

# NEWSLETTER



## Wembley Downs Primary School

### From the Principal

12 FEBRUARY, 2019

Welcome Back to the 2019 School Year ☺

I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all new members of the WDPS school community and returning staff and families.

Firstly, many thanks to all staff and parents who have worked hard to ensure that the school year commenced in a very smooth and enjoyable way. I would also like to thank everyone for their very positive feedback and enthusiasm as we look forward to the new school year.

The commencement of the new school year sees us welcoming staff new to the school and some staff who have returned to WDPS. Whether new, existing, or returning, the enthusiasm amongst the staff to deliver a fantastic year for the students is very evident.

- a) *Evangeline Cowan* – returns to the school after 12 months of parental leave.
- b) *Laura Mickler* – Laura returns to us from having undertaken a brief professional learning opportunity at Yokine PS
- c) *Rebecca Lane* – Rebecca was selected from a very competitive application process and we warmly welcome Rebecca to our school.
- d) *Laura Walker* – Laura was also selected from a very competitive pool of applicants. Laura will commence in Term 2 and we look forward to Laura working hard to establish a first class music program.
- e) *Greg Player* – Greg is ‘setting the stage’ in our music program and will be with us for term 1. We thank Greg for committing to a short term position with our school.

Our enrolments for 2019 are looking very healthy. Our current enrolment is 423. We welcome the new kindy students and their families into our school.

### 2019 Student Services / Positive Behaviour Support

Mrs Leeming and Miss Sheldyn Garnaut (School Psychologist) will coordinate and manage the school student services programs. Broadly, this role will focus on supporting families, students and staff with specific the specific learning needs and the provision of additional support. In collaboration with teachers, Mrs Leeming and Miss Garnaut will also coordinate interagency support for families and students.

The administration team is in the process of finalising a, ‘*Students at Educational Risk Policy*’. We have developed this policy in consultation with some WDPS parents of students with identified learning needs.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Friday 15 February**  
Last day of swimming

**Tues/Weds/Thurs  
19/20/21 February**  
School Photos

**Tuesday 19 February**  
Parent Information  
Evening

**Friday 22 February**  
School Assembly  
Welcome Picnic

**Tuesday 26 February**  
P&C Meeting

**Monday 4 March**  
Labour Day Holiday

**Wednesday 13 March**  
Faction Swimming  
Carnival

**Friday 22 March**  
Ride to School Day



## Principal News cont...

### Fathering Project

In December last year Chris Van Maanen and I met with Steve Rushforth from the Fathering Project. As a result of our meeting we are working towards making the Fathering Project a part of the WDPS school landscape and experience. After discussing the project with Steve and as fathers ourselves, Chris and I agreed that creating a Fathering Project Dads Group at Wembley Downs PS will provide great benefit to all dads, students and families. More information to come!

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### Developing an Innovative Learning Environment

We are continuing to progress our plans for developing the classroom / learning environment with the provision of modern furniture. This is being undertaken in collaboration with the P&C. To date – the school and P&C have expended and committed approximately \$50,000 in upgrading classroom furniture. The following article might be of some interest to parents.

*“If a school adopts a culture of innovation, then deeper learning is a possibility, plain and simple. That kind of change starts at the top and moves throughout the rest of the school systematically, eventually contributing to a mindset that is based on challenging students to take the initiative with how deep they go into learning a specific area of interest.”*

### Web Site

Our new web site will be available very shortly. The development focus has been on keeping the new web site as simple as possible while improving functionality.

### School Development Days 2019 (6 in total)

1. Term 1 : [January 31 and February 1](#)
2. Term 2 : Monday April 29 (Term 2)
3. Term 2 : Tuesday June 4 (Term 2)
4. Term 3 : Monday July 22 (Term 3)
5. Term 4 : Friday December 19 (Term 4)



### ICT Professional Learning Series (students and staff)

Teachers and students in year three to five will access a specialised ICT teaching and learning program. This terrific opportunity will focus on the integration of ICT into the curriculum and will occur in term 2. This will be very similar to the program undertaken in Ms Burchard’s room in 2018. This initiative is being coordinated by Ms Hodder.

*“No matter how useful and pervasive technology is, students will always need guides, mentors, and coaches to help them navigate projects, generate meaning, and develop lifelong learning habits. School cultures must encourage, reward, and scale effective teaching practices.”*

### WDPS 2020 Business Plan

A copy of the, ‘WDPS 2020 Business Plan’ will be provided to each family midway through this term. The plan contains many new initiatives and provides all school community members with an agreed and explicit improvement agenda.

