



Rockingham Lakes Primary School Newsletter



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Rockingham Lakes Primary School is an inclusive, community environment for students where values and the unique talents of each individual child are nurtured and where excellence is encouraged.

New Literacy Initiative Welcomes New Babies To Our School



Blue Earth Project



From The Principal's Desk

School Council

The School Council is an important committee in the functioning of the school. The Council is responsible for endorsement of the schools:

- Financial management and Codes of Conduct.

It also makes recommendations in:

- Promoting the school and Achieving the school's objectives

There is no limit to the number of parents who can represent the school community on the School Council. However the number of community representatives must be greater than school based representatives. I am looking for a cohesive group who can share their knowledge and experiences to improve the overall student outcomes at Rockingham Lakes Primary School. If you are interested in continuing on the School Council or joining as a new representative please complete the attached form and return it to the front office or contact me by email on Kim.Kinnear@det.wa.edu.au. Nominations must be received by Thursday, March 1. If you have any questions regarding School Council please don't hesitate to contact me.

Blue Earth Project

Rockingham Lakes Primary School has been fortunate to be included in the Blue Earth project. Each Thursday morning the Blue Earth representative visits our school and works with Mel Luderer, Josh Dorozenko and the students across our school. The aim of the project is to reduce the negative effects of a sedentary lifestyle by involving students in enjoyable physical activity which is improving their personal health and well being. As the year progresses it is hoped that all students will benefit from this program either through their weekly physical education lessons or daily fitness.

Staff Professional Development

The staff at Rockingham Lakes Primary School are constantly working to stay at the forefront of current "best practice" in education. Throughout term 1 staff will work after hours and be released from their classes to collaboratively moderate student work samples against the Outcomes and Standards Framework. Students will benefit from this process by being engaged and challenged in the classroom on a daily basis. In addition, students progress and achievement will be monitored electronically. This will self populate automatically at the end of the semester for the year 1-7 report.

Parking

Parking around school grounds is always a concern especially at the start and end of the school day. Parents are asked to observe parking signs and be patient and considerate of others at these peak times.



RASSA Carnival

It is most encouraging to see the willingness and excitement among our students participating in the summer carnival today. Students are representing our school in volleyball, tee ball and cricket. I have spoken to all competitors before they left the school grounds stressing the importance of doing their best in a sportsmanlike manner. We will have further reports in the next newsletter. I have now visited all sporting teams and I pleased to say our students are behaving in an exemplary manner. Everyone connected to the carnival today should be very proud of the manner the students represented our school.

Be Proud Harmony Walk

This year our Be Proud Walk will combine with Harmony Day to form the "Be Proud Harmony Walk". This will be held on Wednesday, March 21 between 11.15am and 12.15pm. This is the major fundraising activity for the Be Proud committee for 2007. Sponsorship forms and further details will be forthcoming in the next newsletter. To encourage maximum student participation we would like to be able to offer students incentives for participation and raising money for the school. If you are in a business or position to donate items to the school to be offered as prizes please see either Lorelle Watson, Carol Bailey, Michelle Columbus, Melanie Luderer or Donnah Buxton.



Kim Kinnear—Principal

Please return this form to the RLPS office by Thursday, March 1, 2007.

Nomination for School Council

I wish to be considered for a position on the School Council.

Name

Signature

Contact Telephone No.....(H)

.....(M)

School News



Be Proud News Honour Certificate Winners

Congratulations to the following students:

Shae Brown—Yr 6	Joshua McCormick—Yr 2	Travis Carpenter—Yr 4
Jordan Rose—Yr 4	Dylan Gray—Yr 3	Kenneth Vowles—Yr 2
Lynne Cairncross—Yr 6	Thomas Rutherford—Yr 2	Maddison Coope—PP
Kye Bartlett—Yr 1	Chelsea Smith—Yr 1	Jude Sanders—PP
Kiarn Preece—Yr 2	Rose Nicholson-Holmes—Yr 7	Jayda Schmidt - Yr 4
Rhianna Brophy—Yr 3	Lauren Pendlebury Bowden—Yr2	Carl McGregor—Yr 6

The next assembly will be held on Friday, February 23 and the item will be presented by TB2.4.

Be Proud Certificates were presented to the following students:

Liam O'Connor—3.1	Ebony Seery—3.2	Dylan Rose—3.3
Ryan Taylor—3.4	Beccy Caley—3.5	Daniel Bourn—3.6

Second Hand Uniform News

Thankyou to the families who have donated uniforms to the second hand uniform stall. The stall is located in the alcove of block 1 on Friday assembly mornings from 8.30am. Items of clothing are very cheaply priced and all funds raised are used to benefit the students within our campus.

