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PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

Dear Wirrabirra Families,

As the end of the term draws closer, it is a great time to reflect on all that we have achieved as a school. This term we celebrated with so many events and fun filled days; it has truly been a term to remember. This term we enjoyed:

- Our ANZAC service – this was a true testament to our students who showed such respect on the day and acknowledged the sacrifice of all service people through a beautiful display of work. Our choir performance was one to remember.
- Star Wars Day – we dressed in our best and showed that the Force is with Wirrabirra!
- Cross Country – the sun shone as our Year 3-6 students tackled the cross country course and our younger students enjoyed a fun run.
- School photos – we all smiled on school picture day!
- Choir – our choir wowed audiences in several performances; firstly, at the Amaroo Retirement Village, then the Nicholson Network Festival, and finally at Dalefest.
- Pyjama Day – the P&C served hot Milo as we spent the day in our jammies. The perfect winter Wirra day!
- Winter Warmers & Lego Club – a huge thanks to the Gosnells Rotary Club who donated funds to the school which allowed us to purchase warm uniforms for students and huge Lego boxes for our Bricktober Lego Club.
- Wirrabirra Day – we ended the term with a celebration of all things Wirrabirra! Students came dressed as their favourite teacher and the staff turned things on their head by dressing as students!

Over the term we have welcomed new staff: Ms Barsi (EA - M5), Ms Sansan (EA - Kindy) and Mr Mick (EA - M3). We welcomed back Mrs Jain to J6 and Mrs Figredo to J1. Miss Capewell joined us in J3, Miss Hong returned in J4 and Miss Martin in M1. We also welcomed our new School Psychologist Mrs Katelyn Spratt. We know they will all enjoy their time here.

We also said goodbye to several of our Wirrabirra people; Miss So, Mrs Trenberth, Ms Saha and Mrs Bytol are all off on new journeys.

Next term we welcome back Miss Sweeney and Mr Acott to Wirrabirra.

In term two we began our whole school journey as a Quality Teaching Strategy Partner School. Working with our lead school Ranford PS, our team will engage in professional learning and work alongside mentors to improve teaching and learning at Wirrabirra PS. This is an amazing opportunity for our school and will ensure that we continue to provide only the best for our students.



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This week you will have received your child's semester one report. This is a summary of your child's achievement for this semester. If you would like more information or have any questions about your child's report, please contact the class teacher.

Our faction houses finally got names! Thank you to all those who voted. I am excited to share our new faction house names are: Kaal (red-fire) Boodja (green - earth) Kep (blue -water) Mar (yellow - wind). The names are the Noongar names for the elements; this submission came from the Year 2 students in J4.

Breakfast Club will expand next term to Mondays and Fridays. Come along between 8:00am and 8:25am for breakfast cooked for you by our staff! The menu is positively overflowing with delicious goodies each week. This is such a wonderful way to start the Wirra day!

Term three kicks off with our PP-2 swimming lessons, with Years 3-6 commencing in week 3. Please make sure all your child's belongings are clearly marked with their name. We expect all our students will attend as learning to swim is an essential skill for all Australian children!

A date for your diaries families – on Wednesday August 19th we are holding our annual Community Breakfast. Come on down and enjoy a sausage sizzle from the Rotary Club, a performance from our choir and a beautiful display of student work.

I would like to finish by acknowledging the contributions of all Wirrabirra staff in making this term truly amazing. To all those who show up day after day, in sickness and in health and continue to do the best for our students, we see you and we appreciate you. Thank you to all our families for your ongoing support of our school. The partnership between home and school is vital in ensuring our students achieve the best outcomes.

I wish you a safe and happy school holiday break and look forward to seeing you all when school commences on Monday July 20th.

Kylie Salamon
Principal



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PRINCIPAL'S EDUCATION SUPPORT CENTRE

As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding term, it is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on all that has been achieved. Term 2 has been filled with meaningful learning, exciting experiences, special events and countless moments of growth, laughter and celebration. Our students have embraced opportunities with enthusiasm, resilience and determination, while our dedicated staff have continued to go above and beyond to create engaging and supportive learning environments each day.

