

North Fremantle Primary School

A Small School with Big Ideas



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2020 TERM 2 WEEK 8

I want to thank you again for your understanding and support throughout what has been a very unusual school semester. The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting our entire community and has presented us with extraordinary challenges. I am pleased that together we have been able to ensure our student's safety and continuity of learning.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP REMINDERS

As we shared last week, we are continuing our current procedures for drop-off and pick-up of children at the gates on Turton Road. This is a public intersection and we must be mindful in relation to parking and safety for everyone. It may help to ease congestion if people are able to park in the car park at the oval or on Johannah Street. We must also remember that whilst restrictions are being lifted everyone is still required to socially distance.

At the end of the school day I have reminded the students that they need to be in the care of their parents. We are concerned about the branches that are being jumped on daily, high fences that are being climbed and the potential dangers of students running across the roads. It has been lovely to see some of our families move to the oval now that the playground is open.

The Road Safety Commission recommends that children, 10 years or younger, should be supervised by adults when riding bicycles and should also wear a correct fitting helmet. It is important that all bikes are individually locked to the bike racks or fence.

PARENTS AT SCHOOL

Parents are able to come on the school site but we need to maintain the designated limits of numbers, apply hygiene practices and record where people visit should this information be required by the Department of Health. Should you need to make arrangements to speak to the class teacher or attend the Front Office, please make an appointment via email or phone.

We are pleased to let you know that tonight we will be hosting our School Board Meeting and next week, Wednesday 24th June at 6.30pm we will host a P&C meeting in Room 6. One of the strengths of our school is our community and the way in which it supports our students. We are excited to be able to meet together again. Please note the following precautions will be put in place to be COVID safe:

- ✓ We will meet in Room 6. Please use the top car park, come through the gate and use the classroom door closest to the car park.
- ✓ Everyone will be asked to follow good hygiene procedures.
- ✓ Room 6 will be cleaned at the end of the school day and again be cleaned after the meeting.
- ✓ Desks and chairs will be set up for social distancing.
- ✓ We will be recording attendance and contact details (as normal through the minutes) for contact tracing purposes.
- ✓ Everyone is welcome to bring their own personal hot or cold drink in a flask, keeper cup etc.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 22 June

Early Close 2.30pm

Tuesday 23 June

Edu Dance

Wednesday 24 June

P&C Meeting
6.30pm in Room 6

Friday 26 June

Winter Carnival
(Senior Students)

Monday 29 June

Early Close 2.30pm
Semester One
Achievement Reports
Available on Connect

Tuesday 30 June

Edu Dance

Friday 3 July

Whole School NAIDOC
Celebrations
Last day of school



Monday 20 July

School Development Day

Tuesday 21 July

First day of school

Wednesday 22 July

Parent Liaison Meeting



CELEBRATING CLEANERS

On Monday 15th June, we joined with schools across Australia to recognise our school cleaners. We recognised and celebrated the incredible work they have done to keep our schools safe and clean throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. During this time, they have played a significant role in making sure our school is a safe, healthy and an awesome place to learn and work.



SEMESTER ONE REPORTS

Kindergarten to Year 6 Student Achievement Reports will be sent home electronically on **Monday 29th June** through Connect. Please remember, to view these reports you will need to access the internet (not available through the Connect app). We will send out an instruction page to assist you in accessing reports closer to the day that they will be released. You may like to have a go at signing in to Connect prior to the day to ensure that you can login. If you have forgotten your password remember that you can reset this by clicking on the link on the sign in page.

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As mentioned in the last newsletter, with the regular attendance of many students being lower over this time, the breadth and depth of the curriculum covered throughout Semester 1 may have been reduced. For this reason, schools are not required to include A to E grades on this year's Semester 1 student reports. It also means that your child's attendance will not be reported. Teachers will be making generic comments for all learning areas describing the learning opportunities that have been provided at school and home during the semester. Each child will have a personalised general comment outlining their overall progress.

