



West Leederville Primary School

Book Week Celebrations



Harry Potters abound at the WLPS book week parade held yesterday. Above, Miles, Oisin, Arman and Will from Year 5 Blue looking the part.

Each year, across Australia, the Children's Book Council of Australia brings children and books together during Children's Book Week, encouraging schools and public libraries to spend the week celebrating books, Australian authors and illustrators. Book Week is always a celebration at West Leederville Primary School, as we incorporate our Open Night inviting all of our current and prospective families to visit our classrooms. The classrooms were open between 5.30pm and 7pm last night with the classroom teachers in attendance. Our annual book fair was held last night and was a huge success. Thank you to those families who bought and donated books.

The [book character parade](#) held yesterday was, as always, a highlight in our school calendar. The book week activity organised by the Year 6 Home Reading Coordinators was also a real hit with the students, as they enthusiastically created puppets depicting a favourite book character. Winners from each class were announced at the parade yesterday and each received a \$10 book voucher to spend at the book fair last night.

Take a look at all the Honour books and winning titles at the [CBCA Book of the Year](#) website.



From the Principal



Dear WLPS Community,

Secondment

I have been seconded to fulfil a Principal Consultant role at Statewide Services for the next two months. This role entails supporting schools to plan for improvement, delivering and sharing professional learning and providing advice and support to school leaders and teachers. It is a wonderful opportunity to share the excellent work we are doing here at West Leederville and to learn from other schools in our system, bringing ideas and innovations back to West Leederville. I will commence this role on September 4th and return on November 20th. I will be in regular contact with the West Leederville team: attending our staff meetings whenever possible and continuing in my role on the School Board. During my secondment I am leaving the school in the very capable hands of the current administration team with Michael McInerheney stepping in to the Principal's role and Shelley Hollett increasing her time as an Associate Principal from two days to five. Ms Hollett will be replaced in the classroom by Chantel Kent.

Book Week

On Tuesday we celebrated Book Week with a fantastic [costume parade](#). Well done kids and parents for creating such wonderful costumes. The children (and teachers) had a wonderful time dressed as their favourite characters and participated in activities to highlight the joys of literature and the wonderful worlds you can escape to through the pages of a book. It was wonderful to see so many parents at the Open Night last night taking the opportunity to see their children's classrooms and look at their work. Thank you to all those parents who supported our library by buying or donating a book from the book fair.

NAPLAN results

Today, students in Years 3 and 5 will receive the results of the NAPLAN tests they sat earlier this year. Please remember that NAPLAN is only one of the many measures we use to assess children's achievement and progress. It is one piece of a considerable larger puzzle that provides the school, and parents, with information about your child's achievement in those aspects of literacy and numeracy which can be measured by those particular assessments.

NAPLAN Online

West Leederville Primary School is one of hundreds of schools around Australia involved in the NAPLAN online readiness testing this week. Our experience was a little mixed. The children really enjoyed the experience of the testing being online however some technical issues will need to be ironed out to ensure the process is a smooth one next year. These issues were related to the online test environment rather than West Leederville Primary School's capacity in relations to bandwidth or access to devices. We elected to be a part of this early readiness testing to ensure we had suitable time to prepare and troubleshoot and to keep the implementation next year as stress free as possible, for students and teachers alike.

The tree

Last week, as previously communicated, our Moreton Bay Fig tree dropped another limb. To ensure the on-going safety of our students we have cordoned off the area and have engaged an alternative horticulturalist to assess the tree's health and provide us with additional advice. Once received, I will share these findings with the community.

The build

We can't wait to get into our new classrooms! It's a very busy worksite - I think they're feeling the pressure of all of our longing gazes. At this stage we are on schedule to have handover in the first week of the next school holidays. Fingers crossed everyone.

Kiss and Drive

Can I please implore you all to use the Kiss and Drive in a safe manner. There are a few very simple rules that will make this a much safer place for all children. Please do not be the one that thinks 'It's okay if it's only me doing x, y or z'. It's not. It's not safe. If everyone follows the guidelines below, it will be safe and fair, for everyone.

- Always take extra care in 40km/h school zones, which operate on gazetted school days.
- Park safely even if it means walking further to the school gate.
- Observe all parking signs. They are planned with children's safety in mind.
- Never double park as it puts children at risk.
- Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child – they will learn from you.
- Always park and turn legally around the school.
- Avoid dangerous manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Avoid parking across the school driveway.
- Using the school's drop off and pick up facility will help keep all children as safe as possible during the busiest times of the school day.

Warm regards,

Fiona Kelly



The playground survey is still live and the Board will be grateful to receive your responses, and will provide summary feedback.

