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From the Principal

Dear Parents and Community Members,

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

Darcy Lodge	Kindy
Nicole Tomic	Kindy

NAPLAN

Well done to all our students (and families) involved in the NAPLAN tests over the past two weeks. The feedback from our students was they really enjoyed using the iPads to complete the assessments. Our students have demonstrated a positive attitude and great resilience during this time. Some of our students experienced connectivity issues during their online writing assessment and extra time was given for them to complete the task. Thank you to our staff for creating a calm and supportive environment for our students to perform at their best.

It is expected that parents will receive their child's results during Term 3. As a school we look forward to receiving our results to highlight progress made over time by our year groups, plus our strengths and areas for improvement.

New School Board Members

The School Board would like to acknowledge and welcome Rae Rowley and Hema Wadhwa as parent representatives and Ashleigh Dixon as a staff representative to the School Board. At our May meeting, we looked at the school budget, voluntary contribution rates, the Department's 'violence in schools' document and reviewed the progress of our Ethos and Learning Environment strategies for the 2019-2021 Business Plan.

Our 19th June meeting of the School Board will be our annual open meeting. Interested parents are invited to attend this meeting to view proceedings. We will be reviewing our self-effectiveness survey, the curriculum targets and strategies of the Business Plan and an overview of the Board achievements over the past 12 months.

Good Standing

Comet Bay Primary School will be introducing a Good Standing policy to complement our current Managing Student Behaviour policy. The policy is currently in draft format and we will be consulting with the School Board, P&C and student representatives before implementing the policy. The Department of Education has directed all schools to incorporate good standing as part of our student management. All students will start each term with good standing. It will be the responsibility of all students to maintain their good standing by following our Comet Bay Agreements. Students who are unable to maintain their good standing may miss extra curricula activities such as reward days. We will continue using all of our positive rewards and incentives (bronze certificates, house rewards, Brilliant Kids Morning tea etc) to acknowledge students who consistently do the right thing.

Book Fair

The P&C will be hosting our Book Fair from Wednesday to Saturday next week. Students will get a chance to look at the items during school time, with purchasing being available before and after school, plus on the Saturday morning. Our Book Fairs have provided over \$25,000 worth of books for our students to enjoy in our library and we are looking forward to adding many more following this event.

Welcome Morning Tea

All parents who have joined Comet Bay since the start of the year are invited to a morning tea in the staffroom next Friday following our assembly. All new families should receive an email this week. It would be wonderful to have a chat over a cuppa to hear about your initial experiences at Comet Bay. It is also an opportunity for me to share more information with you, answer any questions you may have, plus allow you to meet other new families. Morning tea will commence at 9.30am following the assembly. Toddlers welcome.

Staff Performance and Development

Over the coming weeks we will be providing insight into processes around staff development in order to improve learning outcomes for our students. One of the ways that we ensure continual learning and improvement of staff is by yearly goal setting. All staff have been meeting with members of the Leadership Team to set goals around their practice to work towards throughout the year. Staff are coached to set goals related to the key focus areas in our school Business Plan. Staff will spend time during staff meetings and staff development days to reflect on achieving their goals.

Kindy Enrolments

Comet Bay is currently accepting enrolments for our Kindy program in 2020. If you have a child who will be starting Kindy next year, drop into the office to collect enrolment information.

Sick Students

Thank you to those families who have been able to collect their children from school who have been unwell and also those who have kept them home. We have had extremely high numbers of students with gastro symptoms this week and are hopeful we can shake this off to start next week with a clean bill of health.

Thank You Voters

Thank you to all our families who voted for our Wombat at the shopping centre. While we missed out on claiming the most votes, our Wombat was auctioned for \$700 which will go towards a reward day at the end of this term for students who have 'good standing' within the school.

Walk to School Day

Well done to all our students, parents and staff who took part in our Walk Safely to School day last Friday. This is a great initiative aimed at increasing physical activity and reducing congestion on the roads around our school. Thank you to the City of Rockingham for the funding which allowed us to provide all our students with fruit on their arrival.



