



Brookman

PRIMARY SCHOOL

An Independent Public School



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It is terrific to be back at our wonderful school. My vacation to Alaska and the Rocky Mountains was absolutely fantastic with the most beautiful scenery imaginable. May I pass on my thanks to our two Deputy Principals Mrs Lawrence and Mrs Rennie for their outstanding efforts in leading the school while I was overseas.

Governors STEM Awards

We are again finalists in the Governors STEM Awards and I congratulate our staff on putting forward an excellent presentation during my absence. We will now wait to see whether we were successful. Regardless of the outcome it is wonderful to again be shortlisted as a finalist.

Planning for 2019

Our annual school funding is reliant on student numbers. Our projected budget comes from our expected numbers and directs our forward planning. It is therefore important that families notify the school if they intend leaving. Similarly if a future student needs to be enrolled please do so immediately.

Car Break In

On Wednesday afternoon between 2.10 and 2.30pm a parent's car parked on our spare land was broken into and a handbag stolen from the front seat. If anyone can supply information regarding the break in please see staff in the front office.

Also, please be reminded to not leave valuables in cars where they can be seen.

KindiLink 3 Year Old Aboriginal Pre-Kindergarten

We were notified that this fabulous program will continue into next year. KindiLink allows future Aboriginal students and their families to be part of a valuable learning program at the school.

Please ask at the front office if you would like information or phone us on 9458 5542.

School Board Meeting

Our School Board met last Wednesday. As part of the meeting we discussed our NAPLAN results and the visit for the Governor's STEM Award, amongst a range of other topics. I thank the Board Members for their support in guiding the school in its ongoing positive direction.

COMING EVENTS

Breakfast Club	Daily	8.00 a.m. - 8.15 a.m.
Uniform Shop	Daily:	8.00 a.m. - 8.30 a.m. 2.00 p.m. - 2.30 p.m.
Student Banking		Wednesdays 8.00 a.m.
Interschool Softball		Tuesday 30 th October
Music Count Us In		Thursday 1 st November
Celebration Day		Friday 2 nd November
C4 Assembly		7pm Gosnells Civic Centre
Choir Citizenship Ceremony		

Should any parent or carer wish to sit in or observe a Board Meeting they would be extremely welcome. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th November at 4.30pm in the Staffroom.

Instagram

Our Instagram account continues to showcase fabulous photos of our students at work. If you don't have Instagram on your phone could I suggest you download it and follow a range of information about the school.

As always I look forward to catching up with families around the school.

Congratulations

to our Honour Certificate recipients.



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Literacy

International Competition and Assessment for Schools

Earlier in the year some of our students took part in the International Competition and Assessment for Schools completing a Maths and/or English Test. Some students chose to take part and we also selected students who scored in the top 20% in 2016 and 2017 NAPLAN testing to participate. The tests were very challenging, congratulations and well done to all the students who participated. The students who took part received their certificates at last week's assembly.

ENGLISH Results

Merit Certificates: Olivia Corbett, Jordan Beaver, Zaid Khan, Kronan Soares, Reuben Yerramsetti, Phoebe Richardson, Michael Qua, Rheann Andrada and Braedi Hayden

Credit Certificates: Alan Sherwood, Sandra Soe, Gunata Cheong, Elakkiaa Sukumar, Aayan Abid, Katherine Sherwood and Emma Qua.



Tina Lawrence, Deputy Principal

Maths

MATHS Results

The maths ICAS testing has returned and the following students were awarded certificates. Well done to everyone who participated.

Merit Certificates: Aayan Abid, Phoebe Richardson

Credit Certificates: Lingliu Alshama, Martin Li, Alan Sherwood, Sandra Soe, Elakkiaa Sukumar

Distinction: Gunata Cheong

Tania Rennie, Deputy Principal

Is your child a healthy weight?

Did you know that more than a quarter of Western Australian school children are overweight? Many children at risk of being overweight do not look obviously large.

As children move through puberty and into adulthood, being overweight often becomes more obvious and more difficult to manage. It is easier for children to move towards a healthy weight before puberty and adulthood.

Help your child to introduce small, achievable, healthy habits every day. For some ideas, go to Raising Children website (http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/childhood_obesity.html). For fun ideas on how to support children and families to be more active outdoors go to Nature Play WA.

It is important to avoid discussing weight with children. Weight loss and dieting is not recommended for children, unless under medical supervision. Healthy habits help children to 'grow into their weight'.

Music

The Music Count Us In Celebration Day Assembly is next Thursday 1st November at 9am in the undercover area. We will have performances by C4, C6, some students from C2 and B6 also. The whole school will sing along too. Please come along and support this wonderful initiative of celebrating Music being taught in public schools around Australia. I look forward to see you there.

Annie Eversden
Drama and Music Specialist

WAAPA

WAAPA Summer School 2018/2019

This Summer WAAPA at ECU, Mt Lawley is offering an exciting performing arts program for students from Years 1 to 12. The Summer School includes classes in RAP, Acting, Dance, Drama, Screen Performance, Music Theatre and of course, how to perform Shakespeare. For information about the fantastic courses on offer please visit WAAPA Summer School or contact Gabrielle Metcalf at g.metcalf@ecu.edu.au