



**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

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Friday 5 April	EISA Summer Carnival
Monday 8 April	Easter Raffle Drawn
Tuesday 9 April	AHPS Anzac Ceremony 9.00 am
Wednesday 10 April to Friday 12 April	Year 6 School Camp
Friday 12 April	Last day of term
Monday 29 April	Term 2 Students return

Dear Parents and Guardians,

LOOKING BACK ON A WONDERFUL WEEK

HARMONY DAY

Many thanks to the parents and extended families who attended our Thursday Assembly and joined us later for a picnic on the lawns. Our children were in good voice as they all sang the Community Song – **Our World** - that reflected the spirit of Harmony Day, a day that celebrates Australia's cultural diversity, our inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. Congratulations also to our two percussion groups from Orelia 2 and Orelia 3. Their presentation was followed by a superb rendition of **A Million Dreams** by our choir.

Thank you to all parents who dressed their children in their national costumes for this occasion.

Later in the day a huge gathering of parents elected to lunch with their children on the lawns. This was a great experience for our children and gave teachers an opportunity to meet with some parents and see the closeness of our families.

The central message we tried to relay to our children for Harmony Day is that 'everyone belongs', reinforcing the importance of inclusiveness to all Australians.

The photos on pages 8-10 show some of the other activities that the children enjoyed through the week – Grandparents Day, and group rotations that produced the most exquisite art work on pebbles and art paper. In particular my thanks to the Grandparents who brought to our children, experiences from the past with the way they were narratives.

OUR INTER HOUSE COMPETITION

One of the honours our children enjoy is winning House Tokens for a variety of good behaviors. All tokens are tallied up each week and the winning House announced at Monday Muster. A running total identifies the winning House for the term. These children are rewarded with a sausage sizzle. Congratulations to Hopman for winning this term. Their reward was this Wednesday 3 April.

SUMMER CARNIVAL – FRIDAY 5 APRIL

All the best to our competing teams – Cricket, Tee-Ball, Tennis and Rugby Tag . Matches will be played on Ellenbrook District Open Space and Coolamon Oval. All parents and friends are invited to come along and cheer our children on.

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## ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION

Our Anne Hamersley ANZAC Service will be held on Tuesday 9 April 2019 at 9:00am. The Service will be held in the open space in front of our under cover area, adjacent to our school flagpoles. Parents, guardians and friends are welcome to attend. Our guest list will include several community leaders taking part in the ceremony. Students will be involved in the wreath making and will be responsible for the creation of their own class or joint class wreaths with their class teacher. Class representatives will have the honour of laying class wreaths during the ceremonial proceedings. Teachers will communicate with parents if any assistance or donations are required for our ANZAC class wreath preparation. If there are any further enquiries please contact your child's class teacher or Mr Rob Guy for information or assistance.



## BOARD VACANCIES

Anne Hamersley Primary School Board has Vacancies for members. The Board plays a key role in the governance of the School, oversees the schools priorities and directions including the Business and Financial Plans. If you have sound judgment, a willingness to collaborate and a sincere interest in public education in our community, you might consider running for School Board.

The Board is a great way to be involved, to learn about the School and contribute to its achieving its vision. The Board usually meets once a term on a Monday evening. The workload is not onerous but what we need is engaged, thoughtful parents willing to be a part of making the School a School of excellence. Parents are invited to ring (**9297 7000**) or email the Principal for more information and to express your interest.

Kind Regards

Michelle Carroll

Chair of Board

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## QUOTE OF THE FORTNIGHT

*Since you cannot do good to all, you are to pay special attention to those who, by the accidents of time, or place, or circumstances, are brought into closer connection with you.*

(Saint Augustine)

*With best wishes*

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**PRINCIPAL**

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### **GRIP Leadership Conference**

Last Wednesday, Mr Guy, Mrs Salomon and the student councillors drove to the city to attend the Grip Leadership Conference. This student leadership conference was split into three sessions. The first was about developing yourself to lead. In this session we learnt the four core qualities of a leader; confidence with humility, others focussed, reliability and empathy. The second session was about making a difference to your team and school. In this session, we learnt about how we can contribute to our school culture. The last session was about making a difference to society. In this session, we learnt about choosing causes that we have a connection to, and how to make the world a better place, one small step at a time.

