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"Together We Achieve"

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Issue 1

Principal's Message Mr Andrew Britton

WEEK 4 TERM 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of the entire school community, I extend a warm welcome to you and your family as the students embark on another academic journey this year. I am very grateful and honoured to be leading the Grandis Primary School community. I would like to thank students, families and staff for the positive welcome that I have received.

Our staff and students have had a very positive start to the school year, albeit very warm for many days. It has been wonderful to see students engaging in their learning. I'm looking forward to getting to know everyone throughout 2024.

I would like to extend a special welcome to the following staff who also commenced this year:

- Jody Edmondson – Targeted Support EA
- Taryn Laphorn – Targeted Support EA
- Charlotte Rainbow – Kindergarten EA
- Nicole Clarke – Kindergarten Teacher
- Lakiah Veneable – Pre-Primary Teacher
- Claire Knoesen – Year 1 / 2 Teacher
- Sarah MacPherson – Year 3 Teacher
- Kellie Seidel – Year 4 Teacher
- Tracey Franulovich – Year 5 / 6 Teacher
- Lisa Nevit – Year 6 Teacher
- Jake Bentink – Physical Education Specialist Teacher
- Kristy Barnard – Various Specialist Learning Areas
- Christabel Cole - Speech Pathologist

I would also like to extend our best wishes to Mrs Drage who is recovering from her double knee surgery.

2024 Student Leaders

On Friday, 16th February, students who nominated to be a 2024 student leader presented a speech to Year 4 to 6 students. I would like congratulate the following students who have been elected into a leadership position.

Student Councillors

- Charlie Bonser
- Kobe Fidow
- Ella Nicole Gamboa
- Ajooni Gill
- Sky Jagers
- Makenzie Woodley

Faction Captains

Karda

- Jake Bouse
- Aubrey De Jussing

Koolbardi

- Debisha Maher
- Blade Thomson

Maali

- Mya O'Connor
- Leah Whelan

Yongka

- Sajad Mohammadi
- Noah Rogers

Inclement Weather Policy

We will continue to implement our Inclement Weather Policy as we experience extreme temperatures. This will include students spending break times in class, modified sport class, regular reminders to stay hydrated, lunch boxes inside etc.

Photos

Kapture School photos will be held next week. Please see the timetable below for when your child's individual and class photo will be taken.

Last orders of class and individual photos is Monday, 11th March 2024.

Monday 26 February - BLA1 Blue, BLA2 Blue, BLA3 Blue, GLA3, GLA4, GLA5, JLA1, KLA5, KLA6, TLA1, TLA2, and TLA3.

Friday 01 March - BLA2 Gold, BLA3 Gold, BLA4, BLA5, GLA1, GLA2, JLA2, JLA3, JLA4, WLA1, WLA2, WLA3, WLA4, KLA1, KLA2, KLA3, KLA4, KLA7, and KLA8

Cyber safety

Cyber Safety is a complex area that we are all learning to navigate. As a parent of 3 children, I know first hand that this is a challenge for all families. The eSafety Commissioner website has a range of resources and online webinars to support parents. You can access these at the following website - www.esafety.gov.au/parents. I've attached an example of a parent information sheet titled 'Your Child's First Smartphone'. There are many topics on the website.

Cyber safety is addressed at school throughout the curriculum at different stages of students educational journey.

System-Wide Assessments

On-Entry – (Week 3-6) one-on-one assessments with all pre-primary students. Pre-Primary teachers will then analyse the data immediately to inform teaching and learning programs. This data will also be used to inform intervention planning.

NAPLAN (Week 7-8) – Students in Year 3 and 5 will complete assessments in Numeracy, Reading, Writing, Spelling, grammar & Punctuation. NAPLAN commences on 13th March and is completed on line, except for Year 3 Writing. We should receive the results during Term 3.

School Board Parent Nomination

We are seeking parent nominations to join the Grandis School Board to fill two positions (two-year positions). If we receive more than 2 nominations, we will run an election. Please refer to the School Stream message for further information on how to nominate. We also have nomination packs available in the front office.

Regards,

Mr Andrew Britton, PRINCIPAL

Deputy Principal's Message

Multicultural Week

Multicultural Week is being celebrated at Grandis this year between March 25th and March 28th (Week 9). This year we have many exciting events planned, students will work to create a whole school interactive art piece, we will hold an art show (more details to come), there will be a multicultural dress-up day, Mr B has arranged some very special sports events and there will be an Indian dance incursion. All students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will attend the incursion at school over the week. The cost is \$5 and can be paid via School Stream.

As part of Multicultural week celebrations, we are seeking community members who would be willing to come into the school and share their culture. This could be teaching students a dance, a cooking demonstration, telling a story, showing clothing or items from your culture, a slide show or anything else you can think of. If you are able to come in, can you please email Elisabet Ellery at:

Elisabet.Rose@education.wa.edu.au

PBS NEWS

Grandis Primary School is a very proud PBS school. PBS is a whole-school approach aimed at enhancing behavioural outcomes for all students. At Grandis, we believe through the implementation of proactive strategies and explicit teaching of expected behaviours, we create a safe and positive learning environment.

