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# **Newsletter**

Term 2, Week 8 - 5th June 2024

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I hope everybody enjoyed the WA Day long weekend. The next three weeks of school are going to be very busy. We have the Guildford Cross Country for selected students, NAIDOC Week celebrations and we are gearing up for the Edu-Dance concert and Open Classroom on the last day of term.

This year for NAIDOC Week, we are looking forward to welcoming back Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse to our school. Six times winners, Indigenous Act of the Year at the West Australian Music Industry Awards, Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse use their music and performances to highlight one of the most beautiful and rare languages on the planet; the Noongar language of the southern corner of Western Australia. Gina Williams is the singer of "Wanjoo" the Noongar welcome song we sing at each assembly. They will be at our school on Tuesday 25th June at 2pm. Parents are welcome to come and join us for their performance.





David Okwera from Perth Wildcats running clinic for Year 3-6 selected students.

Last week, we had Perth Wildcats player, David Okwera come out to the school to take students from Year 3-6 for a basketball clinic. Students were asked to write a letter to Mrs O'Leary and myself to be in the running to take part in the clinic. I have included some of the letters from students in this newsletter. Our next exciting visit will be with *Rick the Rock* from the West Coast Eagles on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June, followed by a West Coast Eagle Player Football Clinic with the Year 2 students on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June.



Rick the Rock Eagle

# **Upcoming Events**

#### THURSDAY 6th JUNE

- Kindy Day
- Band (8am)
- Assembly (hosted by Yr.3)
- Yarn & Cuppa before Assembly
- Koolandgka Art Club (8am-8.30am)
- Koora Boodjar Yr.6 (9.15am)
- Netball Clinic (Yrs. 1, 3 & 6)
- Netball Club (3pm-4pm)

#### FRIDAY 7th JUNE

- Breakfast Club
- Jump Jam (all students)
- Uniform Shop Open (8.30am-9.30am)
- Drum Corp (8am)
- Faction Frozen Friday P-Y6 (\$2)

#### **MONDAY 10th IUNE**

- Breakfast Club
- LEGO Club
- P&C Meeting (6pm)

#### TUESDAY 11th JUNE

- Running Club (8am)

#### WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE

- Skipping Club selected students (8am)
- Breakfast Club
- Kindy Day
- Rick the Rock visit (K-6 @ 9am)

#### THURSDAY 13th JUNE

- Kindy Day
- Band (8am)
- Koolandgka Art Club (8am-8.30am)
- Netball Club (3pm-4pm)

#### FRIDAY 14th IUNE

- Breakfast Club
- Jump Jam (all students)
- Drum Corp (8am)
- Faction Frozen Friday P-Y6 (\$2)
- Uniform Shop Open (8.30am-9.30am)

Congratulations to our P&C for the time and effort they have put into fundraising for our school this term. They have volunteered their time to run the Mother's Day stall and raffle and to organise the amazing Colour Fun Run. So far this term they have raised over \$20,000 for the students. Thank you to our school community for supporting the fundraising activities. If any parents would like to join the P&C they meet twice a term. The next meeting is on Monday  $10^{\rm th}$  June at 6pm in the Staff Room.











On 16<sup>th</sup> May, the Year 5 students hosted the assembly. The Year 5s presented the *Fight Song* by Rachel Platten and discussed the ways to change a negative thought into a positive. They mentioned listening to music, taking a walk or doing physical activity and much more. Well done to the Year 5s and Mrs Cosgrave for organising the assembly. Our next assembly will be Mr Charlton's Year 3 class this Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June.



Year 5 Assembly

The first Student Council fundraiser is for the Starlight Foundation on Tuesday  $18^{th}$  June. Students can wear their favourite sport team colours or just their favourite colour for a gold coin or note donation. This is for Kindy to Year 6 students.

There has been several COVID cases within the school. Just a friendly reminder that if children have any symptoms, they should stay home to minimise the impact on teachers and students.

A reminder about school uniform during the winter months. Students can wear a plain black long sleeve shirt under their school uniform. Also, a reminder about the length of girl's shorts. In accordance with the uniform policy, they must be mid-thigh length.

Miss Self is off to the US for a few weeks and will be returning on  $30^{th}$  August. Miss Condello and Mrs Wheatley will be replacing Miss Self until she returns.

The last day of Term 2 is Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. **Term 3 commences on MONDAY 15**<sup>TH</sup> **JULY** for both staff and students.

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# STUDENT COUNCIL FUNDRAISER FOR



Kindy-Year 6

Date: Tuesday 18th June

Cost: Gold coin or note donation

Students can wear their favourite sport team colours or just their favourite colour.

## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

#### Attendance

2024 TERM 2 ATTENDANCE							
	Wk1	Wk2	Wk3	Wk4	Wk5	Wk6	Wk7
K	98	98	93	100	96	97	89
PP	91	80	89	86	86	95	92
Yr 1	85	80	88	88	94	90	87
Yr 2	95	92	94	90	87	94	86
Yr 3	94	95	89	91	96	98	98
Yr 4	93	97	88	92	95	90	84
Yr 5	89	98	77	85	96	89	89
Yr 6	89	94	93	93	95	91	92
School	91.75	91.75	88.87	90.62	93.12	93	89.62

Please contact the school via text (0437 412 511) or phone (6296 8200) when you child is absent. **DO NOT** communicate absences through class Dojo. Thank you to everyone for texting or contacting the office when your child is absent.

