



West Leederville Primary School

New Senior Wing Opens



Pictured above, the Year 6 students at work during one of their combined lessons. The rooms have designated backpack storage cubbies for each student and individual built in drawers.

With great anticipation, the fences have come down around our library wing, our playground has been reclaimed as have our library, music and art rooms, and our new senior classrooms have been revealed. On the first day of this term the students from years 5 & 6 picked up their trays and walked into their brand new classrooms. The classrooms are bright open and adaptable, with sliding panels between the rooms to allow combined lessons. The coloured cookie pads and small tables in the enclosed verandah have been a real hit and allow small groups to work independently, within sight of the teacher.

In addition to the five new classrooms, a new staff room has been included at the southern end. With our student numbers increasing over recent years, so have the number of staff. The new staff room can comfortably accommodate all the staff for meetings and PD days. P&C meetings and Board meetings will also be held in the new staff area.



From the Principal



Dear WLPS Community,

Welcome to this fortnight's newsletter and to Term 4 at West Leederville Primary School. For many, it's the very busiest time of the year.

Our New Building

We are in our new building! It was a hive of activity over our holiday break to get it ready. Our very excited Year 5 and 6 students couldn't wait to get in. On Tuesday of last week all four classes moved across and now reside in Rooms 22-25.

Room 22 is Year 6 Red Kent/McInerheney

Room 23 is Year 6 Blue Pallas

Room 24 is Year 5 Red Curtis

Room 25 is Year 5 Blue Sherborne

Art and music classes are now able to be held in their previous rooms and the library will be fully functional from next Monday. The move has freed up space in other places and means that drama classes can be held in the library on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, while LOTE (Mandarin) classes can be held in Room 6 in the main building. This room will also become "homebase" for Camp Australia before and after school care.

Notice of the removal of our two transportable rooms has been given. The area will be rehabilitated after the removal of the rooms.

There are still some small jobs that will be finalised over the coming months. Classes will not be impacted by this work.

I sincerely thank all students and staff for their great assistance with all aspects of the move.

Our Tree

Our Moreton Bay Fig Tree has been comprehensively assessed and we are told it is healthy and well. The "caution tape" and bollards will remain until pruning and a bracing system are installed. Until that time, student movement under the canopy of the tree is restricted.

2018 Classes

Preparation for 2018 is now well underway. Teachers put great thought, care and collaboration into the work to structure classes, taking into account many factors. At this time, teachers have not been placed against year levels or classes for 2018. Please do not approach or email classroom teachers with any placement or teacher requests for 2018. I refer you to the school's policy on classroom placement, which can be found on the school's website at: [Class placement policy](#)

Thank you to those families who have responded to our survey regarding returning to West Leederville next year. If at any point you know that you may not come back to the school for 2018, please make us aware as soon as possible.

Preprimary-Year 2 Swimming

Later this term, Preprimary-Year 2 students will attend their annual swimming classes. Keep an eye out for three documents that will come home with students within the next week.

Student Based Accounts

All students recently received a statement detailing the funds in their accounts. Any overdue notices were sent out at this same time. Please ensure sufficient funds are in student accounts prior to returning information for upcoming events such as swimming or end of year excursions. A great deal of clerical time is been lost on following up on individual accounts when funds are overdrawn or too low.

Please refer to this fortnight's Q&A section in the newsletter regarding communicable diseases and headlice.

Warm regards,
Michael McInerheney

Q&A:

Questions I've recently been asked in the playground.

What's happening with the transportable classroom and staffroom, now that the building is finished?

These will be removed as soon as practically possible and the affected area rehabilitated with new lawn.

When will the building be completely finished and we no longer have tradesmen on site?

There are a number of minor tasks to be completed over the coming months. The builder is been very cooperative and doing most work, especially that which is noisy, outside of instruction hours.

Does the school have policies on communicable diseases and head lice?

Yes we do. The most common we see are head lice and chickenpox but the school has recently had a student diagnosed with scarlet fever. Further information regarding policies can be found on the school's website and at: <http://kidshealthwa.com/guidelines/communicable-diseases-exclusion-periods/>

Why is there still danger tape around the tree?

Please see my comments in the principal section of this week's newsletter.