Uniform Raffle

Each fortnight at assembly your child has a chance to win a Snack Shack meal deal. During the fortnight a uniform raffle is announced on a different day for each week. Students who are wearing school uniform are eligible to enter their name in the raffle. On assembly Friday, 2 names will be drawn and if students are wearing their uniform they will be announced as winners for the fortnight. Good Luck and Be Proud in school uniform.

What's on for the next two weeks

Thursday Feb 22	Camp Quality Puppets P-7
Friday Feb 23	Assembly TB2.4
Monday Feb 26	
Tuesday Feb 27	Choir Parent Meeting—8.30am
Wednesday Feb 28	
Thursday Mar 1	
Friday Mar 2	
Monday Mar 5	Labour Day Public Holiday
Tuesday Mar 6	P&C AGM 7pm
Wednesday Mar 7	Yr 7 Vaccinations
Thursday Mar 8	

Collecting Children During School Hours

Could all parents/caregivers wishing to collect their children during school hours please report to the front office and complete an Early Release slip prior to going to the classroom. This process enables the school to ensure that students are being collected by authorised guardians.



Student Representatives

Congratulations to Rose Nicholson-Holmes, Brittany Lauchlan, Daniel Ferrell, Karlo Trego, Samantha Traynor and Zoey O'Connor our student representatives for 2007.

Contributions

Thanks to all parents who have already paid contributions for this year. Eftpos facilities are available in the front office for the payment of school contributions which can be paid at any time. All contributions received are used to benefit your children and buy much needed resources for our school.

Book Fair—Parent Help Needed

The Book Fair will again be held in Term 2 this year and so I am asking for any parents, grandparents or guardians willing to help in ANY way to please leave your details in the front office. The more helpers we get the easier the job will be for everyone!! Thank you.

Karina L'Estrelle
Book Fair Coordinator



Community News

(The school does not necessarily endorse Community Group events publicized through our school's community channels)

Breakthrough Reading Support Program

Mums, Dads, Grandads, Nannas, Uncles, Aunts, Cousins, Neighbours and Community Members
Our Children Need Your Help!

Can you spare 1 or 2 hours per week? We need your help to run a reading support program.

What Is It?

- It is a program designed to give children experiencing reading difficulties the opportunity to practice their reading daily in a one-to-one setting.
- The program involves the use of trained volunteer tutors to help children with a program at their level of need.
- It aims to help children develop independence as readers and through sharing the pleasure of reading, to develop a genuine desire to read.
- Tutors read daily with children for 15 minutes per child.
- The program will start with year 2 and will progress to each year level, depending on the number of volunteers available. You don't need to have a child in any particular year level, or even at the school.

If you, or someone you know, are interested in helping us with this worthwhile project, please could you fill out your name and return it to Margaret Sheridan in TB2.3 via your child or the front office. Thank you for your help.

Name _____

Phone No. _____

Child's Name _____

Year Level _____

P&C News

The P&C AGM will be held on
Tuesday, March 6 at 7pm in the
staffroom.

Lost

Have you found a black male
kitten, 4.1/2 months old wearing a
blue collar and bell. Please phone
9593 3183 or 0431 341 832.



Frederick Irwin Anglican School

Academic and Music Scholarships are being offered
for Year 8, 2008.

For further details and application forms please contact
The Principal's Secretary, Mrs Jenkinson on 9581 6777.

The Cancer Council of Western Australia

Check out our website Schools@cancerwa.asn.au for our
Healthy Schools Newsletter and details on our workshops
for Healthy Eating and Shopping On A Budget.

Warnbro Swans Football Club

Children aged 6-9 who are interested in
playing Australian Rules Football in
2007 can collect a pamphlet from the
school office. A 10% off football boots
voucher is included.



You can go online and find out more information, have a
chance to win a \$500 Amart voucher. Find your local
football club's contact details at www.wafootball.com.au

Health & Fitness—Everyday Activities

Encourage kids to get active everyday.

- Be active indoors—dance to music, wiggle about, climb the stairs or swim indoors in winter.
- Be active outdoors—shoot some hoops, toss a frisbee, rollerblade, skate or cycle with friends.
- Carry portable fluids—suggest a drink bottle for before, during and after activity.