



## NEWSLETTER Issue No 8 29 August 2019

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### Dates to Remember

#### September

6 <sup>th</sup>	YSSSA Athletics Carnival
9 <sup>th</sup>	Headspace Info Session
10 <sup>th</sup>	The Great Vegie Crunch
17 <sup>th</sup>	Interschool Athletics
19 <sup>th</sup>	Newsletter
24 <sup>th</sup>	Assembly

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Here we are already over half way through the term and we are as busy as ever. Staff and students have been busily working on their Show displays, Miss Robbins has athletics practise well underway and we still have Headspace and a Netball clinic to come.

#### Staffing

If you are popping in to the school next week you will notice a couple of staff changes.

We have farewelled Mrs Jodie Cobden from the front office, with many thanks for all the hard work she put in while Yvonne was away.

Welcome back to Ms Yvonne Bopp who has returned to us after taking leave from our school at the end of last year.

Farewell to Mr Nind for the remainder of the term, safe travels and we hope you have a great break.

Next week we welcome Mrs Calderbank back from her leave and Mr Rentoule will take over from Mr Nind.

#### Good Standing

Monday saw the implementation of our Good Standing Policy, and our students are demonstrating their determination to participate in a reward activity at the end of the term by being in school uniform, on time to school and class, and being more aware of their behaviour.

The staff and students have all been asked to make suggestions for the end of term reward day for those maintaining their Good Standing status – the most interesting one so far was from the year 5/6 class who would like to do extra maths apparently...what a fantastic suggestion!!!

Whatever reward is chosen, I look forward to all students being involved through their continued attention to punctuality, uniform and behaviour as well as making sure they attend school each day.

## **National Quality Standard**

The National Quality Standard is a comprehensive document that sets a 'high bar' for Early Childhood education and care. Each year our school is required to complete an audit against the standards and elements in all of the seven quality areas for our Kindy – Year 2 students.

Following our internal audit this year, we asked for a verification of our assessments. On Wednesday we had a visit from an Early Childhood consultant from Central Office and one from Regional Office. At the end of their visit, they were extremely impressed by what they observed in the Early Childhood area, and congratulated both Mrs Dal Busco and Mrs Borona for the excellent job they are doing with our youngest students.

We are so fortunate to have such a high level of expertise in the Early Childhood area as that is where the building blocks for the rest of a child's learning experiences are cemented. Congratulations Mrs Dal Busco and Mrs Borona!

## **Commissioner for Children and Young People**

As mentioned in previous communications, we were fortunate enough to be visited by Mr Colin Pettit, Commissioner for Children and Young People this week.

Mr Pettit met with a cross section of our students to discuss issues and initiatives that affect the well-being of young people in our community. At the end of his visit, Mr Pettit met with Miss Cameron and I and expressed his appreciation for the issues that were raised and the ideas suggested by our students.

Congratulations to Dane, Brydee, Amy, Aribela, Harlem, Mitchell, Keira, Sophie and Marcus H for their thoughts and input to the meeting.

*Karen Tabner*  
*Principal*

## **FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

### **Athletics Carnivals**

Throughout this term we have two athletics carnivals which are fast approaching. The students are currently training, practicing and preparing for the events in Physical Education. All divisions and selections for both carnivals will be determined by the trials occurring during these Physical Education lessons. It is important that your child is present during these classes as if your child is regularly absent, catching up on missed trials may not be possible.

It is also important to remember that only students with the status of 'Good Standing', will be eligible to participate and attend the carnivals as per our new policy which commenced this week on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August. For more information, please see the specific event information that has been outlined below. We are looking forward to a fantastic day.

### YSSSA Athletics Carnival

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September, students will be participating in the annual YSSSA Athletics Carnival. On the day, St Joseph's Primary School will be holding a sausage sizzle and students can purchase a sausage, bun and onions for \$3 and drinks for \$2.

All students from Pre Primary to Year 6 (inclusive) will be expected to participate on the day. They will compete in their faction (Phoenix or Centaur) in the following groups.

