Proposed classes 2016

As advised in the previous newsletter planning for 2016 is well underway and I am able to provide parents with an indication of classes for next year. Based on current anticipated enrolments, the likely class structure for 2016 will be:

Parents should note the following:
- Changes in enrolments may require the proposed classes to be changed;
- Teachers are currently considering class placements for students and will take into account a range of factors to best meet the needs of individual children;
- All classes have students across a range of developmental levels. Composite classes are no different;
- Parents who wish to discuss their child’s placement are invited to make an appointment to speak with the current class teacher;
- All parent views will be given consideration but may not automatically be accommodated; and
- The final decision regarding student placement rests with the Principal.

Parents are reminded that classes cannot be confirmed until enrolments are confirmed early in the new school year.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS - 2016

School Development Days are provided for public schools in WA to undertake professional learning programs and planning activities. In 2016, all WA public schools will have seven (7) school development days.

At the recent school council meeting the following School Development Days for 2016 were endorsed:
- Thursday 28th January
- Friday 29th January
- Friday 3rd June
- Monday 18th July
- Monday 10th October
- Friday 4th November
- Friday 16th December

Parents are reminded that students do not attend school on these days.
Principal’s Message Cont.

IN-TERM SWIMMING - 2016
The school has been notified that our in-term swimming program is scheduled for term 1 2016. Parents will receive details regarding dates, times and costs (approximately $50) once these are confirmed early next year.

SEMESTER 2 REPORTS
Teachers have been very busy preparing student reports for the end of the year. Parents are advised that reports are scheduled to be sent home on Monday 14th December.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE – 2015
At the school council meeting last week, I presented a brief summary of how the students of Padbury PS performed in this year’s NAPLAN assessments. The Year 3 and 5 students performed within the expected range in all assessments which was very pleasing to note. Last year’s Yr 6’s also performed above state and national means in all assessments except writing. More detail will be provided in the Annual Report which will be tabled at the School Council meeting in term 1 next year.

THANK YOU
I would like to extend a big thank you to the P&C for their outstanding support throughout the year. A big positive is the commitment of members whose children are in the junior end of the school as this is where the school will be trying to rebuild from. Staff are also to be commended for their wonderful efforts throughout the year.

IN CONCLUSION
2015 has been a challenging one for Padbury PS but there have also been many successes. The new Student Centred Funding Model (SCFM), unexpected change of principal and a number of staff retirements have impacted on the school. These challenges have been well met by staff; parents and students, who have responded very positively and ensured that these events have had minimal impact on the learning program.

Highlights include the wide range of opportunities provided for students to represent the school, improved NAPLAN results, a comprehensive upgrade of reading resources and the focus on improving student performance in literacy and numeracy via a comprehensive (and on-going) professional learning program for teachers.

Whilst some parents may believe that a small school cannot provide the same opportunities as a large school, I would challenge this (mis)perception and point out that even though we are a small school, Padbury PS offers its students a well-rounded curriculum and boasts the same high quality programs that might (or might not) be found in larger schools. In addition the caring, compassionate nature of every staff member ensures each child’s needs are well understood and these are able to be met in a supportive learning environment.

I have worked in many schools during my career and the staff at Padbury PS is among the most dedicated and professional group I have had the pleasure of working with. They, together with a committed parent body, ensure that Padbury PS can rightfully boast a caring and supportive culture. I feel extremely privileged to be part of such a committed group and am looking forward to 2016 with a great deal of confidence and enthusiasm.

Neil Wood
Principal
Congratulations to the students who were awarded Merit Certificates at our recent assembly.

Pre-Primary Rm8
Sophia Bell
Owen Matthews

Year 2 Room 15
SwarasUbale
Harrison Harding

Year 3 Room 14
Pearl Burns
Emily Upson

Year 5 Room 17
Liam Fitz
Poppie Whittaker

Year 6 Room 18
Tahya Banyard
Cameron Spence

Congratulations to the students who were awarded Math Certificates at our recent assembly.

