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**Principal's Message**      **Mr Stephen Bevan**

## **WEEK 9 TERM 1**

Dear Parents/Carers,

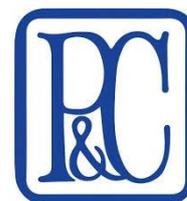
### **Digital Communication**

Frequent communication from school is important so that you can be kept up to date with what is happening. We use SchoolStream as our main 'whole of school' communication platform. We also use Facebook to highlight important events and activities. As well as this, classroom teachers in Kindergarten to Year 1 use Seesaw and Years 2 to 6 use Connect to share class specific information. Email is also used from time to time and the school's website is available for additional information. We encourage all parents to regularly monitor these digital tools so that they always know the latest news from school.

Currently we have 879 people who follow our school Facebook page and 632 users of the SchoolStream app.

### **P&C Membership**

We are very pleased to announce that all of the vacant Executive positions on the P&C have been filled which means that the P&C and the canteen will continue to operate in 2021. Many thanks go to the following parents who have volunteered and been elected to positions:



President: Kylie Birch

Vice President: Amanda McLaren

Secretary: Jasmin Woodhall

Treasurer: Krishna Ramani

Other Executive members: Robbie Macleod, Bronwyn Granger, Anne – Marie Pattinson

P&C Meetings are held in Week 3 and 7 every term. They take place on a Tuesday evening commencing at 7.30pm in the Staffroom. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### **Mereny Café**

One important service that our P&C provide is the school canteen. This term they employed Jemma Davis as the Canteen Manager. Jemma has done a wonderful job of opening the canteen two days a week and sales are going extremely well. We look forward to this service growing and expanding into the future.



## **Annual Report**

Every year schools are required to submit an Annual Report for the previous year. The report for 2020 is now available on Schools Online [School Reports Grandis Primary School \(det.wa.edu.au\)](https://schools.det.wa.edu.au/school-reports)

## **School Board**

Earlier this term the school called for nominations to fill two vacant parent positions on the School Board. We received two nominations so I am pleased to announce that Elmerien Heaysman and Michael Pattinson will continue as members of the School Board for another two-year period. Our staff also selected Karin Robinson and Trudy Jones to join the School Board this year. Our members for 2021 include:

- Michael Pattinson
- Elle Heaysman
- Krishna Ramani
- Rachael Glynn
- Trudy Jones
- Karin Robinson
- Stephen Bevan



The School Board meets at 5.30pm on Tuesday of Week 7 in every term. Parents are always welcome to come along and see what we do during a School Board meeting. At this term's meeting we looked at:

- 2021 School Budget
- School Board election results
- Possible co-opted community membership on the School Board
- 2020 Annual Report
- School Board training

## **Assemblies**

Last year we were only able to conduct one classroom assembly due to COVID restrictions. This year we are again able to hold classroom assemblies. Parents and family members of students whose class is conducting the assembly are always welcome to attend. We also conduct regular mini or 'in-house' assemblies, which we use to remind students of rules and to share important messages. Sometimes these assemblies are face to face and other times we use WebEx, which allows students to remain in class and hear all of the messages. We do not formally invite parents or family members to these assemblies.

## **Camp Australia**

Camp Australia provides a quality out of school hours care service to parents and students at our school. Camp Australia runs separately to the school so all bookings and queries about the service should be made directly to them... [Camp Australia](#)

## **Main events of Term One**

The term started with a weeklong COVID shutdown, which wasn't ideal. However, our staff and community managed the whole event exceptionally well and we got quickly back into routine from February 8. Some key events that have happened this term include:

- Successful transition of 100 Kindergarten students into school
- Student Leadership selections
- School Board elections
- P&C AGM and election of Executive membership
- Appointment of new canteen manager – Jemma Davies
- School Canteen successfully opening two days per week
- Ride to School Day
- Harmony Day
- P&C Easter Raffle draw

## School Security

We rely on parents and community members to keep a watchful eye on our school over the holidays. If you see something suspicious we ask that you report it to Education Security on 9264 4771 or the Police on 131444.

