

CALENDAR

Term 2 Tuesdays Years 5 and 6
Dance Sport

2 June

Room 5 Assembly
Lapathon K-Yr 6 at 1.30pm

5 June

WA DAY Public Holiday

12 June

Year 2 Zoo Excursion

15 June

Faction Cross Country

16 June

SIMS Music Assembly

2017 Term Dates

T 2: 24 April- 30 June

T 3: 17 July- 22 September

T 4: 9 Oct- 14 December

School Development Days

- 3/6 November
- 15 December

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Dear Parents and Carers

P & C Projects

Once again, on behalf of the school community, I would like to express my thanks to the P & C and the parent community for the tremendous support we have received in improving the learning environment for the children at North Beach Primary School.

In consultation with the school, the P & C have designed and built a stage in the undercover area for class assemblies and other school performances.

Considerable thought was given to positioning the stage. A major consideration was how to utilise the space to seat the students comfortably while providing parents with an area out of the elements in summer and winter. For a trial period, the stage will be positioned against the west wall of the undercover area. This will continue to allow unobstructed access to the sports shed for Mrs Hoffman, our physical education teacher and a covered area outside the art room for parents to stand when it is sunny or rainy. Many thanks go to Donelle Gillam, P&C President and Mike Black, Deputy Principal, for coordinating this project, Debbie Erasmus, P&C Vice President, for providing her professional expertise in planning and Richard Taylor for using his carpentry/boat building skills to purchase the materials and build the stage.

The P&C has also arranged for the undercover area to be resurfaced and repainted. The work will be carried out over a weekend. We can't wait to see the end result and use the stage!

Of course, these projects could never have been possible without the support of all of the parents and extended school community. The fundraising you and your children have done for the school has significantly improved the learning environment at North Beach Primary School. Thank you!



Visit from Dawul Remote Community School Principal

On Wednesday we had a visit from the Principal of Dawul RCS. Elise Nelson, or “Miss Stuey” as she is known to her students, is the Principal of a 15 student school in the Kimberley. All of the children in Dawul RCS are aboriginal. The school is about an hour and twenty minute drive from Kununurra.

Miss Stuey came to see what the teaching and learning environment and school programs are like in the city. She met many of our students and stopped by most of our classrooms. It was fantastic to hear the thoughtful questions your children asked and the meaningful conversations that occurred.

The Year 5 students in Mrs Curry’s and Miss Steszewski’s class will be starting to develop communication between the students at our two schools. This relationship and the correspondence between the children will be beneficial to both schools and help the children to understand more about different cultures.



School Chaplain

We are happy to welcome Jane Sexton, or “Miss Jane” as the children will know her, as our school chaplain. A chaplain’s focus is on the wellbeing of students, parents and teachers in the school. Chaplain involvement in the school can include:

- Providing pastoral care for staff, students and families
- Linking schools with the local community, support agencies and organisations
- Playing an active role assisting and supporting school events
- Facilitating pastoral support programs and resources
- Supporting, mentoring, encouraging and empowering the school community



Jane will be at North Beach Primary School every Thursday and looks forward to meeting your children and providing support where she is needed. If you would like to meet Jane just stop by the office and make an appointment or catch her in the school yard before or after school.

Miss Jane with Alex talking about a robot he has constructed.



**Mrs O'Hara
Principal**

Aussies of the Month

We are proud to announce that the Aussies of the Month for May are Imani from Room 14, Sami-Jo from Room 7 and Allira from Room 4.

These students have received this very special award for displaying the virtues that we value as Australians.

Congratulations go to these very worthy recipients.



Honour Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who were awarded an Honour Certificate at our Assembly on May 19:

Room 1: Rory, Balin, Tomas; **Room 2:** Meg, Omar, Malaika, Toby; **Room 3:** Sofia, Sena;
Room 4: Cailey, Angus; **Room 5:** Finn, Zoe, Annie; **Room 7:** Anish, Milly; **Room 8:** Jack, Ava;
Room 13: Kopana, Annabelle; **Room 14:** Kai, Keira; **Room 15:** Aidan, Noah, Coco;
Room 16: Agatha, Isabeau, Chas; **Room 18:** Hannah, Leo.

