

THE LANDING POST

A Newsletter designed to inform our growing school community of
Anne Hamersley Primary School

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Dear Parents and Friends,

INTER HOUSE CARNIVAL

Many thanks to all those parents and friends who attended our whole day Carnival. The children looked the part in their House colours and really threw themselves into the spirit of the day. Good healthy competition and fun was the main focus of the day and our children really lived up to this aim. Sincere thanks the P&C Association who ran a well attended stall all day and to those very generous parents who baked cakes and other goodies for sale. At the end of the day, the Association made a clear profit of over \$1700. This is an example of the power of all parents and friends working together to raise funds to improve the educational landscape of our school.

A big thank you to my staff and in particular Mr Hall for ensuring that the day worked well. Thank you also to the Ellenbrook Lions Club for providing and presenting the medallions. The following is a list of the students who were honoured at the end of the day and the House that was presented with the Lions Club Perpetual Shield:

HOUSE	POINTS
Fraser	1075
Freeman	930
Hopman	820
Bradman	672

YEAR	CHAMPION	RUNNER –UP
Year 3 Girls	Georgina Nelson	Jasmine Kamara
Year 3 Boys	Noah Campo	Mason Newby
Year 4 Girls	Aaliryah Quintanilla	Kate Mitchell
Year 4 Boys	Bipai Stanslaus	Aaron Carroll
Year 5 Girls	Rene Pooley	Jessica Hunter
Year 5 Boys	Kyle Knight	Deng Reech
Year 6 Girls	Summer Hodge	Awadia Kamal
Year 6 Boys	James Uwere	Christiaan Naude

BOOK WEEK ENDS

The highlights of Book Week were the wonderful Assembly last Thursday, the exciting presentation by our visiting author, writer of over 50 children's books, Justin D'Ath, our quizzes and whole school read along on the oval. The Book Fair held in the school Library, organised by our P&C Association and coordinated by Mrs Amy Bond was also highly successful. A vast quantity of books were purchased and by the end of the week we had sold \$2573 worth of books. The gains for us as a learning community was that we were able to purchase 30% of this amount in books for our shelves. Many thanks to our Library Officer Mrs Vicki White for presenting the Library as a venue for this event in its best light.

SPEAK UP AWARDS

Congratulations to Sophia Schiaffini, Year 5 and Helen De Coning, Year 6, who represented our school at these awards. Earlier this week they presented their speech as participants in the second round of the competition. I have just been informed that they were not selected for the next round. They can, however, be extremely proud of their performance in this Metropolitan wide competition. Well done girls !!!

Thursday— Friday 31 August– 1 September	Fathers Day Stall 
Monday - Friday 4 September– 8 September	SCIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY WEEK
Friday 8 September	Future Earth Day
Friday 15 September	Interschool Athletics Carnival
Tuesday 19 September	OPEN NIGHT 5-7pm International Pirate Day
Friday 22 September	FINAL DAY FOR TERM 3 P & C Sausage Sizzle

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FUTURE EARTH DAY

On Friday 8 September all children from Year 1 – 6 will be involved in mixed groups in activities that focus on Sustainability and the need to care for the planet. Activities range from making sun catchers to producing works of art from recycled material. The activities will commence at 11.00 AM in the undercover area and consists of two sessions ending at 12.40 PM. All parents and friends are invited to come along and assist.

DAFFODIL DAY

Many thanks to all parents and children who supported our Daffodil Day last Friday 25 August. Children wore yellow and bought daffodils and other event related merchandise to support this annual drive to support the Cancer Council. Thanks to Miss Chambers for organising this school based activity.

NAPLAN

All children from Year 3 & 5 were involved last week in a national trial to test the reliability of on line testing in readiness for a nationwide on line testing in 2018. Preparing our computers to complete the exercise was a difficult business with Mr Guy and Mrs Salomon working hard to provide the ideal testing conditions. Our sincere thanks to them for their hard work to ensure that our children were provided with the best opportunity to complete these tests.

