

Issue 3
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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.



Camp Quality
Puppets
performed
for our
Pre-Primary to
Year 7 students
on Thursday,
February 22.

TB3.2 at the Basketball Clinic



From The Principal's Desk

Staffing

The unders and overs process has now been completed and I am pleased to report that we will retain all current staff members. Changes to staffing since the beginning of the school year include Mrs Lyola Burns taking library on Wednesday and Mrs Lorelle Watson reducing her work fraction to 4 days per week. Lorelle's class will be taken by Jodie Watts each Friday.

Grounds

At this early stage of the school year there are already significant improvements being negotiated for the school grounds. Improvements are to cater for the needs of our students and improve the functionality of the school. Planned improvements include:

- Limestone border around garden in centre of brick paving (completed).
- Brick paving to extend verandahs over sand areas in blocks 1 and 2.
- Increased playground in the pre-primary / year 1 area. This has been negotiated with Rockingham City Council who are meeting 50% of costs. A huge thanks to Erin Lindsay who is coordinating these improvements.
- Painted line and arrows on pre-primary verandah to formalise the bicycle track.
- Roller doors for the undercover area. This cost is being met by Commonwealth funding titled "Investing in Our Schools" project.
- Sand for the pre-primary sandpit.

The above improvements address the playground conditions for both pre-primary and year 1 students. Our year 5, 6 and 7 students are catered for through the large playground, basketball court and oval. There is a real need to address the playground requirements of the year 2, 3 and 4 students. There are a number of very well built playgrounds on the market which the school is currently saving towards. This will decrease playground misdemeanors and provide age appropriate play equipment.



Harmony Be Proud Walk

As outlined in the last newsletter this will be held between 11.15 and 12.15 on March 21. Parents are invited to join the students during the walk and for a picnic lunch after the walk.

Depending on the amount of funds raised we are looking at purchasing a portable stage for our undercover area and remote microphones for students and staff to use at assemblies.

School Council

I am thrilled to report that five parents have nominated to represent the community on this year's School Council. Our first meeting will be held in the staffroom at 7.00pm on Tuesday, March 13. Thank you to Cindy Kelly, Alison Edwards, Melanie Howard, Kellie Rivett and Nell Gledhill who have nominated to be on the Council.

School Photos

Aussie School Photos will once again be taking school photos this year on March 29 and 30. Information packs and envelopes will be sent home next week.



Kin Kinnear
Principal

School News



Be Proud News Honour Certificate Winners

Congratulations to the following students:

Jordan Lockwood—Yr 4	Lucy Hooker—PP	Traj Palmer—Yr 5
Damon Chester—Yr 7	Ashley Zaitu—PP	Chloe Dibley—Yr 1
Joshua Smith—Yr 1	Scott Brown—Yr 4	Bailey Smith—PP
Alisha Wolstenholme—Yr 2	Shazrin Abdollah—Yr 3	Hope Barron—Yr 2
Rachel Dunn—Yr 3	David Hardy—Yr 4	Isaiah Tuaana—Yr 3
Brayden Kostrz-Holtham—Yr 2	Ben Cummings—Yr 5	

The next assembly will be held on Friday March 9 and the item will be presented by TB2.1 and TB2.2.

Be Proud Certificates were awarded to:

Tristan Adamkiewicz—2.2	Jennifer Perry—2.1	Jayden Wolff—2.3
Jaycie Perryman—2.4	Cassandra Kitson—D6	Dylan Bird—D8
Thomas Ayoub—2.4	Rodney Hartmann—1.2	Chloe Varischetti—2.1
Kaitlyn Cowen—3.2	Chloe Kinnear—3.5	Daniel Ferrell—3.6

Second Hand Uniform News

A reminder to all parents that the 2nd hand uniform stall would love any donations of clean uniforms. These can be taken TB3.6 for sorting. The stall is open each assembly Friday in the alcove of Block 1. All items range in price from \$2 to \$10 (dresses). Change for large notes is unable to be given. Please bring appropriate coinage or notes.

