

# Wirrabirra School

# An Independent Public School

# **Moral Purpose**

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

# 1PORTANT DATES

Tuesday 20 April First day of Term 2

Friday 23 April
ANZAC Assembly—1.45pm in the new undercover area

Monday 26 April ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Monday 3 May Board Meeting P&C Annual General Meeting—7pm in the staffroom

Tuesday 4 May School Photos

Thursday 6 May School Photos



Wirrabirra School is an <u>ALLERGY</u> <u>FRIENDLY SCHOOL</u>. 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 <u>NOT</u> 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

Thank you for assisting us to work through this term with the disrupted start to the year through COVID and swimming lessons for PP to Year 6. Your help with keeping routines and the encouragement you gave to your children helped us to achieve as much learning as possible. Our Guaranteed and Viable Curriculum we developed was tested but we are confident we will meet our schedule with the flexibility built in by teachers as we move into Term 2.

Special thanks to Ms Curtis who stepped in for Ms Doepel in Jarrah 1 and kept the learning on track. We wish you the very best as you head off to begin your family very soon. Thanks also to Miss Hall who managed Jarrah 2 while Mrs Cheeseman has been on

leave, keeping the students engaged and working hard on their learning.

# **\*** ANZAC SERVICE

When we return from the holidays we will hold our ANZAC Service on Friday 23 April starting at 1.45pm. As we have in the past, we ask if you can assist by providing flowers and greenery for classes to make their wreaths on the day. Each class will construct a wreath that they lay during the service. You will also find with this newsletter and coming home with students, a special remembrance card that we ask you complete for members of your family who have served for their country. This is a wonderful opportunity to look into the history of families and research past and present members who have or are serving in any of the armed forces in their country. During the service students will come forward and place these on our Remembrance Wall. Additional cards are available from the office.

# **★** SOCIAL MEDIA AND CHILDREN

Recently Mr Knight and Mr Burley had Legal Aid staff visit and present a session to our Year 6 students on social cyber bullying, their legal rights responsibilities as eleven year olds, filming and the storing or sending of inappropriate material. These are life lessons for your children as they grow up in the digital world. From time to time situations arise where disputes between students on digital media out of school carry over into school. These are managed at a school level but unless the out of school behaviour changes they will reoccur with serious consequences in law for families. Students we speak with name multiple digital platforms that are accessed and inappropriate material and behaviours they are subjected to. Families tell me they know what their children are on but often they have multiple accounts and are technically able to delete or disguise what is being used and viewed. I encourage you to have a discussion with your children if they have access to devices and remind them of correct procedures and respecting others.

## \* STUDENT PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Just a reminder that students should not bring toys or personal play / fidget items to school. Students are easily distracted from learning tasks when they have toys at school and it is difficult to determine ownership and the security of such things. There are identified students who have sensory devices as part of their learning plans and these are closely monitored. Past practice of show and tell has a very limited role in student learning now and only when pre-arranged with the class teacher that the item is taken home after sharing.

71 Corfield Street Gosnells WA 6110

# **★** FAREWELL AND THANKS

Our Gardener Mr Glen De La Motte has won a position closer to home and we will be losing him at the end of the holidays. On behalf of all staff, students and families I would like to thank him for the terrific job he has done to improve our school grounds. We wish Glen all the best at his new school and know they are very lucky to have him on their team.

# ★ TELL THEM FROM ME (TTFM)

Early next term I will be sending you a link to access the TTFM Parent Survey which will give you the opportunity to comment and feedback to us on how we are operating and any areas you see need to be improved. We value this feedback and work hard to address any concerns presented so please take a few minutes when the link comes to log on and have your say. Thanks.

## **\*** CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and well done to our Interschool Teams who competed in the Summer Carnival. Special thanks to Mr Trenberth and staff who supported on the day and in the lead up with training and organisation of the teams to make it a successful carnival. Well done everyone.

