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Malvern Springs Primary School

Independent Public School

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Carers

The term is bumping along well with the Year 6 class hosting an assembly on Wednesday. The Year 6 class was the first to use the newly installed digital projector, screen and speakers in the undercover area, giving an added dimension to assemblies. Parents, Grandparents and families were proud as Prefects and Faction Captains were presented with their student leadership badges. Congratulations to all year 6 students who have been wonderful role models so far this year!

Visitor from Victoria - John Fleming

Malvern Springs Primary School was very pleased to receive a visit from renowned educator John Fleming as he gave the school guidance on how we can improve even more on the explicit teaching approaches the school has adopted. John comes from the highly acclaimed school, Haileybury.

Parents and Citizens Association

All positions on the P&C will be declared vacant at the Annual General meeting to be held at 7:00pm on 26 March in the staffroom.

I understand a number of the current executive team will not be re-nominating, meaning there will be opportunities for other parents to also make a valuable contribution to our beautiful school. The P&C have played an important role in the school over the last few years as a result of a small, hard working group of people who raised over \$20,000 each year in 2016 and 2017. Being on the P&C is also a great opportunity to meet life long friends in our fledgling community.



Indonesian at Malvern Springs

In line with Department of Education requirements, Indonesian is being taught to Year 3 students this year. Children are taking delight in greeting visitors to their classrooms in Indonesian. The program will be expanded next year as Year 4 students take up Indonesian. By 2021 all Year 3 to Year 6 students will learn Indonesian.

Bushfire Emergency Drill

Teachers and children moved to their safe locations very quickly yesterday during the bushfire drill. Thank you to parents for your patience. It is important you make a mental note of your child's safe location in case there's an actual emergency. The drill was much more orderly than the previous one conducted last year. We are happy to receive feedback.

Emergency Drill

Families and Schools Together (FAST)

After such a successful first year of FAST last year, Malvern Springs will be running the program again this year. We will begin preparing for FAST over the next few weeks.



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Regards

Dr Jenny Kuhn

PRINCIPAL

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DEPUTYS' DESK...

Students at Educational Risk (SAER)

Identification and intervention of students with learning difficulties is crucial. If your child has been identified with a learning difficulty or formally with a disability, your child's teacher will be in contact with you during the next few weeks to arrange a meeting to discuss Individual Education Plans (IEP) or Group Education Plans (GEP). These plans are written in Term 1 and reviewed in Term 3. Parent support is vital to the success of any special program. If you have queries please contact Penny Reynolds through the office.

Student Attendance

At Malvern Springs Primary School we value and promote each student receiving a great education, the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day. When students miss school regularly, they miss out on learning the fundamental skills that will set them up for success in the later years of school. There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind, and can affect their educational outcomes. If your child is away for any reason, we ask that you advise the school as soon as possible.

How are your children settling into school?

Adjusting to a new routine, dealing with social anxiety and making friends can be tricky, an experienced school psychologist put together the three top tips for settling your children into school.

1. Set a morning routine for your children

- Keep mornings calm by:
- turning off the television
 - packing bags, laying out clothes and making lunches the night before
 - writing out a step-by-step plan and putting it on the fridge.



Involving your children in planning the routine gives them a sense of control and allows them to focus on achieving what's next on the list in the morning.

2. See them off at school the right way

Getting to school at least 15 minutes before the bell so your children can get organised for the day saves rushing to classes and increasing feelings of anxiety. Staying with your children can sometimes make the situation worse. If a child is finding it difficult to say goodbye, it may be helpful to give them a quick kiss, tell them you'll see them in the afternoon and then go. Reinforce that your child can rely on you and trust you by being on time for pick up – that helps them feel secure at school.

