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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.*

# Dads at School

On the 28th March, Room 1.6 had their 'Dads at School day'. Four dads and one grandfather were kind enough to come in to help us with our activities. On this occasion, we built newspaper towers.

'Dads at School' is a new initiative aimed at children in the Early Childhood area. The program is designed to foster the role of positive male role models in young children's lives, an essential element of healthy social and emotional development. 'Dads at School' involves running classroom activities that give children a fun, interactive, hands-on experience with the involvement of a male role model.



The activities were hugely successful with all involved having a great time. A big thank you must go to Paul Trout, Kevin Chaytor, Steve McGuane, Matt Bolland and David Rumins. The dads gave up their morning to work with the children, David even travelled from Bunbury!

Future plans are to adopt the program throughout the Early Childhood clusters so watch this space for more events!



Todd Clark—Teacher TB1.6

# From The Principal's Desk

## End of Term 1

By the time this newsletter reaches the homes of our students, term 1 will be over. The term has been action packed with staff providing challenging and engaging activities for students. In addition the vast majority of students have worked exceptionally well in class and behaved appropriately in the playground. It is encouraging to see the parents becoming involved in the educational programs which strengthens the partnership between the family and the school

Some of the programs which students have been involved in this term include:

- \* Physical Education—Summer carnival, Blueearth
- \* F.M.S.—Fundamental Movement Skills
- \* Visual Arts – art / craft lessons
- \* L.O.T.E.—language other than English—Indonesian
- \* Choir
- \* Breakthrough Reading
- \* Getting It Right—Literacy
- \* Primary Science Project
- \* OSCAR—recycling project
- \* BE PROUD—Intergenerational project and values across the school
- \* G.O.L.D.—Guided Oral Language Development program for students at need
- \* I.C.T.—Information and Communication Technology
- \* S.A.E.R.—Students at Educational Risk. Specific teaching and learning adjustments to meet the needs of these students.



## Canteen

Kathy Hopp is doing a magnificent job managing the canteen and introducing the new State Government legislation regarding healthy food choices. However Kathy is desperately in need of more assistance to ensure the food is prepared on time and the student's nutritional needs are being met. If you are able to assist Kathy, even for 1 hour, it would be greatly appreciated. Remember—any help is good help!!!!

## Staffing

- \* Sue Elson will be reducing her work fraction to 4 days per week commencing term 2. Tania Powell will join our staff to take D6 on Mondays for the remainder to the year.
- \* Cathy Cooper will be finishing on Wednesday as Gillian Mercer will be returning to her Education Assistant position.
- \* Gillian Cavalli finished on Monday as Natalie Huey will be returning to her Defence Services Transition Aide position after taking maternity leave.

Thank you to both Cathy and Gillian for all their hard work and commitment.

## Assembly

Today we had an assembly to celebrate and acknowledge some important achievements at Rockingham Lakes Primary School.

- \* Mrs Sheridan's class presented a wonderful rendition of the "Aussie Night Before Easter Rap" and invited TB2.3 parents for morning tea.
- \* The prize for the Be Proud Harmony Walk was drawn and the amount raised was announced.
- \* It will also be an opportunity for the school community to celebrate the achievements of Lorelle Watson who has been nominated by the school community for her excellence in teaching. Lorelle is one of the top ten nominees within W.A. in the 2007 National Excellence in Teaching Award. This will be an opportunity for the Department, school and community to acknowledge this outstanding achievement with the presentation of a certificate and plaque.

## Holidays

I would like to wish all staff, students and community a safe and enjoyable holiday. Please take care on the roads and be aware of the additional student activity over the holiday period.

I look forward to working with you in Term 2.

## Regards

*Kim Kinnear*

**Term 2 for students  
commences Monday  
April 23.**

# School News



## Be Proud News Honour Certificate Winners

Congratulations to the following students:

Jay Cernohorsky—Yr 3	Brittany DeTracy—Yr 6	Dru Oakley—PP
Chloe Mayerhofer—Yr 2	Jade Lloyd—Yr 4	Danielle Jarrett—Yr 3
Amber Fitzsimons—Yr 7	Jonathan Palmer—Yr 7	D'Arcy Hamel—PP
Kyla Gardner—Yr 1	Caleb Gardiner—Yr 4	Mitchell Cooke—Yr 2
Aliyah Karaitiana—Yr 1	Tahlia Houilbecq—Yr 2	Elaine Cashman—Yr 4

The next assembly will be held on Wednesday, April 4 and the item will be presented by TB2.3

Be Proud Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Jake van der Sluis—TB3.1	Zac Staff—TB 3.2	Bob Maku—TB3.5
Tyler Stewart—TB3.6		

## Second Hand Uniform News

A reminder to all parents that the 2<sup>nd</sup> hand uniform stall would love any donations of clean uniforms. These can be taken to 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.

