

Hello Everyone,

School Board

Thank you to those parents/carers who responded to the Board Survey I sent out in Term 1. Unfortunately, there has been some technical glitches and I have been unable to gain access to review results. I am seeking a couple more parents to submit an expression of interest to serve on our new School Board. Please let me know if you are interested in this opportunity to help improve outcomes for our wonderful students. I will also send out an email which you can respond to.

Year 6 High School Transition

Our Year 6 cohort will be commencing their High School transition program in Term 3. Mrs Rekman will send out a detailed letter informing parents of the process. I would encourage parents to now consider which school your child will attend for Year 7 in 2024 and start to make initial contact with them respectively.

Student Drop off and Parking.

May I remind parents/carers that the front of school carpark is for staff only and authorised visitors. If you have a valid ACROD permit there is a bay which can be accessed. Otherwise for student drop off/pick ups and general parking there is ample space in the allocated bays along Teranca Road. These bays are monitored by the Ranger and you may receive a fine. Your co-operation would be very much appreciated.



School Review.

I can confirm that our mandated DoE School Review (due in Week 8) has now been postponed until Term 1 2024. I will write to invite your participation and complete a survey either late Term 4 or early Term 1 2024.

May I take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support of our school. I will be away for Weeks 8-9 of this Term. Mrs Tamarra Rekman will be Acting Principal in my absence.

The editor of our school newsletter is currently absent on long service leave, hence this newsletter is much shorter than usual. We will be back with the full array of classroom news in the next issue, to be distributed in Week 9.

Jim Douglas

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES & NOTICES

Jun 05 – WA Day (holiday)

Jun 15 – Big Breakfast 7.45-8.30am

Jun 21 – Faction Cross Country

Jun 30 – End of Term 2

Jul 18 – Students commence Term 3

Newsletter Survey

Many of you generously participated in the recent survey about the effectiveness of the newsletter. Thank you for your timely responses and helpful feedback. We had an open mind about what your feedback might be and are pleasantly surprised to find that while there are some areas identified for improvement the overall finding is that the newsletter is valued, regularly read, the size and frequency of issue are 'just right', and the content is mostly relevant. The newsletter also provides an appreciated form of communication between school and families.

Understandably, all parents and carers want to read news about their child's classroom, but many of you expressed an appreciation of the opportunity to read of activity in other classrooms too. News about NDIS changes, community-based courses on family well-being and behaviour management, and items relating to events in Mandurah are not well valued and will be limited in future to publication on our website. You liked photos, especially of your child and their peers in classroom settings, and suggested there be occasional articles that profiled students who have achieved special milestones. This latter recommendation will be discussed at our next meeting of teaching staff. 'Important Dates' is a universally valued inclusion.

Finally, some of the responders communicated comments that make the time and energy required to publish our newsletter very worthwhile: "Love the current newsletter", "It is concise and readable", and "Not overly full of stuff that is of no interest". That's great.