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Principal's Message Mr Stephen Bevan

WEEK 10 TERM 2

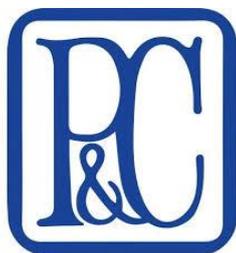
Term 2 In Review

We are now half way through our first year of operation and we are very pleased with the way our school is running. The culture and positive environment that we have worked hard to establish is ensuring that our students have a safe and comfortable place for them to learn and grow. Our newly formed School Board and P&C have provided our local community with an opportunity to shape the direction of our school and support it as it grows. The construction of Stage Two of our new school is all taking place according to plan and the excitement continues to grow as we see more and more buildings take shape. Some of the events and activities that have taken place in Term 2 that are of note include....

- Walk Safely to School Day
- Wanneroo Library incursion – National Simultaneous Story Time
- Child and Parent Centre – Banksia Grove – school visits
- Our Chaplain, Stephanie Hund commenced work at Grandis
- Mother's Day
- P&C Cake Stall
- Art Show
- Cuddly Animal Farm incursion
- NAIDOC Week



Pre-primary Art Show



P&C Association

Last week your P&C held its first official fundraising event which was a cake stall. They received so many donations of baked goods that they had to hold the cake stall across two afternoons. Many thanks go to those who donated items for sale and to our P&C volunteers for organising the whole activity. Community engagement was so high that the P&C made \$336 which is a fantastic amount to open the P&C bank account with. This will enable your P&C to do some exciting things in Term 3 and 4.

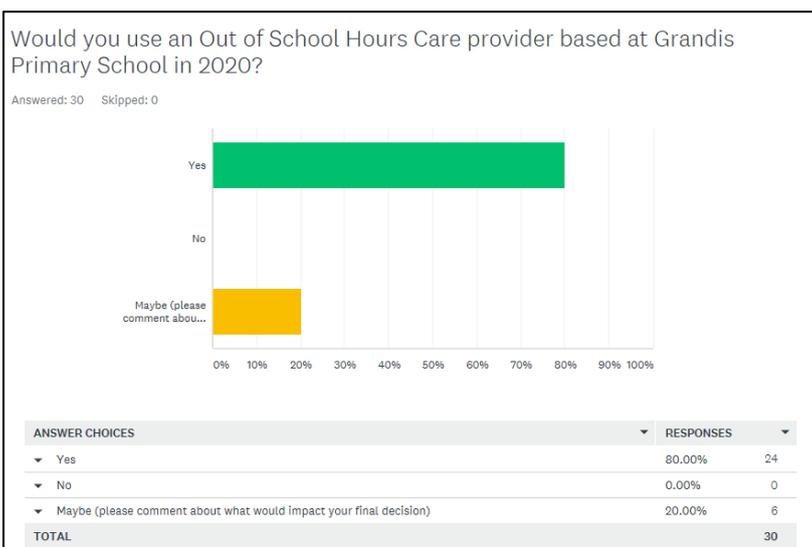
This week your child would have received an Entertainment Book as part of the next P&C fundraiser. If you do not wish to purchase this book, please return it to school in its envelope.

School Security

Holiday time is here again which means our school will be largely unattended for the next two weeks. We rely on parents and community members to keep an eye on our school and report any suspicious behaviour during these times. The best way to do this is to phone Education Security on 92644632 or the Police on 131444.

School Board

At our recent meeting the School Board reviewed and endorsed the school Business Plan which will be formatted into a final document and made available to the community next term. Our school Mission statement is ***“As a learning community the fundamental purpose of Grandis Primary School is to assist all students to develop the knowledge, skills and behaviour essential to their success in life.”*** The vision outlined in the Business Plan is to build a school where students are successful, staff are effective, the learning environment is supportive and community partnerships enhance learning. We look forward to working with our community to fulfil our mission and achieve our vision in the coming years.