Sub Junior (PP) Girls/Boys  
Intermediate (Yr3-4) Girls/Boys

Junior (Yr1-2) Girls/Boys  
Senior (Yr5-6) Girls/Boys

### Interschool Athletics Carnival

The Interschool carnival will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September and there will be a selected team of students ranging from Pre Primary to Year 10. This year it is our school's turn to once again to run this carnival at Bruce Rock. We will be calling on parents of children attending to help out on the day. The age groups for this carnival are based on year of birth rather than school year group. (Age as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019)

6yrs old Boys/Girls	7yr old Boys/Girls	8yr old Boys/Girls	9yr old Boys/Girls
10yr old Boys/Girls	11yr old Boys/Girls	12yr old Boys/Girls	13yr old Boys/Girls
14yr old Boys/Girls	15yr old Boys/Girls	16yrs Boys/ Girls	

To ensure the success of both of these carnivals we will require parent assistance. If you are able to assist with the YSSSA carnival on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September, either for the morning or day, please notify Miss Robbins by contacting the school or writing a note in your child's diary. Assistance for the Interschool Carnival will be sought once team selection is made.

## **Health and Wellbeing Workshops**

Over the next few weeks we are pleased to be able to offer a number of student and parent workshops focusing on developing, improving and maintaining the social and emotional health of our students and broader community. These workshops are all free of charge and will not incur a cost to parents or community members.

On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September, **Headspace** will be conducting an information session with our secondary students during class time. The focus of this presentation will be 'Looking out for your friends' by explicitly teaching students various strategies to enable them to identify warning signs when a friend may not be ok. It will also focus on developing their ability to have 'difficult conversations' and how to ask friends if they are ok, in order to help them find the best support.

Following this presentation, **Headspace** will also be holding a parent information session on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September from 5:00 - 6:00pm at Southern Cross District High School. All community members are welcome. Please report to the administration office on arrival so that we can direct you to the workshop location.

In addition to this, our Community Health Nurse, Jessica Della Bosca, has also organised a Protective Behaviours workshop that will take place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September at the CRC. This particular workshop aligns strongly with the curriculum concepts that are currently being explicitly taught in Health Education from Pre-primary to Year 10 and is highly recommended.

If you would like any more information regarding the workshops, please refer to the flyers attached below and contact the relevant coordinator. We encourage all parents and community members to attend both of these valuable educational opportunities.



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## Supporting young people: Notice Ask Connect

- Parent and Carer Education Session -

**What the session will cover:**

- Information about mental health and wellbeing in adolescence
- Skills & strategies to enhance your connection and communication with young people about mental health
- Strategies for you to support your young person and where to access professional support

**Monday 9th September 2019**  
**Southern Cross District High School**  
 Time: 5:00pm—6:00pm

Available to parents/carers within the Southern Cross school communities. (not suitable for children and/or young people).

There is no cost to attend this session

Please RSVP to the school office/staff member Jessica Cameron on ph. 9049 1067 or email [Jessica.cameron2@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Jessica.cameron2@education.wa.edu.au)

▬ Name of parent    ▬ Child's year level    ▬ Questions you would like answered

This session is facilitated by the Schools Suicide Prevention Activities team.  
 The Schools Suicide Prevention Activities Initiative is funded by the Australian Government




## Protective Behaviours

FREE WORKSHOP

As a Parent or Caregiver, are you interested in developing a greater understanding and strategies to empower your child/children to develop problem solving, assertiveness skills and increase their ability to promote personal safety and resilience? If so, please come along to this personal safety program.

**DEVELOP KNOWLEDGE ON HOW TO EMPOWER AND EQUIP YOUR CHILD TO:**

- Assert their right to feel safe.
- Identify a trusted adult to talk to.
- Recognise 'signs' their bodies give them when they may be unsafe.
- Learn 'body safety' rules and safety strategies.
- Learn the difference between safe and unsafe secrets.

When: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019  
 Time: 11.00 am – 12.30pm  
 Where: Southern Cross CRC

To register, please contact Jess at Eastern Wheatbelt Primary Health on 90 491 321 or email [jessica.dellaboscua@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:jessica.dellaboscua@health.wa.gov.au)

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*Kind Regards,  
 Miss Jessica Cameron*

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Marcus	23 August
Roy	26 August
Jaric	1 Sept
Sophie	1 Sept
Imogen	3 Sept
Tia	6 Sept







#### Kindy/Pre-primary/Year 1

Phoenix Shipard	Making great progress when counting and recognising numbers from ten to twenty.
Hamish Warren	His ability to initiate and contribute to play experiences emerging from his own ideas.
Claudia Pucar	Contributing her own ideas during play and group discussions.
Courtney Pucar	Her understanding and fluency when counting numbers in sequence, forwards or backwards.