A MATTER OF CONCERN

All parents are reminded that children are allowed on school premises at 8.20 each morning when gates are opened. Of late several children have been arriving far too early. Since there is no supervision outside the school boundary, these children have been seen to be taking risks in traffic. You are asked to ensure that your children are at the gate by 8.20, and no earlier, if you choose.

Children arriving late are also getting to be a problem with teachers having to temporarily stop classes while latecomers settle in for the day. This needs immediate attention as very often children arrive after the roll is called and are officially recorded as being absent for half the day.

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM DAY

On **Thursday 14th and Friday 15th September 2017**, Amity block will take lessons outside and prioritise playtime. Why? Outdoor learning improves children's health, engages them with learning and leads to a greater connection with nature. Play not only teaches critical life skills such as resilience, teamwork and creativity, but is central to children's enjoyment of childhood.

SCITECH EXCURSION

On Tuesday Orelia 1 and 2 went on their excursion to Scitech. Students were involved in a range of science activities like engineering a small device to form an electrical current, gathering forensic evidence to solve a mystery, they looked at how maths and explosions were connected. The students all had great day and they got to explore the wide range of interactive science activities that Scitech has to offer. We must say a big thank you to our parent helper, Rebecca Morgan, Yvonne Morris, Bridgette Dushmine and Leanne Unwin for coming along as parent helpers. Without your assistance the day would not have been able to happen, your help was much appreciated.





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Book Week 2017



NAPLAN ONLINE



ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2017



AHPS 3-6 Athletics Champion Boy and Girl





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TERM 3—WEEK 6 ASSEMBLY AND AWARD WINNERS

Thank you to the parents and friends who attended our Assembly last Thursday.
Please remember that Assemblies are held on Thursdays of Even Weeks commencing at 8.55.
Following some whole school singing, the following children were awarded Honour Certificates:

Georgia Svirac	Riley Campbell	Merveille Dos-Reis	Kaylee Ross
Taylor Te Whare	Georgina Nelson	Nyanguor Gatluak	Tobias Donnelly
Keithn Coetzee	Imogen Van Burgel	Te Koha Moke-Brown	Shayla Magee-Harcourt
	Grace Humphreys-Lewis	Kylie Raath	



STUDENT PASSPORT PROGRAM

Congratulations to the following students that completed their Passports and earned their High Achiever Badges:

Jacob Fitzgerald	Narelle Kyalondawa	Sofia Schiaffini	Jessica Phillips
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PEN LICENCE

Congratulations to the following students that received their Pen Licence:

Veronica Banza	Emma Gale	Deklin Matthews	Jai Weik
Alexia Husk	Imogen Van Burgel	Rene Pooley	Taylen Farrell
Monique Anoleck			

REMINDER: EARLY CLOSE EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 2.30PM



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EXPLORE GENETICS BY FINDING FAMILY TRAITS

The study of genetics may seem like rocket science to your child, but an introduction to genes doesn't need to be confusing. In fact, we all carry evidence of the way genes work: in our eyes and hair colour, in our earlobes and tongues, and in countless other physical characteristics that we inherit from our parents and grandparents. For a fun family activity to introduce your child to genetics have your child go on a search for dominant and recessive family traits!

What You Need:

- Family genetic traits Chart

What You Do:

- Have your child fill out her/his own genetic characteristics on the chart, and then interview members of the family for their information too. The more details, the better, so use this as an excuse to call up Grandma, Grandpa, aunts and uncles, and whoever else! Your child should ask each person about the following traits:
- What colour hair do you have?
- Do you get freckles on your face?
- Do you have cheek dimples when you smile?
- Are your earlobes attached or do the ends hang free?
- Can you roll your tongue up into a tube?
- Are you double jointed? If so, in what part of your body?



