



~ The Lighthouse ~

Bunbury Primary School Newsletter

An Independent Public School

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Our Values: Respect Responsibility Care Achievement

Our Motto: Strive to Achieve

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year and to our first newsletter. A special welcome to our new Bunbury PS families and staff. We have started the year with 446 students with about 20 new enrolments (not counting our new kindergarten children). As we have some staff on leave, we have four new teachers: Mrs French (PP1), Mrs Spencer (Yr2), Mrs Pettit (Thurs/Fri Year 6), Mrs Michell (Year 6) and Ms Street (Music). We also have a change of class for some teachers and congratulations to Miss Marley who is now Mrs Munday.

READING STREET

The before and after school drop off and pick up is running smoothly. Thank you to parents who are following drop off and pick up protocols. For our new parents and carers, please remember that you cannot park in Reading Street before or after school as this makes traffic flow problematic. For safety reasons, children should only be picked up from the Room 4 steps.

STAFF CARPARK

Just a reminder that the Staff Carpark encompasses the bitumen parking bays and the grass parking area. The sign at the entryway quite clearly says "STAFF PARKING ONLY" which, I think, is quite clear. I know parking is at a premium around our school (and, for most schools across the state). I would appreciate it if parents and carers can show courtesy and respect to our staff and not use either of these parking areas. This will also ensure the safety of children if they walk through the area. The disabled parking bays are the only exception, and these are reserved for people with ACROD parking cards.

NAPLAN ONLINE

An information brochure has been sent out to parents/carers of children in Years 3 and 5 about the NAPLAN Online assessments. **This year the assessment will be held for the first time in Weeks 7 & 8 this term.** If you need further information, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.



ON ENTRY ASSESSMENTS

On Entry assessments started this week for Pre-Primary students. Year 1 & 2 will also be participating from Week 4. The assessments continue over approx. four weeks. Information was sent out to P-2 parents. If you would like further information, please see your classroom teacher.



SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY (SDD)

Friday 17th February is a SDD for Bunbury PS staff. The focus of the day is on Writing. We have a presenter from the Seven Steps to Writing Success team presenting the professional learning.



Staff will review and learn new strategies building onto the ideas/strategies already gained from past professional learning.

SWIMMING CARNIVALS

As parents/carers would have seen on the parent planner, the Faction Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday, February 24 (Week 4). The Interschool Carnival will be Friday, March 24 (Week 8).

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

The school has been successful with obtaining funding for a school Chaplain. We are progressing the opportunity to have a Chaplain in the school for the equivalent of 2 days per week. Hopefully the selection process will be completed by the end of this term ready for the start of Term 2.

SCHOOL GROUNDS

It would be appreciated if students are supervised after school. Our gardener and student Grounds Rangers spend a great deal of time ensuring our grounds look amazing. Please be respectful and avoid your children running through our garden areas or pulling on plants. They should only be playing where you can see them. If you are doing this you will be able to ensure they are not running around the buildings or the veranda areas where the teachers are often having parent/teacher meetings, marking work or doing classroom preparation.

MINERAL RESOURCES SHOWCASE

The Mineral Resources Showcase will be held over three days at the Perth Convention Centre. Two school teams of Year 6 students will represent our school. A special 'cube' has been allocated for Bunbury PS on the 3rd & 4th of April. As a Department of Education DigiTech school this year we will be partnering with Curtin University to showcase some of the ways we use digital

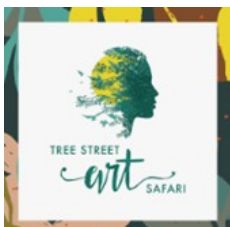


RUNNERS CLUB

This is being organised by Mrs Piavanini, our Physical Education Specialist, each Thursday before school on the school oval. The first session for the year commences next Thursday 23rd February at 7.45am. Those wanting to participate will need to complete a permission slip which is available from the school office.

TREE STREET ART SAFARI

This year the Tree Street Art Safari will be held on Saturday 25th February. Event organisers will have a live Fence Mural visitors can contribute to making on the day. Mrs Allen will be participating in the event with some Year 6 mosaic artwork. The children are very excited about having their artwork on public display with other local artists in the area.



CONSTABLE CARE

Students from P-6 attended different Constable Care performances on Thursday. Each performance covered a different topic for different age groups. Topics included: bully prevention, developing pro-social skills, thinking about how their behaviour can affect other people, making friends and resilience. Basic First Aid and DRSABC (Danger, Response, Send for help, Airway, Breathing, CPR) and how to identify and respond to an emergency situation were also covered.



