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From the Principal's Desk

The new mural in the undercover area has been installed and looks fantastic, representing the Swan River and featuring the Western Swamp Tortoise, it is a bright and welcoming addition. The children are enjoying seeing their language (welcome) on the mural. The concept of including 'Welcome' in many languages was introduced by School Board member, Mr Jag Karnavat and is a wonderful way to highlight the cultural diversity of our school.

The 2016 Annual School Report is now available at the front office or can be accessed through the Schools Online website - search for Schools Online, enter Caversham Primary School and select the Reports tab or enter the URL provided here -

http://www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolsonline/annual_report.do?schoolID=5096&pageID=AD08

School Board Report

Below is the Chairperson's report from Caversham's School Council meeting on March 2nd. This was the last meeting for Debbie Drew. I would like to acknowledge and thank Debbie for the work she has done as a member and then Chairperson of the School Council over her three year tenure. She has been a positive presence throughout the growth period of student numbers at the school and embraced the changes that have occurred. Strategically Debbie has led the Council on the journey to gaining Independent Public School status. Throughout her tenure Debbie has successfully advocated for all students enrolled at the school whilst working within the guidelines of the Education Act.

Staff member Abha Jain's three year tenure also came to an end. I warmly thank Abha, early childhood educator, for her professionalism in explaining curriculum requirements and "what they look like" in the classroom to members of the Council throughout her tenure.

Term 1 2017

At our recent School Board Meeting, we discussed the transition from a School Council to a School Board and changed our Terms of Reference accordingly.

When a School Council becomes a School Board, the School Council has two options. 1. Declare all positions on the School Board vacant and have an Election to decide the new members or 2. Let the existing members see out their 3 year tenure and recruit new members as these tenures come to an end.

We as a School Council, at the end of last year decided to go with Option 2.

There are two members who have completed their 3 year tenure this year and are leaving the School Board, Abha Jain and myself. We therefore had to elect a new Chairperson, and Margaret McCarthy kindly accepted the position.

New members to the School Board are Mrs Sophie Quaille-Austen, Mrs Paushali Chatterjee, Mr Sajid Memon, Mr Brendan Lobo, Ms Jane Matthis, Ms Susan Mortin and Miss Shenae Chave.

The school board signed off on the 2016 annual school report and acknowledged the hard work of all staff. The School Board also signed off on the change of faction colours for Arnup and Bodley.

At this meeting we also discussed uniforms. We had Carmen from the Caversham P & C come in with designs they had been working on for new uniform t-shirts and also a new idea for improved faction t-shirts and colours.

The School Board approved these designs and the P & C will now move ahead with getting samples made up to show the School Community.

I have enjoyed my time as School Council Chairperson and wish Margaret McCarthy all the best in taking over this position.

Debbie Drew

ANZAC Service Friday 7th of April 2017 at 9am

Our ANZAC Service will be held on Friday the 7th of April at 9am. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend the service and a light morning tea, with traditional ANZAC biscuits will be provided for parents at the conclusion of the service.

Visible Learning

In our classrooms we are using acronyms to help us focus on the learning intention. We use WALT-We Are Learning To, and WILF-What I'm Looking For, to identify the learning intention for the lesson. This might look like; We Are Learning To *remain balanced in various activities*. What I am Looking For is; *staying on my feet while I am running and not falling over whilst hitting a ball*. These are then the basis for assessment and feedback at the end of the lesson. Students will become increasingly competent to articulate the learning intention.

Run Club

Run Club is going strong. We have new students joining every week and we even had 4 parents running with their children last Thursday. It is held every Tuesday and Thursday morning before school from 8:05. Every person is welcome and every lap counts for the school. We have now run 504km which is 1 tenth of our target already! The next Friday lunch time sport is AFL which is open for all year 4, 5 and 6 students. The girls have already started training for their interschool competition and boys are welcome this week.

GRIP Leadership Conference

As we have a small Year 6 cohort (23) we decided to bring forward the school's plan to include all Year 6 students in the student conference. The conference prepares student with the knowledge of what "it looks like" to be a leader.

Year sixes attended the annual GRIP Leadership Conference at the Perth Convention Centre on Friday, 10th March. Students enjoyed fun activities and experiences based on developing strengths in leadership. They learned about responsibility and integrity and other leadership qualities. All students were a credit to the school, showing exceptional behaviour and engagement. We anticipate we will see strong evidence of their new-found skills in the near future.

Perth Zoo Excursion

Students from Rooms 7, 12 and 15 (Year 3/4, Year 4/5 and Year 5) enjoyed a very busy day at the fabulous Perth Zoo. The visit provided students with the opportunity to consolidate learning they have been completing in class relating to the Science curriculum topic, 'Life and Living - Biological Sciences'.

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.

Guildford Heritage Festival - Sunday March 26th 2017

Today students will bring home a flyer for the Guildford Heritage Festival being held this Sunday March 26th in Stirling Square from 10am to 5pm. This is a great **free** for the family event and is well worth a visit if you are in the area this weekend.

For up-to-date information visit www.facebook.com/guildfordheritagefestival