The School Board also endorsed the school's application for a chaplain which, if successful, will increase the chaplaincy time we currently enjoy. Our school chaplain is an integral part of the School Support Services team, offering support to students, parents and staff where needed.

Another important area discussed at the meeting related to the provision of an Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) provider in 2020. Many thanks go to the parents who completed the survey that was sent out via SchoolStream last week regarding an OSHC provider (see graph above for current responses). The survey will remain open until the end of today <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B3NRYDX> The school will continue to work with the School Board about the provision of a program next year.

Behaviour Expectations

Our school's guiding principle is ***'Treat Others the Way You Would Like to Be Treated'***.

In Term 2 the behaviour expectation that we will be focussing on has been RESPECTFUL. Students have received regular reminders about what being RESPECTFUL looks like, sounds like and feels like.

In Term 3 we will shift our teaching and learning focus to being RESPONSIBLE. We will send home more information about this behaviour expectation early next term.

A 'Holiday Respect Challenge' has been sent home for students to complete over the school holidays.

Applications for Enrolments 2020

Planning for the 2020 school year is well underway. In order for us to plan effectively it is essential that we know how many students we are likely to have in each year level. Schools are staffed according to their student numbers so we need to know this information in order to find the necessary staff for the start of the year. For this reason, we are asking parents to support us by talking with families that are new to the area, reminding them to come to the school and enrol as soon as possible.

If a child is four years old by 30th June 2020 they can be enrolled into Kindergarten for 2020 although spaces are limited. Applications for Kindergarten 2020 closes on **Friday, 26th July 2019**.

Grandis Primary School is a **Local In-take School**. This means students must be residing within our local intake area at the time of commencement to be eligible to attend. Proof of residency will be required when enrolling students.

Behaviour expectations at Grandis Primary School include being....

- ✓ KIND
- ✓ RESPECTFUL
- ✓ RESPONSIBLE
- ✓ LEARNERS

The application process commences with you registering your interest by completing an 'Application for Enrolment' form. Please collect your application form from administration between 8.15am and 3.30pm school days. Approximately three weeks after the closing date, letters regarding your application are sent advising of your success or otherwise. Successful applications will receive an information pack containing all the relevant forms and requirements for your application. (It is at this stage you will be required to provide your child's Birth Certificate, Immunisation Statement from Medicare and proof of residency).

NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. The week is a great opportunity to participate in a range of activities and to support your local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

NAIDOC originally stood for 'National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee'. This committee was once responsible for organising national activities during NAIDOC Week and its acronym has since become the name of the week itself.

At Grandis Primary School students are participating in a number of activities that will help them better understand and appreciate Aboriginal culture. Some students have been saying morning and afternoon greetings and farewells in Aboriginal language. They also created the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags and discussed what the shapes and colours symbolise. Some students have learnt about how symbols tell a story in traditional art and they planned and designed symbols that told the story of things that were important to them. Students created their own rocks with that message. Some students have made damper while others have learnt our faction names in the local Noongar language. Please talk with your child's teacher about activities they have been involved in during the week.

Here are some photos of work completed by students in LA4. More NAIDOC week information and photos can be seen on our school Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/grandisprimaryschool/>



Happy Holidays

On behalf of the staff at Grandis Primary I wish all our students and their families a safe and happy holiday break. School commences back for students on Tuesday July 23.

Stephen Bevan
Principal

"The object of teaching a child is to enable him (or her) to get along without a teacher."

Elbert Hubbard 1856 - 1915

Deputy Principal's Message Mrs Trudy Jones

School Reports

On Wednesday the Semester 1 School Reports were emailed to the nominated email on your child's enrolment form. It is important to note that the link on the email will remain open for four weeks. Therefore, I encourage all parents to download and save a copy of the report prior to this time. If your family situation requires a second report to be sent to an alternative email, please contact the school.