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Sun Smart School

Comet Bay Primary School has maintained our SunSmart School accreditation. Part of our accreditation has been that we have provided shade over all our fixed playgrounds, we have our students wear a wide brimmed hat all year round and that sunscreen is made available to students. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Upcoming Assemblies

24th May – EC7 Junior Assembly
31st May – LA2 Junior Assembly
7th June – TA5 Senior Assembly
14th June – EC5 Junior Assembly
21st June – TA8 Senior Assembly

Dates for the Diary

28th May – Dental Screening PP, Yr 3 & 6
28-31st May – Book Fair
29th May – Support a Reader Tutor Training
31st May – Yr 5 Orientation day at CBC
1-3rd June - Long Weekend
10th June – Screen Time and Digital Technology seminar
11th June – P & C Meeting
13th June – Choir @ Rockingham HS
19th June – Open Board Meeting
28th June- School Disco
26th June - Winter Carnival
1st & June – Good Standing Reward Days
3rd July - House Cross Country

Kind regards
Graeme Watson
Principal

From the Deputies

Kindy Vegetable Garden

Our new fence around the Kindy vegetable garden looks fantastic! Thank you to Bunnings for providing the materials and thank you Mr Carter for assembling it. We look forward to another visit from Bunnings in June to plant some vegetables and herbs in our garden.

Year 5 Orientation Day Comet Bay College 2019

Comet Bay Primary School Year 5 students will be attending an Orientation Day at Comet Bay College on Friday, 31st May 2019. The purpose of the day is to familiarise the students with the College and give them the opportunity to try some of the classes such as Food Technology, Design and Technology, Visual Arts and Music as well Maths, Science, English and HASS.

Please ensure your child wears enclosed lace up shoes, which are a requirement for the practical classes, and brings food and drink for recess and lunch, as they will be unable to access the College Café. We hope our Year 5 students have a very exciting day and get to have a very positive experience at the College.

Pre Primary/Year 1 Dance

Our Pre Primary and Year 1 staff and students are very excited to be starting their dance lessons next week. Students will participate in 8 sessions which includes a concert to showcase their progress, skills and routines. Please remember to finalise payment of \$20 per child. We will advise of concert dates and times closer to the events.

Screen Time and Digital Technologies Seminar

Comet Bay Primary School will be hosting the second seminar in our Positive Parenting series titled 'Screen time and digital technologies - The challenges of parenting in the digital age', which will be held on Monday 10th June at 9am in the staffroom. This session is hosted by one of our school psychologists, Ailsa Earley. More information is included in the following attachment. [Positive Parenting Seminar 2](#)

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.

Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to Oceanna in LA12 for being presented with the Aussie of the Month award at our recent assembly.



School News



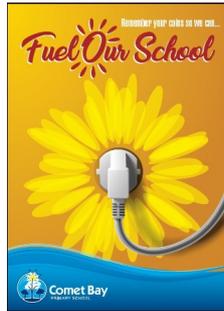
Visible Learning

Over the last fortnight, we have been exploring the learning disposition of Reflective Percy. When you are reflective you revise, plan and think about what needs to happen next to progress in your learning. This means that your child will become more adept at setting and achieving goals. Ask your child if they have achieved any of their goals yet.



Support a Reader Training

Support-A-Reading Training will be held on Wednesday the 29th of May in the Staffroom. The training takes 2 hours and commences at 9.00am. Toddlers welcome. Please email Mrs Watson to attend. Leonie.watson@education.wa.edu.au



Thank you for your ongoing support of our Fuel our School initiative. Our leading classes for last week were:

- P/1 - EC4 followed by EC1
- 2/3 - LA6 followed by TA2
- 4/5 - LA9 followed by TA9
- 6 - LA12

Maths Challenge

Please click on the following attachments for a copy of each year groups Maths Challenges. Students complete the Maths Challenge in class each week. [Maths Challenge PP/Yr1](#) [Maths Challenge Yr 2/3](#) [Maths Challenge Yr 4/5](#) [Maths Challenge Yr 6](#)

P&C News

School Disco - PJS 'N' DJ

Please click on the following link for information in regard to the School Disco which will be held on Friday 28th May 2019. If you are available to help on the night, please contact Deborah Meerton on 0434 378 903. [School Disco](#)

House Points

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