## Happy Holidays

We wish all of our students, parents and staff a very safe and happy Easter Holiday period. School will recommence for students on 19 April.

Regards,

**Mr Stephen Bevan, PRINCIPAL**

*'The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows.'*

*Sydney J. Harris*

**Deputy Principal's Message      Mrs Jones & Mrs Drage**



**Autism Awareness Week:** 29<sup>th</sup> March – 4<sup>th</sup> April is Autism Awareness Week and April is Autism Month. The Autism Association has organised numerous events throughout April to raise awareness and knowledge of Autism in our community together with several activities for children with Autism and their families to participate in these include: Sensory sessions at popular venues including the Art Gallery, Latitude, and Scitech as well as supported sports such as surfing with the Ocean Hero's. They are also running information sessions both online and in person for families and friends to learn more about Autism and NDIS funding. Further information can be found by this link:

<https://www.autism.org.au/events/category/autism-awareness-month-2021/>



## **National Ride to School Day**

It was wonderful to see so many students and their families ride, scoot, or skate to school last Friday for National Ride to School Day. Riding, scooting, or skating to school is a fantastic way to start the day it increases your daily exercise, connects you with the community and is helping our environment. It also helps reduce traffic congestion around our school. The biggest positive of all is that children love it. Perhaps you could include riding, scooting, skating, or walking to school as a part of your weekly routine. Always remember to wear your helmet and children under the age of 10 need to be with an adult.

Congratulations to KLA4 who had the highest percentage of students who rode, skated, or scooted to school last Friday. Next term we will be encouraging all families to **Walk Safely to School on Friday 14th May**. I wonder which class will have the highest percentage of walkers to earn some free play?

## **Attendance**

Whilst this has been a very short term, it has been incredibly busy and the progress the students have made has been incredible. Our teachers work extremely hard to plan and implement engaging and individualised learning programs to maximise your child's learning. When families take holidays during the school term this has an impact on their learning. Schools have 12 week's vacation across the year, and we encourage all families to plan for holidays within these times and not during the term.

We have had a wonderful first term and it has been great to meet all our new families. I would like to wish you all a safe, happy, and restful holiday and look forward to seeing you all on the 19th of April ready for term 2.

Parents, if you are looking for free, cheap or even really big things to do with the children these holidays this website has some great ideas. <https://getoutwithkids.com.au/school-holiday-activities-perth/>



### [School Holiday Activities Perth | Fun Ideas for April 2021](https://getoutwithkids.com.au/school-holiday-activities-perth/)

School holiday activities Perth style are easy to plan when you have our list. Take advantage of the weather in Perth and get into our list of Perth days out!. These are the best school holiday ideas of fun things to do in Perth with kids these autumn 2021 school holidays.

[getoutwithkids.com.au](https://getoutwithkids.com.au)

## **Other Important Messages**

### **P&C**

The P&C would like to thank our wonderful school community for all of the Easter donations and for buying a record amount of tickets! With all of the donations we were able to make up 40 prizes and we raised \$1758.40.

Next term we will be having our first ever Mother's Day stall in May, where your children will get to select a gift for you. We will also be running a Cookie Dough Fundraiser in June.

We were asked by the Banksia Grove Development Group to provide the sausage sizzle for the Movies in the Grove on Saturday night. There was a good turnout and we raised \$309.30. Thank you to all of our volunteers who donated their time on the night.

Mereny Cafe will be changing it's menu next term to have different selections going into the cooler winter months. The P&C will also look at opening an additional day at the next meeting in week 3. Thanks to everyone who participated in our canteen surveys on menu items and additional opening days.