3. Help them make friends for life

Friendships make school memorable and, most of all, make learning exciting. If your child is struggling to make friends, it's important to keep things in perspective. Empathise with your child's feelings, but keep those feelings in perspective. Children usually let go of the pain a lot faster than we do. Also remember that, as parents, we may overreact and blame others unfairly because we only know one perspective. To help your children develop friendships:

1. encourage and help them to invite friends home
2. create opportunities to meet new friends outside school time;
3. make friends with the parents of your children's friends (and those they don't get along with)
4. model being a good friend with your own social group and talk with your children about the ways good friends act.



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Deputy Principals

LIBRARY NEWS...



Hi everyone, there are a lot of students coming to the library without their library bags. Library bags keep our books safe so please remember that if you don't have a bag you will not be able to borrow a book. Thank you.

Allison Pearson
ICT & Resource Officer

TERM PLANNER...

Term 1 2018
31st January – 13th April 2018

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	29 January School Development Day	30 January School Development Day	31 January Students Begin	1 Feb	2
2	5	6	7	8	9
3	12	13	14	15	16
4	19	20	21 Assembly 3-6 Rm 13 & 14	22	23
5	26	27	28	1 Mar	2
6	5 Labour Day	6	7 Assembly K-2 T12 & T13	8	9
7	12	13	14	15	16 Afternoon Markets
8	19	20	21 Assembly 3-6 T7 & T8	22	23
9	26	27	28 Assembly K-2 Rm 64 & 66	29	30 Good Friday
10	2 Apr Easter Monday	3 Easter	4	5	6
11	9	10	11 Camp	12 Camp	13 Camp

MERIT CERTIFICATES...

The following students have received Merit Certificates

Alyssa C
Nyaulang T
Winnie D
Anthony T
Kiah R
Trista R
Emileigh W
connect

Tahlia K
Zade S
Dallis M
Ella W
Malachi L
Christopher P
Kyra B

Layla-Rose H
Abraham D
Chloe S
Maddison R
Alicia M
Emily O
Aimee H

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Congratulations!

Abby P
Ashton A
Cameron R
Lukas T
Bella C
Kai J

Montanna D
Neeved A
Sayd C
Tiah B
Atem A
Darshan L

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COMMUNITY NOTICES...



Government of Western Australia
Department of Health
Child and Adolescent Health Service



FREE PARENTING SEMINARS

You are invited to attend the Triple P Seminar Series. You will learn practical, positive and effective ways to deal with common behavioural problems and ways to help your child achieve their best at school and in the future.

Parents are encouraged to attend all 3 seminars:

1. Children's behaviour – the tough part of parenting
2. Raising confident children
3. Raising emotionally resilient children

The next **FREE** 3 week Series is held:

When: Tuesday 6th March 2018
Tuesday 13th March
Tuesday 20th March

Location: Altone Park Leisure Centre
332 Benara Rd, Beechboro 6063

RSVP: 27th February 2018

Bookings essential – www.trybooking.com/TDVJ
or call 1300 749 869

Creche available by booking only
Cost is \$5.70 for up to 2hrs per child
Bookings Phone: 9207 8555

To find other available programs visit our website
www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Triple_P

News from Oshclub... we've had lots of fun this week from paper plane races to slime experiments. The children are having lots of fun. Come and join us.

Enquiries 0458 812 233

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We Need You!



AusKick
Pre-Primary to Year 2

Juniors
Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Teams

Registrations are now open online at
www.aveleyfootballclub.com.au



www.facebook.com/aveleyfootballclub

Home Ground : Aveley Playing Fields
Bolero Road, Aveley

Registration Day 25th Feb 2018 11am-2pm

Any queries please don't hesitate to contact

Linda King - Registrar - 0424 209 730

registrar@aveleyfootballclub.com.au



DATES TO REMEMBER...

Monday 5 March
Labour Day

Wednesday 7 March
Assembly K-2 T12 & T13

"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice, and MOST of all, love of what you are doing."

- Pele

Term 1 2018
Wednesday 31 January 2018 to
Friday 13 April 2018

Term 2 2018
Tuesday 1 May to
Friday 29 June 2018