

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### STUDENT LEADERSHIP

The Student Leadership team was announced at the end of last year and they have already been busy around the school with announcements, supporting the staff and lots of other important roles. Students were voted in by their peers from Years 4, 5 and 6 and have the honour of representing the school at various events and activities. It was a very difficult task to select only 8 Student Councillors and 8 Faction Captains as there were many students who would have made great leaders who were unlucky to not be selected.

The wonderful thing about Year 6 is ALL students can be leaders and demonstrate good attitude and behaviour for the younger student to look up to. A variety of other committees will be set up to allow for this.

The Student Leadership team for 2019 is;



#### *Head Boy*

Luka K

#### *Head Girl*

Brianna N

(Pictured)

#### *Student Councillors*

William H

Angelina G

Archie W

Brooke M

Zavier V

Zoe P

#### *Faction Captains*

Mason

Callum S and Amber M

Sanderson

Asher C and Mya A

Stirk

Matthew V and Shaelyn H

O'Connor

Max B and Georgia R

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

##### **Friday 22 February 2019**

Year 4 – 6 Swimming Lessons finish

##### **Monday 25 February 2019**

Aspire Leadership Incursion Year 6

##### **Tuesday 26 February 2019**

Assembly at 2:15pm. Hosted by Room 8

##### **Wednesday 27 February 2019**

Aspire Leadership Incursion Year 5

Triple P – Session 1 at 9:00am-11:00am

##### **Friday 1 March 2019**

School Tour 9am

Faction Swimming Carnival – Kalamunda  
11am to 3:00pm

#### BACK TO SCHOOL PARKING WOES

With the return to school has come the usual parking and pick-up confusion and confrontation that we have come to expect. Please remember that everyone is trying to pick up their kids all at the same time and it can get a little hectic.

The GREEN parking bays on Ledger Road is a 2 MINUTE PARKING ZONE. This is KISS AND DRIVE. If you are dropping your child off in the morning, this is the place to go. If you have asked them to meet you there in the afternoon, again, pull in, they should be waiting, once they are in you can drive off. It should all move smoothly as long as no one parks there.

If you need to park, there is bays along the school side on Huntley Street or the Community Centre is but a 150 metre walk to the school. I believe there is lots of free parking down there.

The Northern side of Ledger Road and the Western side of Huntley Street is NO PARKING. You can be fined by the City of Kalamunda for parking there. There is also a FIRE HYDRANT on Huntly Street that is often parked on top of. Please do not park here as in the case of emergency your car may come off second best if DFES need to access that Hydrant.

I am meeting with DOE and the City of Kalamunda to discuss options with regard to more parking. The previous proposal to extend the parking in Huntley Street has been abandoned due to lack of community support so it is back to the drawing board. Hopefully we will come up with a solution very soon. As I have said before, there is parking and pickup issues at every school. We just need everyone to be a little patient and remember that when you break a parking law, what message are you sending to your children.

### **BUSHFIRE EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

A reminder at this time of the year that we need to be vigilant when it comes to bushfire season and be well prepared in that case of an emergency. The school has a comprehensive Bushfire Emergency Procedure and drills will be conducted to ensure staff and students are aware of the Emergency Evacuation Procedures.

**In the event of a day of Catastrophic Fire Danger, the school will be CLOSED.**

Prior to the day of closure, SMS Messages will be sent to all parents' mobile phone numbers registered with the school and formal, written notification will be sent home to each family. Announcements will also be made in the media.

School Closure signs and banners will be posted at all entrances to the school and on fences on Ledger Road and Huntley Street.

Children must not attend school.

Further information about the Bushfire Emergency Procedures can be found on the school website.

### **LATE ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL AND EARLY LEAVERS YEAR 1 - 6**

A reminder if arriving after 9:15am, students are asked to sign in at the front office. They will be given a late slip and this will be automatically recorded on the attendance system. Students arriving before 9:15 can report to the classroom where they will be recorded in the late book.

Parents signing students out need to get a sign out slip from the office *before* collecting students from the classroom. They will then be able to give this slip to the classroom teacher as a record of signing the student out.

This is in-line with Education Department Policy on student attendance.

Students in Kindy and Pre-Primary can still be dropped and collected from their classrooms where it is recorded by the classroom teachers.

**Principal  
Matthew Snell**

# School Announcements

## ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS

A huge thank you to the families who have been supporting our Terra Cycle programme at Gooseberry Hill PS. It is terrific to see so many of our students so very proud of their healthy lunch boxes and free of single use plastics and juice containers. The collection point for the: Eye Care Products, Beauty Products, Postage Satchels, Oral Care Products and packaging is the library. We also collect ring pulls, batteries and postage stamps via your child's class. We are going to try and focus on reducing the use of soft plastics at school and would love all our families to help us.

Remember any soft plastics that you can scrunch in your hand can go to Coles for recycling.

## YEAR 5 AND 6 STUDENTS

On Monday 25 February (Year 6) and Wednesday 27 February (Year 5) the students will be participating in the ASPIRE HIGHER LEADERSHIP incursion. Notes coming home this week.

## CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHARGES

Thank you to the parents who have already paid their Contributions for 2019. As previously mentioned this money supplements our funding allocation from the Department of Education and goes toward the provision of resources that extend the school's capacity to add value to your child's learning experiences.