It's fair to say that everyone has been giving their all this term! After weeks of learning and keeping busy, our students and staff are more than ready for a well-deserved break to relax, recharge and enjoy some down time.

Some of our highlights for the term have been

- Cross country
- Boogie Bounce incursions
- Basketball sessions ending with some student going to Lakeside Recreation Centre
- The school received crunch 'n' sip certification
- We hosted assembly in week 8
- We participated in the Wirrabirra ANZAC Service
- Some year 5 and 6's plated poppies in the City of Gosnells grounds for their community ANZAC Service
- The P&C ran several fundraisers from snack stalls to Mother's Day stall
- Fat Cat came to one of our Quinny Quest Assemblies
- Some of our year 5 and 6's engaged in our Community Access program.
- We had Pyjama Day and also students were able to dress up as a teacher. We also support Ms Salamon's love and celebrated Stars Wars Day.
- We joined in National simultaneous story telling time reading the book Luna Roo.
- We had our annual school photos.

Our staff have continued to embrace professional learning throughout the term, demonstrating their commitment to continually improving outcomes for our students. As part of the High Performing Teams program, staff have worked alongside Alistair Kerr to strengthen team systems, refine procedures and build practices that support effective collaboration and ensure our teams are operating at their very best.

We have also been fortunate to have Kelly Oldfield, Child Development and Behaviour Specialist, working alongside our staff to further enhance classroom practices and strategies that benefit all students across the school.

Several staff members also joined our colleagues from Wirrabirra Primary School to participate in professional learning with Eliza Dadson, exploring practical strategies to better support students with ADHD.



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Just like our students, our staff never stop learning. Their willingness to embrace new ideas, reflect on their practice and continually build their knowledge is a testament to their dedication and commitment to providing the very best educational experiences for every student.

A special thank you to Miss Nikki, who has done a wonderful job capturing both the big milestones and the everyday moments that make our school so special. Through our fantastic Facebook page, she keeps our school community connected and up to date, sharing snapshots that genuinely reflect the learning, fun, achievements and daily life at Wirrabirra Education Support Centre. These posts provide families with a wonderful window into the experiences and successes happening across our school every day.

As we finish another busy term, I would like to thank our students, families and staff for everything that has made Term 2 such a success. It has been wonderful to see the progress our students have made, the dedication of our staff and the strong partnerships we continue to build with our families. Together, we create a school where every student is valued, supported and encouraged to reach their potential.

I hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved break, takes the opportunity to relax and spend time with the people who matter most. We look forward to welcoming our students back next term, refreshed and ready for another exciting term of learning, growth and fun. Have a safe and happy holiday. School starts on Monday 20th July for both students and staff.

Enjoy looking at some snap shots from throughout our term!







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TERM 3 PLANNER

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			Swimming Lessons at State Swim Canning Vale P - 2		
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3	Aug 3 Breakfast Club	Aug 4	Aug 5	Aug 6	Aug 7 Breakfast Club Interschool Cross Country Carnival
	Swimming Lessons at State Swim Canning Vale 3 - 6				
4	Aug 10 Breakfast Club	Aug 11	Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 14 Breakfast Club
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5	Aug 17 Breakfast Club	Aug 18	Aug 19 Community Breakfast	Aug 20	Aug 21 Staff Development Day - Students do not attend
	National Science Week / Bullying No Way: National week of action				
6	Aug 24 Breakfast Club	Aug 25	Aug 26 Celebration Assembly J4	Aug 27	Aug 28 Breakfast Club Book Week Play/Assembly
	Book Week				
7	Aug 31 Breakfast Club	Sept 1	Sept 2	Sept 3	Sept 4 Breakfast Club
8	Sept 7 Breakfast Club	Sept 8	Sept 9 Celebration Assembly M6	Sept 10 RUOK? Day	Sept 11 Breakfast Club
9	Sept 14 Breakfast Club	Sept 15	Sept 16	Sept 17 Athletics Jumps & Throws	Sept 18 Breakfast Club Athletics Carnival
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FIRE SAFETY INCURSION BY MADDINGTON FIRE STATION

Students greatly enjoyed the fire safety incursion presented by firefighters from Maddington Fire Station. It was an engaging and informative experience that helped students develop a strong understanding of fire safety.

