



Wirrabirra School

An Independent Public School

Moral Purpose

Wirrabirra is a connected and future focused community, dedicated to achieving student excellence

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 25 September

Last day of Term 3
Celebration Day - Dino World
Incursion
Free Dress (gold coin donation)

Tuesday 13 October

Term 4 commences

Friday 16 October

Faction Sports Carnival



Tuesday 20 October

2021 Kindergarten Orientation
Session - Group 1 9-11am

Monday 26 October

P&C Meeting - 7 pm
School Board Meeting

Tuesday 27 October

2021 Kindergarten Orientation
Session - Group 2 9-11am

Board.

The Parent Representatives are:

Marnie Kehoe
Marnie Brady
Kerensa Dodds
Emi-Leigh Johns
Michael Kimbar
Sara Skrgic

Congratulations and thank you for your commitment to support our school. A special welcome to Kerensa Dodds as she joins our Board for the first time.

Farewell and thank you to our outgoing members, Karen Efferille and Jason Owen.

We still have two 1 year parent representative positions that need filling so if you are able to spare one hour twice a term on a Monday evening, we would love to have you as part of our School Board. Please contact the school for more information.

Our staff representatives are:

Kate Doepel
Ben Knight
Ann-Maree Melvin
Sharon Millson

Audrey Turner continues to stay on as our Community Representative.

Also at our meeting, Terry Healy MLA Member for Southern River gave a presentation about what's happening locally, including the Thornlie and Canning Vale train stations and park upgrades

★ LEADERSHIP EXCURSIONS

Our School Councillors had their first excursion for the year last Friday, 11 September, where they participated in a guided walking tour of Fremantle with Two Feet and a Heart-beat. They visited historical sites, heritage buildings, street art and the many interesting places Fremantle has to offer.



Wirrabirra School is an ALLERGY FRIENDLY SCHOOL. What does this mean? It means that we will respect the individual needs of students who have identified allergies (with care plans) to such products as nuts, milk and eggs to name a few. In particular, food products that have nuts or are made from nuts should NOT come to school - ie: peanut paste, Nutella and nut bars. Our canteen is "nut free" to accommodate individual students with special needs.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents, Carers and School Community



★ SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The School Board met on Monday, 7 September to continue its work on providing direction and support for Wirrabirra Primary & Education Support Centre. The main piece of business covered was the elections following nominations for positions on the

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Next Tuesday, our Whizz Kids and Environmental Monitors will be going to SciTech to extend their knowledge and enjoy a day exploring how scientists use science, technology and problem-solving skills to solve global energy and waste challenges.

The students will be completing a variety of educational activities related to Environmental Science and Digital Technologies. Thanks to Mrs McDonald and Mrs Waller for organising this for the students.

★ CONNECT

Just a reminder to check the Connect notices that are sent out from the school with important messages that families need to know. An instruction booklet will be sent home for your reference.

★ MR STEVE RICHARDS

Our Principal, Mr Richards, has been on leave for a few weeks to care for his family. On behalf of everyone, we are sending our best wishes for the speedy recovery of his wife.

★ END OF TERM THREE - START OF TERM 4

School holidays commence next week and **students return for Term 4 on Tuesday 13 October**. It will be a busy start with our Faction Sports Carnival on the first Friday, 16 October, so make sure you put this on your calendar. Please remember, older siblings who are at high school are not permitted at our carnival as they are required to attend their school on the day. The P&C will be running a Sausage Sizzle and would love your help. Please volunteer for 30 minutes to share the load and give everyone the chance to see their children compete. The sports day canteen menu has been sent home for pre-ordering. Spares are available in the office or on the Wirrabirra website.

Our annual Lapathon is scheduled for Wednesday 11 November.

As always, please keep an eye out for our school over the holiday period and if you see any suspicious activity or behaviour, kindly **call School Security on 9264 4771 or Police on 131 444**. Our gardener, Glen will be on site throughout the holidays as will our cleaners in the second week.

Thank you to everyone for the support this term. Have a lovely break and stay safe.

Regards, Ann-Maree Melvin, Deputy Principal

PBS FOCUS

Allow others to learn

P&C REPORT

Hi everyone

Win a Signed Wildcats Jersey

We are raffling off of a signed 2016-2017 Championship Wildcats jersey at the Sports Day on Friday 16 October. This awesome prize was kindly donated by the Perth Wildcats and is sure to be in high demand. Second prize is a \$50 Coles Voucher and third prize is a Test Match



Cricket board game. Proceeds from this fantastic raffle will go towards purchasing new trees to plant around the oval to increase shade for the students and as a way of commemorating the school's 50th anniversary this year. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 7 tickets and will be available on Sports Day so please bring along some money to be in with a chance to win. If you can't make Sports Day, you can leave the correct money in an envelope at the office with your name and contact number and we will include some tickets in the draw for you. The raffle will be drawn on Sports Day.