## Principal News cont...

### Scope and Sequence Documents

Across the course of 2018 the staff spent many hours constructing school based scope and sequence documents in;

- a) English
- b) Maths
- c) Science
- d) HASS

The WDPS scope and sequence documents outline the skills, knowledge and understanding that the school expects each student at WDPS to have acquired by a year level or stage of development.

### Maths 2019

In 2019 maths extension will be catered for in each students home class. The progression from 2018 will continue for each student.

As an example, if a student successfully completed the ICE-Em Level 6 course they will be undertaking the ICE-Em 7 course. Likewise, if a student successfully completed En-Vision 3 they will doing En-Vision 4 whether they are a year 3 or 4 student. The only thing that changes is that the students will not move classrooms.

The *model* of extension is not the focus. Indeed, teachers have commented that they can, depending on student need, move students between levels for certain concepts. Again, if a student is working mostly on En-Vision 4 in their class, the teacher has the option for providing them access to the ICE-Em 5 course for a specific aspect of maths – e.g. geometry or algebra. The school now possesses all of the En-Vision and ICE-Em mathematics materials. This is a particularly useful way to *differentiate* the curriculum.

### P&C / School Welcome 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb

I look forward to seeing everyone at the P&C welcome in week 3 of this term.

### School Structure Overview

1. Kindy to Year 1 (Mr Day)
2. Years 2, 3 and 4 (Mrs Leeming)
3. Years 5 and 6 (Mr Tolev)

Parent enquiries regarding specific classroom activities and or student progress are best addressed in accordance with the accompanying Education Department WA document titled, '*Talking with my School*'

<http://det.wa.edu.au/policies/detcms/policy-planning-and-accountability/policies-framework/guidelines/talking-to-your-school.en?cat-id=3457094>

### Parent Information Evenings

The parent information evenings will be held on **Tuesday 19 February**.

**Session 1** commencing at 6.00 and concluding at 6.30pm

**Session 2** 6.35 - 7.05pm

Each teacher will communicate with their parents via *Connect* regarding any changes to this schedule and any other information for parents.

### Connect

Please advise the school if you are having any issues with Connect and we will address where we can and if required pass the issues on to the Department Helpdesk.

We wish everyone a fantastic year and we look forward to your ongoing support.

*Mr Lincoln Day—Principal*

## School Office

### Term Accounts

Term accounts were handed out to your child last week, please check their bags if it has not been given to you. If you can pay as soon as possible that would be greatly appreciated.

Payments can be made by Direct Deposit :- details below

**BSB 066161 – Account Number -10035840 – Reference – Family Name**

Or Eftpos/Credit Card/Cash

If making payment by cash please put in envelope with **Student's name – Room No and Excursion/Incursion** and put in the White Money Box in the School Office.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties in making full payment or have any queries please do not hesitate to make contact with the School Office on 9245 3199 or e-mail

## Allergy Awareness

We have a number of students in our school community who suffer allergic reactions to various allergies. Many children will outgrow their food allergies. However, reactions to nuts, seeds and seafood tend to be lifelong. The symptoms of allergies range from mild to life threatening – anaphylaxis.

Please make our school an 'Allergy Aware' environment.





**Friday 22nd February 2019**  
**3.30pm - 5.30pm**  
**WDPS Oval**



**WEMBLEY DOWNS PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**2019 WELCOME PARTY**

**The WDPS P&C would like to invite all of our  
community to a 2019 welcome party!!!!**

**Sausage Sizzle**  
**Soft Drink & Ice Cream**  
**Slip n Slide**  
**Great Company**

**Please feel free to bring your own picnic & refreshments.**

## Netball Season 2019

Players from Years 1 to 6 are invited to join in the fun of playing netball this season with the WDPS Netball Club.

### Year 1s:

We are delighted to be able to offer the Net Set Go program to students in Year 1 again this year. NetSet-Go is a play-based movement skills program where the emphasis is on the acquisition of basic movement skills in a fun environment of games and activities.

We are very privileged to have Deanne Quartermaine run the sessions which will be held on **Mondays 3.30- 4.15pm, WDPS quad starting 6th May (Week 2 Term 2).**

Each player will receive a participant pack including T- shirt and ball.