Sarah Zing
Dylan Bloodworth
Harrison Harding
SwarasUable
Shayes Hungerford
Oscar Longworth Baker
Tye Thompson
Talia Petera

LOST AND FOUND BOX
Please go through the lost and found box.
All unclaimed items will be donated to a charity.

Taj Kolondyski
Taj has a positive approach to all aspects of school. He keenly participates in all school events and represents the school with pride. His sense of a “fair go” for all makes him a role model to both his peers and the younger students at Padbury Primary School.
Honour Roll

Congratulations to the students who were awarded Merit Certificates at our recent assembly.

Pre-Primary Rm8
- Imogen Bishop
- Nathan Evans

Year 2 Room 15
- Seth Portwine
- Eleanor Osbourne
- Ben Winter

Year 3 Room 14
- Malcolm Shaw
- Imogen McConnel

Year 4 Room 17
- Fin Clarke

Year 5 Room 17
- Jack Davies

Year 5 Room 18
- Lucy Howe

Year 6 Room 18
- Felix Longworth-Baker

Upcoming Events

Fri 4 Dec
Crazy Hair Day gold coin donation

Thurs 10 Dec
P/P to 5 Presentation Assembly 9am start

Tues 15 Dec
Graduation Ceremony 9:30 start

Thursday 17th
Last Day for students

Term 1 2016

Thurs 28th Jan
Student Free Day

Fri 29th Jan
Student Free Day

In Term Swimming.
Further information including permission notes, money required ($50), dates and times will be distributed closer to the date.

Dear Parents
We have been advised by Kapture Photography that all sports and/or special team photos taken this year will be removed from their website at the end of this term in readiness for next year’s photography. This is your last chance to view and purchase these photographs. Please visit www.kapture.com.au and access the gallery using our school code – FB8ERF
From the classrooms.....

The Didge and Dance

On Wednesday the 25th of November Padbury P.S was involved in an interactive show called Didge & Dance. The man that presented it to us was hysterically funny. I was crying in laughter. One of the awesome things about it was that everyone got a turn at taking part in a traditional dance made to teach hunting or the lifestyle of an Aussie animals. I was an emu in a dance and I really learnt about the lifestyle of an emu. Other people were hunters, big birds or Willy-wag tails. One of my favourite parts was that he talked to us through the didgeridoo. He also taught us some of the aboriginal ways and also a few stories of some of the other kids he taught.

By Charlotte Hunt

What wonderful children we have here at Padbury Primary School. One of our beautiful pre primary girls Ivy Brown, cut her beautiful long hair off. It has been made into a wig for someone struggling with cancer.

Taj Kolodynski also cut his hair back in October. Taj did this to support a past student of Padbury Primary.

This selflessness go to show the type of families we have here at Padbury.

Congratulations to Jessica Hartland on being selected into the Australian Girls Choir. Jessica performed with the choir on the week end, they sang four songs. Jessica loves it and is enjoying the experiences of meeting new people and performing.

Congratulations Tye Thomson. What an awesome effort making the top 13 in the Wanneroo Shows XFactor.
From the classrooms.....

Year 2 turned D.I.Y!

On Tuesday the 1st of December, Pieta from Bunnings visited us for a special surprise! We turned the Art Room into our own Bunnings workshop. Dressed in our Bunnings aprons, Pieta explained to us that we were going to make our very own pencil boxes. Ellie was curious as to how this was going to work!

To make the box, we had to make sure that we had the correct pieces in the right places. After that, we had to get loud! Using our own hammer, we nailed the pieces in place. Harry missed the nail a couple of times and hit his thumb. It was tricky to make sure the nail went straight through the pieces to hold it together. Sarah felt like a real handyman. If the pieces weren't quite in line...not to worry! We had special tweezers to pull the nails out and try again. Eden was proud that she made a great box even after a few challenges.

We were very proud of our work. Next step was to start painting. We had a range of different and unique ideas. Some design ideas included painting colourful stripes, waves, shapes and even some Christmas pictures. Everyone enjoyed learning new skills and are proud that they were able to create a useful pencil box.