[Playground survey](#)

Dates for your Diary

24 August

Assembly: PP Red, 2.15pm

25 August

Jump trials, Perth Modern, Yrs 3 & 4
10.50am

29 & 30 August

St Johns Ambulance incursion, Year
1 to 6

31 August & 1 September

Incursion, Science Alive, PP to Year
6,

1 September

Fathers Day breakfast, PP Red

4 September

Fathers Day, PP Blue

4 September

Jumps and Throws competition,
venue, Kapinara PS, 8.30am

4 to 8 September

Incursion, Science Alive, PP to Year
6,

6 September

**Athletics Carnival, City
Beach PS, PP to Year 6**

7 September

Assembly: Year 1 Blue, 2.15pm

11 September

Excursion, Caversham Park, Yr 2
White & 2/3, 9am to 2.30pm

12 September

Assembly: Music, 2.15pm, SIM
and Superchoir students

14 September

Assembly: HASS, 2.15pm,

15 September

Mass Superchoir rehearsal, Perth
Concert hall, 9am to 1.30pm

18 September

Mass Superchoir concert, Perth
Concert hall, 5pm to 10pm

20 September

**Interschool Athletics
Carnival, Churchlands PS,
selected students Year 3 to
Year 6**

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

NAPLAN Online



Year 3 students try out the online NAPLAN earlier this week.

West Leederville Primary School opted to be involved in the national NAPLAN Online school readiness testing this year. Approximately 500 schools across the country participated.

Students in Years 3 and 5 have just completed the mock NAPLAN tests to assist in gauging the readiness of schools' networks to cope with the 2018 NAPLAN experience.

Our thanks go to the students who thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and to their teachers for giving valuable time to the trial.

Tree planting with Bunnings

The Pre-primary White class took advantage of a great opportunity to get together with their 'buddy' Year 6 Red class last week to plant some trees, courtesy of the Bunnings School Program. Two Bunnings team members brought along some tree saplings, planter boxes and gardening supplies to give the students the opportunity to plant some trees, whilst learning about the importance of protecting trees and the natural environment.



Our Extraordinary Students

Among our many talented and capable students, we have some who shine in areas outside the school grounds. Recently WLPS has been represented proudly and extremely well and we would like to acknowledge these students.

On Friday the 18th of August Sienna Hathrill represented WLPS at the WA All Schools Sports Cross Country Championships, held at UWA sports park. In an enormous field of 335 Year 4 girls, Sienna placed second. Congratulations Sienna on your amazing achievement and representing our school in such an exceptional performance.

This event capped off a wonderful and very successful cross country season for Sienna where she also won gold at the Little Athletics State cross country championships which were held on the 29th of July.



Pictured above, the field of 335 girls line up to commence the Year 4 girls cross country race, and Sienna with her silver medal after placing second.

Will Duplock from Year 5 Blue, began learning Karate only 2 years ago and quickly became very proficient. He competes every 6 weeks or so and earned the right to compete at a national level representing Western Australia. In an amazing achievement, Will won a bronze medal in the 10 year old, under 38kg category at the National Karate Championships in Sydney earlier this month. We congratulate Will and wish him all the best in his future Karate competitions.



Pictured above, Will and Mia, both from Year 5 Blue, who have both recently won medals in State and National competitions for their respective sports.



Also from Year 5 Blue, Mia Marr has always loved gymnastics but only took it up seriously 2 years ago and as a result was placed in the Gymnastics WA National Development Program for Level 3. At the State Gymnastics Competition at the end of last year, Mia was placed 4th overall after missing one competition with a broken toe. This year Mia has moved up to Level 5 in the National Development Program which is a great deal more competitive. Her team won Silver in the Team pennants held recently and Mia earned a 5th overall placing in the individual competition, including on the individual apparatus a 1st on the vault, 5th on the beam and 6th on the floor. Congratulations Mia, and good luck in the upcoming competitions.



Pictured top left, Fletcher, Evan and Harry, and bottom left, Jarvis, Owen and Tyler who won the Freo Fast Ball competition for 10 year old boys.

Also representing WLPS were a group of footballers who entered the Freo fast ball, in the 10 year old boys division. Fletcher, Evan, Harry, Jarvis, Owen and Tyler have been playing football for varying times but some since pre-primary. Rallied together by Harry, the boys competed in Freo Fast ball preliminary contests which is a team hand-balling competition. Winning their way to the Grand Final held at Domain Stadium as the Curtain Raiser to the Fremantle Dockers v GWS game on Sunday 2 August, the boys emerged as winners and were each presented with a trophy. We would like to acknowledge this group of boys for being motivated to enter the Freo Fast ball competition, representing our school and taking out first prize in a strongly fought contest. Congratulations boys!

STAR STUDENTS

The following students received Merit Certificates at the recent assembly.