***Keep your eye out for a Connect notice in the coming weeks for online registration details.***

### Years 2-6:

These players are in teams which compete in the PNA competition at Matthew's Netball Centre, Selby St (either Friday afternoons or Saturday mornings).

Training sessions will be held at school once a week (time and day decided by the team coaches).

The season commences Friday 10th/ Saturday 11th May and runs until the end of August, with general byes for long weekends and school holidays.

Each year group has a Netball Coordinator who will be assisting with team planning. If you are interested in either coaching or managing a team, please get in touch with your year group coordinator asap:

- **Year 2** – Sarah Hewitt – hewittclan@inet.net.au
- **Year 3** – Jen O'Shea – walker\_jen@hotmail.com
- **Year 4** – Katie Turner – trendkatie@hotmail.com
- **Year 5** – Fiona Schock – fifischock@gmail.com
- **Year 6** – Tina Van Maanen – tinavan25@gmail.com

**Uniforms:** Years 2-6 wear our club dress for competition. We will advise a date to try on and order sizes soon.

**Registrations for all years will be open shortly – a link will be sent out via Connect. Please do not register until you receive this link.**

If you have any questions, please also feel free to contact our WDPS Netball Club Coordinators Charm or Nat.

**Charm Crabb** – [charmcrabb@netspace.net.au](mailto:charmcrabb@netspace.net.au)

**Nat Barbetti** – [natandjase@inet.net.au](mailto:natandjase@inet.net.au)



# Safe Parking At Schools

## School Parking

Areas in and around schools present potential parking problems as there may be speeding motorists, busy roads and limited parking bays.

### Offences include:

- Parking over footpaths
- Blocking driveways
- Parking in a No Stopping or No Parking area
- Double parking
- Parking on a verge without the owner's consent
- Parking facing the wrong way.

### Remember

It is also an offence to stop or park a vehicle:

- Within three metres of a continuous dividing line or median strip
- Within ten metres of an intersection/corner (without traffic control signals)
- On a median strip or traffic island
- So that any portion is within a bus zone.

## How can parents help?

- Walk or cycle to school when dropping off or collecting children
- Park nearby and walk a short distance to the school
- Plan your trip so you arrive on the school side of the road
- Avoid leaving your vehicle for long periods
- Adhere to signage at all times
- Form a School Road Safety committee (contact your principal and P&C)
- Use public transport
- Slow down around schools and be aware.

## How can schools help?

- Educate students about parking procedures around the school
- Encourage children to educate their parents and carers on safe school parking
- Establish a **supervised** Kiss-n-Ride facility or traffic policy, which can be published for the reference of all parents and carers
- Notify parents of any problems via school newsletters and at assemblies.

## We can help!

The City of Stirling officers conduct regular school parking patrols during school times and are happy to help with any parking concerns your school may have. We can attend your school to remind parents about safe parking and follow up by issuing infringements if needed.

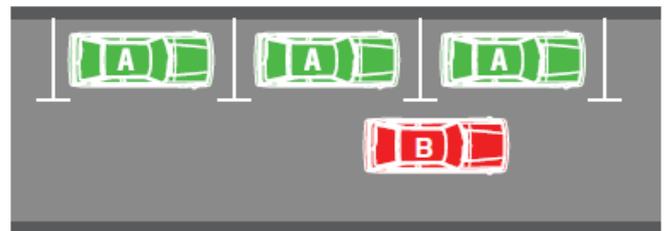


## No stopping areas

No Stopping areas can be defined by signage or a continuous yellow line painted along the edge of a road. A driver is not permitted to stop on a length of road or in an area to where no stopping restrictions apply. Vehicles may only stop in these zones to comply with other regulations (for example at traffic lights or to avoid an accident). Drivers are not permitted to drop off passengers or goods in "No Stopping" areas.

## Double parking

A driver must not stop a vehicle so that any portion of the vehicle is between any other stopped vehicle and the centre of the road.



## Parking DOs and DON'Ts

### DOs

- Be aware
- Be courteous
- Be responsible
- Use the Kiss and Drive facility (if provided)
- Observe and adhere to all regulatory signage
- Drive Safely.

### DON'Ts

- Block driveways
- Park on footpaths
- Park in Bus Zones
- Obstruct children's crossings
- Park on a verge without consent
- Double park.