#### Year 2/3/4

Dakota Shipard	Being a supportive group member especially when working with her younger peers.
Ruby Tuck	Working hard to complete set tasks to a high standard. A positive start to Term 3.

#### Year 5/6

Shayla Cook	Completing all set work to a high standard with very neat presentation.
Casey Furnell	Showing fantastic initiative in the design and creation of his "Enviro Bag".

#### Year 7/8

Marcus Hodson	Always competing his Maths work to a very high standard.
Lily Marinkovich	Her fantastic effort to complete all of her work.
Sophie Hilder	Her informative poster about Tasmania.
Aribela Evans	Her creativity when completing her Australian identity poster.
Sophie Hilder	Her enthusiasm and positive work ethic in the English learning area.
James Marinkovich	His diligence, interest and participation in the English learning area.

#### Year 9

Dane Laws	His effort and persistence to complete his work.
Cheree Navales	Her wonderful work making a stable building using earthquake curtains.
Jaric Evans	His skillful building techniques to make an earthquake proof building.
Amy Philipps	Her fantastic work making a 'concrete' reinforced building.
Isabella Derham	Interest and understanding of contemporary social issues.

## Enrolments for the 2020 School Year are now due!

**In Western Australia, children can start their education in Kindergarten, however compulsory schooling starts the following year in Pre-primary.**

### Who needs to enrol?

You need to apply to enrol your children in school for 2020 if they are:

- starting Kindergarten – 4 years old by 30 June 2020
- starting Pre-primary, the first year of compulsory school – 5 years old by 30 June 2020
- starting Year 7, the first year of secondary school
- changing schools.

**Enrolments are now open.** Please contact your local school for an enrolment pack by Friday 26 July 2019.

All children of compulsory school age must be enrolled in school and attend every day – this is the law. All children must attend school up until they are 16 years old. Sixteen and 17 year olds must be enrolled in school or a training organisation, be employed or be in a combination of school/training/employment.

### Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



#### Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

**Tuesday, 3 September 2019**

9:00 am to 2:30 pm

In front of the Community Resource Centre, Canopus Street

**SOUTHERN CROSS**

For more information, go to [humanservices.gov.au/mobileoffice](http://humanservices.gov.au/mobileoffice)



### Moorine Rock Tennis Club

#### Junior Coaching

**Tennis Coaching will commence on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at the Moorine Rock tennis courts from 3.30 – 4.30pm.**

**The coaching program will run Thursday afternoons for 5 weeks. Can players of all ages please be at the courts by 3.25pm, so we are able to register and grade players.**

