

Carramar Chit Chat

Respectful Responsible Learner Safe

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 **Attendance Matters** Every student. Every day.

Dear Families

I hope everyone had the opportunity to relax with family and friends and celebrate what makes our State great over the WA Day long weekend. The weather, albeit a bit chilly in the morning, made way for three very lovely winter sunshine days.

CoWSL PROJECT: PHASE 2 BUSY BEE

Sincere thanks to all families, adults and students, who offered their green fingers yesterday morning to prepare the garden beds for the new Bush Tucker Garden near the Meeting Circle. The rain forecast for later in the week will certainly help the new plants get off to a good start and I know the CoWSL students are looking forward to getting their hands dirty tomorrow. We are so fortunate to have had over \$400 worth of plants donated by Mr & Mrs Green from A.N.E Landscapes. Thank you to Mrs Block for her coordination of this project and to Darren West and our team of parents who kindly donated their time.

ROAD SAFETY

Thank for modelling good road safety habits when dropping off in the morning and collecting after school. As we know, parking is extremely limited. It is very important that drivers are patient, adhere to the road rules and are aware of other cars, children and families moving around the school and footpaths. Please avoid parking at the front gates and on any driveways. The Rangers will be patrolling Houghton and Millendon over coming weeks to encourage safe driving practices.

DOGS

As we know dogs are not permitted on school grounds. The school oval, on the corner of Joondalup and Houghton Drive, is a shared facility. Over the past 12 months, we have been in negotiations with the City of Wanneroo, to establish some agreed practices regarding dogs on the oval during school hours. In addition to safety factors, there are health factors of concern. We have had many unfortunate incidents of dog faeces being walked in, students inadvertently dropping their clothes onto them or even falling on them. In some cases, dogs off leads, during school hours have urinated on student's clothing that has been removed during PE lessons. I am sure you will agree the outcome is most unpleasant. We thank you for your support in demonstrating responsible dog ownership by keeping your dogs on leads if they accompany you to collect/drop off your children and for also picking up their droppings. Council is meeting in coming weeks, and we are hopeful for a 'win-win' resolution.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

It is hard to believe we are now in Week 8, nearing the end of what we thought was going to be a very long term – it seems to have flown by. Thank you to Staff who have been busy finalising assessments and preparing Semester 1 Reports. These will be sent out via CONNECT on Thursday 1st July. If you have not already done so, please contact the office to ensure you can receive your child/ren's reports.

UNWELL CHILDREN

With the colder days upon us, and an array of various winter bugs setting in, we thank you for caring for unwell children in the comfort of the family home. Whilst we always promote the importance of children attending school every day, please be considerate of others and avoid sending children to school if they are unwell. Thank you for your support with this. Have a wonderful fortnight everyone.

Maree James



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Principal

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MERIT CERTIFICATES

Year 1 Charlotte, Lyla, Aoife, Ty, Tobias, Izelle, Jade, Hunter

Year 2 Willow, Hayley, Joe, Zeke, Waasif, William, Asha

Year 3 Leah, Max, Joshua, Maya, Catarina, Georgia, Catarina,

Georgia

Year 4 Elizabeth, James, Lucas, Emily, Sabine, Harley, Charlotte, Kitaya

Year 5 Sienna, Hollie, Lily, Coast, Stella, Aaron, Sienna, Jayden

Year 6 Emily, Logan, Hayley, Molly, Ruby, Piper



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DOUBLE

Isla as Mrs Holden

Bailey as Mr Huggins

Fletcher as Mr Greyling

Huntar as Mrs Andrew

Well done to all, we were definitely fooled.



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Early Childhood Chatter

Message from Deb Parker (Deputy Principal - Early Childhood)

Hello everyone,

In the early years, partitioning, counting and connections to quantity develop at the same time. These important early ideas are linked to addition and subtraction. A deep understanding of these early concepts sets students up for success in later years.

Below, we have some photographs of our Kindy and Pre-primary students working on some of these early additive concepts.



These Kindergarten students are learning to **subitise**. This is the ability to recognise the number of objects in a small group without the need to count them. Children need to recognise small numbers both in a standard arrangement (dice pattern) and non-standard arrangement. At school, the children are exposed to a range of activities in order to practise subitising.