We had a great day and would like to sincerely thank Mr Simeons for organising this wonderful trip, and Mr Guy and Mrs Salomon for accompanying us.

***Imogen van Burgel – Student Councillor***





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

### 2019 Anne Hamersley Primary School P&C Committee

With the ongoing support from the school community the P&C was able to fund the purchase of the online learning program **Bug Club** and **Sound Waves**, we were also able to purchase a new edition of **Jump Jam**. It is through your support that we are able to purchase these learning tools for the children of Anne Hamersley Primary School.

**Request for donations for our annual Easter Raffle.** If you could spare an Easter Egg or Easter item that we could make Easter baskets with for the upcoming raffle they would be greatly appreciated. Last year due to the generous donations we made up 17 prizes. Donations needed by Thursday 04/04/19.

Raffle tickets have gone home, if you require more tickets you can get them from the office, tickets due back on Friday 05/04/2019.

Remember all proceeds go directly to the school!



### ICY POLE FRIDAY

Icy Pole Friday is every FRIDAY!

Available for all year groups, \$1 Icy Poles and \$1 Juice Boxes. At lunchtime from the canteen.

### MOTHER'S DAY – TERM 2

We are very excited to bring you the annual Mother's Day stall in Term 2, Week 2, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of May. A brochure of some of the beautiful gifts that will be available to purchase will go home in the first week of Term 2, gifts starting from \$1.

### REQUEST FOR NEW MEMBERS - WE NEED YOU!

The P&C are looking at running some exciting new events in the coming months BUT we need your HELP!!! We need your new ideas and suggestions, if you would like to see something different within the P&C let us know.

At present we have a P&C Survey available for you to take part in, this will help get an idea on what you would like from us and how you can contribute to the school. The link can be found on the P&C Facebook page Anne Hamersley Primary School P&C Association Inc. please join us and keep up to date with events and notices.

As it stands, we have 14 P&C Members in a school of 480 students!!

If you can't make it to meetings it's no problem, if you can spare an hour or so to set up or pack up an event, or just to bounce ideas off of, you can be involved and have a say!

### NEXT P&C MEETING

After a discussion with Mr Simeons the next P&C meeting will be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019 after the school assembly in the Staffroom, morning tea will be provided. So far we have not had enough expression of interest to have an evening meeting as we need to have a minimum of 10 members in attendance to hold a meeting.

### Many hands make light work, together we can achieve anything!!

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](mailto:AHPS_pandc@hotmail.com)



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## BUSY BEE

This Sunday we will be getting together to do a little gardening around the school.

If you are able to help for even an hour, please meet us at the gate near Amity 5 at 9am on Sunday morning.



## CHESS

Our chess club will be starting up again in Term Three. Students that are interested in participating are welcome to investigate the free coaching opportunity below.

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### Can you help? Parent help procedure

- Sign up at your child's classroom
- Complete a confidentiality form at the office
- Sign in at the office on the day
- Wear your parent help badge
- Join other committees
- Ask your child's teacher... "how can I help?"



### YOUR TRASH IS OUR TREASURE!



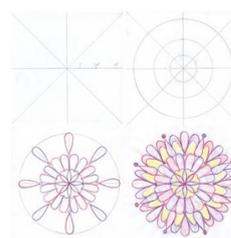
PVC pipe offcuts	Wooden trays	Bottle tops
Wood offcuts	Wire	Baby food jars
Old tools	Beads	Formula tins
Rope	Buttons	Marbles
Nails/screws	String	Old baking trays
Locks with keys	Shells	Cake tins
Cardboard tubes	Seeds	Wooden baskets
Reels	Cuttlefish	Wooden spoons
Corks	Seaweed	Floor/wall tiles
Boxes	Work wear-	Scrabble letters
Material	Hard hats	River stones
	Hi-Vis jackets	Large pebbles
	Rolling pins	

## Draw a Mandala

A mandala drawing is a geometric pattern that represents the universe. For many eastern religions, the mandala is a sacred art form. Most consist of a square format, with concentric circles and a circle as the centre point. Now your child can draw his own beautiful mandala with this easy technique that ensures symmetrical results every time! Measuring, maths and colouring all work together to make this piece of art.