# ★ TERM 2

Term 2 commences on Tuesday 20th April following a School Development Day for teachers.

Next term is already busy with ANZAC, School Photos, NAPLAN testing for Year 3 and Year 5 and reports coming home. Please check the term planner on Connect or our web page for dates. We will also send home a hard copy for your fridge or notice board.

On behalf of all staff I wish you a safe and enjoyable Easter / holiday break with your children and look forward to working closely with you next term.

Please keep an eye on the school as you pass by and if you see any suspicious activity call School Security on 1800 177 777 or Police on 131 444. Thanks for your vigilance and support.

Regards, Steve Richards, Principal

# **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.





# Chaplain's Chat

Hello everyone

I hope the term has gone well for you and your family.

We are about to enter a special holiday season. The message of Easter is essentially spiritual and timeless. Many of the Easter symbols, like the chick hatching, the rabbit or hare and spring flowers remind us of new life and new beginnings. It can be an opportunity for a fresh start in our lives. An opportunity to focus on what is good despite the frustrations and problems we may be facing. There is another message at Easter and last night's 'The Weekly' segment on the ABC shone a light on 'Jesus Christ' - his death and resurrection – a time of great suffering but also of great love and hope for mankind. The presenter felt that the Easter bunny and chocolate had overshadowed this message, after all who doesn't like chocolate and bunnies? It's hard to compete with chocolate and bunnies but perhaps we don't need to compete.

Let's take some time this Easter to reflect on what this special time means for us.

I would like to wish you all a happy and safe Easter holiday. Remember, try not to eat all those Easter eggs at once!

Take care and God bless

Helen Ivatts
YouthCARE School Chaplain

# P&C REPORT

Hi everyone

Congratulations to our 5 prize winners of the Easter Raffle! We raised a wonderful \$1049.90!

We hope you all have a happy Easter and drive safe.

It would be wonderful to see some new faces at our AGM on Monday 3rd May 7pm.

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# P&C AGM

MONDAY 3 MAY 7PM IN THE STAFF ROOM

ALL PARENTS &
CARERS ARE WELCOME

# ESC NEWS

Dear Parents/Carers

In the blink of an eye we are at the end of the term. It has been a busy and productive term with classes working hard. We had our last Infinite Limits Dance session with Miss Kate yesterday. The improvement between completing the routines from week 1 till now was amazing and I encourage families to participate in the dance class Miss Kate offers on Wednesday afternoon in Piara Waters.



Every student from PP to year 6 also participated in two weeks of swimming lessons. We saw some significant milestones related to various stages of swimming competence reached. Water safety and swimming is such an important skill for all people living in WA. I encourage families to continue to visit aquatic centres and the beach to continue to improve on the skills your child has acquired. It is also an activity that all our students loved participating in. The smiles and joy on their faces when in the water was the biggest highlight for me.







A big thank you goes out to Kelmscott Woolworths for their generous donation of seedlings from their recent reward program they ran. The school was lucky enough to have been given over 700 seedlings. This is a significant boost for our gardening program.



We have some exciting plans for Term 2. Next term we have Sensorium Story Telling carrying out a five-week program. We have also been successful in obtaining a sporting school grant and are hoping to have Jeremy return with his fantastic golf program. We are looking forward to having these programs in the school to supplement and support our class programs for the term.

Lastly as we head into the April holidays I would like to wish all families a Happy Easter and an enjoyable break from the school routine. *Students start Term 2 on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April.* 

Kind regards

Jนโย Dawson Principal, Wirrabirra Education Support Centre

# LEARN AWARD WINNERS

Henry, Layla, Lilly, Dylan, Taylan, Claire, Ayaan, Mushtaq, Ijaz, Mekides, Falak, Jashanpreet, Ryan, Damien (not pictured), Milli (not pictured)



# GROW AWARD WINNERS



Konnor, Junior, Justin, Elka, Ollie, Zachary, Makenzie, Mark, Ashton, , Jiral, Laylah, Hser Eh, Sam, Iman, Rhys, Denim, Mackenzie (not pictured)