Once the children can subitise small numbers, they learn to **partition** numbers in different ways. This means breaking numbers up into different parts. In the photograph below, Zachary is learning to partition the number twelve by using different coloured pegs. 12 pegs can be partitioned into 2 red pegs and 10 blue pegs.



Tips for Parents:

- Look for numbers of objects in the environment. Can you work out how many just by looking at the objects? Do you need to count them?
- Play dice games with your child. Can they recognise the number on the dice without counting the dots?
- How many different ways can you partition (split) 12 pegs/buttons/bottle tops?
- Look for different number arrangements in the picture books that you read with your child (For example, you may have a picture with 2 monkeys in one tree and 3 monkeys in another. Talk to your child about those numbers – *What would happen if one monkey jumped from this tree to that tree?*).



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QUIZ NIGHT

Joseph Banks Secondary College P & C

Friday 27th August 2021

Doors open 6:30pm

Quiz starts 7:00pm

Carramar Community Centre 5 Rawlinna PKWY

Bar - Eftpos Available

Byo food

No BYO alcohol or drinks

door prizes - cash only

Table of 8 \$120

<https://www.trybooking.com/BRWQA>



Connect

If you are having problems with Connect or are not on Connect please contact the office.

This is how you will see your child's school report and school information such as excursions, incursions, newsletters, canteen info, classroom information and lots more

Up Coming Events

Class Assembly Rm 11 & 12—Week 9

Lightning Carnival Year 6—Week 10

Swimming Years 1, 3 & 5—Weeks 10 and 11

Interschool Cross Country Years 2-6—Week 11

Carramar Stars



WA Triathlete of the year (40-44)

Well Done Mr Malatios

Jigsaw Challenge

Mrs Perry from Room 7 challenged Koby with a 3D jigsaw of the Eiffel Tower. He managed to go from

this.....



Well done Koby

to this



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P&C News



P&C Chat

We have our whole school Sports Disco coming up. **The disco will be Friday 18th June.** We are raising money for new equipment for the Phys Ed department. The theme is Sports Star theme. Students are encouraged to dress as a favourite sports star, sport team or simply their favourite sport. There are some helpful hints for parents:

Please NO:

- football boots (cleats/spikes)
- crop tops and exposed bellies
- Props such as clubs, bats, racquets and balls

Parent volunteers will be needed so please keep your eyes on the P&C Facebook page for your chance to volunteer.

Our families have been amazing at remembering to bring in the bread bags and tags for our Wonder Rewards program. Collection boxes are now located outside the library, at OSH Club and by the Carramar Woolworths. Please keep bringing your bags and tags in. The collection finishes at the end of this term.

The STEM Classroom Cash for Schools collection box is also by the library. The school is collecting the STEM SNIPPET From the Saturday edition of the West Australian.

If you wish to hear the future plans, participate in or help to organise events or have anything you would like to discuss, please come along to the next P&C Meeting Thursday 10th June. All welcome.



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LOOKING AT OUR LEADERS



Lewis Hales

Hi my name is Lewis Hales and I am a student minister. People describe me as smart and enthusiastic. My favourite thing to do is play my Xbox: FORTNITE and Rainbow Six Siege. I'm the oldest child and I have a little brother called Ronnie in year 3. My goal this year is to have everyone know me and know whenever they need help they could come to me for help. My favourite colour is green and purple.



Oliver Fenwick

Hello, my name is Oliver Fenwick and I am going to tell you a bit about me. I am the only person in my whole family who is from Australia, the rest of my family is from England. A year and a half ago my family and I got a brand new puppy we named him Beau which is French for beautiful. My hobbies out of school are playing with my dog, playing my Playstation 4, catching up with friends and taking my dog for a walk. My favourite subject is science especially learning about planets. My favourite planet is Neptune because it is my favourite colour which is dark blue.



Aiden Twigden

Hi my name Aiden. I am the 2021 Faction Leader for Kanecky. My hobbies are writing maths and AFL. I like being faction leader because we get to hold lunch time games. My favourite colour is red which is because I support an English team what were red. My favourite animal is a dolphin. I love when they jump around when they are playing and have seen them jump over a boat I was on in Rockingham.



