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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:

Tyler Darby	Kindy
Sienna Flahive	Pre Primary
Bianca Darby	Year 1
Savannah Chambers	Year 1
Callum Chambers	Year 2
Jax Flahive	Year 2
Jordin Whalley	Year 4
Taj Flahive	Year 5

Welcome Back

It was great to see our students and families return after the school holidays and to see how quickly they settled into the school routine. Term 3 provides a great opportunity for our students to make strong progress and really challenge themselves with their learning, with the term culminating in our Learning Journey evening where students will take their family on a guided tour of their learning throughout the year.

School Development Day

Our staff worked very hard last Monday during our school development day. Staff participated in a review of the targets and strategies from our Business Plan and our Comet Bay Way document. Staff also discussed Occupational Health and Safety processes, cultural awareness frameworks, the National Quality Standards in early childhood education as well as looking at instructional quality and taking part in growth coaching conversations.

Staffing Changes

This term we officially welcome Tayla De Coster- Friday's in TA6, Corinn Ditchburn – Friday's in LA2, Seana Pearce – Friday's in LA5 and Mark Booth – Wednesday's in LA10 onto our staff. All four staff members have been regulars at Comet Bay this year (and some for many years) and we are excited to welcome them as part of our team.

Attendance Certificates

Certificates were presented last week to students who had regular attendance (greater than 90%) last term, to recognise this achievement. The Department of Education acknowledges that regular attendance offers students the best chance of reaching their potential. One of our Business Plan targets is to raise the number of students with regular attendance to over 82%. Currently this year we have 74% of our students achieving regular attendance.

Book Week Dress Up Day

What will your costume be? Our celebration of books and reading is always a great day at Comet Bay. The morning starts with a whole school assembly which is followed by our book parade. We invite all our families to come along and join the fun. Mark down the 23rd August in your diaries. There will be lots of activities for our students during Book Week and we will also feature 'Koob... The Story Keeper' who will be sharing stories with our students over two days the following week (one week isn't big enough to fit in all the fun). The school will cover the costs for this educational and enjoyable incursion.

Phones at School

Please remember that if your child brings a phone to school, they are required to turn it off once they enter the school grounds and put it in their bag or in the teacher's desk drawer. This also includes smart watches. If you need to contact your child during the school day, this is done through the front office on 9524 9033.

Also a reminder that students in Year 4 to 6 who bring their own iPad do not use them before school, at recess or lunch. Thank you for your support.

Canberra Camp 2019

The excitement is building for our staff and students involved in this year's camp to Canberra as it is only 2 and a half weeks away. Please ensure you know whether your child is on the early flight (arriving at school at 6.30am) or the later flight (arriving at school normal time). Thank you to all our parents who were able to attend our final briefing last week. Please remember you are encouraged to send into the school your child's pocket money envelopes and any medication before we travel to avoid any last minute oversights or confusion.

P&C Day 2019

Comet Bay Primary School would again like to acknowledge and thank our amazing P&C as part of the state wide P&C Day held last week. We are blessed at CBPS to have such a committed, passionate and welcoming P&C who provide amazing support for our students and school community. I would also like to say thank you to our parents for your ongoing support of our P&C through attending events, meetings and purchasing raffle tickets etc.

Over the past 5 years our P&C have provided the school with over \$200,000 worth of resources, \$20,000 worth of books for the library, run our school canteen and uniform shop and provided many social capital building events for our community. Thank you for helping Comet Bay be a great school and our community a wonderful place to live.

Stranger Danger

It is always good practice at the start and end of each term to have a talk to your children about stranger danger. Our staff will also be talking to their students about staying safe when travelling to and from school and playing at parks.

Kiss and Drive Help

We would love any parents who have 10 minutes to spare at 8.25am or 2.50pm to join our team at Kiss and Drive. It involves welcoming or farewelling students as they hop in or out of their cars which is a lovely way to start or finish your day. If you are able to help have a chat to your class teacher, the front office or one of our current helpers.

Upcoming Assemblies

2nd August – TA6 Senior Assembly
9th August – LA1 Junior Assembly
16th August – LA14 Senior Assembly
23rd August – Book Week Assembly
30th August – EC4 Junior Assembly



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Dates for the Diary

7th August – School Board Meeting
 9th August – State Cross Country
 9th August – Noongar Seasons Incursion
 13th August – Dance Concert LA 9, LA10, TA7, TA8
 14th August – Dance Concert TA5, TA6, TA9, TA10
 13th August – P & C Meeting
 16th August – Noongar Seasons Incursion
 19th August – Canberra Camp
 23rd August- Book Week Parade
 9th – 11th September – P-6 School Photos
 13th September – Junior House Carnival
 16th – 17th September – Kindy School Photos
 20th September – Senior House Carnival
 24th September – Learning Journey Evening

