



WEST LEEDERVILLE
PRIMARY

“Scoop the Poop” poster competition



Pictured above, Mayor Keri Shannon and Rangers Luke Evans & Joanna McBride are pictured with Matthew, Liloue, Oliver and Zechariah.

The response to the ‘Scoop the Poop’ poster competition has been outstanding, with over 60 entries submitted to the Town of Cambridge. The competition was initiated by the Rangers from the Town of Cambridge in response to a letter published by the community newspaper *The Post* from one of our students, Liloue Farish-Luhan, who made comment on the effects of dog owners not tending to droppings in Cowden Park.

Following the judging, four 3 x 1 metre banners have been made up, some with individual entries whilst others feature 4. The banners will be displayed in Cowden Park.

Town of Cambridge Mayor, Keri Shannon and members of the Town’s ranger service attended last week’s assembly and awarded the winners and finalist prizes. All students who entered the competition received a certificate and a keep sake. Winning students were Zechariah Navea, Matthew Owen and Oliver Bull. Encouragement awards went to Eamon Tan and Gea Mallarini. Finalists were Rayan Jape, Will Nankervis & Blake Jenkins, Zara Gasteovski, Elena Casa Huelin, Henry Cash, Felix Cooley & Ethan Parker, Zara Stevens, Sofia Littlejohn, Aisha Di Lollo, Bastian Cianci, Ashley Knight and Emily Strika. Congratulations to all of these students.

The original posters have all been laminated and are currently on display in the Town of Cambridge library.

From the Principal



Dear WLPS Community,

Parents and Citizens Association

The P&C meeting was held on Tuesday night. We have many special events in our near future hence the agenda was fairly full. We have a dedicated team of parents who work tirelessly across a variety of areas including Dad's Army, the fundraising team, the class reps, the canteen and uniform committee and now a separate playground committee. There will be correspondence coming more regularly from our 'Colour Carnival' team who are working really hard to bring us an amazing fete in November.

The P&C have recently purchased our new podium (see pic further in this edition), more books for the library and guided reading books. The specialist teachers are planning a "Cultural Showcase" event in October. The P&C granted funds to enable this special event to come together, including art supplies, costuming for drama and a Chinese Lion performance. Thank you to these teachers who are putting in many extra hours planning this event. More information will come with further detail.

Parenting

On Tuesday I attended the Triple P 'Stay Positive' Parenting seminar in Maylands and it was wonderful to see some WLPS families there too. The Triple P campaign has just been launched by ambassador Ms Sarah McGowan, and this seminar was facilitated by the guru of Triple P, Professor Matt Sanders. Matt was full of funny stories and lots of interesting anecdotes. He talked about how to have a calm household, raising happy and confident kids, taking care of yourself as a parent and the importance of children having courage and taking (responsible) risks. He even promoted the importance of teacher-parent relationships. I encourage you to jump on the website and have a squiz.

www.triplep-parenting.net.au.

Webinar

You should have received an email regarding the parent webinar on August 18th from 5:30-6:30pm. I realise this timeslot is 'tricky customer time' or perhaps 'witching hour' in some families. You can record it and engage later when the house is calm. The voucher code you will need is GREATKIDS. This webinar will be hosted by Dr Jodi Richardson with presenter Michael Grose.

Parking

Unfortunately we have received correspondence from neighbours in Lesser Street. It has become apparent members of our community are parking on verges and on the road in the cul de sac and blocking cars in. We have contacted the rangers who will be issuing fines to those who infringe. It is greatly appreciated that the majority of parents are considerate of others and follow road rules and I would like to recognise those parents who consistently do the right thing, are polite, considerate and genuinely help to make pick up smooth sailing for all.

Digital Consent

We have trialled consent through our Skoolbag app for 3 excursions recently and it has proved very successful thus far, with great feedback from parents. Hard copies of the excursion notes are available from the office, but I would encourage parents to download the app as it is an important communication tool for the school.

National School Opinion Survey

Every two years a National School Opinion Survey must be conducted by all schools. It is another way of gathering information about how well we are going as a school. The survey in 2016 was very helpful in providing direction for our present Business Plan and helped us capture the general feeling about many of the programs we run here at WLPS. The School Board and leadership team are currently fine tuning and adding specific questions and it will be ready for distribution in the week of our Open Night. I encourage you to complete it as your input is greatly appreciated.