What is been done in the section between the undercover area and the boys and girls toilets?

This area will soon become our gardener's shed and storage area.

Kids Who Care Fundraiser

We are the 'Kids Who Care' - a group of West Leederville Primary School Year 6 students who care about making a difference in our community.

We are pleased to announce that on Monday 23rd October, we will be hosting a fundraiser at Cowden Park. All proceeds will go to Shenton Park Lost Dog Refuge. There will be a sausage sizzle, lemonade and face-painting fun. All activities/food/drink will be \$3 or less.

So, please come down to Cowden Park on Monday 23rd October between 4pm and 6pm to help us fundraise for this worthy cause. We hope to see you there!

From The Kids Who Care (Phoebe Raby, Rohan Raby, Liv Anderson, Karis Sant, Olivia Harris, Elektra West, Freja Salt & Amaya Garwood-Blue.



Awesome Arts Festival



Pictured above, the students from year 5 with the actors from live performance they enjoyed at the Awesome Arts Festival.

On the first Wednesday of term 4 staff members Ms Munday, Mrs Curtis, Ms Sherborne and 2 Mum volunteers Ms Duplock and Ms Marr were lucky enough to accompany the Year 5 cohort for a day out at the Awesome Arts Festival in Perth's Cultural Centre.

The day comprised of catching the train into the city (and back...with ALL the children!) and 5 fun-filled, interesting activities. The activities spanned many aspects of art. We had a live theatre performance from 3 extremely talented actors from Hoo Haa; a workshop with the same actors; an interactive exhibition at P.I.C.A., and an art exhibition in the state library. We also split into 2 groups for 2 separate, hands on experiences involving clay or cardboard. It was an action-packed, sensory enlightening day...and a bargain to boot. We'll definitely go again!

It was lovely to see the students so comfortable in their improvisation workshop. It was also wonderful to hear from a number of students that they had been to activities at the festival during the holidays. Unless we support these events Perth will lose them, so well done parents. For me the best part of the day was having all the actors and guides from the festival tell me how well behaved and delightful our students were! So a big pat on the back for everyone!

Claire Munday, Drama teacher

Get Ready For Christmas!

As part of new initiatives for raising funds we are offering parents and caregivers the opportunity to purchase original artworks by your children.

All the work is done for you. You just have to decide which product you'd like to order - Christmas cards (pack of 8) \$15, a calendar \$15, family planner \$15, or a case for your iPhone \$20. The artwork is an original work, already designed and completed by your child at school. Crazy Camel will deliver your chosen items before the end of Term 4.

Order forms will be coming home this week and payment can be made at school during Week 2.

For busy people, this is a WIN WIN; fundraising contribution – tick, and Christmas shopping begun – tick!



Sarah Williams- P&C fundraising

Dates for your Diary

20 October

Close off date for free delivery for stationery list orders placed with Campion.

23 October

Surfing Clinic, Trigg beach, Yrs 4,5 & 6

23 October

WCE Rock my school

26 October

Assembly, Year 1 Red, 2.15pm

30 October

Surfing Clinic, Trigg beach, Yrs 4,5 & 6

1 November

Kindergarten 2018 parent meeting, library, 1.30pm.

6 November

Surfing Clinic, Trigg beach, Yrs 4,5 & 6

8 & 15 November

Kindergarten 2018 students may visit the Dodd Street site between the hours of 9am and 12pm.

9 November

Assembly, Year 3 Blue, 2.15pm

15 November

Pre-primary 2018 parent meeting, School hall, 9am

20 November

Surfing Clinic, Trigg beach, Yrs 4,5 & 6

20 November to 1 December

Interm swimming, Yrs 1&2, Bold Park

22 & 29 November

Kindergarten to Pre-primary (2018) orientation, 8.55 to 10.20am. WLPS PP classrooms.

23 November

Assembly, Year 3 Blue, 2.15pm

Please check the West Leederville Primary School Website or Mobile App for regular updates to the school planner.

FROM THE HOME READING CO-ORDINATORS...

