



WEST LEEDERVILLE
PRIMARY

Helping the Farmers



Pictured above, students from Year 5 and right, from Year 3 supported the drought relief by dressing as farmers & footballers.

On the last day of Terms 1,2 & 3, the students at WLPS are invited to dress in 'free dress' in exchange for a gold coin donation which is then forwarded to designated charities. Usually in Term 3 on the eve of the AFL Grand final the theme is football related, but this year we added 'dress as a farmer' to help support of the drought relief effort in aid of the farmers on the east coast. As it turned out we had a mixture of farmers and footballers, but the end result in fundraising was a fantastic \$816.95. Thank you to all the students and staff who embraced this fundraiser.



From the Principal



Dear WLPS Community,

Welcome to Term 4. I hope everyone is feeling well rested and ready to hit the ground running.

Premiership 2018

Let's begin with a huge congratulations to Adam Simpson, his team of coaches and his amazing West Coast Eagles players for winning the 2018 Premiership! The highlight of my school holidays was a trip to the MCG to the Grand Final. I was very lucky to have amazing seats near the interchange bench and boy, wasn't it a cracker of a match? I hid under my beanie for a bit! Elsa, you are going to make a great journalist one day, what a little star!

Cultural Showcase

You may have noticed in the calendar bar on previous newsletters we are holding a 'Cultural Showcase' event. This is a new initiative by our team of specialist teachers. The evening will be held in Week 9, on Thursday 6 November and will be an interesting, exciting whole school community event. It will commence with a Welcome to Country, followed by a Chinese Lion Dance and Mrs Munday's drama production. There will be art works on display and WLPS musicians demonstrating their skills in the hall and food trucks to fill your bellies. Your P&C have already approved \$1100 to fund lighting, costumes, the Lion Dance and art supplies. Ticketing and final details are coming in the next newsletter. Please diarise!

2019 Class structures and placements

We are in the middle of the intricate process of how to structure classes for 2019 and rely on accurate projected numbers; thank you to those families who responded to our survey last term. Teachers will soon be creating class groupings which is a lengthy, complex process where we consider many factors to get the classes 'just right'. A gentle reminder that class requests are only to be put forward to myself, in writing, if there is a legitimate education reason. Please refer to our [Class Placement policy](#) on our school website which was ratified at Board level.

Professional learning and NAPLAN

On Monday's School Development day, staff engaged in module 5 of 'Teachers Can Code.' Teachers were taught programming, sequencing, branching, iteration and had fun playing 'Lightbot' and coding in 'Scratch'. Many thanks go to John McInerheney and Nic Savatovic, who facilitated the session. It was very well organised, professional and highly engaging.

In the afternoon, staff had the opportunity to interrogate the recent NAPLAN data. Jeremy from Best Performance assisted staff to analyse individual student results, cohort results, view school and individual progress. Staff will continue to view and discuss data at team level and will use this information to plan and deliver the highest quality learning programs we can for our students.

Students in Years 3 and 5 brought home their NAPLAN reports at the end of Term 3. The NAPLAN assessments are but one measure of student achievement. The assessment differs substantially from most school-based assessment processes where information about student achievement and progress is gathered over time and across a range of contexts. Our 2018 results are excellent overall.

Our Year 5 students performed exceptionally well against our like schools, with a higher percentage of students, in all assessment areas, achieving in the top bands and in the top 20% of all WA public

schools. Our Year 3 students have again excelled against like schools in grammar & punctuation, reading and numeracy.

The leadership team will be presenting the data to the School Board next Tuesday.

Colour Carnival Fete and thank you

Another major event in our calendar is our Colour Carnival Fete. Spread the word amongst friends and diarise Sunday 18th November. The organising committee have been working tirelessly and are full steam ahead with plans and preparations. I have to confess I am not looking forward to being the first hit on the dunk tank...

Thank you to Kath Dawson and the following parents who undertook the mammoth task of packing 800 satchels for the APPA conference at WAPPA (WA Primary Principals' Association). Here is a photo which was placed on WAPPA's Facebook page highlighting the marathon efforts of our P&C! Well done, team and thank you for volunteering your time. Money raised from this will go directly into our P&C account.



Volunteers were:

Kath Dawson, Ann Conlon, Elonn Tyl, Janey Daby, Julie Metcalf, Marcia Imison, Vivi Constantine, Leila Zandi, Judith Wiraman, Zaina Braijan, Avi Bredmeyer, Tanya Stevens, Miranda Pitchen, Magda Toth, Shelley Rae, Wendy Cai, Leonie Allison and Elana Healy.



The P&C also 'top up' our learning area budgets at the commencement of each year so we can purchase more resources for exciting hands-on activities. The maths and art committees purchased new equipment for immediate use. Pictured are beautiful paintings of still life by Kindy Red and love heart craft created by the pre-primaries.



