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"Together We Achieve"

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Principal's Message Mr Stephen Bevan

WEEK 10 TERM 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you

As our third year of operation for K – 6 students, 2022 has been a wonderful time of growth and challenge as we have worked to build and strengthen our school culture and vision. The year has certainly gone by quickly and I know that all of our students and staff are looking forward to a well-earned holiday break.

Our team of dedicated staff have continued to go 'above and beyond' to ensure that our students get the very best education possible. I thank them for all their efforts in 2022. Our School Board and P&C have also worked hard to ensure that community voice is strong and our school reflects the desires and values of the people it serves. Our P&C, under the leadership of Kylie Birch have been very successful in all their fundraising activities in 2022 and we look forward to their ongoing support well into the future. Special mention goes to our Canteen Manager, Jemma who is employed by the P&C and provides a popular service to families. I thank all of our Parents and Carers who have actively supported the school throughout the 2022 school year.

While the year started with more COVID related interruptions, this did not stop us from providing the very best teaching and learning environment for our students. This year there have been so many events and highlights that we can look back on and celebrate. Here are a few...

- Staff and School Board created our second Business Plan which will shape our future direction
- P&C Easter Raffle
- Harmony Day
- Swimming lessons
- Constable Care incursions
- First Aid training for students
- GRIP Student Leader conference
- School and Interschool Cross-Country
- Lightning Sports Carnival
- School and Interschool Athletics
- Learning Journey
- P&C Mother's and Father's Day stalls
- RUOK? Day
- Book Week
- Year 6 Camp
- P&C Colour Run



Year 6 Graduation

The Graduation Assembly for Year 6 students will be held tomorrow December 13, commencing at 8.50am. Parents and family members of graduating students are welcome to attend this special event.

Awards Assembly

Due to increased student numbers, we will be holding two Awards Assemblies this year. Both assemblies will be held on Wednesday 14 December. The assembly for PP-Year 1 students will commence at 8.50am. The assembly for Year 2 – 6 students will commence at 9.50am. Students will perform as part of a year level item before class awards are presented. Parents are welcome to attend. There will be limited seating available so please do not allow young children to use seats that could be taken by an adult.

Student Reports

Student reports will be sent home on Wednesday December 14.

Student Leadership Breakfast

Last Thursday, we thanked our Student Leaders for all their efforts throughout the year by shouting them to a breakfast at Burns Beach Café. This year's Leaders have been very proactive, and we thank them for their work.



School Siren Times in 2023

From the commencement of the 2023 school year, we will only have one start and finish time. The revised timetable is below.

Gates at start of day	Open 8.20am	Close 8.40am
Class doors open	8.25am	
Start of school	8.40am	
Close of school	2.50pm	
Gates at end of day	Open 2.40pm	Close 3.00pm

Notification of Classrooms 2023

We continue to receive enrolments which require regular adjustments to possible classes in 2023. For this reason, students will not be notified of their teacher and room until Monday 30th January 2023. Students in Kindergarten to Year 1 will be notified by email with an invitation to join Seesaw and Year 2 to 6 via Connect. Please contact the school office via email – grandis.ps@education.wa.edu.au if you are unsure of how to access these important communication tools.

Cross Walk

The cross walk on Grandis Boulevard has been partially completed. Signage still need to be installed. WA Police are in the process of advertising and selecting a suitable person to employ as the crossing warden. Interested parents/community members can obtain an application form by phoning the Children's Crossing Unit on 62748734.

Road Safety Reminder

School holidays are a time to relax and enjoy the break from school, however they are also a time when many children are injured on our roads. Please remember to ensure your child is properly restrained when in a car and that they wear a helmet when riding or scooting. As parents we have a responsibility to ensure our children are properly supervised when on or near roads, car parks and driveways, as this is where many injuries and fatalities occur. Please keep watch over children during this time, as we want to see you and your family back after the break.

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

On behalf of the staff at Grandis Primary School I wish all of our students and their families a happy, safe and blessed Christmas and New Year and I look forward to working with you all again in 2023.

We are Grandis!!

Regards,

Mr Stephen Bevan, PRINCIPAL



“Christmas is most truly Christmas when we celebrate it by giving the light of love to those who need it most.”

Ruth Carter Stapleton

Other Important Messages

CHAPLAIN’S CORNER

Hello Grandis Community!

We made it – what a year it has been! A massive thank you to the whole school community – students, staff and parents for making me feel incredibly welcome at Grandis Primary School. It has been an absolute pleasure to get to know the students either in a one-on-one basis, through small groups or classroom visits or when I am out and about around the school especially at recess and lunch times and I look forward to building on these relationships in the new school year.

If you are stuck for some holiday ideas, here are just a few, although to be honest it was difficult to choose! I hope you and your family have a wonderful and safe break, which is full of adventure, fun and making memories.

TO WATCH: Puss in Boots: The Last Wish

Beloved character Puss in Boots has gotten older and has now used up 8 of his 9 lives. He embarks on a quest with Kitty Soft Paws and new character Perro to find the Wishing Star whilst coming up against some well-known fairy tale characters to get back the lives he has lost.