Uniform Raffle

The two lucky winners of the uniform raffle for weeks 3 and 4 were:
Abbie Kearns— D8 and Emily Crowdy TB2.4. Congratulations and enjoy your Snack Shack Deal.

Be Proud Walk

A reminder that the Be Proud walk will be held Wednesday, 21st March 2007 which is week 8. Sponsorship forms will be coming home this Friday. We look forward to seeing parents and friends walking with their child on the day and encourage you to stay and have a picnic lunch with your child.

What's on for the next two weeks ...

Thursday March 8	
Friday March 9	Assembly TB2.1 & TB2.2
Monday March 12	
Tuesday March 13	
Wednesday March 14	
Thursday March 15	
Friday March 16	
Monday March 19	
Tuesday March 20	
Wednesday March 21	Harmony Day Happy Walk
Thursday March 22	



Canteen News

Late last year the WA Government set standards for public schools to provide healthy food and drink choices. Foods have been classified **Green** **Amber** or **Red** based on specified minimum nutrient criteria.

This affects the canteen menu and what we can offer. We are working towards full implementation of the standards as soon as possible.

Kathy Hopp—Canteen Manager

Parenting Tips

Giving children responsibility is the most effective way of teaching them responsibility. Allowing children to make choices with guidance but not interference is a great form of encouragement. It demonstrates to the child that their parents believe in their abilities to perform tasks, which is great for their self esteem.

School News

Health News—Year 7 Students

The Health Department is offering free immunisations in 2007 to year 7 students for Varicella (chickenpox), Hepatitis B and Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (Whooping Cough). Hepatitis B vaccination consists of two injections, the first given in term 1 and the second in term 3. The immunisation for Varicella will be given in term 1 with the first Hepatitis B immunisation. The dTpa will be given in term 3 with the second Hepatitis B immunisation.

Consent forms will have been sent home during the first weeks of school. Please read the immunisation information provided and if you have further queries please contact your school nurse through the school or the Central immunisation Clinic on 9321 1312. Please ensure the consent or non-consent section is signed and dated and return the form to school as soon as possible so the forms can be collated and vaccines ordered.

Please note that if your child misses the vaccination it is no longer available FREE from G.Ps. Catch up clinics are scheduled by appointment on 12 & 26 March at Kwinana Community Health Centre, 1 Peel Court, Kwinana. Ph 9419 2266 or Central Immunisation Clinic, 16 Rheola St, West Perth, Ph. 9321 1312

Community News

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

Secret Harbour Fitness

Come and trial our Gym

For the month of March come down and try two weeks of free membership.

Try our classes and meet some new friends.

Children aged between 10—15 can enjoy Kids Club

Tuesday & Thursday between 4.30pm—5.30pm

Shop 6 Oasis Drive, Secret Harbour

For more information phone 9524 7473



Peel Health Campus Foundation

The Mandurah Island Challenge

Will be held on Sunday, March 25

Starting at Hall Park, Mandurah

The event includes a

7.5km Fun Run/Walk, 750m Swim,

4km Paddle, 14km Paddle

For further information contact:

Tony Solin on 9531 8584 or 0407 069 044

Sue McLarty on 9537 6025 or 0418 912 133

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Peel Volunteer Resource Centre

Mums & Dads—sick of housework?

Want to get more involved in the community?

Want some adult conversation?

The Peel volunteer Resource Centre has over 300 flexible voluntary positions available that will fit in with kid's school times. If you feel that now is the time for you to get involved with your local community and make a difference to yourself and others, then please call or email the Peel Volunteer Resource Centre on 9581 1187 or pvcr@southwest.com.au

Perth Wildcats

School Holiday Coaching Clinic

Meet the players and coaches of the Perth Wildcats

When: April 16 to April 19

Time: 9am—12pm daily

Age: 5—12 year olds

Where: Perry Lakes Stadium, Meagher Drive, Floreat
For more information or to make a booking contact Chelsea at the Wildcats office on 9383 9511

Email Chelsea@wildcats.com.au

or visit www.wildcats.com.au