The voluntary contribution of \$60 is for students from Kindergarten to Year 6.

A Athletics Subsidy of \$10 is also collected for students from Pre Primary to Year 6.

In addition to this parents are asked to pay for various excursions throughout the year such as In Term Swimming, Sculptures by the Sea, Sports excursions etc. These can be paid for as each excursion occurs or this year parents have been offered the option to make an "up front" payment so as to avoid having to handle multiple cash or direct debit payments throughout the year. This is entirely voluntary and parents are more than welcome to pay as each note is sent home.

If you are interested in the prepaid option, the estimate of costs is Pre Primary to Year 4 \$90 and Year 5 and Year 6 \$140. (This is in addition to the \$60 contribution). This payment does include the cost for In-Term Swimming. The Year 6 prepayment does not include any Graduation activities such as leavers jumpers or camp. We have an electronic billing system which allows us to allocate this money to each relevant item as it occurs.

If there is any money left over at the end of the year parents will be offered the option of a refund or of carrying it over to the following year.

If you have any queries regarding payment matters please contact the office and we will be happy to help you.

## 2018 YEARBOOK

We have several Yearbooks available for sale if you missed out last year. Please contact the office for your copy. They cost \$35

## STUDENT UPDATE AND HEALTH PERMISSION FORMS

These forms were sent home the first week of school. If you have not returned your child's please do so, even if there have been no changes, as then we can ensure our database is up to date. We appreciate there was a lot of paperwork for parents that first week but we hoped to get it all out of the way in one hit and by the amount that was returned it seemed to have been a successful strategy. We appreciate your support.

## CHOIR

There will be no choir after school tomorrow (Thursday 14 February). Further information to come.



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

The first book club booklets will be going home this week. All cash and cheque orders should be returned to the office by 3.30 on Monday 18 February.

Orders can also be placed online, using the Scholastic Loop – [Link to Ordering](#)

## CONGRATULATIONS

The following students received honour certificates at our assembly on Tuesday; *Olivia, Tom, Ellah, Olivia, Archer, Kian, Pandora, Molly, Sean, Abbey, Christopher, Rose, Evan, Like, Zane, Lily, Kira, Dylan, Riley, Emily, Ethan, Caitlyn, Lucy and Asha.*

## CHANGES TO TERM PLANNER

Stirk Year 6 cricket- Move from Friday 15 March to *Friday 1 March*

Stirk Cross Country- Move from Friday 21 June to *Wednesday 26 June*

Faction Swimming- Move from Monday 18 March to *Friday 15 March (11am-3pm)*

Updated version of the Term Planner attached.

## LIBRARY HELPERS REQUIRED

This year we are looking for a list of parents who can take library/resource books home to cover. We have a library that would be the envy of any school but getting the books on to the shelves can be quite a challenge. If there are any parents who are interested, please contact Mary in the library (Monday to Wednesday).

## SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

If you are planning on having an Autumn clean out, please consider donating any uniforms that are still in good condition and no longer required to the school. All proceeds from the sale of second hand uniforms are turned into vouchers for our lovely Chaplin, to help her assist families as required.

A second hand uniform store will be held at the assembly on Tuesday 12 March.

All donations can be left at the school office.

Thank you.

## "The Power of Positive Parenting" presented by



LOCATION: Gooseberry Hill PS library

DATES: 27/2/19, 6/3/19, 13/3/19, 20/3/19

TIME: 9am–11am

RSVP: Gooseberry Hill PS front office

9293 2777

*Creche and refreshments are provided*

Most of the time, parenting is great fun. You know you are doing a good job.

But there are times when things get a little tricky.  
Like when your toddler who won't go to bed. Or your six year old won't pick up his toys.  
Maybe your child never seems to listen. Or going to the supermarket can become a battle!

Triple P discussion groups are a great way to get strategies and ways to deal with these types of situations.

- First discussion group - Dealing with Disobedience
- Second discussion group - Managing Fighting and Aggression
- Third discussion group - Developing Good Bedtime Routines
- Fourth discussion group - Hassle-free shopping

## CANTEEN NEWS

The Term 1 canteen days are Monday, Wednesday and Fridays for recess and lunch. You can place orders using our online canteen ordering system 'Quickcliq'. If you are able to volunteer your time to help in the canteen, please contact Christine O'Brien on [theobriens19@yahoo.com.au](mailto:theobriens19@yahoo.com.au).

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HILLIANS NETBALL CLUB INC

## REGISTRATIONS 2019

SATURDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2019  
RAY OWEN SPORTS GROUNDS IN THE SOCIAL ROOM  
FROM 1.00PM TO 5.00PM

- Players will be able to access the MyNetball System to register,
- Uniforms will be available to try on and purchase,
- EFT Machine available to make payments, cash and cheques also accepted.

For more information please contact Hillians Netball Club Inc at [hillians.netball@gmail.com](mailto:hillians.netball@gmail.com)



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## LESMURDIE GIRL GUIDES

Lesmurdie Girl Guides is inviting new members aged 10-17 (10-13) and (14-17) to come and try this fun and exciting unit. Girl Guides do many things including camping, life skills, leadership and personal development.

**2 weeks free trial- Come and give it a go you have nothing to lose.**

Every Tuesday night 6:30 – 8:30  
Sanderson Road Lesmurdie

For more information or any queries please contact  
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