90-100%	Attendance is considered regular.
80-89%	Is considered at risk (80% equates to
	missing 1 day per week.
60-79%	Is considered at moderate risk (60%
	equates to missing 2 days every week.
0-59%	Is considered severe educational risk.

Mel O'Leary DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

## FROM THE CLASSROOMS

Congratulations to the following students who received a certificate during our last assembly.



Honour Certificate



Maths Medals - Ryf & Lexie



STAR Reading Award Recipients



Running Club Badges



Congratulations to YONGAS for winning the 2024 Faction Cross Country

Dear Miss Kelley and Mrs O'Leary,

I think I should attend the Wildcats Basketball Clinic because I love sport. Wildcats are my favourite team and I want to improve my skills.

Firstly, I should attend because I'm very sporty. I love to play all types of sport, but basketball is definitely one of my favourites.

Secondly, Wildcats are my absolute favourite team. They are amazing and it would be a dream come true to meet them. I would love to go.

Last, but not least, I want to learn new skills and get tips from the coolest people ever, the Wildcats. It would be awesome wouldn't you agree?

In conclusion, I think you should choose me to come to the clinic because I'm sporty. I love the Wildcats and I want to learn new skills. So come on and join me to agree that I should be able to attend the Wildcats Basketball Clinic, wouldn't you agree.

From,

Matilda (Year 4)

Dear Miss Kelley and Mrs O'Leary,

Now that I've got your attention, I am going to tell you why I should go to the Wildcats Clinic.

Firstly, I am kind and I listen. The whole time I've been at Herne Hill Primary School, I have not got one orange card. If I can go to the Wildcats Clinic I will be on my BEST behaviour. So, don't you agree that I should to the Wildcats Clinic!

My lucky last reason is cats are my favourite animal and I adore them so much. They are fluffy and cute and there are so much more reasons why cats are the best. The Wildcats have the word cat in it and that's one of the reasons why the Wildcats are my favourite team, and basketball is really fascinating to watch. So, please, please, please, can I go to the Wildcats Clinic.

In conclusion, I think that I should go because I am kind and I listen. The Wildcats have always been my favourite team and cats are my favourite animal. So, pleeeease, I'm begging you, can I please GO TO THE WILDCATS CLINIC!!!

From

Ellie (Year 4)

## WILDCATS LETTERS

Dear Miss Kelley and Mrs O'Leary,

Why I would like to attend the Wildcats Basketball Clinic.

- 1. I have been playing basketball for six years and have been striving to become a better player throughout those years.
- 2. I have been a Wildcats member for years, am a huge fan and have gone to almost every game they played, (and been lucky enough to be able to take friends with me) as well as gone to many of their clinics.
- 3. My dream this year was to be accepted into WABL (West Australian Basketball League) and I finally got accepted after years of hard work and dedication.
- 4. I started a basketball team with friends from school called The Hurricanes, and since then, I have been working on my knowledge and skills.
- 5. I play under 12 domestic basketball each Thursday for Scorpions Basketball, and occasionally, play Wednesdays in the under 14 team, and I train every Friday to play Sunday games with my WABL team, the Eastern Suns.
- 6. My cousin and I, with a new friend, won the very first Buckets Basketball 3x3 tournament, and we won a free membership in 2023.
- 7. In 2023, my team, Team Mamba, also won the under 12 Grand Final.
- 8. I would love to do the Wildcats Clinic to further enhance my skills and meet some of my favourite players.
- 9. As most teachers and students know, I am a huge basketball fan, and would be joyful and delighted if I was accepted into this clinic.

From,

Austin (Year 6)

Dear Miss Kelley and Mrs O'Leary,

I think I should do the Wildcats Clinic because I've playing basketball since I was four. I have good sportsmanship and it's been my dream since I was four.

Firstly, I've been playing basketball since I was four years old. I've learned a lot about basketball through the years and since I've been playing for so long, I've pushed my limits and now I want to show them!

Secondly, I have good sportsmanship. Whenever it's full time, I always check the players if they are okay. Most of the time there is someone hurt. I help them by giving them some food or walk him or her to their parents and always say good game.

Lastly, it's been my dream since I was four years old and if it happens, it'll be a dream come true and my brother also wants to see them so much. I love seeing basketball players and I already said this, but it will be a dream come true.

In conclusion, I should do the Wildcats Clinic because I've been playing basketball since I was four years old. I also have good sportsmanship and finally, it's been my dream since I was four years old.

From,

Winston (Year 4)

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Ellenbrook Secondary College are running an AFL Specialist Clinic on **Monday 10 June 2024 at 3:15pm** on the College Oval.

Attendance at the Clinic does not require registration and it is open to all Year 5 and 6 students.