I look forward to seeing current interested Year 5 parents in the school library next Monday, 15th October after school 3:30-4:30pm for our meet and greet with John Burke Principal, Inner City College.

Lisa Wade
Principal



Dates for your Diary

Term 4

8 October

School Development Day - students do not attend

15 October

Positive Parenting Seminar, meeting room (upstairs in Senior wing) 9am to 11am.

15 October

Meeting for Year 5 families with John Burke, Principal of Inner City College, library, 3.30pm to 4.30pm

18 October

Assembly - 2 White, Undercover area, 2.15pm

19 October

Bee incursion, Year 4, 9am to 10am

23 October

Year 6 Graduation photo

26 October

Wacky hair day- Year 6 fundraiser

1 November

Assembly - 1 Blue & Red, Undercover area, 2.15pm

14 November

2019 Pre-primary info session
9.15-10.15
2019 Kindergarten info session
2-3pm
Library

15 November

Assembly - PP Blue, Undercover area, 2.15pm

18 November

P&C Colour Carnival,
10am to 4pm

19-30 November

Year 1/2 Interm Swimming

3-13 December

Year PP Interm Swimming

11 December

Year 6 Graduation - 9.15am

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

GATE applications open

Applications for the Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs are now open to students in **Year 5 in 2018** and entering Year 7 in 2020.

Gifted and Talented Secondary Academic, Languages and Arts Programs provide a unique and challenging curriculum designed specifically to bring out the very best in gifted children. These elite programs are available at selected public secondary schools, and includes a fully selective academic school and an arts college. New academic programs are being offered this year at the new [Inner City College](#) (planning name - opening in 2020), and [Carine Senior High School](#).

Students will learn alongside like-minded peers and will be taught by teachers with expert skills and knowledge. Students will be encouraged and supported, and challenged to be the best they can be.

Parents can apply for these programs no matter where you live in Western Australia and, once selected, your child is guaranteed a place at the school. Entry to these elite schools and programs is highly competitive and entrance to academic programs is determined by the results of the Academic Selective Entrance Test (ASET). Programs in arts and languages may also require auditions, interviews and the submission of school reports.

Applications close Sunday 10 February 2019. Late applications are not accepted. Families can apply on the Department of Education [website](#).

Get your stationery orders in



Get your orders in now!!

Closing date for free delivery is **Friday 19th October.**

Vacswim enrolments open

With swimming pools and beaches a part of the Western Australian lifestyle, ensuring your children can swim competently and safely is a must for all families.

VacSwim swimming lessons are in the October and December/January school holidays. Lessons are open to children over five years and under 18 years. Your children can join in the fun of learning to swim with lessons conducted at pools and open water venues across the State. Lessons are for beginners through to advanced survival, rescue and resuscitation.

VacSwim enrolments are now open. [Enrol now.](#)

Making 'wind turbines'



Above, the students from Pre-primary Red were very excited to demonstrate their whirligig 'wind turbines', and below Kerry is pictured with the students.

A Pre-primary Red parent Kerry, spoke to the students about 'clean power' and how the wind and sun can be used to create energy.

The students developed an awareness of the importance of changing conventional methods to natural sources of energy. They also learnt about the importance of saving power to save our planet.

A lot of fun was had making our own wind turbine and seeing how wind energy worked.

Miss Ballantine, Pre-primary Red teacher



Animal Ark incursion



Today Animal Ark came to my classroom and the frog jumped in front of me. I jumped. And I touched a lizard. I like the snake poo.

Ellis, PP White

I touched a shell and a python. It was fun. Also, I touched a frog. I also touched a stick creature and a bone. I loved it.

Evie, PP White

I got a snake around my neck. I held four snails. There was a red back spider. A green tree frog was on my hand. I patted a lizard. Its name was Snowflake. I saw some crickets. There was lots of beetles. It was fun. I loved the Bobby.

Gabi, PP White

Today I saw a python and I got to put it around my neck. Also, I got to pat a frog and sadly we had to put the animals away and we asked some questions and at the end we looked at the shells and the bones. I really liked the boy.

Zoe, PP White



Year 3 Blue



Last term on Thursday, 20th September Year 3 Blue held their assembly. Their performance of 'It's a Sad, Bad, Terrible Day' was both entertaining and humorous and helped to convey messages from The Zones of Regulation and the Bounceback program, where they looked at the importance of keeping things in perspective, bad times don't last and how to look on the bright side. It was a wonderfully positive note to end the term.

Y. Greenway
Year 3 Teacher

STAR STUDENTS

The following students received Merit Certificates at the recent assembly.

