

THE LANDING POST

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

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Friday	LAST DAY OF
13 April	TERM 1
Tuesday	Students resume
1 May	for TERM 2

Dear Parents and Friends,

Tomorrow marks the end of our first eleven week term. Despite the length of this term, you children have remained focused and continue to give of their best. School holidays commence on Monday 16 April. The first day of Term 2 is a School Development Day. On this day all staff will be engaged in necessary professional learning. *Children will recommence on Tuesday 1 May.*

Later in Term 2, a second designated School Development Day will be held on *Friday 1 June*. You are reminded that the following week is the WA Day holiday - *Monday 4 June*. This will extend the midterm break.

I would like to thank our school community for ensuring that our school continues to provide quality education for all our children.

In particular:

- Our dedicated staff
- Our ever active P&C Association.
- Our School Board who work hard behind the scenes.
- The ever increasing number of parents who volunteer around the school.

ANZAC DAY AT THE SCHOOL - THURSDAY 12 APRIL

Many thanks to the parents and friends who attended the service. I am sure they will agree that this was conducted with the usual decorum it deserved. Our children were just superb in the way the focused on the proceedings and the work they did in class prior to the event.

Thank you also to those who sent along flowers that were used to make the wreaths and our presenters and our newly established choir who topped off the occasion.

My sincere thanks to all staff for ensuring that children are well informed as we head towards the actual ANZAC Day on 25 April. As you are aware, the traditional ANZAC march is broadcast live on commercial television. Our guest of honour, this morning, Wing Commander Brett Mitchell will be leading the parade this year.



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CRAZY HAIR DAY

Last Friday was Crazy Hair Day. Students wore crazy hair to raise money for the Cancer Council of WA. Thank you to everyone who brought in their gold coin donation. We managed to raise \$315 for this worthy cause.

SPELL-A-THON AND SPELLING BEE

A huge thank you to everyone who donated to our recent Spell-a-thon. Thanks to our generous school community, over \$4000 was raised. This money will be used to help subsidise the cost of the 2018 and 2019 Year 6 Camps.

The Spell-a-thon was also immensely successful in creating a spelling buzz around school. It has been wonderful to see so many students working hard to learn their spelling lists. Their confidence and enthusiasm has been contagious!

Our Spell-a-thon has culminated in the very exciting Junior and Senior Spelling Bee events. The Junior Spelling Bee was held last Friday, with the following ten finalists from Years 1 and 2 competing:

Brayden Kearney, Chloe Dean, Lareina Wang, Cruz Morgan, Eva Jorre De St Jorre, James Amato, Thulani Haputhanthree, Rocco Keen, Raphael Arrieta and Willem Naude.

After a wonderfully thrilling twelve rounds, Eva Jorre De St Jorre emerged as our Junior Spelling Bee champion. Our Senior Spelling Bee will take place tomorrow at 9am.

WHY LETTERS

The final day for the WHY? letters was Tuesday 10/04/18. We collected plastic rubbish during recess and lunchtimes for 8 days. All of the students from K-6 participated in this valuable environmental sustainability activity. Mrs Burley along with her husband and 10 of our senior students, were tasked with the messy job of emptying the letters for their return to Redhill Waste Management Facility. Twenty six large bags of plastic waste were collected during these 8 days. Maybe we could think about how we could reduce our plastic waste? Most of the waste collected was in the form of pre-packaged foods from the supermarkets.



KINDERGARTEN 2019

Expressions of Interest open in Term 2 for children starting Kindergarten in 2019 (children born between 1.7.2014 - 30.6.2015). Consideration will be given to students living outside the local intake area. Acceptance of an application, however, does not guarantee enrolment at the same school for the following compulsory year unless the child lives in that school's local-intake area.