Kind regards,
Shane

DATES TO WATCH

Thursday 23 March Runners' Club
Friday 24 February Assembly Room 9
Friday 24 February Faction Swimming Carnival
Monday 6 March Labour Day Holiday
Friday 24 March Interschool Swimming



Bunbury PS in the Community

BASKETBALL COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Two of our students, Hudson and Flynn, were part of the Bunbury Bears under 12's team that recently competed in the Division 1 Basketball Country Championships that was held at the Bendat Stadium in Floreat, Perth. The team played five games undefeated and took home the championship medals. Jackson and Hunter from Bunbury Primary School also competed at the championships as part of Bunbury Bear's Division 3 team which placed second in the competition. Congratulations to all four boys on their respective efforts.



Community News

SOCCER REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

Come and Try sessions
Tues 21 February

Training session midweek
Starting mid March

Games on Saturdays
Starting 29 April



Players born 2006 - 2018

Mixed Age Groups
6 - 17

All Girls Competitions
8-10, 10-12, 12-14, 15-17



SCAN TO REGISTER

ALL NEW & PAST PLAYERS WELCOME

For more information contact
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TUNING IN TO TEENS

A FREE SIX SESSION PARENTING PROGRAM FOR PARENTS AND CARERS CHILDREN AGED 10 -16 YEARS

Would you like to learn how to:

- Communicate with your teen more effectively?
- Help your teen develop coping skills and resilience?
- Learn how to emotion coach your teen through difficult emotions?
- Understand why your teen behaves as they do?
- Help your teen develop emotional intelligence?

Research has shown that adolescents with higher emotional intelligence have better concentration at school, are more able to cope when angry, have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties and have more stable and satisfying relationships.

Facilitator: Deb Woods from Parenting Ways
Bookings essential : Phone: 0405 116 553
Email: Admin@parentingways.com.au
Availability to attend each session is required.

Supported by



Time: 10am – 12.30

When: Every Friday from
17th February – 31st March

Where: Bunbury Library
2 Parkfield Street, Bunbury

MARIST Junior Football Club (Inc)

2023 REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

Welcoming New & Returning Players for the upcoming season

Years 3 & Above

Simply Click on the link and register via PlayHQ

To register: <https://www.playhq.com/af/register/a96544>

Or

Join us at the Marist JFC Registration / Launch Day

Wednesday, March 8th 4.30 - 5.30 pm

Meet coaches and managers whilst enjoying a free sausage sizzle.

Marist merchandise will also be available to purchase

Bunbury Catholic College Oval – Rodsted Street

To register via link <https://www.playhq.com/af/register/a96544>

- New registrations – Parent / guardian to create a PlayHQ account
- Once new account is confirmed, log in and add child/children to be registered
- Payment is required at the time of registration
- NOTE: Registration process will not be finalised without kidsport voucher code or payment.

Why Marist JFC?

- A culture built around inclusion, fun & respect
- Experienced, Professional & Qualified coaches
- Our focus is to teach kids to play football in an encouraging and supportive environment and to make new lifelong friends for both players and families
- Anyone in the greater Bunbury region can play for Marist
- Team bus for away games giving the kids a professional atmosphere
- Team building activities throughout the year
- Marist offers more than just football games. Sausage sizzles / AFL game nights / sponsorship events the list goes on.....!
- 2023 will see Marist Junior Football Club continue to honour their long-time sponsors, whilst celebrating new local sponsors

For more information contact:

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Kyle Scheffner - Registrar, Marist Junior Football Club, 0439 977 145 registrar.maristjfc@gmail.com

KinderGym Term 1 enrolments

Hay Park Grounds, Parade Road, Bunbury 6230
9795 8690
bunburygymnastics@wpcyc.com.au

ENROL TODAY!

ABOUT

A soft play session with gym moves, tumbling and balancing for children to improve their motor skills and co-ordination and make friends along the way!

» Full parent/carer involvement with qualified instructors

WHEN Wednesday and Friday

Ages 1-2 9.30 – 10.30am

Ages 3-4 10.30 – 11.30am

COST Term fee + annual Gym WA membership fee

JUNIOR'S COME AND HAVE A GO

**All new and past players
welcome**

Tuesday 21 February 2023

4-4.30pm Ages 5-7years

4.45-5.15pm Ages 8-11years

5.30-6.15pm Ages 12-15years

6.30-8pm 15-17 years

**REGISTRATIONS FOR PLAYERS
BORN 2006-2018
AVAILABLE ON THE DAY**

**Bunbury United Soccer Club
Cnr of Parade Rd &
Washington Ave**