Attendance At School

As part of the school's pastoral care focus we would like to remind parents of the importance of regular student attendance at school. The Department of Education has a focus of improving the attendance rates in all Government schools as there is clear research that shows a strong correlation between good attendance and achievement of students.

Children whose attendance falls below 90% are considered by the Department to be "at risk" and there is an expectation that cases be followed up by the school. The school needs to be notified of the reason for all absences and this can be done by an email to the school or teacher, a phone call to the front office, a hand written note to the teacher or use the facility on our App.

Parents are reminded that as per Department policy, all vacations taken during term will be recorded as "Unauthorised Vacation".

Please work with us to improve the attendance in our school.

Church Car Park

The Baptist Church community are supportive of our school in so many ways.

We thank them for all that they do not least of all allowing us to use their car park. The one request they have is that we do not use their car park on Friday mornings as they have large groups of visitors attending the church at this time. Many of those who attend are elderly and also need to carry craft materials into the Church.

Please help us support the Church in this small way.

Congratulations to Josh

Last week Josh from Room 1 competed in the State long distance running competition in the hope to be chosen to run nationally in Hobart later this year.

Josh placed 20 out of 120 with an impressive time of 12.15 minutes over a 3km distance.

Big congratulations to you, Josh.

AFL Clinics

Thanks to Dylan, Jack and Will from the Claremont Football Club for teaching our PP-5 classes some fun games and important footy skills. *Mrs Hoffman.*



Students from Room 18 with Dylan and Will



INTERSCHOOL SPORTS

19 May vs. Sorrento

Volleyball

A Team

Unfortunately we lost one set to two but overall we played really well. We had some very good players including Darcy for her great "set" returns. *Omer*

B Grade

We won by 2 sets to 0 against Sorrento. Our stand out players were Madi with good "set" returns, Mannix for his serves and Ruby for her strong catching.

Football

North Beach had a terrific game against Sorrento. It was a 94 point-2 point win when the final whistle blew. We have now won three in a row. The captain of North Beach was Cooper who chose the best players on ground. This was Harry for all the hard work and effort he did in the midfield and defence and Aiden who won every ruck tap he could. Rory also had a great first quarter in forward along with Levi who was our top goal scorer with five goals. I'm sure the team can't wait for next week's game against Davallia. *Cooper*

Soccer

Our soccer team fought hard in a home game against Sorrento but unfortunately lost 7-0.

Netball

Netball A

We had a great game playing against Sorrento on our home courts. It was a challenging game. Unfortunately we lost by only 4 goals. Our best players were Amelia and Jennifer. *Jekylah (Captain)*

Netball B

Our game against Sorrento was interesting. Unfortunately we lost by quite a bit margin and one of our players suffered a minor injury. Players who did well in this game were Sienna, Chelsea and Jazmin. *Malaika (Captain)*

26 May vs. Davallia

Netball

Netball A

It was a tough game and in the end we lost 9 goals-23 goals. Our best players were Amelia for getting in front of her player, Kirra for trying her hardest and always running and Jenny for her great defending. Something we could work on for next time is fighting harder for the ball. *Sophie.*

Netball B

Unfortunately we lost but we all tried our best with the score being 1 goal-24 goals. Our best players were Mae for her hard work in defence, Amelie for her great save and Eli for her wonderful goal. *Zoe.*

Volleyball

Volleyball A

We won! The amazing score for our Volleyball A team was 3 sets to 0. Our top players were Luka, Renan, Eros, Matilda, Ellie and Dani.

Our players showed great sportsmanship during the game and everyone played extremely well.

Fabulous work, North Beach.

Nick and Eros.

Volleyball B

Our game was a great one and everyone tried really hard. Davallia were a good team and it was a great game to play. Everyone played well and our best players were Ruby for her great saves and stopping the ball hitting the ground and Madison for hitting the ball over the net every time.

Great job, Team B.

Eva and Lily.

Football

The North Beach footy team played a fierce and tough game. Sadly we lost to Davallia by just one point with the score 3 goals 4 points (22 points) to our 3 goals 3 points (21 points.) We put in our best effort and played hard until the final siren sounded. Best players were Cooper for his untiring effort in the back line, Harry for getting in and getting the ball out and Josh for his great defence work. Our three goal kickers were Carlton, Levi and Cooper.

Soccer

Great news from the soccer team -we were victorious against Davallia with a 1-0 win.