Your child should record the results of her/his interviews, then take a look at the data. The chart should look something like this:

	Hair colour	Freckles	Cheek dimples	Earlobes	Tongue Roll	Double jointed
Me	Brown	Y	Y	Free	Y	Y(thumbs)
Mom	Brown	N	Y	Free	Y	N
Dad	Red	Y	N	Attached	N	Y(elbows)
Sibling A	Brown	Y	Y	Free	Y	Y(elbows)
Sibling B	Brown	Y	Y	Free	Y	Y(thumbs)

To help your child interpret the information on her/his chart here's a quick review of the way genes work:

Humans have two copies of each gene that makes up our physical structure, one from each parent. For example, if you have the tongue roll gene from both parents, you will be able to roll your tongue. However, if the two genes are different, one of them will be "dominant." That means that only the dominant trait will appear. For instance, if you have the free-hanging earlobe gene from your mom, and the attached earlobe gene from you dad, you will probably have free-hanging earlobes, because your mom's gene is the dominant one. Sound confusing? Take a look at your chart. What traits did you inherit from your parents? And if your parents have different hair colour and earlobes, which kind did you (and your siblings, if you have any) inherit? This is probably the dominant gene.

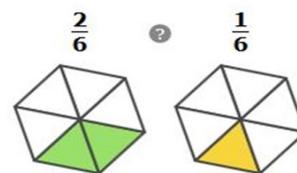
Wondering why your redheaded sister is the only one in the family? She may have inherited a trait from a long-ago relative that stayed "dormant" (asleep) while being passed on.

MATHS MANIA

Maths family fun for everyone! Every entry will receive a passport stamp and a chance to win a prize of your choice from the prize centre. The winning entry will be drawn at our Monday Muster.

Mr Rob Guy
Deputy Principal

Which sign makes the statement true?



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SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWS

Thank you

We would like to extend a big thank you to everyone that participated in the Lapathon a few weeks ago. We are proud to have raised over \$3000 from this event which will help boost our technology stocks in the school. Congratulations also to Chase Elverd who was the winner of the \$50 VISA gift card. Thank you also to everyone that volunteered their time and baked goods to help us at the Athletics Carnival. We raised an additional \$1700 which will be used to purchase some much needed arts supplies. These events can't happen without the support of the school community. Your assistance is very much appreciated and it is what creates a fantastic school spirit.

Open Night 19th September

On Tuesday 19th September, between 5-7pm, our school will be hosting an Open Day with the P&C providing a sausage sizzle dinner. Please come along, have a chat and grab some dinner while you have a look around the school, chat to the teachers and explore your children's classrooms.



Earn and Learn

Just a reminder about the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Wednesday 26th July and Tuesday 19th September 2017. Simply pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and once it is completed, just bring it back to school or drop it into the Collection Box at your local Woolies. The more we collect, the more we can redeem. We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at school.

Our details

To stay up to date with events and requests for volunteers, please visit and like our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Anne-Hamersley-Primary-School-PC-Association-Inc-1558093001148025/> or send us an email at AHPS_pandc@hotmail.com

QUOTE OF THE FORTNIGHT

"Tell me and I forget.

Teach me and I remember.

Involve me and I learn."

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

With best wishes

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HELPERFULNESS

WHAT IS IT?

Helpfulness means trying to make life a little easier for other people. If we are paying attention, we notice when someone else is struggling to complete a task they are asked to do.

We need to move without being told or asked to make it better for someone who is struggling.

HOW TO BE A HELPFUL PERSON

-  **LISTEN AND WATCH** to try and understand what they need help with.
-  **SHARE** your knowledge and skills with others when you see they need help. This can be helping with simple things like carrying something, or finding a lost hat, to harder things like understanding a learning problem.
-  **TAKE TURNS** when there is someone who needs help, remember there are others who would like to help too. Take turns when more than one person wants to help.
-  **DON'T SELECT ONLY ONE PERSON TO HELP.** Everybody needs help at some time. Remember to offer your help to anyone who needs it.
-  **DO YOUR PART.** If everyone helps others or each other, we can inspire others to do the same.
-  **EXPECT APPRECIATION.** Always expect the person you help to show appreciation. A simple thank you tells you that you are appreciated. If someone fails to do this after they have been helped, give them a gentle reminder.
-  **ENCOURAGE PEOPLE** to ask for help. There is no shame in this. We need to cooperate to make our school and homes a better place to live and work in.
-  **DISCOVER THE JOY OF BEING NEEDED.** Helping others has its rewards. The pleasure of feeling needed.