Christmas tree results

The results from the Christmas tree decorating competition are in!!!! This year room 15 were unsuccessful in winning the decorating competition. There was some stiff competition from other schools in the Joondalup area but we were very proud of our students and their families. The help from parents and carers was greatly appreciated and we have heard the recycling theme has made it into the homes of our year two students.

Christmas Post Box

The Christmas spirit has begun at Padbury Primary School! Every morning in December, the special Christmas post box will be placed in the old undercover area.

The post box is for Christmas cards for students and staff at Padbury Primary School. If you would like to write Christmas cards to post to people in the school, you need to write their name and their room number on the front of the envelope. Merry Christmas!
From the classrooms.....

Padbury Primary School have made it into the Wanneroo Times again this week.
The article is about the Christmas boxes Taryn Lee and Chappy organised its just another way we at Padbury PS look out for the wider community.

Congratulations to ROOM 15.
Earlier this term the school was involved in walk to school day. Room 15 took the day on in full. Ms Atkins and her students organised breakfast and all the students wore colourful socks. Ms Atkins shared a photo with the Heart Foundation’s coordinator of walk to school day and Padbury PS were one of the schools to win a share of the “sneakers” prize this year.

Self-Care
What a year! So many wonderful opportunities have presented for me. Every week there has been something to look forward to! I produced and directed a music show with a cast of over 30, and that kept me very busy. I was also privileged to be part of a documentary, I sang at Miss World, started training to become a radio host, a chaplain at three schools for a while and many other great opportunities. While I have been enjoying saying yes to new experiences and challenging myself, it has been tiring. I am looking forward to my holidays more than usual. This year and my schedule have reinforced the importance of Self-Care.

What is Self-care? To me, good self-care is being aware of both my abilities as well as limitations. It’s unwinding daily in a way that lets my brain know my work day is done. It’s making sure I eat well, and rest well so I am replenished for the following day.
I recently had a good reminder of how precious health is and this reminder has encouraged me to do better at my own self-care. I am a natural carer, so it is important for me to take care of myself so I can care for those around me. I need to practice good Self-care so that I make sure I am enjoying my journey.
BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair this year was again a great success.

We sold $3622 worth of books and novelties over the 4 days that the Fair was open allowing us to select $1,126 worth of free books from the Fair for everyone to enjoy in the Library.

Also a big thank you to the group of Year six students Jaydon Gilduff, Millie Hunt, Felix and Oscar Longworth, Sophie-Rose Loreta, Rebecca McKirdy and Tye Thomson who did a fantastic job in selling the novelties at the Fair. Well done everyone!

Mrs Cawley
Library Officer

SIMS MUSIC

The Department of Education’s School of Instrumental Music services over 400 primary and secondary Western Australian Government schools. Providing consultancy, instrumental instruction and ensemble direction, staffing allocation and management, an instrumental loan, maintenance and repair service, a resource centre and varied enrichment activities for students.

The Sims guitar group will be performing at the assembly on the 10th of December at 9am. The students have been working hard every week to learn the songs. The students performing are Carys, Felix, Oscar and Tye will be performing 4 songs under the instruction of Ms Ibrahimbegovic.

I would like to say Padbury PS is very proud of their achievement.
Everyone is welcome!
PADBURY PRIMARY
FACEBOOK LINK: https://www.facebook.com/groups/22164404678590

Important Announcement

The Canteen would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to the following parent volunteers who have children graduating this year….. Nicole Banyard and Jennifer Spence. Your support of our school canteen has been greatly appreciated and we wish you the best of luck in the next chapter of your lives. You will be missed!

Super Smooth Success!

The Canteen would like to thank all parents, students and staff for the great support of the recent super smoothie day! The day was a success with over 70 smoothies sold, and although we had some minor hiccups, it was great to see all the students so positive and patient dealing with the line! We will assess what changes need to be made and will be back in 2016! Christmas creative competition Entries close next Monday the 7th December for the canteen Christmas competition. Make sure you get your entries in by then to be in the chance to win a free lunch! Entries will be judged on Tuesday 8th December and winners will be announced at next week’s assembly! Canteen Facelift and Survey Keep your eye open for a letter to go home next week giving some exciting information on a facelift for our canteen. There will also be a canteen use survey going home next week, we want to know what you want from your school canteen! Completed surveys can be handed in during canteen hours in the last week of term or in 1st term of 2016. WE WILL REWARD ALL COMPLETED SURVEYS WITH FREE ICY POLE! Exciting times ahead.