Faction Carnival Sausage Sizzle and Hair Spray

We will be holding a sausage sizzle on Sports Day and doing coloured hairspray outside the new undercover area from 8.15am – 8.40am for \$2. Order forms have gone home if you want to pre-order. They need to be in by Friday 25 September. Cold drinks and faction-coloured icy poles will also be available. There will be cash only on the day. We need help to make all this happen so if you can spare 30 minutes in between your kids' races, please come over and lend a hand. If you would like to lock in a time to help, there is a roster in the front office. We would like to get at least one helper from each class. The more helpers we have at the sausage sizzle or in the canteen, the better the day is and it means we all get a break to watch our kids. We would also love any donations of cartons of soft drink, foil trays, unopened sauce and serviettes. These can be left in the office.

Congratulations to the winners of our Father's Day Bunnings raffle: Isabella, Cyndi, Lexi and Xavier. Thanks so much everyone for your support. We raised over \$1000 towards the choir and ensemble uniforms. Thanks Bunnings Warehouse Australia for your donation.



☺ Sonya Kimbar, Wirrabirra School P&C President
wirrabirrapandc@gmail.com

ESC NEWS

Dear Parents/Carers

Wow what a busy term it has been. So much has been happening in our classrooms with our students working hard to achieve goals that have been set for them. All teachers have met with families for IEP meetings, therapists have recommenced with face to face sessions on the school site during school hours and we have been busy preparing for our up and coming Faction Carnival next term.

Last week we held our Board meeting that included saying farewell and thanking Karen Efferille for her time during the last four years. As part of her role Karen has endorsed school initiatives, review policy and helped with the presentation when the school submitted it's application for Independent Public School Status. Thank you Karen, your support is greatly appreciated. All new positions were finalised for the up and coming year. Congratulations to our ESC parent Sara Skrgic who nominated for a 3 year tenure and now holds that position. There are still two 1 year positions that need filling so if you are able to spare one hour twice a term on a Monday evening we would love to have you as part of our School Board. If you have any questions in regard to the role and a more detailed explanation of what the school board does, feel free to contact me. The new board is listed in another section of this newsletter.

The students have been busy recycling rubbish and will be creating a scarecrow to enter in a competition run by the Royal Show. Whilst the show is not happening this year, many of the competitions are still being run. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for pictures of the finished scarecrow. The students are also busy creating a spring themed mural for a competition being held by Bunnings. Final entries are due next week and we will be posting pictures of each class masterpiece as well.

Thank you also must go out to Bunnings for their generous donation of resources to assist us in building a fairy garden in the sensory playground. Classes will start working on this next week. This will give the students another area to utilise to assist with self-regulation along with another free play zone. We're excited to see what the finished area will look like.

Special thanks also goes to Attadale Cycles for their support to the school. They have been very generous with our recent purchase of new scooters and helmets to utilise on our bike track in the sensory playground. They also complimentary fixed several of our bike tyres that were in need of repair. A great business to support if you are looking for a new bike.

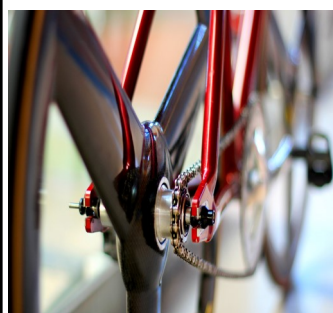
As we count down to the October holidays we would like to wish all families a safe and happy break. We have some tired staff looking forward to a well earned break. Last day of school for the term is Friday 25th October. Don't forget, for a gold coin donation it's free dress day and we have our Celebration Day happening as well so please remember to get your money in to take part in this event. Term 4 begins Tuesday 13th October.

Kind regards

Julie Dawson

Principal

Wirrabirra Education Support Centre



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FACTION CARNIVAL

FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER

**SPORTS DAY CANTEEN MENU
ORDERS ARE DUE FRIDAY 25
SEPTEMBER**



**CELEBRATION DAY REMINDER
PP-Y6**

FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

Send in your \$5.00 payment to participate in the Dino World incursion.



2020 TERM DATES FOR STUDENTS

Term 3	Last day - Friday 25 Sep
Term 4	Tuesday 13 Oct - Thursday 17 Dec

IS YOUR CHILD TURNING FOUR OR FIVE BEFORE 1 JULY 2021?

Registrations are now being accepted for:

Kindergarten - children who were born 1 July 2016 - 30 June 2017

Pre-Primary - children who were born 1 July 2015 - 30 June 2016

Wirrabirra is a local intake school and priority will be given to children within boundaries.

Please contact us for a form by calling 9234 6800 or emailing wirrabirra.ps@education.wa.edu.au



Ph: 9398 1636

Wirrabirra Dental Clinic will be open Week 1 of the school holidays (exc. Public Holiday Monday). In the second week, we will be open on Wednesday, 7 October only.