PEAC

All students in Year 4 will have the opportunity to be assessed for suitability for the Department's Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) Program this term. Year 4 parents have been notified of their test date. PEAC assessments have been designed by the Australian Council for Education Research

(ACER) and fall under the following headings: reading comprehension; reasoning by analogy; working mathematically and thinking scientifically; and non-verbal reasoning. Selected students in Years 5 and 6 next year will be able to access these programs. If you would like to look at more information pertaining to PEAC please visit <http://www.northmetropeac.wa.edu.au/>

Lisa Wade
Principal

Whole school fitness program

West Leederville Primary School has revamped its whole-school fitness program. The program incorporates fitness stages which increase in skill and endurance. Students are assessed regularly and once a level has been passed, they are entitled to wear a 'colour' on their sports shirt. Students are currently being assessed for their first level or for the level that they are trying to achieve.

We are looking forward to a high-level of student enthusiasm towards, and participation in the program and thank you in anticipation of your continued support. Instructions for applying the badges to sport shirts will be forwarded home with students.

Ali Chadwick
Phys-Ed Teacher



Place the red Fitness badge, just under the school crest.

The white bar should just touch the red badge.

Each consecutive bar should be aligned just under the one above.

A kite incursion



On Thursday the 19th July, Mr and Mrs Alvarez from Kite Kinetics visited the Year 2 classes. We have been studying forces in Science. Mr Alvares bought in a huge range of kites and demonstrated many of them for us. We all walked to Cowden Park to see one of the biggest kites in action. Mr Alvares has completed studies and developed his skills in kite design and kite making over many years. He taught us lots of interesting things about kites including the mythology, aerodynamics and cultural history of kites.

Mr Alvares travels regularly overseas to International Kite Festivals and has represented Australia in over 30 countries. Everyone had a fantastic time and learned lots of new information about kites.



Making music in Pre-primary



Pictured left with their xylophone are Luke and Jon from Pre-primary Red, and below is Conor.

This semester, the focus in music is on “Making Music”. Making Music involves active listening, imitating, improvising, composing, arranging, singing, playing, comparing and contrasting, refining, interpreting, recording and notating, practising, rehearsing, presenting and performing! Check out our Pre-primary students making music collaboratively.

MASSED CHOIR DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Rehearsal 1: Churchlands Senior High School, WEEK 6, TUESDAY 21 AUGUST, departing by bus at 9am, returning to school at 12pm.

Rehearsal 2: Churchlands Senior High School, Week 9, MONDAY 10 SEPTEMBER, departing by bus at 9.15am, returning to school at 1pm.

Rehearsal 3 & CONCERT NIGHT: Perth Concert Hall, Week 9, WEDNESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER, departing by bus at 5.15pm, all parents to PICK UP their child from Perth Concert Hall at 9.15pm!

TICKETS

Tickets are \$25 each ONLINE and go on sale MONDAY 13 AUGUST, 10am. GET THEM EARLY TO AVOID MISSING OUT! FIRST IN, BEST SEATS! No refunds are given.

Please visit the Perth Concert Hall website direct to book <http://www.perthconcerthall.com.au/>

Happy singing!

Miss Samsa



Dates for your Diary

3 August

Jumps and sprints trials, Perth Mod, Yrs 3 to 6

8 August

PEAC testing, Yr 4 students

9 August

Assembly - Year 1 White and Black, Undercover area, 2.15pm

10 August

Jumps and sprints trials, Perth Mod, Yrs 5 to 6

16 August

Science Day at WLPS
Incursion - First Aid, Years 5 and 6

20 to 24 August

Enrolment week, 2019 K & PP

20 to 24 August

Book Week

21 August

Incursion - Perform Educational Musical Performance, all Year levels

20 August

Book Week dress up day

22 August

120th Anniversary Celebration
Open Night, 4.30 to 7pm
Book fair in Hall

23 August

Assembly - PP Red, Undercover area, 2.15pm

27 August

Faction jumps and throws competition, TBC

29 August

Faction Athletics carnival, City Beach PS, TBC

30 August

Excursion - Duyfken, Year 3 White and 3 Blue

6 September

Assembly - PP White, Undercover area, 2.15pm

12 September

Interschool Faction Athletics carnival, TBC

20 September

Assembly - 3 Blue, Undercover area, 2.15pm

100 days smarter



Pictured with the 100 cake are May, Isla, Zara and Evelyn from Pre-primary Blue.

All year the children in Pre-primary have been counting the number of days they have come to school. On Thursday 26th of July we finally reached 100 days and everyone arrived at school with great excitement. The students spent the day completing activities based on the number 100. There was a special morning tea with 100 cupcakes and a 100 shaped cake.

We have had a wonderful time becoming "100 days smarter" and look forward to lots more fun and learning for the rest of the year.



Harry holds the 100 days smarter banner in front of a display of items grouped in lots of 100.

Chinese students visiting our School

A group of Senior High School students and teachers from China visited our school. It was a great opportunity for our students to meet them.

