



**ANNE HAMERSLEY**  
Primary School

# THE LANDING POST

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

**ROD W. SIMEONS - PRINCIPAL**

Volume 4—Issue 1



Tuesday 12 February	P & C AGM 3.30pm Library
Wednesday 20 February	Parent Meet and Greet

Dear Parents and Friends,



## WELCOME BACK TO ACADEMIC YEAR 2019

It was a delight to welcome our children back for the Academic Year 2019 on Monday 4 February. As we have come to expect they were beautifully dressed in FULL uniform. What was particularly pleasing was the fact that most children had the regulation black shoes on. Thank you parents for ensuring that our school continues to stand out with its dress code, behaviour and academic performance.

Thank you also for ensuring that all items on the Booklist were provided. Class teachers, depending on the age of the children, make a decision to "pool" stationery and set up a sharing system or ask children to only bring items they require immediately in their pencil cases.

The main cause to celebrate is that our children are well settled in their new rooms, making new friends and playing with long standing friends before school, and during recess and lunch.

Please note children will need to be supervised by parents whilst playing on the school grounds after school. Parents of Pre Primary and Kindergarten children are asked to watch their non-school age children closely as they have in the past used equipment that has been set up for **particular use** in the classroom and in the school yard.

## SCHOOL NUMBERS

We have commenced the school year with 480 children. A special welcome to our new children who have settled in quickly. Thank you to the parents of these children for ensuring that they looked part of our school community in full uniform. This has helped them to integrate and feel part of the school already. With the building activity in the area flourishing, it is likely that we will continue to enrol children at our school. This could result in a restructure of classes. However as far as practicable I will try and avoid this situation.



## WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST STUDENTS

This year we have Kindergarten classes every day of the week. This is because we now have 80 children enrolled. We extend a warm welcome to our newest Anne Hamersley students – our Kindergarten children. We wish them well as they have their first experience with the joys of discovery, learning and the establishment of friendship circles. We will continue to develop their social skills. Congratulations on making such a good start with them. This and the fact that the majority of them attended our 3 year old pre-Kindergarten classes last year has ensured that they have a flying start.

## WELCOME AND CONGRATULATION TO OUR NEW BATCH OF CAPTAINS AND COUNCILLORS

Congratulations to our new batch of Captains and Councillors :

Aaliryah	Quintanilla	School Captain
Jett	Morgan	School Captain
Kaziah-Lee	Wawatai	School Councillor
Imogen	Van Burgel	School Councillor
Shyla	Tawhai	School Councillor

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## STAFF 2019

The following is list of all staff who will start off the academic year 2019 :

**PRINCIPAL** Mr Rod Simeons  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPALS** Mr Rob Guy  
Mrs Paula Bell

**SUPPORT STAFF**  
Manager Corporate Services Mrs Lisa Snell  
Administration Mrs Yvonne Barry  
Mrs Alison Barklam  
Library Officer Mrs Vicki White

### LEARNING COMMUNITY Teaching Staff

<b>Amity 1</b>	Mrs Andrea Griffin	Kindy Green/ Kindy Blue
<b>Amity 2</b>	Miss Holli O'Brien	Kindy Yellow/ Kindy Red
<b>Amity 3</b>	Mrs Clare Oliver	Pre Primary
<b>Amity 4</b>	Miss Katie Anderson	Pre Primary
<b>Amity 5</b>	Miss Danella Brown	Year 1
<b>Parmelia 1</b>	Mrs Lauren Burley	Year 1
<b>Parmelia 2</b>	Mrs Roslyn Smyth	Year 1
<b>Parmelia 3</b>	Mrs Tania Butcher	Year 1/2
<b>Parmelia 4</b>	Miss Shiralee Hamer	Year 2
<b>Parmelia 5</b>	Mrs Rita Wu	Year 2
<b>Calista 1</b>	Miss Hannah Tillotson	Year 2/3
<b>Calista 2</b>	Mrs Frances Ashby	Year 2
<b>Calista 3</b>	Mrs Alyson Pegoraro	Year 3
<b>Calista 4</b>	Mrs Emily Higgs	Year 3/4
<b>Orelia 1</b>	Miss Brooke Lowe	Year 5
<b>Orelia 2</b>	Mrs Alison Williams	Year 5/6
<b>Orelia 3</b>	Mrs Narelle Salomon	Year 6
<b>Orelia 5</b>	Miss Nicole Davis	Year 4/5
<b>Orelia 6</b>	Miss Lauren Chambers	Year 4