**Cost is \$20 per child or \$50 for a family of 3 children.**

**Participants will need to bring their hats & water bottles.**

**Any child who is in preprimary or primary school is invited to register their name with:**

**Lib Irving: mob:0429498000,  
email:townfoot13@bigpond.com**





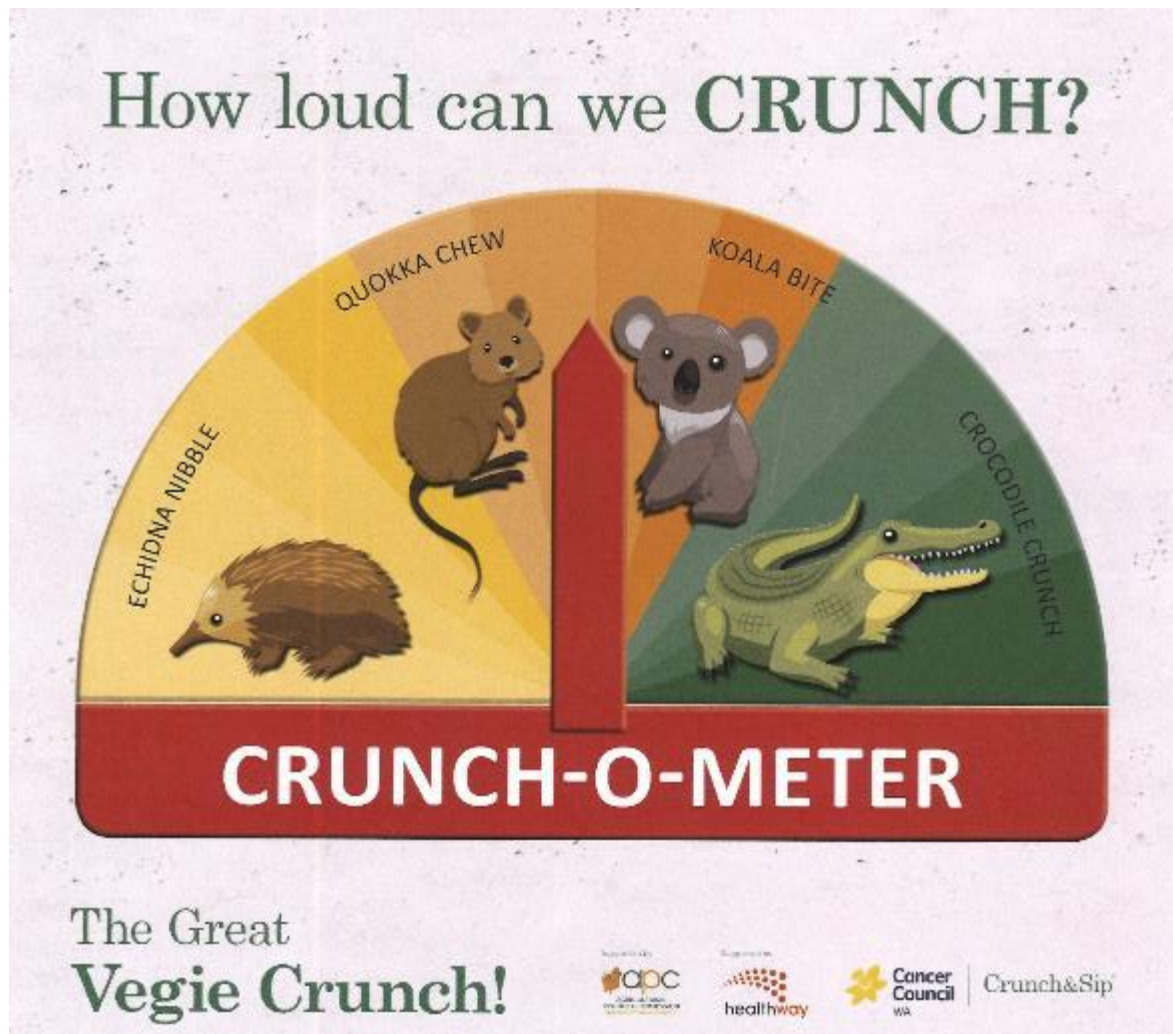


Our school is taking part in The Great Vegie Crunch, joining with schools across Western Australia to simultaneously crunch on fresh vegetables – and have fun doing it!

**When: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 12.20pm**

**Please ensure your child brings:** some fresh, washed vegetables to crunch on. Maybe a carrot or sugar snap peas, or cut up some capsicum, broccoli, cucumber or celery?

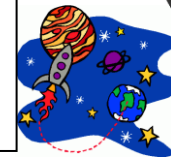
More information is available on the Crunch&Sip website [crunchandsip.com.au/events](http://crunchandsip.com.au/events)



# Science Week 2019



The theme for Science Week this year was the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the moon landing. On Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> August, the students completed some out of this world experiments. They investigated what meteors and comets were made of and then made their own edible versions. Using different forces, they explored how to launch rockets and how static electricity can be used. The classes also discussed the fuel used for Air Ships like the Hindenburg and watched as the fuels explosive power was demonstrated! It was a great day and a huge thank you to Karen Webb and Janis Unkovich for helping the day to run smoothly.







Thank you to Sarah Pollard who made a fantastic library display for Book Week!

Sarah will be joining us in the library for work experience this term and is showing us how skilled she is in a broad range of tasks.



# Term 3 School Planner

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT	SUN
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1	22 Start Term 3 School Development Day No Students at School	23	24	25	26	27	28
2	29	30	31 NAIDOC Day	1 AUGUST	2 Star Gazing	3	4
3	5	6	7	8 Newsletter	9	10	11
4	12	13	14	15 School Photos	16	17	18
5	19 PEAC Testing Book Week	20 Assembly	21 Book Week Dress-Up Day	22	23	24	25
6	26 PEAC Testing	27	28	29 Newsletter	30	31 Yilgarn Ag Show	1 SEPT
7	2	3	4	5	6 YSSSA Athletics Carnival	7	8
8	9 Hearspace Education Session 5pm	10 The Great Vegie Crunch! – 12.20pm	11	12	13	14	15
9	16	17 Interschool Athletics Carnival	18	19 Newsletter	20	21	22
10	23	24 Assembly	25	26	27 End Term 3	28	29
	30 Queen's Birthday Holiday	1 OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	2	3	4	5	6