For urgent care outside of these times, the nearest open School Clinic is Harrisdale DTC—9393 2482.

LIBRARY REMINDER

BOOK BORROWING IS FINISHED FOR THE TERM. WE STILL HAVE A LARGE NUMBER OF BOOKS OVERDUE AND WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN LOCATING AND RETURNING THEM.

THANK YOU



CANTEEN CORNER

Hello and thankyou to our families for a great term. A huge thanks to Katie who has been an amazing help.

Sports day menus have been sent home and can be placed or sent to the canteen. Please note: No credit is given, orders are due back by 25 September and will only be valid with correct payment.

As we are at the end of the term, our current term 3 menu will be by availability only and you can still order online.

We hope you all enjoy the holidays and look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

Rebecca McBride
Canteen Manager

School Watch

School Watch is a partnership between Western Australia Police and the Department of Education and Training, and is closely linked to Neighbourhood Watch.

School Watch is a community-based crime prevention awareness program developed to improve safety and security in Western Australian schools by reducing theft, vandalism and arson. School Watch encourages crime prevention awareness among local school communities, staff and students to protect educational sites and resources.



Report suspicious behaviour at schools to School Watch Security on 9264 4771 or the Police 131 444.

EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

Shaurya, Connor, Haashir, Tanwa, Lilly,
Fuad, Hayley, Cross, Riley, Laylah-Rose,
Caleb, Vincent, John, Jenny, Sadie,
Yhuna, Ihsan, Shivani



CITIZENSHIP AWARD WINNERS

Jeremiah, Charlie, Keira, Justin,
Komalpreet, Samuel, Arjan, Israr,
Cooper, Angellea, Naomi, Abigail,
Abuk, Henry, Tamara, Isabella,
Reagan, Riley, Uriah



HONOUR CERTIFICATE WINNERS

Ray, Mark, Vincent, Juli, Zak,
Kiarah, Charlee, Emma, Abyaar, Mariam,
Chanelle, Ghalia, Darwin, Lucas, Rufaro, Livia,
Mitchell, Alexis, Liam, Behzad



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Speech Pathologist Telephone Talk With Clara

Do you have any concerns or questions about your child's speech and language development?



Clara is our Speech pathologist who works for the Child Development Service and sees children and their parents at the Gosnells Child and Parent Centre (CPC). Clara is available for parents with children aged between 0 and 8 years to discuss any concerns regarding speech and language development. Speech Pathologists work with children and assist with:

- Referrals
- Speech sounds
- Talking skills
- Understanding and following instructions
- Stuttering

Date: Wednesday 14 October 2020

Time: 10.00am to 12.00pm

Venue: Via telephone call

Bookings are essential please call to book a 15-minute telephone session.

Tel: 9398 8720

Email: CPCGosnells@centrecare.com.au

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Amanda's Garden Fete

24th & 25th October 2020

Open 10am - 4.30pm each day

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There is something for everyone at our annual open garden.
You can sit and relax with a cuppa or explore the many treasures in our garden.

Masses rose displays, water features, large variety of trees, shrubs and plants in rural setting.
Devonshire teas, sausage sizzle, plant sales, art display, Paddy's market and music.

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www.amandayoungfoundation.org.au

BOUNCE3 FREE SPIRITS UNLEASHED



Holiday Camp Enrolments Are Closing Soon

It's your last chance to enrol for BOUNCE Holiday Camps!

Flight Squad or Ninja Squad Holiday Camps are the perfect way to keep kids **active and entertained** during the school holidays!

Sign up to Holiday Camp to receive a **2 hour session every day** to develop skills while having heaps of fun.

This includes **1 hour of dedicated coaching time** and **1 hour to practice their technique**. [Find out more.](#)

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promoting development of young children on the autism spectrum
This initiative is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services through the Helping Children with Autism package, and delivered in Western Australia by the Autism Association of WA.



Early Days Workshops | Term 4, 2020

Early Days workshops are run throughout the year for parents and informal (unpaid) carers of young children, aged 0 to 6 years, who have recently been diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), or referred for an assessment. Workshops are held in small groups to give parents the opportunity to meet other parents. These workshops are **FREE** to attend and refreshments are provided. Unfortunately childcare is not available, except at MyTime Sessions.

What does each workshop cover?

My Child and Autism

- Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).
- What ASD looks like for your child and your family.
- How you can make a difference.
- Navigating Early Intervention and funding options.

Progression to school

- The importance of working as a transition team.
- Tips and ideas to help you ready your child for school.
- Funding options.

Encouraging interaction through play & social learning

- What is social interaction.
- Benefits of play.
- Ways to support social interactions and play skills.