# Safe Parking At Schools



Administration Centre 25 Cedric Street Stirling WA 6021  
 Telephone (08) 9205 8555 | Facsimile (08) 9345 8822  
[www.stirling.wa.gov.au](http://www.stirling.wa.gov.au)

This information is available in alternative formats on request.  
 Please contact the Stirling Customer Service Team on (08) 9205 8555

# Community News



## BABE™

DOUBLEVIEW PRIMARY FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

**WHAT: Movie 'Babe'**  
**WHEN: 22 Feb 2019**  
**WHERE: DVPS OVAL**  
 (Ewen St & Grand Prom Doubleview)  
**TIME: 5:30PM- 8:30PM**  
**COST: \$6 indiv. \$20 Family**  
**On the Night - \$10 Indiv \$30 Family**

**Farm Petting Zoo**  
**Sausage Sizzle**  
**Drinks**  
**Popcorn**  
**Ice Cream**

Food Combo Available For Purchase on EventBrite

Tickets available on [EventBrite.com](http://EventBrite.com)  
 (Type Event name: Doubleview Primary School Family Movie Night)  
**We Need Volunteers go to**  
<http://signup.com/go/UiiFTHu>  
**Event contact: Jen Mather 0438877372**

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## Triple P - Positive Parenting Program®

A FREE program that teaches practical and effective ways to enhance family relationships and manage common child behaviour issues.

**Who is this program for?**  
 Parents, carers and/or grandparents of a child aged between 3 and 8 years.

**What is involved?**

- **Seminar Series** – 90-minute talks on:
  - children's behaviour
  - the tough part of parenting
  - raising confident children
  - raising emotionally resilient children.
- **Discussion Group** – small, 2-hour groups:
  - misbehaving
  - fighting and aggression
  - hassle-free shopping with children.
- **Group Triple P** – 8-week parenting course.



**Program details:**

Place: Seminar Series - Leederville  
 Date/s: 14th March, 21st March and 28th March 2019  
 Time: 9.30am - 11.30am Cost: FREE

**How do I book?**  
 Visit [www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups](http://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups).  
 If unable to book online, contact the Child Health Booking System on 1300 749 869.

**Childcare:** Please do not bring babies and children over the age of 6 months to the group. You will need to make your own childcare arrangements for them. Crèche may be available at some venues. (Please check and organise through the venue). You can bring babies into groups for feeding.

Visit [www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups](http://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/parentgroups) for more information.

This document can be made available in alternative formats on request for a person with a disability. December 2018 CAH-001009\_TripP



## Educated by Nature

Resilience through Connection

### Bush Inventors' Club

Bush Inventors' Club is a space where primary aged children can experiment, create and play with natural resources in a fun after school activity.

Nature Educators and Nature Playworkers lead the clubs. They are passionate about allowing freedom of play. Opportunities are provided to learn new skills such as carpentry, knot tying and fire management, as well as playing nature connection games.

Term One will focus on nature connection through hut building, Wilderness Awareness Games, tool use and bush skills.



### Wilderness Awareness Games

**Term 1, 2019**  
**Mondays & Tuesdays**  
 Wembley  
 3:30pm - 5:30pm  
 8 week series starting 11th/12th February  
 Bold Park Community School

### Details

**6-12 Year Olds**  
**\$195/child/term**  
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**MITE-E SOCCER (2-3YO)**  
 A great introduction to Soccer! Children work with their parents to learn new soccer skills and develop their motor skills! Lots of fun games in a non-competitive environment!  
**35 MINUTE CLASSES**  
**\$120 FOR 8 WEEKS**



**PINT SIZE SOCCER (4-5YO)**  
 Children take their first kicks in soccer! They'll be introduced to shooting, dribbling, goal keeping and more. Children get to play lots of fun, skill based games. Grasshoppers get introduced to the Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!  
**50 MINUTE CLASSES**  
**\$130 FOR 8 WEEKS**



**INTRO TO MICRO (5-6YO) MICRO (6-8YO)**  
 The ultimate challenge for young soccer players! They'll learn the rules of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game and develop their skills in passing, dribbling, shooting and more.  
**INTRO - 60 MINS \$140 FOR 8 WEEKS**  
**MICRO - 75 MINS \$140 FOR 8 WEEKS**



**MICRO PLUS (8-12YO)**  
 This program focuses on skill development and teamwork in preparation for club soccer. Children will enjoy all the favourite soccer based games, fine tune their skills as well as play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!  
**75 MINUTE CLASSES**  
**\$140 FOR 8 WEEKS**



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