Pre-primary

Aedan Dhepnorarat
Lucy Howat
Pre-primary Red

Year 1

Mahyar Mirmonsef
Juliette Cresp
Jackson Coombe
William Payne
Eamon Tan
Lena Pawlowitsch

Year 2

Levi Stubbs
Lucia Zanin
Farbod Sanaei Langroodi
Neve Madigan
Alexander Pitchen
Madeleine McAlpine

Rhys Walker

Maebh Dhepnorarat

Year 3

Ethan Bengson
Sam Tilman Lacerda
Harry Stevenson
Sophie Koh

Year 4

Audrey Brown
Charlie Buckels
Saya Mallen
Lenny Williams

Year 5

Katie Owen
Charlie Dawson
Will Duplock

Joel Ioppolo

Year 6

Oliver Mawle
Tom Carleton

Congratulations to our Star Students.



Faction Athletics Carnival

Trials and team practice have been underway since the start of term for the Faction Athletics Carnival which will be held at the **City Beach Primary School oval on Wednesday, 6th September, commencing at 9.30am**. All of the students from pre-primary to year 6 will be competing and the program of events will be emailed out to parents prior to the carnival. Buses will leave the school at 9am sharp and please ensure that all consent forms have been signed and returned to the classroom teachers.

The year 5 parents will be holding a cake stall and have organised for the Mooba mobile coffee van to be in attendance. All of the proceeds will be going towards the Year 6 camp next year. As in previous years there will be a pause in proceedings at approx. 12pm so that the students can enjoy a picnic lunch. The Canteen have come up with a 'Sports day special lunch' which can be ordered through their online system: ouronlinecanteen.com.au.

**HELP
WANTED!**



Jumps and throws morning

Venue: Kapinara Primary School

Date: Monday 4th September

Time: 8:30am drop off and bus collection at 11:30am

The competitor list and permission notes will be coming home next week. I will be needing plenty of parent helpers. You will be allocated a job of recorder, measurer or sand leveller or assist with javelin.

I need about 15 parents.

Please email me directly:

Lisa.Wade@education.wa.edu.au or

sign up at the front office if you are able to help.

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Faction Athletics Carnival

Venue: City Beach Primary School

Date: Wednesday 6th September

Time: 9:30am

Helpers needed: PP and 1: to assist with tabloid style team games.

Helpers needed Years 2-6: ribbon presentations (2), judges (2), assistant marshal (2) to place students in lanes, especially juniors.

Thank you to Dad's Army who are coordinating the transport and set up of our marquees.

Please email me directly:

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sign up at the front office if you are able to help.



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL SPECIAL LUNCH

Order your lunch for the Faction Athletics Carnival before it is too late!

Roll - chicken, ham or cheese all with salad.

PLUS a juice Box

PLUS a cookie

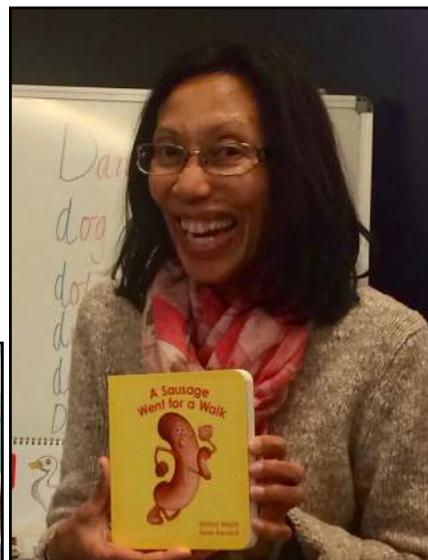
PLUS a piece of fruit

...all for \$7.50

ouronlinecanteen.com.au

A Sausage Went for a Walk

A real treat was in store for the students from Kindergarten Green this week when they had a visit from the grandmother of Alexandra from their class, who also just happens to be the author of the greatly loved children's picture book 'A Sausage Went for a Walk'. Written by Mrs Elisha Majid over 20 years ago, initially as a treat for her own children, 'A Sausage Went for a Walk' has now sold over 47 000 copies Australia-wide. The students were able to view the initial hand written version containing hand drawn pictures and then moved to the commercially published copy that we all have in our bookcases.



Far left, Mrs Majid reads her book 'A sausage went for a walk' to the Kindergarten Green class;



Budding Artists



Congratulations to Dolcie Year 2, Scout Year 4, Jasper Year 4 (absent), Liv year 6, Aurora Year 1, Juliette year 1, Indee PP, Jianing PP, Harry Year 6 and Yizen Year 2

The Town of Cambridge is hosting its annual Art Exhibition and a selection of West Leederville students from PP to year 6 have been chosen to enter their art work.