TO DO: Jurassic World by Brickman

Dinosaurs and LEGO. What a combination! Encounter over 50 life-sized dinosaurs and recreate scenes from the movie franchise, plus you will also get to make your own creations and mosaics with LEGO of course! A lot of fun for little (and big kids) alike. I've seen the display one and marvelled at the sheer number of LEGO pieces and skill that went into just this one dinosaur, so am curious to see what the rest of the exhibit is like!!

TO DO: Thomas Dambo's Giants of Mandurah

Take a day trip or arrange a small getaway to Mandurah and go on an adventure to find the six hidden Giants. Word of caution from one person who has seen the Giants – some of them are a fair walking distance but it is worth it! Pick up a map and clues from the Visitor Centre and download the Guidebook from online which has information and activities to complete all to help you find the super-secret location of the final giant!

TO DO: A World of My Own Drop-In Zone at W.A. Museum Boorla Bardip

Coinciding with The Wonderland exhibit and the FRINGE WORLD Festival, during January children are asked to stop and explore "Wonder in a world of our own" through many different activities such as exploring how your brain works, looking at insects, building a Wonder town and examining animation and moving images. Also, if anyone can tell me what a phenakistoscope is without looking it up – gold star to you!!

TO DO: Get creative at home

Whilst the beach and parks are a great and cheaper option – there is nothing like enjoying time at home. Do some baking together; make a cubby house or fort from blankets and pillows; put on a show; do some art and craft activities; have a home cinema movie night complete with sweet treats – the only thing stopping you is your imagination!!

P&C NEWS

A massive thank you to everyone who helped with our 2 Colour Run's. We raised a whopping **\$16,551.50** which is an amazing effort. The Kindy and Pre-primary students participated for the first time this year. We held 2 colour runs - Kindy Blue on Tuesday and the rest of the school on Friday of last week. Both were fantastic and a lot of fun was had! Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers on both days.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on 14th of February 2023 (Tuesday of Week 3) and all positions are up for nomination - President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary as well as 3 executive roles. If you are interested in any of these roles and would like more information, please email grandispc1@gmail.com and make sure you attend the meeting to nominate.

Thank you for all of your support this year and we look forward to hosting some more fun events next year. Have a happy and safe Christmas and New year.



Learn music at Grandis Primary School!

- Keyboard/guitar starting from \$19.80 for a group lesson.
- Held after school.

Enrol now for lessons!

www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form

0479 171 424

enquiry@keyedupmusic.com.au



Want to return to work, or change careers?

Want to work in a school?

There has never been a better time with WA unemployment at 3%.

Schools and other organisations are desperately hiring people for the following roles:

- Gardener, cleaner, administration, management, canteen, education assistants and many other roles.

Starting in January 2023, North Metropolitan TAFE are running a one-semester course on the skills required to be a successful candidate for employment in a school or elsewhere. The course gives you an employment advantage that you can't achieve elsewhere. If you have tried and failed, we will get you to where you want to go.

We have had huge success supporting people to find work, and the chances of gaining employment are strong. This course is suitable for people new to the workforce, people looking to change career or looking for a return to work.

The course includes:

- Training in skills specific to the role you are interested in e.g. IT skills, Office 365
- Work experience in a school or other organisation
- Help and support to find work
- Help accessing further training as required e.g. Certificate III in Education Support
- Development of your job application cover letter, resume and help with selection criteria

Entry requirements:

- 18+
- Strong work ethic
- Good oral and written communication
- Must be able to read procedures, safety sheets and chemical bottles etc.
- Must be able to send and receive emails
- Successful completion of an entry interview
- Working With Children Check and a Department of Education Clearance

Course details:

- Dates - Starts week 1 of term 1 and runs for up to 20 weeks
- Many students finish the course early because they find work
- Days - 3 days per week, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday during school hours
- Cost - Approximately \$170 (subject to change) total course fee for full 20 weeks
- Location - North Metro TAFE Leederville and on work experience
- Qualification - GATE (Gaining Access to Training and Employment) Certificate I

To apply for this course, use the following website and select "GATE I Leederville":

<https://tasonline.tafe.wa.edu.au>

To ask questions please contact: **Chris Hodson** - chris.hodson@nmtafe.wa.edu.au

Join The Summer Reading Club at the City of Wanneroo Libraries – all free!

Have fun reading in the holidays and join book borrower Winnie the Wombat as she reads some fabulous stories.

Drop into your local library to find out more and register to pick up the reading log and welcome prize.

There's a lot of fun activities happening too for our club members.

For more information go to

www.wanneroo.wa.gov.au/src



Term 4, 2022 & Term 1, 2023 Events for Your Diary

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

13.12.22	Week 10	Graduation Assembly @ 8.50am. Excursion to Hillarys @ 10.30am
14.12.22	Week 10	PP-1 Award Assembly @ 8.50am
14.12.22	Week 10	Year 2-6 Award Assembly @ 9.50am
14.12.22	Week 10	Reports Home
15.12.22	Week 10	Last day of Term 4, 2022
01.02.23	Week 1	WEDNESDAY – First day of Term 1, 2023 (Kindy Blue & PP-Yr 6)
02.02.23	Week 1	THURSDAY – First day of Term 1, 2022 (Kindy Gold group)
14.02.23	Week 1	P&C AGM and Meeting @ 7.30pm in Staffroom
17.02.23	Week 3	Newsletter

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