During the session, students learned how to identify unsafe situations and understood both their role and the role of adults in reducing potential fire hazards. They explored the importance of having a safe meeting place and practised explaining how they would reach it within two to three minutes after an alarm sounds.

Students were also taught how to make an emergency 000 call, clearly stating their name, address, and nearest cross street. They discussed why families need smoke alarms and the importance of having a designated meeting place, such as the letterbox at the front of the house, so everyone can gather safely and firefighters can locate them easily.

A highlight of the incursion was the opportunity for students to see a real fire truck up close and learn about the many specialised tools and gadgets used by firefighters. This hands-on experience added excitement and helped students better understand how firefighters respond to emergencies.

The incursion emphasised the importance of acting quickly in a fire, as there are only a few minutes to exit safely. Overall, students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and gained valuable knowledge and confidence in fire safety practices.





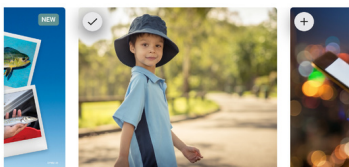
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HUNTINGDALE TEE-BALL, BASEBALL & SOFTBALL CLUB

COME AND TRY DAY



Sutherlands Park, B Reserve

17 Saturday 25th July

11:00am – 1:00pm

AGES

Tee-Ball: Kindy to Year 6



WHAT TO EXPECT

Meet representatives from Tee-Ball, Baseball and Softball

Learn about teams, training and the season

Have a go and build confidence in a fun, supportive environment with some of our experienced coaches

WHY CHILDREN'S SPORT MATTERS

Build confidence and teamwork skills

Improve fitness and coordination

Develop friendships and social skills

Support mental wellbeing and resilience



You're invited to our

PYJAMA DISCO

Wirrabirra Childcare Centre
59 Corfield Street Gosnells

Come dressed in your comfiest Pj's for a night of fun and dancing!

\$10 entry fee includes
Party food, juice box, popcorn in a take home bucket and a whole lot of fun!!

Parents can purchase food, cool drink or water for gold coin donation

FRIDAY JULY 17
5:30-7:30PM

Please RSVP to Deb by 6th July.
Money can be paid in cash or eftpos.

Parents are welcome to stay or simply drop off and pick up later

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Your feedback matters to us

Your feedback helps us:

- Understand what you love about our lunches
- Improve our service and menu
- Better support our students and schools

Scan to share your feedback!

Thank you for all your support!