The WLPS students engaged in a range of hands-on activities, origami making and Chinese cultural experiences as well as learning and practicing Mandarin. We also had Master Chi demonstrate Chinese Tai Chi and Kung Fu demonstrated for us.



"The Tai Chi performance started slow, then sped up, after that we met the Chinese students and made origami with them, I made a Boat. It was really fun & interesting."

Year 4 B: Gabriel

"We talked to the Chinese students and made origami. I made a Bunny and Fox. It was really fun and educational."

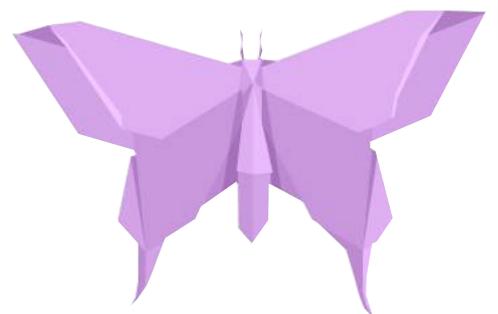
Year 4 B: Emma



Learn origami

Our Mandarin classes are organising an origami activity at recess and lunchtime for students to participate. It is voluntary, for anyone willing to learn a few tricks to make a piece of paper become art. We would like a small group of students from Year 3s to Year 6s to be involved in the activities. If they are interested, they will also assist teachers to run a stall for school fund-raising at the Colour Carnival.

Thank you.
Linda Chun-Fun Williams
Mandarin Teacher



Lost property

The amount of lost property in the school has reached new heights and the lost property area in the hall is brimming over. Teachers are doing their very best to return items that are named to their rightful owners, but many of the items do not have names. Please help us in this area by marking your child's name clearly on any items that could be left at school and regularly check school bags.



STAR STUDENTS

The following students received Merit Certificates at the recent assembly.

Pre-primary

Aayah Dingo
Harrison Lynn
Bethany Callaghan
Olivia Wright
Amelie Bollig
Gea Mallarini

Year 1

Alexys Meheux
Yassin Mohamed
Mosaab El Misallati
Rachael Osmond
Ethan Lewis
Tom Corrigan
James Lilly
Jianing Gong

Year 2

Lachlan Ladyman
Gabriella Cooper

James Lim

Ewan Bengson
Olive Keane
Ashton Hiller

Year 3

Gabriella Sealey
Ethan Soh
Hudson De Vries
Shruti Pudipeddi
Lucia Zanin
Mateen Baba

Year 4

Keira Warren
Franklyn Coats
Manuela D'Addona
Katrina Yang
Thea Mandin
Blake Jenkins

Year 5

Jaiya Allen
Ashley Knight
Castel Brandli
Sienna Hathrill

Year 6

Ruby Cash
Oscar Roxby
Jordan Karaganja
Dominic Bailey

Congratulations to our Star Students.



New podium



Over the years our students have used upturned milk crates, borrowed stages and the bare earth to receive their ribbons and pose for photos following races at swimming and athletics. That is all about to change with the arrival of a brand new podium purchased through the generosity of the P&C. Pictured left our Phys. Ed. teacher, Mrs Ali Chadwick thought that she would give them a try out this week. The first outing for our new podium will be the Faction athletics carnival, due to be held in Week 7 on 29th August at City Beach Primary School.

Making butter



The students in Year 2 Red were very curious about a new spelling word. When they asked Mrs Holmes what a churn was, they found themselves researching churns. They also learned how to make butter in a jar. They were exhausted when they finally got to enjoy their final product on a waffle. There were many smiles and memories made during this lesson and the kids loved making an exhausted face for the newsletter!





WA Child Safety Services
Creating Safer Communities

CYBER SAFETY WORKSHOP



This workshop has been designed to help parents, carers and educators teach children how to safely navigate the online world.

SESSION OVERVIEW

- Current apps and games used by kids and young people
- Sexting and nudes
- Cyberbullying
- Social media
- Pornography
- How online predators target our kids
- Protecting personal information
- Device restrictions and other safety measures
- How to avoid 'tech tantrums'

DATE

Tuesday 7 August 2018

TIME

9:30am-12:00pm

VENUE

The Boulevard Centre
The Lakes Room

99 The Boulevard Floreat,
Western Australia 6014

COST

\$20.00

BOOKING DETAILS

cybersafetyfloreat.eventbrite.com.au



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eSafety Commissioner

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Colour Carnival Fete News

Thurs 2nd August 2018
Issue 1

Fete Coordinators: Vivi Constantine & Ann Conlon
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Treasurer: Mimli Kulshreshtha



**Sunday 18th
November 2018**
10am-4pm

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Welcome to the first edition of the Colour Carnival Fete News!