You have probably heard it before, but at Grandis we are KIND, RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE and LEARNERS.

Our PBS Matrix below highlights how these expectations are demonstrated in different aspects of our school. We have included an At Home box with a few examples for families to use if they would like. You can do this by discussing with your child the ways that they can demonstrate Kindness, Respect, Responsibility and being a Learner at home and filling in the boxes.

We would love to see how families use the Matrix at home, so please email Grandis.PS@education.wa.edu.au a picture of your At Home Matrix to share your ideas.

Many thanks,

PBS Team

Grandis Primary School

Kind **Respectful** **Responsible** **Learners**

Inside the Classroom

- Kind:**
 - We encourage others.
 - We share and take turns.
 - We use a calm voice.
 - We understand sometimes people make mistakes.
- Respectful:**
 - We use our manners.
 - We speak politely.
 - We raise our hands and wait.
 - We listen actively.
 - We speak with the appropriate volume.
- Responsible:**
 - We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.
 - We tell the truth.
 - We follow instructions.
 - We are on time.
 - We are organised.
 - We model expected behaviour.
- Learners:**
 - We help each other to achieve our best.
 - We stay focused and engaged.
 - We use our time wisely.
 - We set goals.
 - We learn from our mistakes.

Outside the Classroom

- Kind:**
 - We invite others to play.
 - We are gentle with others.
 - We care about other people's feelings.
 - We share play equipment.
 - We help others in need.
- Respectful:**
 - We care for the environment.
 - We value each other's privacy.
 - We follow agreed game rules.
 - We care for our equipment.
- Responsible:**
 - We wear correct school uniform.
 - We play safe and sensible games.
 - We are accountable for our own actions.
 - We keep ourselves and others safe.
- Learners:**
 - We try new things.
 - We take safe risks.
 - We persevere and problem solve.
 - We participate appropriately in all activities.

At our home

- Kind:**
 - We use caring words when speaking to others.
- Respectful:**
 - We put our rubbish in the bin.
- Responsible:**
 - We keep our room clean.
- Learners:**
 - We complete our homework to the best of our ability.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Hi Grandis Community!

I hope you and your family have settled in well to the school term and had a delightful break. I want to give an especially big welcome to you if you and your family are new to Grandis Primary School this year – I have met so many new faces and been warmly greeted once more by those I met last year. My name is Emma Swan, although to the students I am Emma or Miss Emma. This is now my 3rd year as the School Chaplain and I count it as an absolute pleasure to be here on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

My role as the Chaplain is to provide social, emotional, mental and well-being support wherever it is required. I work with students, teachers and parents in meeting the needs that arise in their daily lives. This is demonstrated through being always available when a child or adult needs to talk, providing pastoral care (encouragement and support), running life skills programs and equipping students with strategies and tools.

Students can access Chaplain support by filling out a self-referral form and placing it in the box in the office. Parents can make a request for their child/ren to see me by contacting and discussing the issue with their child's classroom teacher who will determine the best course of action. If you do have any questions or concerns, you can also send me an email directly at emma.swan2@guest.education.wa.edu.au



Child and Parent Centre
Banksia Grove



Managing Children's Behaviour

Wednesday 6 March 9.30am to 11.30am

This is a behaviour based Triple P session which will focus on developing routines for families with children aged 2 to 8 years old.

- ✓ This session will help provide tools and techniques to manage your child's behaviour.
- ✓ A parent who attended this session recently said, "I found the strategies helpful enabling me to cope better with my child's challenging behaviour, in a more positive manner".

Creche available - bookings essential.
The Child and Parent Centre Banksia Grove
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Term 1, 2024 Events for Your Diary

Please note that activities and dates may change. Changes will usually be communicated via the Schoostream app. Please refer to the “Calendar” in Schoolstream for upcoming events each term.

26.02.24	Week 5	School Photos
01.03.24	Week 5	School Photos
04.03.24	Week 6	LABOUR DAY – STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND TODAY
08.03.24	Week 6	Assembly – Year 2 classes
12.03.24	Week 7	P&C Meeting and School Board Meeting
13.03.24 – 22.03.24	Week 7 & 8	NAPLAN testing for Year 3 and 5 students
15.03.24	Week 7	Year 2 HASS excursion to Wanneroo Museum & Cockman House – JLA2, WLA3 & WLA4
22.03.24	Week 8	Year 2 HASS excursion to Wanneroo Museum & Cockman House – WLA1 and WLA2
25.03.24 – 28.03.24	Week 9	Multicultural Week
26.03.24	Week 9	Dress up day for Multicultural Week



We Are Grandis!