Respect Holiday Challenge

This term we have been focusing on the behavioural expectation of 'Respect'. Each child has brought home with them a Holiday Respect Challenge. This challenge is set up as per the Kindness Challenge last holidays. We encouraging students to demonstrate respectfulness towards family and friends over the holiday period. As your child completes one of the challenges they can colour in a box. Completed challenges can be brought to the office for recognition by Mr Bevan.

Unexplained Absences

Every time your child is absent from school parents are required to provide a reason for the absence. Our preferred method for this is via our School Stream app. Some students still have unexplained absences and notes were sent home advising parents of the dates their child was absent. Parents are requested to complete the form including the reason for the absence and return to your class teacher as soon as possible.

Trudy Jones
Deputy Principal

Staff Messages

Assistant Teachers

Over this term Grandis Primary has been fortunate enough to have Miss Leah Wilson and Miss Katie Mykytiuk (Miss M) working alongside our Pre Primary teachers as part of their final Assistant Teacher Practical placement with Edith Cowan University. Over this time, they have become an integral part of the classroom and offered a range of innovative and outstanding learning experiences for our students to explore. They have both performed over and above in regards to what they have organised for our classes including the participation in an art project, coordinated an art exhibition and a Cuddly Farm incursion for the whole school to participate in.

We wish both teachers the best in their future teaching endeavours and sincerely thank them for all they have done of the past 10 weeks.

Cherie Pearse
Assistant Teacher Coordinator

 **Holiday RESPECT challenge**

At Grandis Primary School we use Positive Behaviour Strategies to guide, support and promote positive student behaviour. Our focus for Term Two has been on RESPECT. We have been developing understanding and language both in our classrooms and in the playground. To continue to develop, strengthen and reinforce these skills we have created a challenge that you may like to complete with your child during the holiday break.

Complete the WHOLE grid by colouring each square to receive an acknowledgement from Mr Bevan!

<i>Treat others the way you would like to be treated</i>		
Do something to show you care for the environment	Show respect by tidying a room in your house	Care for yourself by eating healthy food and having a good night's sleep
Talk to an adult about ways that your family show respect and why it is important	Use manners to say please and thank you	Show respect to your brother, sister or friend by listening to them

Complete the RESPECT challenge and return to the classroom teacher in Week 1 of Term3.



Students from LA 1 making damper during NAIDOC Week

Red25 Update

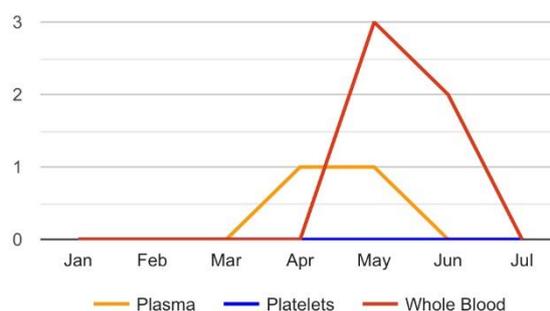
Our guiding principle at Grandis Primary School is to 'treat others the way we would like to be treated' and we seek to model this principle in all that we do. This is one reason why we promote and participate in the Australian Red Cross Red25 program. Our Grandis Red25 community group has 7 members whose donations have helped save 21 lives in 3 months. If you are a current donor or if you have considered donating, please join our school team. It's simple, quick and can make all the difference to someone's life.

See www.donateblood.com.au for more information. Our nearest donation centre is Edgewater.

Cherie Pearce

RED25 Coordinator

MONTHLY DONATIONS



Term 3 Events for Your Diary

Please note that activities and dates may change. Changes will usually be communicated via the School Stream app.

22 July	School Development Day – <i>students do not attend on this day</i>
23 July	Term 3 starts for students – welcome back!
26 July	Newsletter edition 7
2 August	Jeans for Genes fundraiser
6 August	P&C meeting 7.30pm

Photos from our Cuddly Animal Farm incursion....



We Are Grandis!