Spineless Wonders Incursion

On Thursday, 25 May, each class from Year 1 and 2 attended **Spineless Wonders**, an interactive, hands on experience involving mini-beasts.

Mr David Knowles, the presenter, introduced a variety of invertebrates to the students and explained their characteristics.

The children were divided into five groups to observe, touch and hold some of the mini-beasts. We wish to thank those parents who came along to be helpers for each class.

The children in Room 14 wrote:

I learnt spiders have 8 legs and eyes. I also learnt how to draw a spider properly and not draw an alien. Faith.

My favourite insect was the emerald beetle. It was shiny and smooth to touch. Archie.

I learnt insects do not have bones. My favourite was the stick insect. Claire.

I learnt that bugs suck and beetles chew. My favourite part was when I saw the scorpions because they glowed in the dark. Charlie.



Staff Profile

Natalie Kettle Education Assistant Kindy

Our featured staff member this fortnight is Nat Kettle. Nat is an Education Assistant in Kindy and works with Lisa Perry. Nat has been at North Beach Primary since 2009. Her cheery smile and “go getter” attitude makes her a valuable member of staff.

Nat was born in Perth and went to Goollelal Primary School before heading to Woodvale Senior High School where her favourite subject was geography.

After high school, Nat studied at Joondalup TAFE completing a secretarial course. Her first job was an office clerk at QPSX Communications. She then did a variety of jobs for a few years.

It was during this time that she met her husband Paul who was a pearl diver. Together they moved up to Broome during the pearling season where Nat worked on the boats as a deckhand, cook, and domestic where she had to scrub the oysters. Paul and Nat lived life on the high seas for six years before returning to Perth where they had their two children; Ben and Bailey.

In-between the pearling season Nat also worked as a beauty therapist and studied her Education Assistant's course. In 2009 she did her practical placement at North Beach and we thought she was so good that she was offered a job.

Nat has travelled extensively throughout Europe, travelled through India, Thailand and seen the west coast of the United States (those geography lesson in high school really paid off).

Nat is also a talented artist and enjoys working with mosaics. Most of the mosaic work found around the school has been created by Nat.

She is a keen softball player with Wanneroo Softball Club and is off to Geraldton this long weekend for a tournament.

What people may not know about Nat is that she has a terrific voice and is always a big hit at the North Beach Primary staff Christmas party, particularly towards the end of the night.

First car: 1975 Holden Gemini
Favourite movie: Blue Lagoon (are you kidding me?)
Favourite book: Pete's Dragon
Favourite Band: Fleetwood Mac



Nat is one of those people everyone enjoys working with. She is always positive and has a very caring attitude towards the children.

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

SPRINTING FAST SCHOOL HOLIDAY ATHLETICS CLINIC

CHOOSE ANY 4 EVENTS PER DAY:

Sprints (will include crouch starts or block starts), Hurdles, Middle Distance, Javelin, Discus, Shot Put, Long Jump, Triple Jump and High Jump

Date: Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th July 2017

Venue: WA Athletics Stadium, Perth

Drop Off: 8.30-8.50am **Times:** 9am-3pm.

Cost: \$90 for one (1) day. \$160 for two (2) days. Includes a Sprinting Fast Cap or Shoe bag also other prizes and giveaways

EARLY BIRD PRICE NOW OPEN.

Webpage: <http://sprintingfast.com/holiday-clinic/>

CLAREMONT FOOTBALL CLUB FAMILY FUN DAY

The Claremont Family Fun Day is being held on Saturday 10 June at Claremont Oval as Claremont take on East Fremantle. The event will mark the official opening of the Claremont Football Club redevelopment. The Claremont Football Club and Claremont District are excited to provide **FREE** tickets to all local school children within the district and their families.

Tomorrow our staff will begin dropping promotional material and ticket information to your school marked attention yourself. Please help us out by distributing the information to your students.

We would also love for you and your families to join us on the day in an event that is not to be missed.

Tickets can be downloaded at www.tigersdistrict.com.au.

WAAPA Winter School 2017

During the July school holidays WAAPA is offering exciting programs for students in years 4 to 12. The Winter School includes classes in acting, drama, dance, screen acting and music theatre. For information about the many courses on offer please visit [WAAPA Winter School Holiday Programs](#) or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au or 9370 6775