Our canteen volunteers are our greatest asset. Unfortunately next year we will be losing some of our current volunteers. WE NEED YOU!!

Why Volunteer??

- It’s a great way to meet other parents.
- We train you for FREE. You will gain a Certificate in safe food handling.
- We can be a reference on your resume!
- Volunteers learn new skills about food production.
- Kids (especially those in junior years) love seeing their parents at school.
- Your volunteering helps keep our school canteen alive! Our canteen profits are our biggest P & C fundraiser.
- It’s a good way to get a feel for what goes on at school during the day
- It is fun and feels great to be involved!

If you have been thinking about volunteering, now is the time! We are currently in the process of trying to organise next year’s rosters. Please call or text Jaye on 0426754063 or Heather on 0403531101, or contact the canteen through the front office. We would LOVE to have you on the team!

Rosters

**Week 8**
Monday November 30th
AM: Karen
PM: Nicole
Thursday December 3rd
AM: Heather, Jennie
PM: Jenny, Jaye

**Week 9**
Monday December 7th
AM: Karen
PM: Jill, Yogi
Thursday December 10th
AM: Sue, Chey and Bianca
PM: Rowena, Ash

**Week 10**
Monday December 14th
AM: Karen
PM: Nicole
Thursday December 17th
The Little Feast Company
Fundraiser:
The next delivery is in week 9, Tuesday 9th December. This will be the last delivery for 2015.

Please have your orders in by Tuesday 8th December at the latest. For pick up from the canteen on Thursday 9th December.

How to place your order: online at www.littlefeast.co.au/shop
This is a great way to have a night off cooking knowing your family is getting a health meal. Or to stock your freezer for when you just need a quick meal and do not want to leave home!!
A small amount of the sales from your order is donated to the school!!

All families ordering this term will be going into a draw for one of two $25 gift vouchers.

From the P&C
Thank you to all our Padbury Primary School sponsors for 2015

The P & C would like to acknowledge the kind generosity and support we have received from local businesses during the year.

- Brumby’s Padbury
- Chipmunks Whitfords
- Great Escape Hillarys
- John Hughes Group
- Kmart Warwick
- Padbury Pharmacy
- Party Plus Joondalup
- Super Cheap Auto Whitfords
- Tillie Frank Photographer
- Xtreme Ice Arena
- Yummylicious Party Cakes

School bags and Communication folders have arrived. If you would like to purchase or know more information about these exclusive Padbury PS products please contact Natalie Pursell on 0447 804

Cost is $45 each.
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### Community News

**Whitfords After School & Vacation Care**

Supporting Families in our Community

- Before School
- After School
- School Holidays

**Enquiries & Information**

**Ph: 9307 3421**

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Jan 18th – Jan 28th 2016
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Venues: Churchlands SHS and Rossmoyne SHS
Cost: $180 per course. 10% discount for all enrolments received before 21st December 2016.

Head Start program to help students going into year 7 in 2016 gain confidence and transition successfully in their high school studies

For further information, program and enrolment:
Website: www.academictaskforce.com.au
Email: learn@academictaskforce.com.au

I didn’t know my library did that!

The things you can do with your City of Joondalup library membership – all for free – may surprise you. You can stream movies, download current and past issues of your favourite magazines, get help with your maths homework, use the internet and WiFi, get one-on-one help with technology, and catch up with your friends over a board game. Become a member at a City of Joondalup library to enjoy those benefits, and many more. It won’t cost you a cent!

As an added bonus, fill in your details below and hand this entry form in at any City of Joondalup library to go into the draw to win one of two book stacks, worth $200.00 each.

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