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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.

The Radical Reptile Show

On Tuesday, September 4, the Radical Reptile Show came to Rockingham Lakes. The show proved to be a big hit with the students, as it was very informative and interactive. The students were able to get up close and personal with bobtail lizards, blue tongue lizards, frilled neck lizards, bearded dragons and a number of pythons. Every student participated and touched a reptile. I was amazed at how calm the students and reptiles were. I myself was a little unsure of the pythons, however the students seemed to have no fear. This incursion was organised to link our buddy program with our theme, as we have been learning all about reptiles. Throughout Term 3 every student in room 2.4 has been working with their own little buddy. The little buddies



have come from two PLDS Pre-Primary classes. We participate in a buddy session once a week, where the year 3/4's read to their buddy, pass on their knowledge about reptiles and share in fruit time. Over the last two weeks each pair has been busy designing and making their own reptiles out of salt dough. The finished products look sensational. I am very proud of the way the big buddies are taking control of this program and are working cooperatively and responsibly with their little buddy. Be Proud Room 2.4.



Kindergarten Hospital Incursion

At Kindergarten we have had the opportunity to pretend to be doctors and nurses during a Hospital Familiarisation incursion to lessen our fear about going to hospital. We had lots of fun dressing up in hospital uniforms and using medical equipment on "Ashleigh Doll". We also had turns on a wheelchair and crutches.



From The Principal's Desk

Literacy & Numeracy Day

Last Friday, September 7, students on our campus were treated to a smorgasbord of engaging literacy and numeracy activities. A small but appreciative group of parents participated in the activities and joined with staff for a sumptuous morning tea in the library. I would like to congratulate the students on the manner in which they participated in their groups while completing set activities. Staff are to be commended on the variety of tasks they provided for our students.

New Playground

The new playground was completed this week. It is located between the administration building and the school oval. The equipment is specifically designed to meet the needs for students in years 1-4. A roster has been made to ensure all students are able to utilize this resource in a safe manner. I would like to thank our hard working P&C who have assisted the two schools in meeting the cost of this project.



Instructional Coaching

This week Amanda Everett, Rachel Gray and Jessica Wilmot have joined me in participating in a workshop on the use of Instructional Intelligence in the classroom. This is the second session staff have attended which is facilitated by Glenda Raison. Throughout this year many classes have incorporated Instructional Intelligence activities into their programs. This has taken the form of cooperative learning activities and learning centres. Staff are to be congratulated on the manner in which they have adopted these strategies to meet the needs of their students at Rockingham Lakes Primary School.



Mrs Bailey with Rose and Jessica

Senior School Choir

On August 30 the senior choir of 32 children performed at the Mandurah Performing Arts Centre for the WA Government Schools Music Society festival. Our choir performance item of four songs plus movement was fantastic and of an excellent standard and highly commended by the organisers. The student's behaviour during the night was fantastic and it was a pleasure for Mrs Mercer, Mrs Tovey and myself to be involved with these great children. Thank you parents for supporting us in this production and ensuring that all children were dressed appropriately and ready for their performance. Thanks also to Miss Lindsay for her assistance on the night. For the first time we had an item during "curtain call". Beccy Caley, Brittany Lauchlan, Rose Nicholson Holmes and Jessica Villaflor performed an excellent dance routine which the whole audience thoroughly enjoyed. Congratulations to those students, and all the students involved on the night. BE PROUD!! Thanks also to Mrs Bailey for all her hard work and dedication.

Faction Carnivals

Mel Luderer, with the support of the staff, has done an outstanding job of organising and preparing for the Faction Athletics Carnival. We are looking forward to fine weather and a fun time for all students. Parents and families are most welcome to attend.

Long Service Leave

I will be taking long service leave for the last week of this term and the first week of next term. Please direct any enquiries to Brad Mitchell and Carol Bailey through the front office.

Newsletter Week 10

There will be a smaller newsletter in week 10 covering the Faction Athletics and dates for next term.

Happy Holidays!

Kim Kinnear

Loud Shirt Day

This Friday 14th is our special annual fundraising day for a charity. This year we have chosen to support the Telethon Speech and Hearing, which offers the gift of speech to deaf and hearing-impaired children through therapy based early intervention and school support programs. Children are invited to wear a **Loud Shirt** on Friday and donate a gold coin to Telethon. These monies will be collected following assembly.

School News



Be Proud News Honour Certificate Winners

Congratulations to the following students:

Luke McCreery—Yr 6	Joel Wilson—Yr 3	Jessica Villaflor—Yr 7
Jesse Upton—Yr 5	Ben Hartmann—Yr 2	Steven Ritchie—Yr 7
Brandon Turtle—Yr 2	Sofie McNamara—PP	Justin McCoy-Edwards—Yr 4
Alyssa Gardner—Yr 3	Jamie Cairncross—Yr 4	Cameron Mitchell—Yr 1
Matthias Zver—Yr 3	Tyson Kuyper—Yr 1	Ciara McInerney—PP
Katelyn Addinal—Yr 4	Baylee Kearns—PP	Jamie-Leigh Carrington—PP

The next assembly will be held on Friday, September 14 and the item will be presented by the choir.