### Specialist Teaching

**Phys Ed** Mr Brendan Hall  
**Art** Mrs Lara Oliver  
**Music** Ms Leanne Burling  
**Science** Mrs Alison Walker

### Education Assistants—Mainstream

Amity 1 - Kindy Green/ Blue	Mrs Emma Matinca
Amity 2 - Kindy Yellow/Red	Ms Annette Long
Amity 3 - Pre Primary	Mrs Maria Rankine/ Miss Jess Mickan
Amity 4 - Pre Primary	Mrs Debbie O'Neill/ Miss Jess Mickan

### Education Assistants—Special Needs

Miss Kaliopé Pattes  
Mrs Lorraine Salt  
Mrs Nikki Morland  
Mrs Danielle Lenson  
Mrs Kylie Bosman

### GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS

**Facilities Manager**  
Mr Kym Egan  
**Cleaner in Charge**  
Mrs Boonma Draper  
**Cleaners**  
Mrs Teriza Ayat  
Mrs Tabitha Ruach  
Mrs Abuk Ngong

### OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES

<b>SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST</b>	Ms Sarah McLean (Every Thursday)
<b>SCHOOL CHAPLAIN</b>	Ms Jennifer Hawker (Every Monday)
<b>CAMP AUSTRALIA</b>	Phone: 1300 105 343
<b>SCHOOL CANTEEN</b>	Jo and Susan (Tuesday & Thursday) Phone: 9297 7017
<b>DENTAL THERAPY</b>	Phone: 9297 7021



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## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Accompanying this Landing Post is a Term calendar. As far as practicable, this shows the major events for the term. You are asked to display this prominently in your home, reminding your children of coming events and marking your own calendar.



## A REQUEST FOR PAYMENT

Voluntary Contributions and Charges are now due. These charges are for the whole year and are used to purchase all the added extras that enable us to provide quality education for your children. You are reminded that we have EFTPOS facilities which can be used to pay off any school expenses. This includes fees, excursions and incursions. As a community, we are looking forward to a highly successful year, one where your children can grow and a support team can provide the expertise our children require.

- **Kindergarten**      **\$50.00**
- **PP - Year 6**        **\$60.00**

## PARENT MEET AND GREET-WEEK 3 - WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY

A tradition established from the foundation of the school is for teachers to conduct a special meeting to meet and greet parents. At this meeting parents will be familiarised with the class culture and the way classes are conducted. Also discussed will be the ways in which parents can engage with the school and assist their children at home. A Handbook setting down all matters discussed will be available. In an effort to ensure that all parents are able to attend the following times are available for you to attend. Both presentations will contain identical information.

- Session 1      2.40-3.10
- Session 2      5.00-5.30

Please remember that I have an "open door" policy. So do come in and discuss any issue that may be causing you concern. Of course there are times when you may require to call administration and make an appointment. Teachers have similar availability but also require that you make an appointment to see them.

## QUOTE FOR THE FORTNIGHT

*"When given the choice between being right or being kind, choose KIND."*

*Dr Wayne W Dyer*

*With best wishes*

**RW SIMEONS**  
**PRINCIPAL**

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## ABSENCES, LATE TO SCHOOL AND VACATIONS

Students that are late to school, arriving after 8:40am, must report to the Administration Office to receive a late note stating the reasons for lateness. The late notes are handed to their class teacher after leaving the front office as a record.

If your child is unwell, please contact the school office on the day to inform the school about the student absence. The school can also be informed by means of an email or SMS, before the start of the school day. If the school has not been notified by phone, email or SMS an absence note has to be provided when the student returns to school.