Understanding Behaviour

- Understanding your child's behaviour.
- Teaching your child a new, more functional behaviour.
- Developing techniques to promote positive behaviour.

Developing my child's independence skills

- Understanding why everyday self-care skills can be hard for a child with ASD.
- Teaching strategies for all skills.
- Tips for specific skill areas i.e. eating, sleeping, toileting etc.

Helping my child cope with change

- Understanding why change is hard and how it impacts on young children with ASD.
- Strategies for preparing for change in everyday situations.

How do I register?

Registrations are essential!

A separate registration will be required for each person attending. Registration can be completed:

- Online at: www.autism.org.au/training
- Via email to earlydays@autism.org.au
- Or call (08) 6380 5500.

What's on in Term 4?

Date	Day	Event	Location	Time
24/10/2020	Saturday	My Child & Autism	East Fremantle	9.30am - 2.30pm
27/10/2020	Tuesday	WEBINAR: Progression to school	Online	6.00pm - 9.00pm
29/10/2020	Thursday	WEBINAR: My Child & Autism	Online	9.30am - 12.30pm
03/11/2020	Tuesday	Encouraging interaction through play and social learning	Wakkei	9.30am - 12.30pm
07/11/2020	Saturday	My Child & Autism for Dads	Joondalup	9.30am - 2.30pm
02/11/2020	Monday	MyTime Understanding Behaviour Part 1	Gosnells	9.30am - 11.30am
16/11/2020	Monday	MyTime Understanding Behaviour Part 2	Gosnells	9.30am - 11.30am
13/11/2020	Friday	Progression to school	Cannington	9.00am - 12.00pm
17/11/2020	Tuesday	Developing my child's independence skills	Wakkei	9.30am - 12.30pm
21/11/2020	Saturday	Understanding Behaviour	East Fremantle	9.30am - 2.30pm
03/12/2020	Thursday	WEBINAR: Helping my child cope with change	Online	9.30am - 12.30pm
05/12/2020	Saturday	My Child & Autism	Midland	9.30am - 2.30pm

Webinars will be delivered using Zoom software, which means that you are able to participate in this training session in the comfort of your own home. Please note, in order to access this webinar, there are minimum system requirements and supported operating systems. For more information, please contact us or visit the following link: <https://support.zoom.us/join-us/articles/201362623-System-Requirements-for-PC-Mac-and-Linux>

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School's Out FEST
26th SEP - 11th OCT

For info and tickets visit:
<https://www.schoolsoutfest.com.au/>

Treat the family to a day of FUN, discover your City and support an event that is 100% WA Owned & Operated.

About this Event

The School's Out Fest is coming to Perth City from 26th September to the 11th October 2020 for the entire Spring School Holidays! It's time to celebrate the thrills and spills of family amusement rides, a maze challenge, dinosaur discoveries and all the fun of a mini sideshow alley.

COME AND TRY KAYAKING

FREE EVENT
8+ YRS - ADULTS

Sunday 20 September, 2.00-3.00pm

Champion Lakes Regatta Centre
Contact: Robyn Brown
Email: kayaking@clbc.org.au


Club Details Gosnells Junior Cricket Club

Home Ground
Sutherland Park, Gay St, Huntingdale, 3110
[View map](#)

Main Contact
Gavin Tennent
[Get in contact](#)


Learn more via our:
Website
Facebook Page

For over 40 years the GJCC has been providing a fun, safe and exciting environment for boys and girls aged 5 to 18. Participants learn and develop skills at cricket, but also gain other life skills such as team work, effort versus reward and it gives them a sense of belonging. We hope this helps to set them up for a life as a valued member of our community.

	FRI 5:30pm - 6:30pm	Begins 23 Oct	Ends 11 Dec	\$99	Register >
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Junior Blasters is for kids new to cricket with participants building their skills through fun, game based activities. The games are designed for small groups to ensure every child gets a go, allowing them to test and learn new skills. When they have mastered the basics they will be ready to graduate to Master Blasters where they can play modified games of cricket.

Contact: **Gavin Tennent** ☎ [0418928860](tel:0418928860) ✉ [Enquire](#)



FRI 5:15pm - 6:45pm	Begins 23 Oct	Ends 11 Dec	\$99
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Master Blasters is a super fun, social, safe, cricket program for boys and girls aged 7 to 10. The program is much shorter than traditional cricket, with a maximum of 90 minutes playing time. All the equipment is supplied and the games take place at the same venue each week, at a local cricket club or community centre.

Contact: **Gavin Tennent** ☎ [0418928860](tel:0418928860) ✉ [Enquire](#)

Junior club cricket is for girls and boys from 9-18 years with basic cricket skills.

Perfect for girls & boys aged 9-18 years

For kids with basic cricket skills


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5 + 6 year olds - 10.30am to 11.15am
7 - 9 year olds - 11.15am to 12.00pm

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