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Become a Community Resilience Champion!



Are you interested in helping to build your community's resilience by speaking to people in your local community about emergency preparedness? Red Cross are working with the City of Swan to help prepare our community for emergencies.

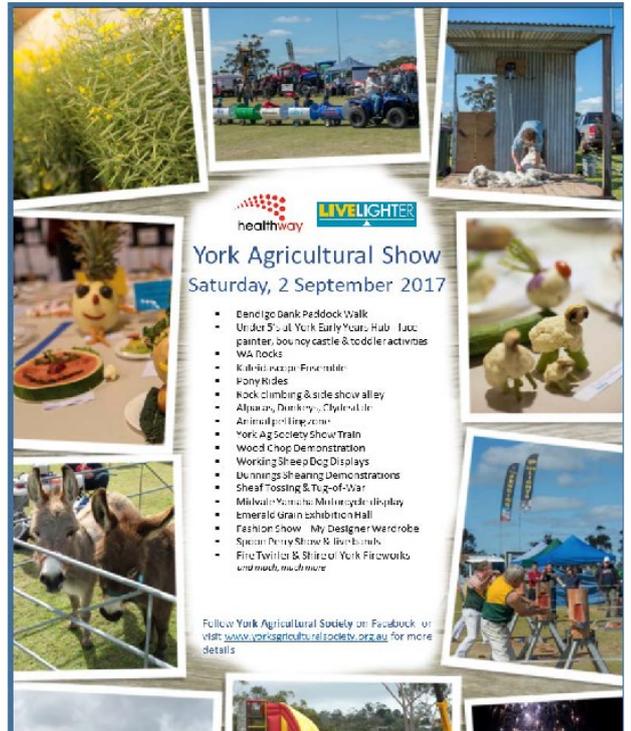
Become a part of a network of volunteers that facilitate discussions on practical ways to increase resilience and really make a difference in YOUR community!

Date: 10 Sept or 22 Oct 2017
Time: 9am – 4pm
Venue: City of Swan Emergency Services Facility
Cnr. Gr Northern Hwy x Bishop Rd
MIDDLE SWAN

For more information or to register call Claire on 9225 1929 or wapreparedness@redcross.org.au



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York Agricultural Show Saturday, 2 September 2017

- Danigo Bank Peddock Walk
- Urdu St. at York Early Years Hub - Juice painter, bouy castle & toddler activities
- WA Trucks
- Kaffirias on Fire table
- Kona Poles
- Rock Climbing & side show alley
- Alpaca, Dainton, Claydon etc.
- Animal painting zone
- York Ag Society Show Train
- Wood Chop Demonstration
- Working Sheep Dog Displays
- Dinnings Shearing Demonstrations
- Sheaf Tossing & Tag-of-War
- Milkwater Machine Milk jug display
- Emersale Grain exhibition Hall
- Fashion Show - My Designer Wardrobe
- Sheep Penning Show & Livestock
- Fire Tactics & Shire of York Fireworks *and much, much more*

Follow York Agricultural Society on Facebook or visit: www.yorkagricultsociety.net/society.org.au for more details



Want to help prepare children for emergencies?

Are you interested in helping children in year 3 and 4 in your local community schools learn about emergency preparedness? Red Cross are working with the City of Swan to help prepare our community for emergencies.

Become a part of a network of volunteers that facilitate a fun and engaging Pillowcase Project lesson teaching students how to make an emergency kit and really make a difference in YOUR community!

Date: 13 Sept or 11 Oct 2017
Time: 9am – 3pm
Venue: City of Swan Emergency Services Facility
Cnr. Gr Northern Hwy x Bishop Rd
MIDDLE SWAN

For more information or to register call Claire on 9225 1929 or wapreparedness@redcross.org.au



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Ellenbrook Secondary College P&C Association

SWAP MEET

Sunday 29th October
8am - 1pm

Ellenbrook Secondary College Carpark
Oval Vista, Ellenbrook

FREE ENTRY FOR BUYERS

SELLERS ADMITTED FROM 6.30AM

Stalls must be pre-booked online via www.trybooking.com/RTL