**School email:** [annehamersley.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:annehamersley.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

**SMS:** 0438 914 065

**Phone:** (08) 9297 7000 (8.30am - 3.30pm)

There has been a substantial increase in the amount of students away during the school calendar year. The school cannot endorse vacations during regular school terms but have an understanding of special circumstances that may arise to finding shared family time. Please forward all vacation written requests to the Principal, outlining the dates your child will be away and the valid reason. All emails can be forwarded to: [Rodney.Simeons@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Rodney.Simeons@education.wa.edu.au)

The table below shows the impact and significance of student absenteeism:

PERIOD OF ABSENCE	ATTENDANCE RATE	EQUIVALENT AMOUNT OF SCHOOL MISSED IF % RATE IS MAINTAINED BETWEEN PP AND YEAR 10
0-2.5 days missed per term	95—100%	0 - 6 months
Average of 5 days missed per term	90%	1 Year
1 day per week	80%	2 Years
1.5 days per week	70%	3 Years
2 days per week	60%	4 Years
2.5 days per week	50%	5 Years
3 days per week	40%	6 Years



**connect**  
Connecting education

## INDRODUCTION OF CONNECT TO AHPS - WHAT IS CONNECT?

We are pleased to announce that Connect is now being implemented in our school. Connect is an integrated online environment developed by the Department of Education WA for staff, students and parents in public schools. Check out the short video clip on Connect at <https://vimeo.com/connectwa/welcome> It will give our teachers a tool to deliver content to the students via an online classroom. This means your children will be able to share with you what they are learning about, submit assignments and discuss issues together online anywhere, anytime. For you, Connect provides easy access to information relevant to your child's classes and learning such as assessments, teacher feedback and attendance data. Schools can use Connect to keep you updated with important information. Things like up-coming events, excursions, classroom activities, photos and stories can be sent to you via email or, if you prefer, via a push notification on your phone. Download Connect Now from the [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).

In coming weeks you will receive secure login information to Connect via the email address we have on file for you. If you have recently changed your email address please let us know by emailing [annehamersley.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:annehamersley.ps@education.wa.edu.au) so we can update our details.



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## 150 NIGHTS OF READING IS BACK!!!

We have already had many students achieving a book prize this year for participating in the **AHPS Summer Reading Challenge**. 150 Nights of Reading starts now. If your child is an avid reader, they can also achieve 300 nights of Reading.

### Rules

1. Read every night and/or morning
2. Read on weekends
3. Read on holidays
4. Read books, magazines, newspapers, comics, Bug club, paper books and online books
5. Record in your home reading record
6. Get a parent or carer to sign it
7. Make sure your teacher checks your reading folder every week
8. Kindy students can be read to, to achieve their nights of reading.
9. Teachers will hand out certificates in class.
10. Mrs Bell will present the book awards at Monday Muster.

### Certificates and Book prizes

- 50 Nights-certificate
- 100 Nights-certificate
- 150 Nights-Book prize
- 200 Nights-certificate
- 250 Nights- certificate
- 300 Nights-Book prize



Remind your child to read every day. Let's get them into good reading routines.

### Parent Helpers Wanted - Term 1 Parent Reading Course

*Wednesday 27th, Week 4, Term 1 - 8.50am in the Library*

Parents who would like to help children practice their reading. Any parents wanting to be a home reading helper must attend this short course. Welcome back all of the dedicated parents who helped last year.

Gentle reminder-**Confidentiality** is a must. Reading levels and student progress is not to be discussed out of the classroom. Teachers, Education Assistants and parents work together in a trusting relationship.

Please email Mrs Bell at [paula.bell@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:paula.bell@education.wa.edu.au) if you'd like to register your interest

Warmest wishes,

**Mrs Bell**  
Deputy Principal



## A RAPID ROUNDING GAME

As students begin to work on more complex computations, they will need some way to quickly double check their answers. That's why rounding is such an important skill set to master. The good part? "Rapid Fire Rounding" can be fun. This game will help your child practice this skill and get her adrenaline rushing.

### What You Need:

- 9 pieces of poster card in various colours
- masking tape
- large black marker
- index cards
- stop watch



### What You Do:

1. Label the poster boards by hundreds from 100 to 900 (100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900). Each poster board should have one number on it. Tape these all in a row to the ground outside, or in an open space in your home where it's okay to stomp on them.
2. On the index cards, write a variety of numbers from 100 to 900, such as 136, 879, 510, etc... There should be about 40 cards.
3. Tell your child that you are going to hand him a card, and he has to round the number to the nearest hundreds place and then jump on the correct answer as quickly as he can. After three tries to get the slickest time, switch places. Now it's your turn to claim the title as the fastest rounder!
4. After a few rounds like this, shuffle the poster boards around so that they are no longer in order, but all mixed up. How does this affect your time?