FUTURE SCHOOL EVENTS

As restrictions continue to lift we are able to resume some of our whole school events with some procedures in place. We are hopeful that the following events will move ahead. If restrictions resume or procedures change, we will keep you informed. Below are just a few things to look forward to:

DATE	EVENT	PROCEDURES
Today	Whole School Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ All students and staff attend ✓ Hosting class and merit award winners parents invited guests
Friday 26 th June	Senior Students Interschool Winter Carnival	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Hosting school has covered all aspect of COVID safe planning ✓ No spectators at this event
Tuesday 30 th June	Edu Dance Final Lesson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Unfortunately, we cannot cater for parents to attend ✓ Classes will film their item and share links so that parents can see their children performing
Friday 3 rd July	NAIDOC Celebrations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Cross school activities and fun for students and teachers
TERM 3		
Week 2	Constable Care Safety School Excursions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ PP-Yr 6 excursion by bus to Maylands ✓ Parent helper volunteers ✓ Please return permission note and money
Monday 3 rd August	Three Way Conference TBC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We are planning to conduct our annual conferences but will need to give more information regarding procedures closer to the date based on guidelines for parents on school grounds
Tuesday 4 th August	SciTech Visit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ K-Yr 6 participate in space dome experience at school

THREE WAY CONFERENCES – Save the Date!

We are planning to conduct our annual Three Way Conferences in Week 3 next term on **Monday 3rd August**. Taking appropriate COVID-19 precautions, we will invite all families to join with their children and classroom teachers to participate in Three Way Conferences. These conferences will give students, parents and teachers an opportunity to reflect and celebrate achievements from Semester One and set goals for Semester Two. To enable these conferences to occur classes will finish at 11.00am on this date and parents will need to make arrangements for their child/ren to be picked up. Conferences will be scheduled through the afternoon until 5.30pm. More information about these conferences will be distributed closer to the date. Please mark this date in your calendar and remember that students will need to be picked up at 11.00am on this day.

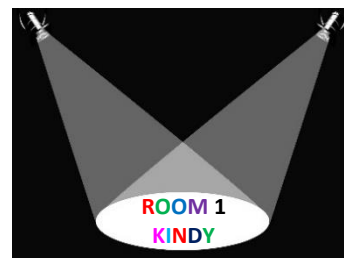


In this newsletter we shine the spotlight on our Kindergarten students from Room 1. Despite the interruptions that have occurred during 2020, this group of students are settling well into Kindergarten, having lots of fun and learning. We hope that you enjoy the photographs and reading about what these students have been doing in our early childhood classroom.

Please remember that if a child is turning 4 years of age before 30 June 2021 (born between **July 1 2016 and June 30 2017**), they are eligible to attend Kindergarten in 2021. Application for Enrolment forms can be obtained from our school's website <https://www.northfremantleps.wa.edu.au/> or by emailing the school.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Linda Chandler
Principal



Kindergarten 2021



We are accepting applications for enrolment.



SCHOOL NEWS

LOST PROPERTY

Please check the lost property near the Front Office for any missing items or at the school drop-off area before and after school on Friday 19th June. Remember to please label your child's jumpers, hats, bags, lunchboxes and drink bottles clearly with their name.



AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to our Year 1 students from Room 3 who hosted our 'semi-normal' assembly today. With the current restrictions in place we were able to have the students together with invitations extended to the parents from the hosting class and award winners. We can't wait to have our whole school community back together again.

Congratulation to our Regis Award winner, Anna, left, pictured with Kaye from Regis and Aussie of the Month winner, William. Well done!



INFORMATION BEING SENT HOME THIS WEEK

This week a number of permission notes and absence follow-up letters will be sent home. You may receive between 1 to 5 notes bundled together depending on the number of excursions your child may be participating in. Please note: if there is a Payment Envelope stapled to the front of your note/s, the amount on the envelope is the **total** for you to pay. If you do not have an envelope attached it means you have enough credit from previous payments to cover the cost of all of these excursions/activities. Please do not hesitate to contact the office if you wish to make a payment arrangement. We are also still accepting Edu Dance payments.