# CARE AWARD WINNERS

Arjan, Blake, Jasper, Connor, Angad, Deshani, Israr, Samuel, Sadie, Gei Long, Lexie, Lexie, Jasmin, Cadee, Amber (not pictured)









# WIRRABIRRA BEAT THE HEAT TO BE CROWNED CHAMPIONS

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March saw Wirrabirra take four teams to the Sothern River Sports Association (SRSA) Summer Carnival. Our students had been training all term in preparation for the carnival and on the day we took 1 cricket team, 1 softball team and 2 volleyball teams.

It was a sweltering day and even as the barometer crept up towards 40 degrees I was very impressed by the sportsmanship showed on the field by all of our competitors. All teams competed well on the day but special mention does need to go to our Volleyball A team who went through the tournament undefeated winning all 9 of their matches and being crowned the first ever SRSA champions.

Thanks to the Dawson, Brady, Kimbar and Knight family for providing needed shade tents on the day. Thanks also to our coaches Mrs Connolly, Miss Duncan and Mr Burley for leading their teams and pushing the positives of sportsmanship throughout the day. Thank you also to Miss Sweeney who assisted with all teams on the day.

Next term our senior students start to prepare for the winter carnival where we have the options of taking netball, football, soccer and hockey teams. Enjoy your holidays everyone and as always stay happy, healthy, fit and active.

Kris Trenberth PE Teacher





# **ANZAC Remembrance Card**

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<u>LEST WE FORGET</u>					
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ampaign:	(e.g. World War 1)				
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Dear Parent/Guardian

You will soon receive your school Photo Order Envelope.

- Please review the photo packages available and complete order form on reverse of envelope.
- ♦ If paying by cash, please ensure that exact amount is enclosed as no change can be given.
- Online Ordering—Go to https://online.fotoworks.com.au/ordering/access Enter the shoot key provided on the order envelope and follow the prompts to place your order. The shoot key is unique to each student and cannot be used for any other student orders. The last day for ordering photos online is 11 May 2021
- ♦ Each student will need to bring their completed personalised Photo Order Envelope on photo day, even if no photos are being purchased.
- ♦ If you are interested in Sibling Photos, please collect Sibling Order Envelope from the school office.
- ♦ Sibling Photo Order Envelopes MUST BE RETURNED to the school office prior to photo day.

Please contact Fotoworks directly with any queries: schoolcare@fotoworks.com.au or 9244 8211.

All students will be included in the class photo and will be photographed individually for school archives and administration records. Should there be any reason why your child should **NOT** be included in the photo shoot – please contact the school office.

# Please see example of available photo packages and prices below:





















































1 Class Group 20x30

1 Class Composite 20x30

Portrait A 1 - 15x20 1 - 10x15

1 - 5x7.5 4 - 3.8x5

Portrait B 1 - 20x25

Portrait C 6 - 2.5x3.3 2 - 10x15

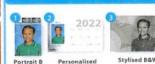
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Photography

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## **CUSTOM ONLINE ORDERS** From \$20 (per sheet) **Build Your Own Photo Pack**

Please collect Sibling Order Envelopes from the School Administration Office.







Add-On Products

\*Only Available with Purchase of One of the Photo Packs\*





# **COMMUNITY NOTICES**





# **Autumn Holiday Activities**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5 April	6 April	7 April	8 April	9 April
Public Holiday	Auturn Time Rhyme Time \$ 9.30am - 10.15am	City of Gosnells Park Play-Mornings Tea Party 10.00am -12.00pm Willianson Museum 34 Homestead Rd, Gosnells	Playgroup. Family Fun Creative Day 9.00am - 11.00am Baby Rhyme Time 2.00pm - 2.30pm	City of Gosnells Park Play-Morning: "Build and Make" (craft, blocks) 10.00am -12.00pm Mills Park Beckenham
12 April	13 April	14 April	15 April	16 April
Movie Afternoon 1,30pm – 3,30pm 1,30pm – 3,30pm Registration		City of Gosnells Park Play-Morrings Messy Play 10.00am -12.00pm Sutherlands Park Huntingdale	Playgroup Messy Play 9.00am -11.00am Baby Rhyme Time 2.00pm -2.30pm	