This game is especially helpful to kids who struggle with pen and pencil sitting tasks. In this activity, there's nothing like "voting with your feet" when it comes to understanding how this math concept works.

## MATHS MANIA

What is the ratio of triangles to rectangles?



2:1

2:3

1:2

3:2

**Mr Guy**  
Deputy Principal



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P&C ASSOCIATION INC.

## **SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWS** **Updates from your P&C Association**

### **2019 Annual General Meeting – Tuesday 12th February 2019**

The 2019 Anne Hamersley Primary School P&C Association Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th February 2019 in the school library commencing at 3.30pm. Following acceptance of the minutes from the last 2018 meeting, all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- 3 x Executive Members

All current P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions. The AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only financial members are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions. Financial membership consists of a \$1 annual fee. We understand that this time slot may not be suitable for everyone to attend, however you are still able to become a member of the P&C by submitting a membership application. The AGM will be a short meeting to nominate and vote in the new 2019 committee, a general P&C Meeting will then be scheduled for later in Term 1.

#### ***The role of the P&C President***

The President is the meeting Chairperson, the public face of the P&C and can be a link between parents and the school administration. During a meeting it is important that the President ensures there is a motion to be voted on and conducts productive/orderly meetings by:

- Maintaining control
- Ruling on points of procedure
- Stopping people from speaking out of turn
- Encouraging participation by all members
- Closing debate by summing up

The President is also a signatory to the bank accounts, needs to ensure other Office Bearers fulfil their duties, handles media and all external enquiries, observes constitutional formalities and is an ex officio member of all sub committees.

#### ***The role of the Vice President***

The Vice President is the understudy for the President to undertake the Presidents duties if they unable to do so, including chairing meetings when the President is absent or has a conflict of interest. The Vice President can represent the President on sub committees and is a signatory to the bank accounts.

#### ***The role of the Secretary***

The Secretary maintains the Association's records (NOT the financial records). They must:

- Post notice of meetings
- Assist Chairperson in drawing up agenda
- Record minutes
- Deal with correspondence
- Maintain a register of members • Be a signatory to the bank accounts • Observe constitutional formalities

It is important that when taking the minutes the Secretary documents that a discussion on a particular subject took place, what decision was made, who will follow-up on the resolution and the time frame. P&C documents that must be archived are the minute books and document register. All correspondence that is not of an ongoing nature need not be retained for longer than 12 months, provided they have been listed in the correspondence log.



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## ***The role of the Treasurer***

The Treasurer maintains the Association's financial records.

It is important to establish and maintain SIMPLE procedures for handling the Association's money:

- Always issue receipts
- 2 people to count money and the receipt signed by both
- Bank all money received
- 2 people to sign cheques (avoid conflict of interest)
- To sight an invoice before signing cheques
- Never sign blank cheques

It is the responsibility of the Treasurer to prepare and present a WRITTEN report for every General Meeting, including an up-to-date bank reconciliation, a copy of the most recent bank statement and a statement of receipts and payments.

Other responsibilities include:

- Preparing the books for audit.
- Management of all the P&C's accounts including overseeing ALL sub committees.
- Completion of tax and superannuation related documents as necessary.

All financial records must be kept for a minimum of 7 years, this includes personnel records of employees must be kept for the time of their employment and for 7 years after termination/ resignation.

As always the P&C can not function without your much needed support, and tireless volunteers therefore we would call upon you to join us for a very exciting 2019!



Updat-ed

## **UPDAT-ED APP FOR ANNE HAMERSLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL GET CONNECTED!!!**

Our AHPS App has proven to be a hit for parents and friends who have downloaded our App. If you have not yet downloaded the app, please read the information below and follow the simple steps to be added to our database.

The Anne Hamersley Primary School **Updat-ed** app is great for receiving alerts and reminders sent to the school community. One of the app's best features is the ability to save events directly into your phone's calendar and link you to the school website with one click to view the latest newsletter or photos taken of event around the school.