### What You Need:

- Square sheet of paper
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Compass
- Coloured Pencils or watercolour paints



### What You Do:

1. Have your child make an X on the paper by using a ruler to make two diagonal lines, from corner to corner. Make sure these pencil lines are not too dark if you want to erase them at the end.
2. Next, they should draw a cross on the paper by drawing first a vertical and then a horizontal line across the middle of the paper. All the lines should now meet in the centre point of the page.
3. Measure 2.5 cm from the centre point and make a light mark on each of the eight lines. Then measure 3.2 cm from those marks and then make another set of light marks on the lines. Finally, measure 3.8 cm from the previous marks and mark the lines again.
4. Place the tip of the compass on the centre point of the drawing and line it up with the first 2.5 cm mark. Draw a circle in the centre of the paper.
5. Repeat step 4 for the two other marks, so you have three concentric circles in the centre of the paper.
6. Now, starting from the centre and using the coloured pencils, your child can draw petal or tear drop shapes following the lines and stopping at the first circle. Encourage them to make them roughly the same size.
7. Once they have completed one circle, go to the next one, adding more flower or petal shapes. It looks great when two different colours are used for this step.
8. Continue working from the centre out, adding decorative shapes. Once all the circles are filled in, your child can carefully erase the pencil lines.
9. If they want, your child can add watercolour paints to the mandala for an extra boost of colour and contrast.

**Did You Know?** Many people in Asia display their mandalas facing a door so that wealth and happiness will be attracted to their home!

Maths Mania

What is the highest common factor of 12 and 20?

Mr Guy

Deputy Principal



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## IT'S TIME TO ENROL YOUR CHILD IN SCHOOL

If your child is four years old by 30 June 2019 you can apply to enrol them in Kindergarten for 2019.

You must apply to enrol your child in a public school for 2019 if they are:

- starting Pre-primary (first compulsory year of school) – five years old by 30 June 2019
- starting Year 7
- changing schools.

Visit your local school to apply.

For more information and to find a public school in your area visit [education.wa.edu.au](http://education.wa.edu.au).



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Improves the health of your garden!

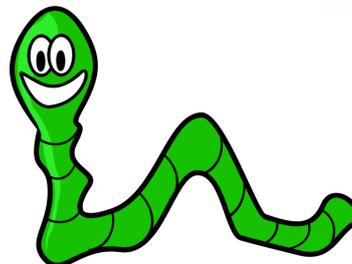
It's a natural liquid fertilizer!

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**GOT A GREEN THUMB?**

Please enquire with Miss Parkes if you are interested in joining the Green Team!







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## Harmony Day Parade and Picnic





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## Grandparents Day



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



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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Nature Play WA

Ideas for parents to get their children more involved in outdoor activities in Western Australia visit [Nature Play WA](#).

A growing body of research suggests that:

- Children's disconnection with nature may be associated with an epidemic of childhood obesity, childhood diabetes, behaviour disorders, depression and a diminished sense of place and community.
- Heightened health problems, higher stress, higher aggression, reduced cognitive and creative capacities, lower school achievement, blighted sense of efficacy and diminished productivity are among the possible associated negative impacts.
- Children's cognitive flexibility and creativity are enhanced if they have the experience in childhood to problem-solve in natural settings.
- There are mental health benefits to be gained from nature play, ranging from higher self-esteem to reduced characteristics of attention-deficit disorder, more self-discipline, higher school achievement, a greater sense of efficacy and less stress.
- Children benefit from appropriate risk-taking during outdoor play, by helping them refine their motor skills and gain confidence in being physically active.

School gardens positively affect children's learning and behaviour, and that students involved in gardening develop a better school attitude, student bonding and teamwork.

For more information visit [Nature Play WA](#)



It's almost school holiday time and you know what that means – **Holiday Club!**  
Join us for a fun time with positive learning outcomes in **Jungle Jam!**

These holidays, you could be making bath bombs, baking healthy cookies, building jungle huts, going on excursions, playing sports & games and way more!

ENTER THE JUNGLE LAB



THE JUNGLE BAKE OFF

To book now, visit:  
[www.campaaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs](http://www.campaaustralia.com.au/holidayclubs)  
or call: **1300 105 343**  
24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at **Jungle Jam**.

The Camp Australia Team



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 minutes during recess / lunch)
- 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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