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Comet Bay Primary School

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Community Members,

We would like to welcome the following new students and their families to the school:

Bilqish Heriadi	Kindy
Lincoln Partington	Kindy

Nature Playground

I am very excited to announce that our new nature playground in the early childhood area will commence development next Tuesday. This area will incorporate a timber den, balance logs, rope balance, stilt, natural logs and will provide students with opportunities for creative play and development of their fundamental movement skills. It is anticipated the development will take two weeks to complete, with minimal interruption to the normal routine and access points in this area. I would like to thank our wonderful P&C who are contributing \$20,000 to this project. I encourage all families to continue supporting our P&C in their efforts to provide new resources and opportunities for our students.

Growing Together Day

We invite all of our families to take part in our Growing Together Day celebrations next Friday, 29th March. We will acknowledge and celebrate the many parents who have made wonderful volunteer contributions to our school during a whole school assembly scheduled for 12.10pm. This will also include the presentation of Growing Together pavers to community members who have made a significant contribution to our school over an extended period of time.

Our Assembly will be followed by a shared lunch on the oval (the P&C will be hosting a sausage sizzle) which will be followed by our Happy Walk. The Happy Walk is the major fundraiser for the P&C for the year, with students being sponsored for the amount of laps they complete. Students are encouraged to wear their House shirts and bright coloured accessories to bring a sea of colour to the oval. Parents are also encouraged to join their children for a few laps. I hope to see you during our Growing Together Day celebrations. Thank you to Paul Papalia MLA for his donation of a bike which will be raffled to any student raising \$10 or more. Please find attached the information which was distributed at the beginning of the week. [Growing Together Day](#), [Sponsorship Form](#)



P&C Office Bearers

Thank you to all of our parents who were able attend the P&C AGM last week. Congratulations to Brooke Benbow for taking on the role of President in 2019 and I would also like to acknowledge Cass Levitzke for her great service to the school as P&C president over the past 4 years. Please see the P&C section of this Newsletter for details of all office bearers.

School Board - Parent Position Available

Comet Bay Primary School is seeking nominations from parents for a vacant position on the School Board. To nominate, you must be a parent of a current student, complete and return the attached nomination form to the school by 4pm Friday 29th March. Nominations can be received via the front office or by emailing Deborah.Smith@education.wa.edu.au. The position is for a 3 year term and will commence in Term 2 2019. A ballot will be held if multiple nominations are received. Please find attached further information about the School Board and a nomination form. If you would like any further information, please contact Deb Smith. [School Board Nomination Form](#) [School Board](#)

Comet Bay Professional Learning Community (CBPLC)

Comet Bay Primary School is part of the CBPLC which is a strategic school improvement initiative which includes Comet Bay College and the other feeder primary schools of Golden Bay and Secret Harbour. Each term, selected staff from each of the schools meet to share best practice, take part in professional learning and moderation activities to enhance staff effectiveness so that all of our students' benefit.

Crosswalk Crossing

The Children's Crossings and Road Safety Committee will be reviewing our crosswalk located on Burnsville Drive near Champlain Road. I encourage all students and parents who come to school from that side of the school to use the crosswalk so an accurate picture of our community's needs is presented.

Local Area Excursion Permission

Over the past two years, most families have signed up to give their children permission to take part in local excursions which involve visits to the parks across the road and to the College, which require no transportation. These experiences might involve taking part in reward activities, or participating in an activity at the College. If your child was invited to take part in such an activity, a note explaining the activity would be sent home with the option for you to 'opt out' if you choose. [Local Area Excursion Permission](#)

Kiss and Drive Volunteers

We are very keen for parents to join our existing Kiss and Drive volunteers to help ensure our students arrive and leave safely and with a warm greeting / farewell. If you have 10 minutes to spare one morning or afternoon each week, we would love to have you on our team. If you can spare this time, please let your child's teacher know or contact the front office on 9524 9033. Thank you.

