Dear Parents and Carers,

We are gearing up for our School Re-Registration visit next week. Two representatives from the Department of Education Services will be visiting all independent schools in the area over the next week and our day is Thursday 26th June. They will meet with myself and Frank Pethica, our School Council Chairperson, as well as visiting the classrooms and touring our grounds. This is a hugely important day on which it is imperative that our educational environment and grounds are in the best possible condition. We certainly appreciate any help that you as parents can provide this Saturday at our extra special Busy Bee. Come along between 1pm and 4pm to spread mulch, fill trailers and scrub, sweep and dust your hearts out for the School!

This last fortnight our students have been up to a multitude of exciting and stimulating activities:

Recently we held Whole School Reading. This is an annual event which enables the children to visit each other’s classrooms and spend time with children in another age group. This was a joyous celebration of reading for enjoyment and an opportunity for collaboration across the classes.

We were excited to have a visit from Sandi from Monkey Baa Theatre Company who workshoped the behind the scenes skills involved in the production of the children’s story, Pete the Sheep, with our Middle and Upper Primary students. UP will also be attending the performance on the 23rd.

The visit for fulltime students in Junior Primary from the Scitech Early Childhood Program Roadshow was an exciting opportunity for scientific exploration in a hands on and fun environment. They certainly enjoyed their afternoon in the hall.

SNAG Golf, the renowned golf training for kids, was an absolute hit with MP and UP over the last few weeks. Thanks to Sue Gaunt for facilitating and Denise House (our After School Sport Coordinator) for attending. Many thanks also to Matt O’Connell (Jake MP1, Gracie UP) who put us in contact with SNAG in the first place! The lessons we received will be accompanied by a set of SNAG equipment for us to keep so that Sue will be able to utilise these with Junior Primary students for Sport in the future and so that Denise may be able to access them for After School Sport.

On Monday evening our 4 oldest UP students presented their case for the benefits of the ‘Our Patch’ Environmental Education Programme that they have been involved in with the Cape to Cape Catchment Group to the local Margaret River Rotary Club. Together with Tracey Muir of CCG they worked the room to secure future funding for the programme. Congratulations to the students and to Talliesen for her work in assisting their preparation and presentation on the night. Thank you to the parents and siblings who came along for support.

Upper Primary Camp
This week UP students are enjoying their annual camp. Congratulations to Talliesen and Sandi for all of their hard after hours work in preparing activities, food and logistics. I joined the students for their evening activities last night and they were thoroughly enjoying themselves. Thanks also to Paul Johnson and Karen Haslau for their help in supervising and pizza making and to Rachel Kerr and Michelle Sheridan for assisting with dinners.

Lisa
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Council Corner

Parking – The Shire has identified parking on the School verge on Clarke Road as a traffic hazard (see photos). In the coming weeks this area will become a Shire designated No Standing area. The School Council is aware that this will reduce parking for our parents and we ask for your patience and understanding to work with the School in ensuring entering and leaving the School happens in an orderly way.

Some suggestions are:

* Arrive before 3pm.
* Wait patiently if there are no spots. Your child will be looked after in their class until you come to get them.
* Park diagonally in the unmarked “bush” bays in main carpark.
* Utilise Betts Road.
* The School Council is working closely with the Shire to advance our application for planning approval to upgrade our main car park and we will also be working on the School Development Master Plan which will include future parking plans.

P&F News

The P&F will be holding a stall at the Deja Moo event in Cowaramup on July 12th from 9am. We will be selling devonshire tea, cook books and Cow Pat Lotto tickets. We are asking for help to man the stall and/or donate a plate of scones or just a jar of jam or bag of flour. A collection box will be in the office and a roster on the office door. Come along dressed as a cow to help break the Guiness World Record for the “largest gathering of people dressed as cows”

Cow Pat Lotto update: tickets and information will be sent home soon with suggestions on how to sell your tickets.

Busy Bee Job List

General
- Carpark garden areas weed and tidy up.
- All green waste to be removed from site. Re-tape footy goals and basketball poles.
- Clean gutters and leaf catchers.
- Gazebo sign secured.
- Star picket near pump removed.
- Remove all old furniture to tip or Lions.
- Secure vinyl to verandah floor.
- Level veggie garden beds.
- Clean all sandplay equipment.
- Remove rusty wheelbarrow.
- Take down shade sail.

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- Spread sawdust.
- Dig sand away from fence.
- Cobweb clean all verandahs.
- Clean all doors.
- Rake clean all white sand.
- Slats on garden benches secured.

Junior Primary
- Spread sawdust.
- Dig sand away from fence.
- Cobweb clean all verandahs.
- Clean all doors.
- Rake clean all white sand.

Middle/Upper Primary
- Sort and tidy veggie garden area.
- Cobweb clean all verandahs.
- Clean doors.
- Rake clean all white sand.

Hall/Staffroom
- Sort and tidy kitchen cupboards.
- Hooks in hall for banners.
- Sort and tidy storeroom.
- Stack chairs neatly.
Community Notices

FOR GIRLS IN YEARS 1 AND 2.

WHEN: COMMENCING TERM 3
WHERE: MARGARET RIVER REC CENTRE
STARTING DATE: FRIDAY 25TH JULY
STARTING TIME: 3.45PM - 4.45PM
DURATION OF PROGRAM: 10 WEEKS
COST: $90/CHILD ALL INCLUSIVE
          (KIDSPORT AVAILABLE)
REGISTRATION: To get in early,
               Saturday 21st June
               10 - 11am at the rec centre
               or First session of Net-Set-Go
               Program, Fri 25th July.

SEEKING SUPPORT FOR FILM – Steve Castan

Hi,
I am involved as executive producer for a film about asylum
seekers and am raising funds. The Director is academy award
winner Eva Orner.

I invite you to watch this interview with Eva about the asylum
seeker film crowd funding campaign:

eva-orner-turns-to-crowdfunding-for-asylum-seeker-film-bloody-
unaustralian-20140528-zrqfo.html

Please contact me if you would like more info, to support or to
be involved.

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(Dad of Remy and Milan in Upper Primary)

Please donate to:
https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/bloody-unaustralian