- Autumn Time Rhyme Time, Family Fun Creative Day and Messy Play Playgroup, Baby Rhyme Time, Movie Afternoon and Giraffes & Craft, Child and Parent Centre Gosnells 173 Hicks Street, Gosnells (access via Clara Street)
- Park Play Mornings Tea Party Wilkinson Homestead Museum, 34 Homestead Gosnells, Build and Make - Mills Park Nature Play Space - Brixton Street Beckenham and Messy Play- Sutherlands Park Playground Holmes Street Huntingdale

Where registrations are required Telephone: 9398 8720 or Email: CPCGosnells@centrecare.com.au

Supported by:



Child Development Service







# Triple P Seminar Series



Venue: Child and Parent Centre -Gosnells, 173 Hicks Street, Gosnells (access via Clara St)

To register: Call 9398 8720 or email CPCGosnells@centrecare.com.au

## Seminar 1: Power of Positive Parenting

Introduces the core principles of positive parenting, having realistic expectations and taking care of yourself as a parent.

> Date: Monday 3 May 2021 Time: 12.30pm to 2.30pm

### Seminar 2: Raising Confident, Competent Children

This seminar looks at the skills that are important for children to succeed at school and get along with others

> Date: Monday 10 May 2021 Time: 12.30pm to 2.30pm

# Seminar 3: Raising Resilient

This seminar looks at ways to increase your child's emotional skills and build resilience

> Date: Monday 17 May 2021 Time: 12.30pm to 2.30pm

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Department of Education



# Mathematics and science primers for primary and secondary school students



For age 10 years and above

### Chemistry Primer

I nursdays, 4.30pm - 6.30pt
Students are introduced to problem solving and when older are able to study
the Open University Australia subject Introduction to Chemistry. Students also
have the apportunity to train for the Australian Science Olympiads Examinatio
for Chemistry.

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Cost: \$199/student/term

## Mathematics Primer Fridays, 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Students consolidate their Arithmetic and are introduced to Algebra, Geometry and Trigonometry.

Cost: \$199/student/term

## Physics Primer

Mondays, 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Students wishing to study Physics must have sufficient Mathematics.

Cost: \$199/student/term

All classes are at Room ES2.059A Environmental Sciences Building, Murdoch University, South Street Campus.

Classes commence second week each school term. All subjects require a scientific calculator. Students may start any time. Bottled water is permitted in classrooms.

To enrol and obtain registration forms please contact:

Adjunct Professor Jennifer Searcy Email j.searcy@murdoch.edu.au Phone 0427 864 740

Early payment to Murdoch University cashier is essential

ddress for payments hier, Murdoch University, South Street, Murdoch WA 6150

Payment may also be made online:



ONLINE

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Free your think

# Amaroo Village

Dorothy Street, Gosnells

May Markets

Saturday 1st May 9-11a.m.

An indoor, air conditioned event

In the Village Clubhouse

Showcasing the talents and interests of

Mothers Day

Enter Village through Main Gate, turning left.

Park with care and proceed downhill to Lower level of building.



## **AUSSIE RULES FOR JUNIORS**







# Boys & Girls aged 3 - 9 Years

- Skill based intro to Aussie Rules
- Ideal for beginners Age appropriate programs
- Location: Thornlie Senior High School – 2 Ovens Road, Thornlie





<u>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May</u> 3 + 4 year olds - 9,45am to 10.30am 5 + 6 year olds - 10.30am to 11.15am 7 - 9 year olds - 11.15am to 12.00pm



**ENROL + PAY ONLINE AT** 

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To receive the Earlybird price of \$78 you need to Enrol+Pay before 14th April.