For further queries, please phone 9297-7000 or visit us between 8.30am and 3.30pm. Application forms are available from the School Office. **Applications close Friday 20 July 2018.**



TERM 1—WEEK 10 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:

Rocco Koopman	Isabella Samonte	Vyshnavi Thota	Juliette Mackenzie
Kenneth Bropho	Brock Kelly	Elyra Gandy	AJ Scriva
Loreina Wang	Malique Mercieca	Taleesha Lloyd	Nick Clark
Tahnee Neesham	Leoni Robbins	Remy Ford	Isabella Gaden
Michael Bygrave	Benjamin Steele	Perleen Mahal	James Lord
Kari Gutierrez	Aaliyrah Qunitanilla	Deng Reech	



DENTAL SCREENING

The Dental Therapy Staff will be visiting for Dental Screening on Thursday the 21st of June. Dental Screening is a growth and development check for all **enrolled** students in Pre- Primary, Year 3 & 6. This is not a thorough check-up, so parents will not need to be present. If a follow-up appointment is required parents will be contacted. Parents of Pre- Primary children will receive appointments for initial check-ups in the upcoming months. Please ensure all outstanding enrolment forms are returned promptly as only **enrolled** students will be seen. For any further information please contact the Dental Therapy Centre.

ANNE HAMERSLEY DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE (08) 9297 7021

REMINDER: EARLY CLOSE EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 2.30PM



WEIGHT WONDERS: BIG AND LIGHT....HEAVY AND SMALL?

Early year students generally love to think concretely. So if it's a rock, it's heavy. If it's a little box of raisins, it's light. Right? Well, not always...and this discovery is often mind-boggling for little kids. It's also very important as they build their science understanding; in later grades kids will actually study formal scientific concepts of volume, mass, and measurement. Here's a fun activity to help build thinking skills in young scientists and to encourage them to have a blast exploring the world in new ways.

What You Need:

- Variety of objects from around the house (examples: empty egg carton, full juice box, apple, banana, box of raisins, toy block, magazine, small wicker basket, picture frame, toothbrush, coffee mug)
- Kitchen scale (for small items)
- Bathroom scale (for large items)
- Lined paper
- Clipboard
- Pencil

What You Do:

- 1. **Set it up.** Start by telling your child that you will be doing some science together. You'll begin by looking at some regular things and making guesses (hypotheses) about which one is heavier. Check your young scientist's knowledge: how will we know which items are heavier than others? (Expect the answer, "I'll hold them".) Do continue, however: remind your child that to be absolutely accurate, he'll also need to weigh the items. Now help your child make an "observation" chart on his lined paper. Write "Heavy or Light" on the top, and then fold the paper in half lengthwise. He'll use the chart to write the names of objects, or a picture of them if he prefers, and to record which is heavy or light.
- 2. **Gather the items.** Assemble all of the chosen objects on a table or countertop. Ask your child to name or point to two objects. Move those objects so they are next to each other and separate from the other objects. It's important for *you* to do this step, as your child will get a chance to handle the objects later in the activity.
- 3. **Make predictions.** Ask your child just to look at both objects she selected. Look at their height, length, shape, and any other distinctive features. Ask her to tell you, just from looking at them, which object she thinks is heavier.
- 4. **Evaluate.** Once your child has guessed, ask her to pick up the objects. Ideally one in each hand works the best, but if an object is too heavy, it may be picked up individually. Ask your child if she wants to change her guess or keep it the same.
- 5. **Weigh in.** Using a kitchen or bathroom scale (whichever is more appropriate) weigh the two objects. Was your child right? If not, can she figure out why their guess was wrong? Talk about how the scale measures the mass (weight) of an object, but some things may have lots of volume (size) with very little mass. Write the weight of each object below its name or picture on the observation chart.
- 6. **Repeat.** Place those objects aside and ask your child to pick two more to compare.

Repeat these steps as long as your child is interested in the activity...and don't hesitate to pull it out as you explore new things, whether it's seashells from the beach or pinecones from the forest. The world is crammed with exciting reminders that when it comes to volume and mass, what you see is not always what you get...and that's a very cool thing indeed.

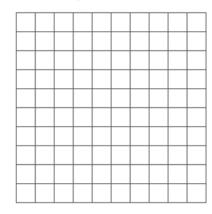
MATHS MANIA

Maths family fun for everyone!

Every entry will receive a passport stamp and a chance to win a prize of your choice from the price centre. The winning entry will be drawn at our Monday Muster.

MR GUY
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Shade in a shape with an area of 15 square units.





I'M BORED....IT'S HOLIDAY TIME

There's nothing worse than getting hit with the "I'm bored!" statement every day of the school holidays. To help combat this, we've put together a few suggestions (some you can do without even leaving the house).