Molly Hamp

My name is Molly Jade Hamp. I have a pet bunny called Flopsy and I also have a pet dog called Marley. Out of school, I play for the Wolves cricket team with one of my good friends, I like batting the most because I'm very active. Some of my hobbies are playing on my silks and art. I like being creative with art and creating what I feel like. Every Monday after school I do swimming lessons at HBF Arena to gain skills.

A few words that describe me are funny, happy, positive, friendly, fair and determined. I'm quite interested in marine life and animals. I'm a very big chatterbox and love a chat with anyone. I enjoy going to the library with my dad and my brother to borrow The Faraway Tree series.



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Busy Bee



Wow what a huge turnout we had for our Busy Bee yesterday. We are so incredibly thankful for everyone who helped with the 'dirty work' in preparing our space for our Bush Tucker plants. We can't wait to begin planting them tomorrow.

A huge thank you to Mr and Mrs Green from A.N.E Landscapes for an extremely generous donation of all the plants that will be going in tomorrow.

Thank you to Darren West for being the co-ordinator of the clean-up. His experience and expertise is greatly appreciated. Darren spent a considerable amount of time collecting the resources needed and going above and beyond to ensure our space is perfect. You may see him as he continues with some extra job around our garden, please share our thanks for all the time he is volunteering.

And thank you to all of the children, big and very small, and their parents who came along with shovels and rakes prepared to get their hands dirty. Many hands do make light work and it amazing to see so many there. It was lovely to finish off our morning with a cup of coffee (or juice box) and biscuits all together.



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WEST OZ WILDLIFE INCURSION

On Tuesday the 1st of June our Kindy and Pre-Primary students had a very special visit from some Australian animals. The team at West Oz Wildlife brought in Keira the Koala, Lizzy the Shingleback Blue Tongue lizard, Larry the Blue Tongue Skink lizard, Willow the carpet python and Hazel the Stimson python. Our kindy's and pre-primary's learned all about these animals; their habitats, and what to do if they were ever to encounter these animals in day to day life. Each child had the chance to pat the koala, snakes, and lizards. Some very brave children even held the pythons over their necks. We all had such a wonderful time at this incursion learning all about these native Australian animals!



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Common sense strategies for raising girls



As a father of six girls I'm often asked for strategies for raising girls to be happy, responsible and strong. Here are my top five strategies that are relevant for parenting girls of any age.

Help her feel connected

When you connect with your daughter you help her to feel seen, heard and valued, which are vital psychological needs. You connect by helping her feel your delight when she walks into the room. You connect by stopping what you're doing and really listening when she speaks to you, and by ensuring she feels truly worthy and loved.

Help her feel she's enough

On Father's Day 2020, a 12-year-old girl completed a quiz about her dad, answering questions such as "What's your favourite thing to do with your dad?" "What's your favourite memory of your dad?" "What's your favourite song to sing with your dad?"

One question asked her to complete a sentence: "I know my dad loves me because..." His daughter wrote, "Because I'm me, and that's all he wants me to be." Help your daughter feel that she's enough because she is.

Help her navigate friendships with grace

Research highlights that girls have more friendship challenges and experience more relational issues than boys. Girls are more socially oriented. They fight more with words and emotions than boys who tend to fight with their bodies. Girls also ruminate more than boys. While fitting in is important for both genders, girls use social exclusion and relational aggression in unique ways that can really hurt.

If your daughter struggles with friendship issues there are no easy answers, however your attitude will make a huge difference. Gentle conversations that emphasise her value and worth, reinforcing your relationship are important when girls struggle. At some stage ask your daughter to reflect on these questions, "Do I like myself when I'm around those people?" and "Do I feel like I'm being true to who I am when I'm around these people?"

Help her love her body

Most girls want to feel beautiful. It's a parent's job to let them know they are – always. And that beauty comes from the inside. Never talk negatively about your daughter's body. Body shaming doesn't encourage healthier behaviour. It just makes girls want to disappear into the black hole of unworthiness. Remind her that it matters more what she can do with her body than how it looks.

Remember to let go

A parent's job is to prepare them for life without them. You're playing the long game, so the quality of your relationship really matters. Raising them to let them go is hard. But that's just how it should be.



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