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12 APRIL

Maddinaton Skate Park 11am – 2pm All ages

The SoundLab Youth Centre 3.30pm – 6.30pm Ages 10 – 14 years

**13 APRIL** 

DROP IN The Shack Youth Centre 11am – 2pm Ages 10 – 18 years

**SKATE JAM** Gosnells Skate Park 11am - 2pmAll ages

7 AND 14 APRIL

SKATE JAM Mills Park Skate Plaza 11am – 2pm All ages

DROP IN The Shack Youth Centre 11am – 2pm Ages 10 – 18 years

SKATE JAM Gosnells Skate Park 11am – 2pm All ages

DROP IN The SoundLab Youth Centre 3.30pm – 6.30pm ' Ages 15 – 25 years

FRIDAYS 9 AND 16 APRIL

SKATE JAM Thornlie Skate Park 11am – 2pm All ages

CHILLZONE DROP IN The Castle Youth Centre
4pm – 8pm
Ages
10 – 18 years ATURDAY **10 APRIL** 

> SKATE JAM Mills Park Skate Plaza 11am - 2pm All ages

DROP IN — All sessions are supervised
Drop in at our youth centres where there's
heaps on offer, including pool tables, game consoles, sports equipment, board games, basketball, table tennis and heaps more.

Young people can learn new tricks, improve their skills, chat with youth workers and try a range of great activities Skateboards and helmets are available.

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### MONDAY

SOCIAL SISTERS
GIRLS ONLY WORKSHOP
The Castle Youth Centre
10am – 2pm
Ages 12 – 18 years

Ages 12 – 18 years \$10 Join us to make beautiful dream catchers, yoga and relaxation and chill out time. Lunch provided

COOKING WORKSHOP The SoundLab Youth Centre
12pm – 4pm
Ages 10 – 18 years

Ages 10 – 18 years \$10 Learn a few tips and tricks for preparing a 3-course meal. Snacks provided and participants should bring containers to take food home.

Loads of amazing things on offer for young people and families

Climbing Wall

ART STUDIO WORKSHOP
ART IS MY THING
The Castle Youth Centre
10am – 2pm
Ages 10 – 18 years
\$10
A combination of mediums
to enjoy then explore your
creative style resulting in a
masterpiece to take home.
Lunch provided



WA YOUTH WEEK SKATEBOARD, SCOOTER AND BMX

Mills Park Skate Plaza

PLUS Dodgeball Arena Free BBQ and DJ

Art Workshops

BOOKINGS

For more information and to book, contact us on 9397 3000 or visit thehive.net.au



Free and fun activities for families with children 0 – 10 years Bring the kids and join in with messy activities, big ga and sports equipment.



## WEDNESDAY

PARK PLAY - TEA PARTY 7 April, 10am - 12pm

Wilkinson Homestead Museum 34 Homestead Road, Gosnells

# PARK PLAY - MESSY PLAY DAY

Sutherlands Park Playground Holmes Street, Huntingdale



## THURSDAY

ARTY KIDS 8 April, 10am – 12pm Richard Rushton Community Centre, Baron Way, Gosnells

### CRAFTY KIDS

15 April, 10am – 12pm Langford Community Centre 52 Langford Avenue, Langford 10am - 12pm

FRIDAY
PARK PLAY - BUILD AND MAKE

9 April, 10am – 12pm Mills Park Nature Play Space Brixton Street, Beckenham

## PARK PLAY - DINO HUNT

16 April, 10am – 12pm Walter Padbury Playground Berehaven Avenue, Thornlie

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Please remember to dress for the weather and appropriately for each activity. Don't forget to bring a drink
- and snacks
  All equipment will be cleaned before
  and after each session
- Please maintain physical distancing at all times Hand sanitiser will be available at
- each session
- Please do not attend if anyone in your family has flu-like symptoms No bookings required