## Snack Shack Meal Winners

The winners of the uniform raffle for the previous fortnight were Jake Creed—TB2.1 and Konnah Hodgson—TB2.4. Congratulations - BE PROUD and continue to wear school uniform.

Lorelle Watson  
Be Proud Co-ordinator

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

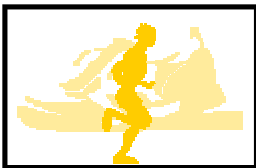
Wednesday April 4	Assembly Last Day Term 1
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## School Holidays

Monday April 23	Term 2 Begins
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Happy Easter  
To All Our Readers



## Golden Boot Award

Congratulations to D6 for winning the first ever Golden Boot Award for best performed Physical Education class for the last fortnight. They showed great commitment to all activities and displayed teamwork and listening skills.

The class were participating in Bluearth activities that are aimed at providing rewarding and meaningful experiences in the Physical Education domain. They have a chance to explore the environment they are using and challenge themselves while feeling capable and in control. These activities are stimulating and enjoyable and that is the best way to learn something. All classes in the school are being exposed to these activities and the benefits are being felt by the children.

Here is a little catch phrase that we go by.

**“Try? There is no try. Do or do not.”** (as said by Yoda in Starwars). This means if you are going to do something then do it. Put in 100% of your energy and focus. If you say you're going to try, you won't put in all of your energy. So this holidays, get out there with the family and do something active. It can be anything, but whatever it is, put in all of your energy and enjoy it.

Josh Dorozenko—Physical Education Teacher



## School News

### Harmony Day

*"Connect outside the square and make a world of difference"*

Students from Rockingham Lakes Campus celebrated Harmony Day, on March 21, by taking part in fun activities with buddy classes. Activities were designed to develop children's appreciation of the diversity within Australia and built upon the learning experiences teachers have already provided for the students during 2007. Judging from the photographs, there were fantastic activities happening throughout the school.



### Easter Hat Parade

The Easter Hat Parade and Easter raffle was held yesterday. It was great to see all the students wearing their Easter creations and the raffle was a huge success. Thank you to all the students and community members for their donations.

### Can You Help—Book Covering Day

We have purchased some wonderful new books for the children to read. The books need to be covered before the children can use them. On Monday, May 7 we are holding a book covering day so if you have any spare any time (even half an hour would be appreciated) come along to the library between 9.00am and 3.00pm. Morning tea will be provided!

### P&C News

#### Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop is open on Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8.30—9.00am. We are currently having a sale on school windcheaters marked down to \$10.00, and Rugby jumpers marked down to \$15.00. Get in quick while stocks last and remember we are only able to accept cash or cheque.

Nell Gledhill— Uniform Co-ordinator



#### Canteen News

Thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that have helped out in the canteen this term. Don't forget if you have any time available, even if only for an hour, please see me in the canteen. Enjoy the holiday break and I look forward to seeing you next term.

Kathy Hopp—Canteen Manager

## Community News

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

### Positive Parenting Program

Fremantle/Peel Education District, Department of Health and the Positive Parenting Foundation are offering you a wonderful opportunity to take part in an exciting new, fully funded parenting program. Triple P is an internationally renowned parenting program which is being offered to you for the first time through primary schools. It is available for parents of 3-6 year olds and aims to :

- \* Help enrich your relationship with your child
- \* Help you explore effective discipline
- \* Help you prepare your child for school

The program consists of 4 discussion sessions to be held on Tuesday mornings at Rockingham Lakes Primary School on May 15, 22, 29 and June 5. Sessions will start at 9.15am and finish at 11.15am.

There is no cost to participate and free childcare will be arranged on site, if needed. To register you can contact Fremantle-Peel District Office on 9550 2555.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Triple P Liaison Officer—Christine Coleman on 9550 2505.

### Western Power World of Energy

April School Holiday  
Activities—Ph. 9430 5655

### Eagle Boys Pizza

Large Pizzas  
\$5.95 each\*

Plus Add Garlic Bread  
For only \$2.50 each

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