Parents on Phones in Cars

It has been noticed around the school that some parents are choosing to use their phones while driving around the school, using Kiss and



Friday's Jet Skis



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Drive or exiting car parks. This is a very dangerous (and illegal) practice with so many children moving around at the same time. Please put your phones down when you are in your cars as there is nothing more important than yours and other peoples' children.

Thank You for Attending

Thank you to those parents who attended one of our recent information sessions. Over the past week we have hosted a Parent Expo and a Triple P parenting seminar. Thank you also for the positive feedback you provided about these sessions. Our next Triple P parenting seminar will look at cyber safety and children's online activities.

Win an iPad

If you pay your \$45 voluntary contribution before the 12th April you will go into the draw to win an iPad. Voluntary contributions have a significant role in providing resources that extend the school's capacity to add value to the learning experiences of students. These funds contribute to classroom resources, computer equipment, books and materials used directly by our students. [CBPS Payment Online](#)

Car Parking Bay Raffle

The parking bay has been marked and is all ready for one lucky parent to have the exclusive use for all of Term 2. All you need to do is return your raffle ticket money by Friday 5th April to be in the running. Good luck. [P&C Car Park Raffle](#)



Upcoming Assemblies

22nd March – LA5 Junior Assembly
29th March – Growing Together Day Assembly
5th April – TA10 Senior Assembly
12th April – ANZAC Ceremony

Dates For The Diary

21st March- Harmony Day
25th March – WA Symphony Orchestra Visit
26th March – Kaboom Percussion Incursion
29th March - Growing Together Day and Happy Walk (P-6)
2nd April – Brilliant Kids Morning Tea
3rd April – Interscholar Swimming Carnival
3rd -5th April – Kindy Book Fair
8th April – Indonesian Breakfast
12th April - ANZAC Ceremony

Kind regards,
Graeme Watson
Principal

From the Deputies

Rewarding Positive Choices

At Comet Bay Primary School we pride ourselves on acknowledging and giving appreciations to students who make positive choices and display positive attitudes. Below is some of the whole school processes we have in place to recognise good behaviour and positive attitudes.

- Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum Certificates - Each student has a 30 space grid. When students demonstrate our Comet Bay Agreements they receive a stamp on their charts. When a student completes their chart, they are presented with a certificate in front of all their peers (usually 200+ students) at a block assembly. The students then progress towards the next certificate.
- Brilliant Kids Morning Tea - Each term, every class (P-6) is asked to send one student, who has been working hard and showing a great attitude, to the staffroom to have morning tea with the Principal and the Deputy Principal.
- Whole School Reward Day - At the end of each year, all our students have the opportunity to participate in a reward day. Last year, each class was allocated 60 minutes to enjoy 3 giant inflatable bouncy castles/slides/obstacle courses. Last year, 99% of all students earned the opportunity to participate. It took 2 full days to get all our students through this reward.
- House Reward - Students earn House tokens for many things each term. They include healthy eating, doing homework, being helpful, using good manners etc. Each term we reward the winning House (over 200 students).
- Merit Awards - At each assembly, up to two students from each class will be presented with Merit Awards
- Class Rewards - Each class also has their own individual reward system and students also come to the office for stickers and praise.
- Acknowledgement Certificates - Students also receive acknowledgement for passing milestones in the Maths Challenge and for the number of reading nights.

Comet Bay – A Sun Smart School

Comet Bay Primary School is a member of the National SunSmart Schools program through the Cancer Council. At Comet Bay, all of our students wear a wide brimmed hat when playing in the playground, sunscreen is made available and with the support of the P&C we have installed shade over all of our play equipment and in the Year 2/3 area. Thank you to our families for supporting our sun safe initiatives.

ANZAC Commemorative Service

Comet Bay Primary School ANZAC Commemorative Service 2019 will take place on Friday 12th April from 10.00am-10.40am. We welcome attendance from all of our families. The service will be hosted by our Year 6 Student Councillors and it is a great opportunity for our students and the whole school community to honour and respect all past and present Military Service Personnel. A morning tea will be held in the Library after the service.