AT HOME

- Hold a LEGO building contest
- Backyard cricket
- Blowing Bubbles
- Clothesline art show
- Rubber glove puppets
- Make a cardboard box car
- Make an obstacle course with any objects that can be jumped over, crawled under, gone around and over.
- Make an outdoor tent or cubby
- Go for a walk around your neighbourhood and make a neighbourhood map
- Fun under the sprinkler
- Make a treasure hunt in the backyard
- Hold a cupcake/cookie decorating competition
- Enjoy a movie or series marathon. Remember to sit with them and enjoy it too!
- Organise a bug hunt in the backyard
- Let the kids loose in your wardrobe to put on a fashion parade
- Turn the dining table into a cubby
- Have a craft day
- Grow a herb garden
- Make a home movie or stage a show
- Teach the dog some new tricks!
- Cooking with kids
- Make an Indoor bowling alley with empty plastic bottles and a ball
- Make paper planes and have competitions who's can stay in the air the longest and travel the furthest.

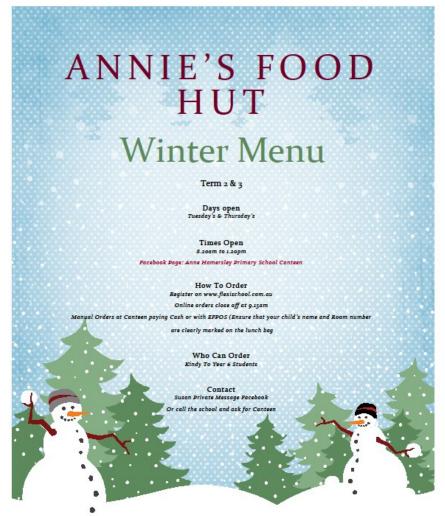
OUT AND ABOUT

- Get the bikes out and head to Peachey Park Kewdale *FREE*. There are 11 adventure bike track challenges there. Suitable for all ages.
- Go to the Kids DIY Activities at Bunnings *FREE*. Contact your local Bunnings store to find out what's happening this school holidays. www.bunnings.com.au
- Check out the activities at your local library.
- Explore the Rio Tinto NatureScape at Kings Park *FREE*. Build a cubby, wade in the water, climb rocks and more! Note: the NatureScape is not open every day so check the website to avoid disappointment
- Explore Synergy Parkland *FREE*. See dinosaurs and find fossils, and play on the island playground (not recommended for children under 4 as the playground is located in the middle of the water) but an awesome adventure playground for older children.
- Climb DNA Tower Kings Park *FREE*. Climb to the top of DNA Tower either drive or take the 30-40min round walk from Synergy Parkland While you are there see if you can find the hidden Geocache!
- Walk the treetops at Kings Park along the Lotterywest Federation Walkway*FREE*. Get a beautiful view of the city and enjoy this short walk along the treetops in Kings Park.
- Have a play at the Ivey Watson Lotterywest Family Area *FREE*. Great large play area for kids 5 years and under. Mostly enclosed with perimeter fencing. Bring a picnic lunch or buy lunch or a coffee at Sticky Beaks Cafe located within the play area.
- Go to the Galaxy Drive In Kingsley to watch movies at night from the luxury of your own car. Take a step back in time! Tuesday nights is only \$20 per car! Great family movies showing over the school holidays, with two movies screened one after the other on weekends.



- Watch the planes take off from the Perth Airport Viewing Platform *FREE*
- Visit the DFES Education & Heritage Centre Perth *FREE*. It's free and open Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays. They run school holiday activities and can dress up like a fire fighter and have their photo taken.
- Ride the train to the City, Fremantle or Mandurah. Make sure you choose a Family Rider ticket and the family can ride all day (7 people, max 2 standard fares).
- Visit the WA Maritime Museum. The WA Maritime Museum is symbolic of Fremantle's past, present and future as a coastal city and port. Kids enter free and there are activities on during the school holidays.
- Do the Treetop Walk at Pioneer Park Gosnells. Beautiful long boardwalk leads to a little piece of nature paradise with shaded playground below.
- Go to a playground you've never been to before. Catch a bus or a train (or both) to a new suburb. They have fantastic new playgrounds.

MRS BELL
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL









WHAT'S WITH WORM WHIZZ? A worm farm produces vermicast, a soil-like mineral, and a 'juice' which are both nutrient rich and make an ideal natural fertilisers to improve the health of the plants in your garden.



It is nutrient rich!

