



Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thank you and Merry Christmas

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has been involved in the school this year for their contributions. It has been stated on many occasions how very lucky we are to have such an amazing school community that supports us to make this a great place. I have enjoyed the festivities and presentations over the past week and it has again been wonderful to see the students performing in celebration of all of the achievements this year.

Yesterday we farewelled the Year 6's at their Graduation ceremony. Again, thank you to the Year 6 teachers, Mrs Marshall, Mrs Bebbington and Mr Orrell for everything they have done to prepare the students.

Also to Mrs Bell for her organisation of the ceremony. Thanks also to all of the parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters who came to farewell the graduating Year 6's. Hopefully you will remember the eagle story at times across the next few years when you are faced with an uncomfortable situation.

I would like to farewell a few staff members who will not be with us in 2019. Mrs Ridge has kept her retirement a secret. Ensuring she got her wish of sneaking away quietly. I would like to acknowledge the contribution of Mrs Ridge over the past 14 years at this school and her contribution to education in WA in general. We will miss her knowledge and experience of the system and ability to get the very best out of the students.

Mrs Mayston will be taking 12 months leave next year and we wish her a refreshing and reinvigorating break.

Ms Dartnall is having her first child in January and we are sure she will have a very busy 2019. We look forward to that first visit back to show off the newest member of her family. Ms Flett has been a wonderful addition to our team and done a fantastic job in Room 7 and will be missed in 2019 and Mrs Stevens will enjoy Term 1 off, before returning a day a week in Term 2 with Mrs Le Blanc.

Mrs Cramer has been successful in gaining a position as a teacher at another school and we are very excited for her as she embarks on a new journey. We will miss her IT expertise and just general help around the school but know she will be a great teacher. Also to Miss Bennett and Miss Miller who have helped out in the second half of the year in Music and Art, we wish you well and thank you.

The contribution of our school community has been outstanding in many ways. The Fair was possibly the highlight and a wonderful way to showcase the school. The help and support for the musical and of course the massive contribution to the Hills Christmas collection again was another level. Fortunately, the ladies from the church who came to collect it had a trailer!

As we head in to the holiday period, I would like to wish all of our families a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

Principal
Matthew Snell

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 29 January 2019

Office reopens 8am to 4pm

Thursday 31 January 2019

Class lists available 11:30am

Monday 4 February 2019

Students Return to School

Wednesday 7 February 2019

Welcome Morning Tea
(Time TBC)

Monday 11 February 2019

Year 4 – 6 Swimming Lessons begin

.CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the following award recipients from last night's presentation evening and the Year 6 Graduation.

Class	Endeavour	Academic
Room 1	Madeline	Jack
Room 2	Sean	Emily
Room 3	Molly	Sawyer
Room 4	Milla	Harrison
Room 5	Jordyn	Maddison
Room 6	Gemma	Riley
Room 7	Finn	Jamie
Room 8	Tae San	Ava
Room 9	Layla	Mitchell
Room 10	Caitlyn	Ethan
Room 11	Noah	Amber
Room 12	Asher	Filippa
Room 13	Stephanie	

Year 6 Awards	Name
Citizen	Lucy
Community	Elyce
Encouragement	Lachlein
Leadership Award	Lleyton
English	Carmen
Maths	Sebastian
Science	Ashton
Science	Callum
Digital Technology	Angus
HASS	Chae
Languages	Chloe
Visual Arts	Zoe
Music	Callie
Sport	Callum
Sport	Sophia



School Announcements

2019 SCHOOL LEADERS

Congratulations to all of the 2019 School Leaders.

Councillors

Luke K - Head Boy	Brianna N - Head Girl
William H	Angelina G
Archie W	Brooke M
Zavier V	Zoe P

Faction Captains

Stirk	Sanderson	Mason	O'Connor
Matthew V	Asher C	Callum S	Max B
Shaelyn H	Mya A	Amber M	Georgia R

2019 Interm Swimming Years 4 to 6

Interm Swimming for Years 4 to 6 will be from Monday 11 February to Friday 22 February. A permission slip will be forwarded to parents on Wednesday 30 January and this will need to be returned to the school, together with payment by Thursday 7 February. The approximate cost will be \$60.