There will be an opening ceremony at the Boulevard Centre on Thursday 7th of September at 5:30pm. Then the art work will be on display at the Floreat Forum Shopping Centre from Friday the 8th to Thursday the 14th of September 2017.

We wish the students the best of luck with their entries.

Sally Gorey
Art Specialist

P&C President

Tuesday was the famous book week parade and what a great display of costumes this year! Children, parents and teachers should all be very proud of the effort you put into the costumes. The children were so happy to be parading around in front of the whole school from Pre primary and even year 6.

A special thank you goes out to Tanya Watkins for coordinating and preparing the book week sausage sizzle. Thanks also to Jessie Walsh, Sarah Williams and any other parents who helped on the day to make the sausage sizzle a success. The P&C made just over \$300, so THANK YOU parents for your support.

Just a reminder that the URSTRONG BOYS FRIENDSHIP seminar is on Thursday 31st August. In the school hall from 6-8pm. The P&C have subsidised this course to work with the school in developing a deeper understanding of friendships and how to overcome issues or just be a good friend. It is important to help children develop effective communication skills when it comes to friendships. If you would still like to book please go to this link: <https://www.urstrong.com/events/>

Thanks all,
Julie Metcalf

Churchlands SHS would like to invite parents of a Year 5 or 6 student attending a school in our

enrolment zone, to attend a school tour on the morning of **Friday 1 September 2017 commencing at 9.20am**. The visit will provide a firsthand account of a day at Churchlands SHS and an opportunity to view our school's facilities



Scholastic Book Club is due by Monday 4 September

Book Club LOOP

The EASIEST way for parents to order and pay for Book Club!



Parents: Are you registered for LOOP?

LOOP is the easiest way for you to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order, if you wish to pay by credit card.

Parents who are registered for LOOP receive exclusive sneak peeks, downloads and offers throughout the school year—don't miss out!



Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP and register today!

SCHOLASTIC

Keeping Sick Children Home

In a perfect world, children would never get sick, and they'd never miss a day of school. But it's not a perfect world. Children get sick all the time, and they love to share their nasty little germs with everyone around them, especially this time of year.

It's not uncommon for children to get viral illnesses several times per year, and these symptoms can last a week or more. When children are sick, parents are faced with a difficult decision: Send the children to school, or keep them home? This can be such a tough decision because there are a lot of conflicting priorities to consider; wanting children to feel better and recover quickly; preventing other children from getting sick; sending children to school so that their education doesn't suffer, and parents not wanting to miss work or struggle to find last-minute child care.

It's not always an easy call, but if your child is obviously unwell or you think they are becoming unwell, we appeal to you to err on the side of caution and keep them at home, as we have a lot of children and our staff that can be affected.

Please keep your child away from school and see your doctor if your child has:

- a fever of 38°C or above
- vomiting or diarrhoea
- severe cold or flu symptoms
- rashes of unknown origin



What does your Dad do when he goes to work?



He works, I don't know. He wears a working shirt, it's black, and pants and shoes. He drives to work. He drinks wine at work and he eats pizza, but salad is his favourite. Conor, Kindy

He sells cars and caravans and sometimes he gets his car washed close to here. Sometimes he comes home very, very late in the night or in the morning. He's got some clothes that look a little bit like an army suit but not. He smells a little bit like perfume and he looks a bit stylish! Dylan, Kindry

He does meetings. He does stamping. He does sitting down and relaxing and he has a play at his work. He uses the pencils and says 'Hello' to all the other Daddies. He wears a uniform, it's black with squares on it. Olivia, Kindy

He goes to work and he does computers while he's waiting for his patients. He helps them get better and he lets them leave and says 'Goodbye'. He wears black jeans and a top with different coloured squares. Olivia, Kindy

He meets all of his friends at work and all of his Dads. He does some working with paper and a pencil. He rides his bike to get there. He wears an orange top to do work in. Morgan, Kindy

He goes to work and he does on the computer. He does any work he wants and he wants to go to work every day. He wears a black top and pants. Abbie, Kindy

I really don't know. He wears a builder's jacket but he doesn't build houses. He launches trucks out. Evie, Kindy

Rainbows in kindergarten

Kindergarten Red and Yellow have been learning about the weather, water and rainbows.

We enjoyed a "Rainbow Lunch" and chose food that were the seven colours of the rainbow. Pictured right, Isabella, Eamon and Jon are selecting their food. Below from left Amelie and Andi with the rainbow jellybean biscuits we iced; Peri enjoys her colourful plate of food; Shivansh shared his rainbow birthday cake with the other students.

We also "built" our own COLOUR CITY as part of our STEM tasks. Below, second from right, Jett is adding some trees to our city, and finally, Henry plays with our rainbow toys.



Book Week Parade