## Camp Australia

# MISSION: LAUNCH PROGRAM

**Grandis Primary School**  
**Address:** 220 Grandis Boulevard BANKSIA GROVE WA 6031  
**Phone:** 0406 927 518 **Program Times:** 06:30 am - 06:00 pm

<p><b>Tue 06 Apr</b> <b>Mission: Take-off</b></p> <p>Your mission is about to launch! Don't miss our first mission briefing as we start a new journey as Rocketeers. Enjoy group activities, make a fidget spinner, meet old friends and make new in the amazing photo booth created just for you!</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$75.80   After Max. CCS* \$11.37</b></p> <p> Inclusion</p>	<p><b>Wed 07 Apr</b> <b>Operation: Environmental Protection</b></p> <p>Show your support of environmental protection in Base Camp. To mark Earth Day, you may learn different ways to preserve our environment.</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$65.80   After Max. CCS* \$9.86</b></p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>
<p><b>Thu 08 Apr</b> <b>Adventure: A-mazed</b></p> <p>Lose yourself in a the huge range of mazes at Perth's Outback Splash. We've got Timber, Hedges, Tyres, Rope and more to get turned around and complete as well as a 9 hole mini golf course and some giant chess! Note: Please arrive at Base Camp by 8:45am.</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$101.30   After Max. CCS* \$15.15</b></p> <p> Excursion</p>	<p><b>Fri 09 Apr</b> <b>Project: Coders and Handball Championships</b></p> <p>Experience four coding games, including how to code a robot with the help of a remote! Continue coding at home with Coding Cards set and a Boardgame. The challenge is then on with the National Handball Championships. Get ready for some handball action!</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$85.30   After Max. CCS* \$12.79</b></p> <p> Inclusion</p>
<p><b>Mon 12 Apr</b> <b>Operation: Wellness Retreat</b></p> <p>Wellbeing is important to all of us and at Base Camp, we'll be highlighting the things that can be done to look after yourself each day.</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$65.80   After Max. CCS* \$9.86</b></p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>	<p><b>Tue 13 Apr</b> <b>Adventure: Rainbow Race</b></p> <p>Cross the finish line with an explosion of colour at our Rainbow Race! Get into the spirit with music, blasting and cheer each other on with some fun challenges before the race. You'll be provided with your own goggles, bandana, and t-shirt on the day.</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$104.30   After Max. CCS* \$15.64</b></p> <p> Excursion</p>
<p><b>Wed 14 Apr</b> <b>Operation: Handball Championships</b></p> <p>The National Handball Championships have begun! Now our Crew are on the hunt for the best handball champion in Rocketeers. Winners will be off to the Regional Championships!</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$70.80   After Max. CCS* \$10.62</b></p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>	<p><b>Thu 15 Apr</b> <b>Project: Deliciously Italian</b></p> <p>Recruit, your mission is to make a feast with pizza and gummies! Your commander and crew will supply the ingredients and guide you, on your way to make the best slice from scratch. For dessert, enjoy some vegan zesty orange gummies!</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$83.80   After Max. CCS* \$12.57</b></p> <p> Inclusion</p>
<p><b>Fri 16 Apr</b> <b>Operation: Eggscellent Extravaganza</b></p> <p>An Eggscellent Extravaganza at Base Camp will see you getting creative. Explore art and craft activities to make your own creations.</p> <p><b>Full Fee \$65.80   After Max. CCS* \$9.86</b></p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>	

Visit [campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers](https://www.campaustralia.com.au/rocketeers) to join our next mission

See the link for more information : <https://www.campaustralia.com.au/families/rocketeers>

## Term 2, 2021 Events for Your Diary

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

Week 1	Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of Term Two
Week 1	Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Newsletter
Week 1	Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	ANZAC assembly
Week 2	Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> April	ANZAC DAY – STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND SCHOOL TODAY
Week 2	Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Assembly WLA4 Year 2
Week 3	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day Stall
Week 3	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	7:30pm P&C Meeting in the Staffroom.
Week 3	Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day Stall
Week 3	Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 2 – 6 Cross Country
Week 4	Tues 11 – 21 May	NAPLAN

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