We will use this newsletter as a communication tool to keep you up to date with the latest information on the CC fete on a monthly basis. It will include the latest updates; help needed, advertisements for stalls, sponsorships, donations and items for sale.

Planning is going great and we are well on the way to what is shaping up to be a fantastic CC fete.

The 2018 fete theme is The Colour Carnival - Where tradition meets fun and colour! We are planning to have all the traditional fete activities like carnival rides, food and craft stalls operated by each classroom but also fun and exciting games and competitions throughout the day.

Last fete we raised over \$30K and we hope we can beat that this year. Raised funds will be spend on up to date resources, STEM projects and exciting new outdoor play space.

Please keep a look out on your classroom notice boards as we will post flyers from time to time as well.

Many thanks

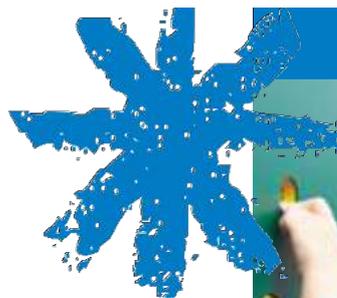
Colour Carnival Fete Committee

Ann, Aimee & Vivi

Upcoming Events

We are looking for a team to take on our Sponsorship and Donation committee. We are also looking for people to hit the streets, so please come along and hear how you can help if you have a morning/afternoon here and there to collect donations from local businesses.

Donation Meeting 7:30PM
Tuesday 7th August
Staff Room (Above Library)



Five forgotten skill sets that contribute to student success

by Michael Grose

At a time when we hear a great deal about growth mindsets, good mental health habits and creating digitally savvy students, we can easily overlook the skill sets that form the building blocks of long-term school success. These are skill sets that are also easily forgotten when we narrow our focus onto numeracy, literacy, performing arts, STEM and other academic areas.

While all these other mental skills and academic areas are important, the skills I want to focus on here are ones that can be taught, or at the very least drawn out, alongside every other skill when we as parents and teachers know what to look for.

Following are five skill sets that contribute massively to overall student success and contentedness at school.

1. Friendship skills

The ability to get along with others is hugely important for children and teenagers. Those students with a strong set of friendship skills are easy to like, easy to relate to and easy to play with. The skills they possess include knowing how to win and lose well, how to approach others to join in a group and how to lead rather than boss.



2. Organisational skills

The ability to organise your time, your space, your items and other aspects of your life is a massive plus for any student. The best way to help children who are organisationally challenged is to introduce them to systems and processes to help them organise themselves. These processes include the use of visual reminders, anchoring (i.e. linking new behaviours to habitual behaviours) and the mapping out of activities.

3. Optimism skills

It may seem strange to see optimism as skill set, but as leading psychologist Professor Martin Seligman discovered through his research, optimism can be taught. Seligman found that while some children are more inclined by nature to see a glass as half empty than half full, all children are capable of developing an optimistic explanatory style through exposure and direct teaching. The skills of optimism include being aware of self-talk, reframing negative events into positive events and the practice of perspective-taking.

4. Coping skills

Kids will generally face a number of challenges during the course of their school lives including overcoming the disappointment of not being picked on a team, working their way through difficult learning situations and dealing with rejection. The impact of these challenges will depend on each kid's own spirit, the support they receive and their coping skills. The good news is that coping skills can be taught or, at the very least, encouraged if adults know what to focus on. Coping strategies include parking problems for a while, normalising difficult situations and accepting and moving on. Some kids will use coping strategies quite naturally, while others need parental and teacher input to help them cope with even seemingly minor challenges.



5. Relaxation skills

The ability to relax and get away from it all is vital for the maintenance of mental health, which in turn affects a student's ability to perform. Many of today's kids live with pressure. That pressure needs to be released through relaxation and play, otherwise it can lead to anxiety and other mental illnesses. The ability to relax and unwind is paramount to your child's school success. Relaxation techniques include mindfulness and meditation, participating in hobbies and enjoying creative pursuits.

These skills are part developmental and part environmental. That is, kids will naturally develop many of them as they mature but the skills also need to be nurtured environmentally. They need to be recognised, encouraged, taught and modelled by adults who children and teenagers respect and admire. That makes parents and teachers 'Very Important People' in the process of acquiring them.



Michael Grose

Michael Grose, founder of Parenting Ideas, is one of Australia's leading parenting educators. He's the author of 10 books for parents including *Thriving!* and the best-selling *Why First Borns Rule the World* and *Last Borns Want to Change It*, and his latest release *Spoonfed Generation: How to raise independent children*.