SPOTLIGHT ON OUR KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS IN ROOM 1

Room 1 Mrs Miller

What an interesting start to the year we have had in Kindy. The children have begun to embrace the start of their learning journey with enthusiasm and a sense of adventure. They are settling into their daily routine and are learning to foster and build on new friendships and relationships with peers and staff. Each day brings something different.

In Literacy we are immersing ourselves in Phase One of the Letters and Sounds program. This focuses on the importance of developing good speaking and listening skills in order to support oral language development and to lay the foundations for building phonic knowledge. Our daily sessions also target developing phonological awareness, oral blending and segmenting skills. We have been exploring environmental sounds around us, instrumental sounds as well as body percussion. Activities such as listening walks, using musical instruments and singing action songs reinforce these concepts in a fun and exciting way. A favourite game is 'Teddy is lost in the jungle' where the children guide a friend to find a hidden bear using only the raising and lowering of their voice to indicate closeness to the teddy. In conjunction with Letters and Sounds the children are learning about syllables. In our morning Literacy sessions, they participate in activities that include turn-taking games, sorting and identifying syllables in words using our interactive whiteboard and physical games like leap frogging across lily pads to count parts of words.



During our Maths sessions we are learning all about recognising and correctly forming numerals in order to 10, comparing collections using the language more than, less than or the same as, and sorting, classifying and matching objects according to different attributes. Activities we use to consolidate these concepts daily include shaving cream writing, games, sensory bin hunts to find numbers using tongs before ordering them on a whiteboard as well as using tactile materials like play dough and bubble foam to show numbers in a variety of visual ways. We also reinforce our counting every day during our morning mat session by counting how many friends are present and how many are away. We use elements of maths we are learning throughout the day both inside and outside at play.

We don't get to experience the joys of specialist teachers until Pre Primary but there is no shortage of movement around the school for us as we fill our days with many wonderful activities. On our first day at Kindy we had a treasure hunt around the school following clues left behind by the Gingerbread Man. He showed us many of the exciting parts of the school we will be using throughout our learning journey, including the outdoor classroom and the Art Room. This term we have been exploring the Library and have borrowed books to take home to share with our families. We have also visited the Music Room and borrowed Mrs Branch's instruments to play making loud and soft, fast and slow sounds as well as creating many different rhythms and beats. Like the rest of the school we have been venturing down to the undercover area each Tuesday to join Miss Jenna for our Edu-Dance class. It is so much fun and there is so much to learn.



There is always so much happening in Kindy and so much to look forward to as we count our way up to 50 days of school (only 13 left to go), incursions, excursions and Semester Two. Who knows what it will bring???



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FREE PARENTING SEMINARS

You are invited to attend the Triple P Seminar Series. You will learn practical, positive and effective ways to deal with common behavioural problems and ways to help your child achieve their best at school and in the future.

Parents are encouraged to attend all 3 seminars:

1. *Children's behaviour - the tough part of parenting*
2. *Raising Confident Children*
3. *Raising Emotionally Resilient Children*

The next **FREE** 3 week Series is held:

When: Starting Thu 6 Aug 2020
Location: Yangebup Family Centre
RSVP: Bookings are essential and places are limited.



Please visit [healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups](https://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups)
to book your place.

To find other available programs visit our website
www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups



Approved Specialist Programs 2021-22

Aviation | Graphic Design Media | Netball

Year 7 in 2021 or 2022

GDM, Music in Focus, AEC and Aviation applications due: 17 June 2020

Melville SHS Specialist Testing has been re-scheduled for Saturday 20th June 2020

Netball Trials are on 3rd August

At this stage interviews, auditions and will occur in the 2 weeks from Monday 27th July to Friday 7th August.

APPLICATIONS AT MELVILLE.WA.EDU.AU

Please be aware that these rescheduled dates are based on the current advice that we have from both the Education Department and the Health Department. If conditions in WA change again we may then need to make further changes to our testing processes



Governor's STEM School of the Year

BEST STEM PROGRAM

Australian Education Awards Finalist 2020



Testing in Years 5 and 6