You will be
supporting the
Sustainability

GOT A GREEN
THUMB?
I-like Please see
rient Miss Parkes





SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWS

Mother's Day Morning Tea - Friday 11th May 2018

An invitation to the Mother's Day Morning Tea was sent out this week, Morning Tea to be held in the undercover area on Friday 11th May at 8:45am. Please bring a plate of something sweet or savoury to share amongst all the wonderful ladies. If you have a traditional or favourite family recipe that you wouldn't mind sharing with us, please bring a copy along. Tea and Coffee will be avail-

able to purchase.

Mother's Day Stall – Thursday 10th May and Friday 11th May

Our Annual Mother's Day Stall will be held in the undercover area, Classes will be allotted times for students to come and purchase items. Items range in price from \$1 - \$6. Please send money with children to school in sealed and labelled bags/envelopes to be given to the class teacher on Thursday 10th May.

Coles Sport for School's Vouchers

We would like to thank all the families that collected the Coles vouchers on the school behalf. We would also like to thank Jennifer Phillips for single handily counting all tickets for us. We look forward to getting some new sports equipment in the coming months.

Next P&C Meeting - 29th May 2018

Please keep a reminder in your diaries for the next P&C Meeting to be held Tuesday 29th May, everyone is welcome to join the P&C and your help is always appreciated.

Ice-block Fridays

Children can purchase icy poles on Friday lunchtimes for \$1.00 full icy pole, 50c half and juice boxes are \$1.00. We are looking at increasing our offerings to include Slushies in the near future. We are often in need of additional volunteers on Fridays for 30-45 minutes during lunchtime in the school canteen. If you are able to assist, can you please let us know via the details below.

Our details

If you have any suggestions or ideas you would like to share with us, please keep your eyes peeled for our new Suggestions Box that will appear in the front office soon. To stay up to date with events and requests for volunteers or to contact us at any time, 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

THOUGHTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

THE SIX VITAL INGREDIENTS OF SELF ESTEEM
PHYSICAL SAFETY: Freedom from physical harm.
EMOTIONAL SECURITY: The absence of intimidations and fear
IDENTITY: The "Who am !?" question.
AFFILIATION: A sense of belonging
COMPETENCE: A sense of feeling capable
MISSION: The feeling that one's life has meaning and direction.

Have restful holiday, enjoying each precious moment we are presented with by our children.

With best wishes

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CAMP AUSTRALIA NEWS



- Playing with triends
 Great Educators



Register your free account today

From time to time, plans can change last minute - this can be very stressful on parents. And that's why we encourage all families to register for an account, even if you do not plan on using the program yet.

Registration is as easy as 1, 2, 3 and best of all, it's free!

Why you should register for an account:

- You can quickly book into the program whenever you need
- You will have all the information that you need to help ensure that your children have a safe and enjoyable time in the program
- You will receive a full information pack about the program

If you have any questions on how to register for an account, feel free to drop by our program and ask our friendly team. You can also contact our Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 - available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

From the Team at Camp Australia

Program details

To find out more about the program, view fees and to register visit www.campaustralia.com.au

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we make kids smile



Great fun in Outside School Hours Care

Our Out of School Hours' Care programs are always so much fun! That's because our programs consist of a range of activities that allow your child to learn something new every single day, such as:

- Indoor and outdoor play time fun free time play promotes physical wellbeing and an active lifestyle. We find that indoor and outdoor fun also helps your child to unwind outside of school
- Creative time we always allow time for creative outlet activities in the program. We believe that arts and crafts help to extend and encourage your child's interests, imagination and self-
- Manipulative and logical play we provide the necessary resources to allow your child to learn new things through seeing, feeling, reading and doing, such as playing with building blocks, conducting scientific experiments as well as cooking
- Social and development skills we help to build your child's communication and social development skills through group co-operation and community involvement games and activities
- Homework and quiet time it's important that we allow your child to have the flexibility to sit and read or do their homework, should they prefer some quiet time outside of school hours

School Holiday Fun

The school holidays are almost here and Camp Australia has a gre into art, sport or building, there are activities to suit all children.











To find out more about the activities on offer and to book, visit: www.

We welcome you to visit our program at any time. You'll also meet the team and will have an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have about the program.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.

From the Team at Camp A

visit www.campaustralia.com.au



Enjoy your school holidays!











To find a Holiday Club program at your school (or a school near you) and to book visit www.c

We look forward to seeing you and your family during the school holidays.

The Camp Australia Holiday Club Team

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