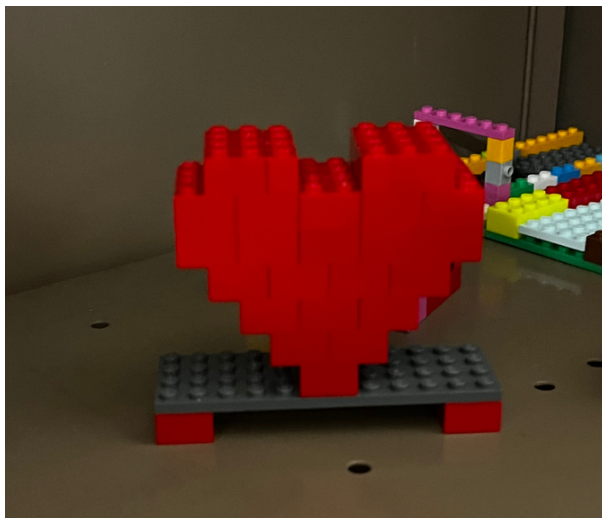
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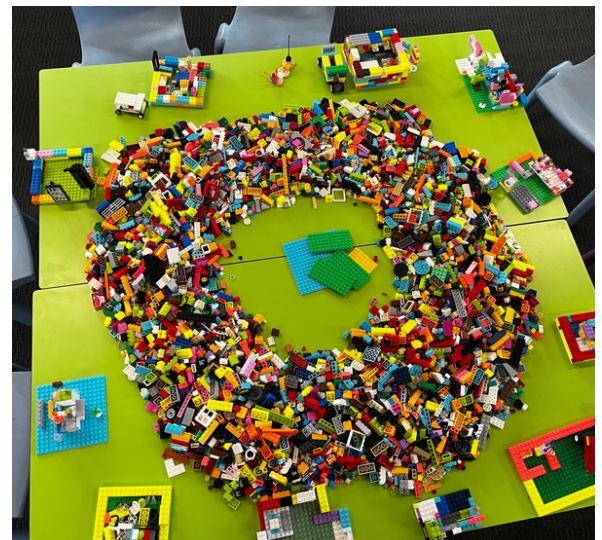
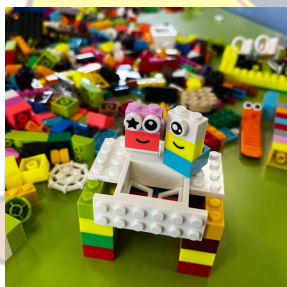
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What's Been Happening?

WHAT AN AMAZING TERM!!!! LEGO Club has been full of creativity, laughter and so many more students participating. The excitement of new LEGO to play with was palpable at the beginning of this term. Thanks to the generosity of the Ascot Rotary Club, we have seen our students really begin to engage with their projects more and more.



Each week I set a challenge or change up the way the room is set up. I use small changes to help our creative juices going. In the last 2 weeks of Term, the students have been looking to see what Riv has created as inspiration for their projects. This could be a mechanism, such as a trap door or making an animal. The students are always curious to see what will come next.



Community Connections



Uniforms

Working with the community is a vital part of my role as Chaplain. In recent weeks, we have been able to assist 20 students in receiving a voucher for a winter uniform. Ensuring that everyone is able to have the dignity of a clean and well fitting uniform is just one of the things we are working on.



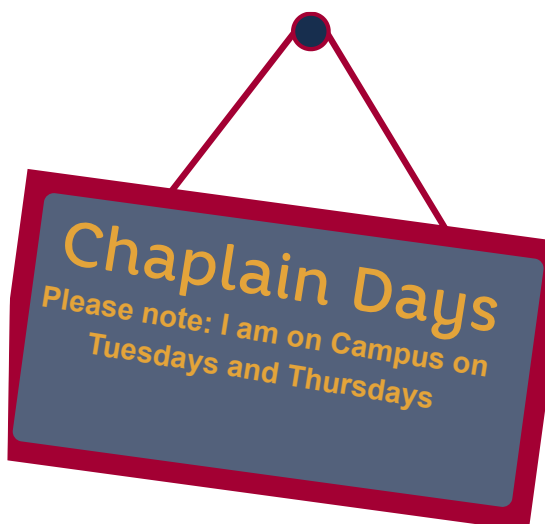
Referrals

As a chaplain, there are a number of service providers and models for assistance available to assist families in need. I am currently part of a working group that is bringing together all of the services, grants and providers of dignity and care, so that the City of Gosnells has a clear picture of what is available.

If you and your family find yourself in need of assistance or not sure what is available. Please stop in and ask me. I am more than willing to point you in the right direction.

Need to Chat?

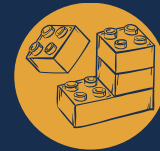
If you or your child needs someone to chat with, please speak to one of the office staff and they will let me know.



Announcements



Coffe and Chat
Next session:
Thursday, July
30th. 2-3pm



LEGO Club
Tuesdays
Years 1-2
Thursdays
Years 3-4