City of Rockingham Junior Council Program

The Junior Council forms the first tier of the City of Rockingham leadership pathway for young people, and offers two representative students from each primary school in the Rockingham area the chance to learn about advocacy and decision making at a local government level.

Congratulations to Jiaan Lally and Lexie Richardson who have been chosen to represent Comet Bay Primary School on the Junior Council for 2019. The girls attended their first meeting today and we are sure they will bring lots of ideas and leadership to the Council.



GRIP Leadership Conference

Next Wednesday all our Student Councillors will be attending the GRIP Leadership Conference in Perth with Mrs Tolofua and Miss May.

The GRIP Student Leadership Conference is unique in that it concentrates specifically on training student leaders for their role as school leaders. The style, topics, and content of the conference all focus on what the students can do right now. Our goal is that our student leaders will leave the conference with a clear vision, a solid understanding and dozens of ideas for their time as a leader in our school.

Topics on the day include:

- * Developing Myself to Lead
- * Making a Difference to My Team
- * Making a Difference to My School
- * Making a Difference to Society

Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to Sasha in TA2 and Ruby in LA13 for being presented with the Aussie of the Month awards at our recent assemblies.



Bugs, Bugs, Bugs

This past week has seen a surge in viruses around the school involving vomiting, diarrhoea and fever.

In line with Health Department Guidelines, students are to remain at home for 24 hours post the breaking of a fever or the last bout of vomiting and 48 hours post the last bout of diarrhoea.

We appreciate parent support in trying to minimise the spread of these highly contagious bugs to other students and staff.

School News

Kaboom Percussion Incursion – Tuesday 26 March 2019

Just a reminder that the Kaboom Percussion incursion is coming up on Tuesday 26 March 2019. It would be great to have as many students attend as possible, particularly the Pre Primary, Year 1 and Year 6 students as they will be incorporating some of the incursion work into our Music lessons during the term. [Kaboom Incursion Note](#)

We have had to switch the Instrumental workshop and Pre Primary/Year 1 performance times due to a clash with Nautilus which has only just been confirmed. The timetable will now be:

- 9.30am: LA9, LA10, LA11, LA12, LA13, LA14, TA5, TA6, TA7, TA8, TA9, TA10 (no change)
- 11.00am: Year 5 & 6 Instrumental students workshop
- 12.10pm: EC1, EC2, EC3, EC4, EC5, EC6, EC7, ELC
- 1.45pm: LA1, LA2, LA3, LA4, LA5, LA6, LA7, LA8, TA2 (no change)

If families are interested in finding out about Kaboom Percussion in the lead up to the performances, the group has a YouTube channel which has heaps of videos to watch and try: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UcKTAPsxJcdf6K3blimyRGO>

Twilight Swimming Carnival

Congratulations to students who represented their House at this year's Twilight Swimming Carnival on Wednesday 13th March. Please click on the following link for a recount of the Carnival. [Twilight Swimming Carnival](#)

Summer Carnival

Congratulations to the Year 6 students who participated in the Summer Carnival yesterday afternoon. Despite the hot and humid weather, all students performed exceptionally well and made their school proud. Thank you to the Year 6 teachers for training our students in preparation for this event. Like always, Comet Bay presented sensational sportsmanship and should be commended on their efforts. I look forward to seeing our Year 6 students in the Winter Carnival next term.

Visible Learning

Over the last fortnight, we have been exploring the learning disposition of Independent lam. When you are independent you use multiple strategies to problem solve. Ask your child about what they are doing to independently improve their learning.



2019 Comet Bay Primary School AFL Tipping Competition

Help raise funds for the Year 6 camp to Canberra and be in the running to win \$1,200 worth of cash prizes! Plenty of weekly, mid-season and end of season cash prizes on offer.

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