Kind regards,
 Graeme Watson
 Principal

From the Deputies

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data for School Students with Disability

Please open the following attachment to read a message from the Principal in regard to the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data for School Students with Disability. [NCCD](#)

Attendance and Late Arrivals

Regular attendance at school (90% and above) is crucial to allow students to achieve their potential and prevent gaps in their learning and understanding. In addition to this, regularly arriving late to school can also adversely affect achievement of students, as well as interrupting the learning of other students and flow to lessons. Being at school before the bell allows students to organise themselves and their belongings for the day, connect with friends and teacher and settle into the classroom. This allows students to be in the most productive mind frame required for learning. Please see the table regarding the effect of regular in-attendance and late arrival at school. If you are having issues with your child's attendance or getting to school on time please feel free to discuss strategies with your child's classroom teacher or Jen Roberts, Deputy Principal.

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much but...

If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?

He/she is only missing just...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year
20 mins per day	1 hr, 40 mins per week	Over 2 ½ weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years

EVERY DAY COUNTS

If you want your child to be successful at school then, YES, attendance does matter!

Comet Bay College Enrolment 2020

Enrolment packages for Comet Bay College were sent home last term with our Year 6 students. It is requested that these be returned directly to the College no later than Friday 2nd August. If you did not receive a package you are welcome to collect one from our office or the College.

Comet Bay Breakfast Club Champions

Our wonderful staff and helpers from our Friday morning breakfast club program have been recognised in Foodbank WA's School Breakfast Program Awards for providing students with a good breakfast to kick start their school day.

The 8th annual awards formally recognise the outstanding contribution that volunteers make to Foodbank WA's School Breakfast Program, which is the largest breakfast program that runs in over 470 schools throughout the State.

Dance Program

Our Year 4/5 students are currently participating in their iDance program twice a week. These sessions aim to provide our students with movement and body awareness skills as well as develop their confidence. These lessons will culminate in a concert where our students will be able to show off their newly developed skills. Our concerts will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday 13th and 14th August.

School News

Word Mania 2019

Word Mania has begun! We want all students involved in the biggest, most fun, online literacy competition for schools. Students can play at home as part of their homework, at school during literacy centres or as a free time activity. Each child has an individual login and can even compete with their friends. We hope to win some amazing prizes for our school.

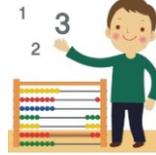
The competition dates are:
 Practice Round: 23rd May - 11th Aug
 Round 1: 12th Aug - 16th Aug
 Round 2: 19th Aug - 23rd Aug
 Finals Round: 28th Aug - 30th Aug
 Let's get practising!



Visible Learning

Over the last fortnight, we have been exploring the learning disposition of Resilient Rudolph. When you are resilient you look for solutions, recognise and reduce distractions, lose yourself in your learning and make links with previous work. Being resilient is realising that mistakes help us learn and its okay to make mistakes because if you're finding things challenging that means you're learning. Ask your child what mistakes they have made and learnt from this week.

Word Problem of the Fortnight



Pre Primary / Year 1

I have three coins in my hand.
What could my coins look like?

Year 2/3

I have three coins in my hand.
How much money might I have?

Years 4 to 6

It takes Sally the Snail 1 minute to crawl between each dot.
She needs to rest at each dot for 5 minutes.
How long will it take her to reach the plant at the end?



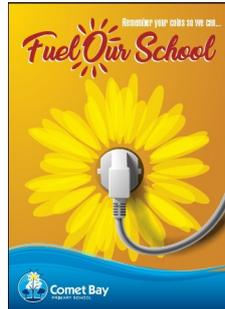
Place your entry with your name, year and class into your year level box in the Library before Friday 9th of August. Winners will be drawn at random and announced on Monday 12th of August. Good luck!!

House Cross Country Carnival

On Wednesday 3rd July our Year 3 to 6 students participated in the annual Comet Bay Primary School House Cross Country Carnival. Please click on the following link for a recount of the day. [House Cross Country](#)

Interschool Cross Country 2019

The Interschool Cross Country Carnival was held on Wednesday 31st July at Singleton Primary School. Please click on the following link for information in regard to the event. [Interschool Cross Country Recount](#)



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 - LA7 followed by LA1
- 4/5 - TA10 followed by TA9
- 6 - LA13 followed by 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](#)

From the Community

KEYS - Parenting Workshops

Please click on the following attachments for information on upcoming KEYS parenting workshops for Term 3. [KEYS Parenting Workshops](#)

House Points

EARTH	105	FIRE	56	SUN	121	WATER	146
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