### **Download instructions:**

1. Download the Anne Hamersley Primary School app by visiting the App Store for iPhones or Google Play for Android's.
2. Search for 'Updat-ed by sponsor-ed'
3. Select Anne Hamersley Primary School from the menu.
4. After selection the school will receive your registration request and will need to approve you before your app is up and running.



**REMINDER: EARLY CLOSE EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 2.30PM**

## 2019 TERM 1

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	4 February	5 February	6 February Early Close 2.30pm	7 February	8 February	9 February	10 February
2	11 February	12 February P & C AGM	13 February Early Close 2.30pm	14 February	15 February	16 February	17 February
3	18 February	19 February	20 February Early Close 2.30pm	21 February	22 February P & C Lunch order	23 February	24 February
4	25 February	26 February	27 February Visit by Singapore Teachers Early Close 2.30pm	28 February	1 March Student Councilors Dress up Day	2 March	3 March
5	4 March LABOUR DAY	5 March BOARD MEETING 5PM	6 March March crunch and Sip Early Close 2.30pm	7 March	8 March	9 March	10 March
6	11 March	12 March	13 March Early Close 2.30pm	14 March	15 March	16 March	17 March
7	18 March Easter Egg donations	19 March	20 March Early Close 2.30pm	21 March	22 March P & C Movie Night	23 March	24 March
8	25 March Easter Raffle tickets	26 March	27 March Early Close 2.30pm	28 March	29 March	30 March	31 March
9	1 April	2 April P & C Meeting	3 April Early Close 2.30pm	4 April Raffle tickets back	5 April Summer Carnival EDOS/Coolamon Ova1	6 April	7 April
10	8 April Easter Raffle drawn	9 April ANZAC CEREMONY	10 April Year 6 Camp Early Close 2.30pm	11 April Year 6 Camp	12 April Year 6 Camp	13 April	14 April



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# COMMUNITY NEWS



Life Skills  
Creative Time  
New Experiences  
Construction & Manipulative Play  
Outdoor Play Time  
Homework & Quiet Time

To book, visit:  
[www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)  
or call 1300 105 343

## Welcome 2019!

A very warm welcome back to everyone, and a special welcome to families new to the school and our program. We are excited to have you all with us for Term 1 and beyond.

We know how busy yet fulfilling being a parent can be, especially at this time of the school year... that's why we are here to help! We look after children in the crucial times before school, after school – and between terms too. Our care programs are well-rounded, meaningful and affordable, based on 30 years of experience. Most importantly, while your child is at school and in our care, you know that they are safe.

### Register Your Child Now

To attend our care, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login). Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your booking options online via our parent portal. If you have an irregular schedule and think that you may need to make changes often and last minute, our Gold Account option provides you with the flexibility to book or cancel up to two hours prior to each session. If eligible, to help you with the cost of child care, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy.

### Program Details

For more information on our service and fees, you may visit our website [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au). If you prefer to speak to us, you can contact our exceptional Customer Care Team that is available to support our families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except for National Public Holidays. Alternatively, you're welcome to visit us in service and chat with our qualified Educators about the Camp Australia program at your child's school.



We look forward to seeing you and your family soon!  
From the Team at Camp Australia

Safety • Meaningful • Innovative • Leadership • Education  
*we make kids smile*



## Drums, Keyboard & Guitar Lessons On School Campus!



### Instrumental Music Programs – On School Campus!

- Please **ENROL TODAY** – via PMI's website OR enrolment forms available at your school front office
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – with lessons outside of school hours
- **Drum Ensembles**
- \$8.95 per child per ensemble (15-25 students for 30-45 minute)
- Exciting drums program starting with "bucket drums" – a loud ensemble that builds rhythm, requires teamwork and sounds incredible!
- PMI teachers supply percussion instruments for ensembles
- **Keyboard & Guitar Lessons**
- \$15.95 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music
- Private lessons also available (\$32.95 per child for 30 minutes)
- Learning plan for all students via "PMI Stars" program – structured objectives with progress visibility
- PMI teachers supply keyboards and textbooks for keyboard lessons (students bring their own guitars)
- Ten minutes per day of practice at home is all that is required to see improvement!
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination
- Limited spaces available – so please enrol ASAP

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