RAPID READ OFF



WEEKS 3 & 4

READING COMPETITION YEARS 1 - 6

During Weeks 3 and 4, read as much as you can. Record your reading in your diary and get it signed by a parent. Your class teacher will record the number of nights you read out of the 14 possible nights.

THE CLASS WITH THE HIGHEST AVERAGE NUMBER OF NIGHTS WINS!!!

Uniforms

The year is winding down and parents may be looking to update their children's uniforms for the start of the new school year on the 31st January, 2018. The uniform shop will be open on:

- ★ October 19th, 2017, 8.30 to 9.15
- ★ November 9th, 2017
- ★ December 7th, 2017
- ★ December 14th, 2017
- ★ January 29th, 2018, between 10am & 12pm
- ★ January 30th, 2018, between 10am & 12pm

Parents may continue to order uniforms online in between these times.

From the Chaplain

A warm welcome back to school everyone! I can't quite believe it is Term 4 already but I have a super fun last term planned so am excited to see you all around the school!
This term I will introduce 'Mindfulness Monday' .

Mindfulness Monday is an opportunity for student's to take a break from the playground, chill out and maybe make some new friends in the process. I will set up a Mindfulness area in the library at lunch time where students can colour or try their hand at some origami in a calm and relaxing environment. Student's can choose to have some quiet time by themselves or to sit with others and work together. I will have to keep numbers small so there will be a sign up sheet stationed at my office where student's wanting to join in can sign up. I hope to begin Monday of week 4 in the new refurbished library. Look forward to seeing you there! :)

Secondly, Craft Corner will return for term 4. Craft Corner is held on Thursday afternoon's in the Art room after school. It's lots of fun and anyone can join in! Numbers are limited again so it is a first come, first serve basis. The first session will be held on the 26th October from 3:05- 4pm sharp. Permission slips and payment information is available upon request from the front office.

I now have a notice board set up on the wall outside my office which I will regularly post activity information! Please tell your children to check the board on Monday and Thursday's to see what activities I have planned for that day.

If you would like more informatuon on any of the above or would like to contact me on a pastoral care issue you can contact me on Coralis@youthcare.org.au. I feel very privileged that I get to help the wonderful staff here at WLPS nurture your children and am looking forward to the next 8 weeks!

Coralis

STAR STUDENTS

The following students received Merit Certificates at the recent assembly.

Pre-primary

Zach Collings
Elijah Boyd
Clara Overmeire
Ira Gohil
Katelyn Kailis

Year 1

Hamish Madigan
Priyanshi Ramola
Katherine Lilly
Harry Smitheringale
Kara Daoud
Lucas Soares

Year 2

Emerson Lynch
Zachary Watkins
Aarav Gohil

Sophia Taylor
Hudson De Vries

Year 3

Sophie Koh
Daniel Butler
Etienne Reid
Tesushi Aoyama
Tasha Henderson
Sarah Emmett

Year 4

Kobi Meheux
Caitlin Pratt
Etienne Pontre-Gibson
Morgane Flynn

Year 5

Shardul Inamdar
Oscar Roxby
Olivia Butler
Archer Smith

Year 6

Karis Sant

Congratulations to our Star Students.





29th October 10am - 3pm
at WLPS 58 Northwood Street

facebook.com/wlpsspringshow

Website: wlpsspringshow.weebly.com

email: wlpsspringshow2017@gmail.com

The P&C of West Leederville Primary School is hosting its own little royal show complete with animals, games, and food! The Spring Show features more than 35 different attractions including: our own Pet Parade which will be MC'd by the incredible Famous Sharron, a classic show-worthy Cake Bakeoff, kids cooking classes and the event closing Dance Party.

Attractions:

Kids arcade Alley
Flower Garland Making
Haunted House
Loose Parts Pop-Up Playground
Gingerbread decorating
Plants and Seedlings
Gently used books, puzzles, games and sporting equipment & Sausage Sizzle and so much more!

Raffle and auction items include:

Framed Eagles jersey signed by the legendary Matt Priddis
Supreme Aussie Meat Tray from Torre just in time for summer!

Bring your appetite to try delicious food at the Smoking BBQ Bus
or the amazing Bao Buns and Dumplings at the T Sisters

The West Leederville Primary School
Pet Parade

Kids Arcade
Alley