Be Proud Certificates were awarded to the following students:

Christopher Parr—3.1	Jaidyn Fink—3.2	Eloise Maku—3.5
	Hayden Thorpe—3.6	

Second Hand Uniform News

An urgent request for uniform donations as the rack is empty. The second hand uniform rack will not be out until we have some stock. Thankyou for your great support of this project.

Snack Shack Meal Winners

The winners of the uniform raffle for the previous fortnight were Andrew—3.3 and James Lauchlan - 3.6. Congratulations—BE PROUD and continue to wear school uniform.

Be Proud Faction Tokens Raffle Winners

Daniel Bourn—3.6	Shae Brown—3.1
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Qualities

The quality for this fortnight is 'Be Confident'.

Lorelle Watson—Be Proud Coordinator

What's on for the next two weeks

Thursday Sept. 13	D6 & TB1.2 to WA Art Gallery
Friday Sept. 14	Assembly—Choir Loud Shirt Day
Monday Sept. 17	
Tuesday Sept. 18	Faction Jumps Yr 3—7
Wednesday Sept. 19	Faction Tabloid Day PP—Yr 2
Thursday Sept. 20	Faction Athletics Yr 3—Yr 7
Friday Sept. 21	
Monday Sept. 24	
Tuesday Sept. 25	Star Search 1.15pm
Wednesday Sept. 26	
Thursday Sept. 27	
Friday Sept. 28	Assembly D7 Last Day Term 3



Star Search

Children have been practising their skills in readiness for the Star Search on 25th September at 1pm in the under cover area. At this stage the seniors and myself have auditioned 100 children from years 1 to 4 to select the participants.

This has been fantastic. I congratulate all those who have practised and taken the time to audition, and are able to perform in many various ways for our enjoyment. Successful applicants will be notified next week, and will be able to refine their item.

Carol Bailey

Babies Welcomed

Through our literacy initiative Rockingham Lakes Primary School welcomed Aliyah Hegel, Imari Manson and Billy Nuttall.



School News



Interschool Cross Country Students Make Us Proud

On Wednesday, September 5, 29 Year five, six and seven students competed in the Interschool Cross Country Carnival. Our school students did their best representing us in this event. Unfortunately we didn't win any medals, but we are very proud of coming 9th out of the 16 schools that competed. All our students tried their hardest and displayed good sportsmanship on the day. Be proud!



Written by Jessica Villaflor & Brittany Lauchlan—Year 7 students



Faction Carnival Dates

Tuesday—September 18
 Wednesday - September 19
 Thursday—September 20

Jumps & 400m races Years 3 - 7
 Faction Carnival PP to 2
 Faction Carnival Years 3 - 7

Appropriate Footwear

Just a reminder that children are to wear correct footwear to school. High heel sandals, skate shoes and thongs are not appropriate due to the risk of injury.



Relief Cleaners Required

We are desperately in need of relief cleaners.

If you are interested in relief cleaning for early morning or afternoon shifts please leave your name and contact details at the office.

Community News

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

Rockingham Baseball Club

U14 baseball players urgently required
 Contacts
 Junior Coach—Mike 0417 187 753
 Registrar—Danny 0408923218

Rockingham Jungle Soccer



Term 4 starts October 20 and is held on Saturday Mornings. Develops co-ordination, sports skills & interaction with other children and parents. Coaching parents to coach their children. The ONLY child development program to be endorsed by Perth Glory and Football West
 To register visit www.junglesports.com.au or call 9471 8444 for further details.

HAIR FOR BETHANIE

Hair for Bethanie is now open for business.
 Kids cuts—\$10.00
 Ladies shampoo & cut—\$17-\$20
 All services reasonably priced.
 34 years experience.
 Open Tuesday & Wednesdays 9am-2pm
 Thursdays & Fridays 9am-4pm
 Located at Bethanie Waters
 Phone SONIA 9593 9360 or 0407 985 054

Rockingham Early Intervention Centre

Parents Workshop—Sensory Processing, Attention and Behaviour, Strategies for Home
 Tuesday, Nov. 20—9.30am to 12noon
 Phone Katie—9528 0888

Eagle Boys

Pizza

Large Pizzas \$5.95 each*
 Plus Add Garlic Bread For only \$2.50 each

Eagle Boys Rockingham proud supporters of Rockingham Lakes Primary School
 Phone 9593 0333

*surcharges apply to some pizzas