.**

Updat-ed App



Parents - Receive reminders about closing dates for special events (eg. Sushi Orders), link directly to newsletters, report an absence and save events that are important to you, straight to your calendar.

Getting connected is easy - download the app, search for Caversham Primary School from the dropdown list. Complete a request to join the app, which will be verified by the school and then the app will be ready for you to enjoy.

School Board Nominations

Under the Independent Public School initiative the School Board (previously referred to as the School Council) plays a pivotal role in determining the direction of the school. This year we have two vacant positions on the School Board. If you are interested in how schools operate and would like to support public education for all children I encourage you to nominate yourself for a position on the School Board. If you have the ability to influence, the sense to advocate for all children and the determination to make Caversham a distinctive school, please nominate. (2017 is the year for School Uniform review).
The School Board meets once a term.

Please fill in the nomination slip below and return to the school office by Friday 17th February 2017.

School Board Nomination Form

I wish to nominate for a position on the Caversham Primary School Board in 2017.

Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

My child's name: _____ Room No. _____

Scholastic Book Club and School Banking 2017

In the coming days students will receive a Scholastic Book Club catalogue. Orders can only be made via the LOOP ordering system. More details about ordering will be provided with the catalogues. Please **do not** use any other method of ordering. If you need assistance with the ordering process please see Michelle, our P&C President

Michelle will also be co-ordinating the Commonwealth Bank School Banking, commencing this Thursday morning before school in the undercover area. Stop by and say hello and ask her about the school banking program.

SUPA Club



Scripture Union Primary Age Club begins for 2017 on Thursday 9th February.

SUPA club:

- Is free and held at **lunch time** on Thursdays at the Integrated Learning Centre.
- Includes games, Bible stories, drama, singing and is a lot of fun.
- Is open to all primary students.
- Is run by **Scripture Union**, a non-denominational Christian organization committed to youth ministry worldwide.
- Is supervised by the attendance of Mrs Coralie Holmes, the school chaplain.
- Is voluntary and students must have a parent/guardian's permission by returning the signed slip below to the school.



SUPA CLUB PERMISSION SLIP 2017

I _____ parent / guardian give my
Name of parent/ guardian
permission for _____ to attend SUPA Club on
Name of Child
Thursdays at lunch time at Caversham Primary School.

(Please return this slip to Mrs Holmes or the front office ASAP as numbers are limited.)

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TERM 1 2017

WEEK	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
1	Jan 30 School Development Day	Jan 31 School Development Day Student Class List Display & Uniform Shop Open 1pm-3pm	Feb 1 STUDENTS First Day Term 1 Kindy Blue/Green	2	3
2	6	7	8 Kindy Red	9	10
3	13 Assembly hosted by Student Councillors	14	15 Kindy Blue/Green	16	17 Student Census
4	20 Parent Meetings 3.10-4pm Rooms 9, 10, 2, 3, 13, 5 and Kindy RED	21 Parent Meetings 3.10-4pm Rooms 12, 7,8, 4, Kindy BLUE and GREEN	22 Kindy Red	23	24
5	27 Assembly hosted by Yr 6 Room 13	28	Mar 1 Kindy Blue/Green	2	3
6	6 Labour Day PUBLIC HOLIDAY School Closed	7	8 Kindy Red	9	10 GRIP Student Leadership
7	13 Assembly hosted by Yr 5 Room 15	14	15 Kindy Blue/Green	16	17
8	20	21	22 Kindy Red	23	24
9	27 Assembly hosted by Yr 4/5 Room 12	28	29 Kindy Blue/Green	30	31
10	APRIL 3	4	5 Interim Reports Home Kindy Red	6	7 Students Last Day Term 1