Pre-primary

Julia Magalhaes Ward
Isla Tan
Summer Jorgensen-Oates
Jialu Zhang
Pre-primary White

Year 1

Leah Choi
Katelyn Kailis
Ruby Francis
Liam Campbell
Timothy Baker
Harvey Manser-Smith
Amelie Chittock
Hamish Meharry

Year 2

Year 2 Blue
Mahyar Mirmonsef
Sibella Kelly
Max Hunter

Bennett Massie-Taylor

Year 3

Year 3 Blue
Olivia Jones
Sophia Taylor
Mia Simpson

Year 4

Daniel Butler
April McCallum
Ioannis Troumpetaris
Ruby Bellantoni
Oliver Bull

Year 5

Miranda Salt
Matilda Williams
Amy Jia
Caitlin Pratt
Darcy Finch

Year 6

Miles Gaspar
Juliette Mandin
Caryn Yaba

Congratulations to our Star Students.



Coles Sports for Schools

Earlier this year we were overwhelmed by the support shown to us by our parents when we registered with the Coles Schools for Sport program. The vouchers started coming in by the handful and continued right up to the final day. At the conclusion we had amassed a huge number of vouchers which translated into thousands of dollars worth of sporting equipment to bolster our supplies.

This week the students from Year 2 White were thrilled to have first use of some of the new equipment.

We would like to thank all of the parents who assisted us in requesting the vouchers when shopping at Coles and in particular the Finch family who regularly emptied the box located at Coles.



Invitation for interested Year 5

YOU ARE

INVITED

Year 5 families are invited to meet with
Mr John Burke, Principal of the
Inner City College (planning name)
in the WLPS library
next Monday, 15th October
3.30pm to 4.30pm



FREE

SEMINARS - for WEST LEEDERVILLE PS PARENTS **Triple P – Positive Parenting Program**

Most parents have times when they find their children’s behaviour challenging.

The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program is world’s most effective parenting programs.

Developed by clinical psychologist Professor Sanders and his colleagues at the University Queensland, Triple P has been tested with of families through ongoing research over 30 years.

“Children who grow up with positive parenting are more likely to develop the skills they need to do well at school, build friendships, and feel good about themselves.”

Prof. Matt Sanders

one of the

Matt of thousands more than

Triple P is designed to give parents the skills they need to raise confident, healthy children and to build stronger family relationships. Research has shown it works across cultures, socio-economic groups and in many different family structures.

Triple P doesn’t tell people how to parent. Rather, it offers simple and practical strategies that parents can adapt to suit their own values, beliefs and needs. The benefits can be dramatic and long-lasting.

All West Leederville PS parents are invited to attend free a Triple P seminar in Term 4. Facilitated by our school psychologist Lauren Gabelich, and chaplain Corali Sala Tena the seminar will include a presentation and time for discussion and questions.

- When:** Monday 15th October 2018
- Time:** 9am – 11am
- Venue:** West Leederville Primary School Meeting Room (next to staff room)
- Cost:** Free – however bookings are essential



For more information and to register online please visit <https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/wa> (Click ‘Find a Session’)

Student banking



The student bankers at West Leederville Primary School would like to extend a huge thank you to Tanya Stevens for co-ordinating the school banking.

Tanya is soon going to be handing the role over to Judith Wirawan. Tanya has kindly dedicated a morning a week to the program, and the students are very appreciative.

So, on behalf of the students, THANK YOU Tanya!

Memorial garden.



Pictured above, Molly from Year 3 with with our Chaplain Mrs Corali Sala Tana in the newly established Memorial garden.

Last term, Molly Baker, Year 3 Blue attended a P&C meeting and made a submission for funding to establish a memorial garden at the front of our school. The proposal was for the area adjacent to the shelter shed which is now fenced off, to be beautified as a memorial. The P&C were very impressed with Molly's submission which included detailed drawn plans and made funds available for the project. Pre-primary parent Richard Moyle joined forces with Molly and her father Michael Baker to coordinate the garden and last weekend it all came together. Thank you to the families who came along to assist with the preparation and planting in the garden.

School Banking day has moved to Friday



Friday is now the Commonwealth Bank School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. Friday 19th October will be the first day of banking for this term.

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If your child has lost their book, they can bring their money to school in a sealed envelope with a note on the next School Banking day. We will issue them with a replacement.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at West Leederville Primary School. We would also like to thank the wonderful parents who volunteer as our School Banking Co-ordinators and process our banking every week.

Scholastic Book Club news



Scholastic Book Club is a very popular program within our school and contributes a considerable number of books and resources to our school in commission. We extend our appreciation to Helen Knowles who has overseen the Scholastic program over the last couple of years at WLPS, but Helen would now like to hand the baton on. If any parents would like to step into this role, please let us know at the office and we will put you in contact with Helen.

Recent scenes at WLPS