ASPIRE HIGHER LEADERSHIP INCURSION 2019

Next year the Year 5 and 6 students will participate in a Leadership programme in late February. This is a programme to encourage all children to be the best they can and to develop their skills in working with each other. The cost will be \$20 per child payable next year.

PP-YEAR 3 SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our junior students (and teachers) had a great time at the Swimming Carnival last Friday. Everyone enjoyed themselves playing games throughout the day.



SPECIAL MENTION TO STUDENTS

The following students from GHPS were selected and participated in the Little Athletics State Relay Championships last weekend on 1 December in the relevant age categories:

Xavier V - Under 12 boys

Aiden S - Under 11 boys

Nathan S - Under 9 boys (this team came 6th in the state for the x4 by 100 meter relay)

Well done to all three boys, a lot of hard work and training went into this event.

WHATS BEEN HAPPENING IN OUR CLASSROOMS?

Aftermath of the swimming carnival in Pre-Primary!



YEAR 3 SLEEPOVER

On Friday 30 November the Year 3 students enjoyed a school camp out! So much fun was had playing games, watching movies and sleeping in tents!



SUNSMART TIP

Use an SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum water resistant sunscreen. Always apply sunscreen thickly and **DO NOT RUB IT IN!**

Instead of a baseball cap use a broad brimmed, bucket or legionnaire style hat which protects your ears and back of the neck from sun burn and skin damage.

ACT-BELONG-COMMIT

Connect with Nature

Connecting with nature helps us to recover from stress and mental fatigue, helps us relax and puts us in a good frame of mind. So next time you feel like you need a lift; tend to your garden or explore your local park; you might like to go for a walk along the beach or take a moment to enjoy watching the waves.

2019 Canteen Hours

The school canteen will reopen on Friday 8 February 2019. Students will be able to order their lunches every Monday, Wednesday and Friday throughout Term 1. We are always in need of volunteers to fill rosters and it would be great to see people getting behind our fabulous canteen manager by putting their names down for a spot. No experience required - Christine will let you know what to do!

SkOoLEez outside school hours care

At Skooleez we believe that the care and play requirements of primary school aged children are unique. We offer a safe and supervised setting, where children can participate in play that is appropriate for their age, ability and stage of development; where they are free to explore and engage in a variety of activities.

Hosted from Maida Vale Primary School, Skooleez OSHC provides Before and After School Care with Vacation Care offered during School Holidays.

Established in 2013, our Educators are local to the area and have extensive experience in Child Care and Before/After School Care.

Currently servicing Forrestfield and Helena Valley, we are looking to establish a dedicated service for Gooseberry Hill Primary students.

Proudly a privately owned and operated service!

**WE ARE NOW
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OF INTEREST!**

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For more Information



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MAIDA VALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

**310 KALAMUNDA RD
MAIDA VALE**

Community

Upcoming Community Events

Kids Cooking Classes

14 December [Link to Information](#)

Boys Netball

2 December [Link to information](#)

Kalamunda Kickboxing

School Holidays – January

KOSC 2018/2019 Vacation Care

[Link to information](#)

Hartfield Recreation Centre Programs

School Holidays

Link to GHPS website for all above flyers:

[Upcoming Events in the community and surrounds](#)

Academic Programs

WAAPA Summer Program

School Holidays 2018/2019

Link to GHPS Website for information:

[Academic Programs](#)



Darling Range Learn to Swim



Learn to Swim lessons available at Darling Range Sports College.

DR Swim provides a pathway from Learn to Swim, through to School Swimming / Squad, and on to Competitive Swimming at a State and National level.

Lessons available during each school term on Friday afternoons, Saturday and Sunday mornings.

For more information check out our website

www.gkdsc.com.au



2008 – 2009 DOB Junior Girls Elite Basketball Program

Kalamunda & Districts Basketball Association & Kalamunda Eastern Suns provide a pathway for basketballers & athletes interested in moving through domestic, WABL and State ranks. We have Specialised Basketball Coaches who are offering the opportunity for females who may be interested in trialling basketball in 2019.

It is a huge opportunity and we are offering it to girls born in 2008 and 2009 and there are special trainings over the school holidays.

It is a wonderful chance for girls and gives them a chance to be part of an elite professional program and no prior basketball experience is necessary.

Contact Nicole Moyle on 0419 310 327 for more information.