

BATEMAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Independent Public School

NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal

It has been a very different week at Bateman Primary with us having no communication with the outside world via technology and no ability to access any of the information stored on our computers. Instead we managed "Old School" with word of mouth and retrieving paper files being the go for the early part of the week. The good news is that we all managed, we had the opportunity to have a good sort out of documents and the students carried on as normal.

On Tuesday we had our faction swimming trials in preparation for the carnival next week. As always, the event ran very smoothly thanks to the organisation of Miss B, the efforts of staff and the cooperation of the students. Next Thursday's carnival should be very exciting, and I hope to see lots of parents there.

Tuesday also saw some of our Kindy kids screened for Speech and OT and the remainder and a few of our PP children will also be screened next Tuesday. By working in partnership with families in this way we hope to be able to get some early intervention happening and increase the academic and social outcomes for identified students.

Yesterday we had Kapture come into the school to take class, sibling and individual photos of our children. Again, with the help of our school leaders, the event went as planned and photos should be available to families in the not-to-distant future. If you do have any queries about the photos please call Kapture directly, as they coordinate the whole process. Please do let us know if you are happy or not with the photos as we rely on your feedback to choose our supplier.

After school today many of the staff are staying back to repair our Wings artwork which is on the side of the Music Room. Tomorrow the whole piece will be covered in a Perspex/acrylic cover which should protect the work from curious fingers. We are still looking for a good location and somebody with the skills to help us display the fantastic tiles the students designed during last year's Wellness Festival.

Tomorrow we will be entertained by Room 7 at their assembly. This will be the first of our class-run assembly and it will be great to see what Miss Bray's class have been working on in the short period of time we have been back. I think our community song should be great from the practices I've seen when I've visited the Music Room.

It is only 3 weeks until we have our special 50th Anniversary Assembly. We will have a couple of ex-Bateman people to speak to the students, the choir will be performing, we will enjoy a community song and dance and our Bush Tucker Track will be opened. It would be great to see lots of families come along and enjoy one of our 4 mostly low-key events to mark our 50th.

Next week teachers will be filming themselves teaching and will then use this footage to reflect on their performance. They will be assisted in this process by a member of our Peer Observation Committee and the idea is to ensure that not only is our teaching excellent but that it is consistent across the school with all teachers using a consistent lesson framework and age-appropriate language.

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TERM 1 2020

6 March

Assembly Rm 7
Kindy & PP Busy Bee 3pm-5pm

12 March

Yr 4-6 Swimming Carnival
Melville Aquatic 9.00-12.00

13 March

MOB South Mole, Freo
Dads&Kids event

16 March

STEAM Day
P&C Meeting/AGM 7.00pm

20 March

Assembly Rm 8
Year 6 Busy Bee 3pm-5pm

23 March

School Board Meeting

27 March

Batemans 50th Anniversary
Assembly 2.00pm

30 March

Swimming Lessons commence
PP-6 (30 Mar-9 Apr)

3 April

MDISSA Lacrosse Carnival

8 April

Interschool Swimming

9 April

Last day Term 1

TERM 2 COMMENCES

TUESDAY 28 APRIL 2020

**Please contact School
Watch Security on 1800
177 777 if you see any
suspicious activity at
the school after hours.**

From the Principal...cont...

As you can see, technology or not, Bateman Primary has been a hive of activity with lots more to happen in the coming weeks. At the end of Week 5 I can report that our many new students have joined our school seamlessly and all students are really applying themselves in the classroom and with the specialist teachers and playing well at recess and lunchtimes. Thank You to all parents and staff for making the start of 2020 a productive one.

Most of you will now be aware of the very sad and untimely death of the younger sibling of one of our students. Out of respect to the grieving family's wishes, and until we are told otherwise by the family, no staff member has spoken of this incident with the children or with other parents. I am aware that some parents have discussed this sad event with others, and some with their children. As a result, it has become possible that one or more of our students may wish to talk to a professional about their feelings. If this is the case, please inform Sonja Katnich and she will organise the support needed.

Once we do hear from the grieving family, we will make a decision about whether some discussion and education about the background to the incident is appropriate, either in the student's classroom or across the school.

Until we know more about the affected family's wishes we do ask that you respect their privacy and restrict discussion about the situation, if you must discuss it, to away from the school.

Below are two links you can access to obtain information about young children and grief.

[https://www.grief.org.au/uploads/uploads/ChildrenandGrief\(Pre-school\).pdf](https://www.grief.org.au/uploads/uploads/ChildrenandGrief(Pre-school).pdf)

[https://www.grief.org.au/uploads/uploads/ChildrenandGriefPrimary%20School\).pdf](https://www.grief.org.au/uploads/uploads/ChildrenandGriefPrimary%20School).pdf)

Returned School Forms

Thank you to the families who have returned their Student Update Forms, Media Consent, BYOD and Computer Acceptable Use Agreement and Confidential Declaration forms. These forms are important to ensure your child is safe and has proper access to all of the activities across the school.

Media Consent forms were only provided to Kindy and new families as these are carried over from year to year.

Please note that Kindy children are not required to complete the BYOD and Computer Acceptable Use Agreement Forms. They will be given this form when they commence Pre-Primary.

If you have not yet returned your forms, please do so immediately. Thank you.

Scholastic Book Club

The school would like to welcome Karoline Caldwell as our new Scholastic Book Club co-ordinator, who has taken over the reins from the wonderful Jenni Beauchamp. The school would like to thank Jenni for the amazing job she has done over the years as the Book Club co-ordinator, and the support she has given our school. Thank you Jenni.

The latest Book Club catalogue is out now and has been sent home with your child. **The closing date for the orders is Friday 20 March. Please note - No orders or payments such as cash and/or cheques can be collected by the school any longer. Orders can only be placed on-line through LOOP.**

P&C News—Grounds Report

Kitchen Garden Tidy Up

One of our new Dads, Damien, has made a massive change in the Kitchen Garden in a very short time. If you haven't seen it lately be sure to wander past, stop and have a look. He has been tackling the terrible couch grass, moving garden beds to gain more sunshine and extend growing times and even created a huge garden bed for crops such as corn and wheat. With Jemma O'Keefe's assistance a new mulch pile has been initiated and we are soon to have some new watermelon plants and a pomegranate tree. Several bird baths are in the process of going up to encourage the local wildlife and the greenhouse is now bursting with freshly planted seedlings, thanks to some of our students - Cambel B and Noah R.



Some new sheep manure and some chicken manure courtesy of our own chooks will quickly improve the soil and all garden beds will be mulched with pea hay to improve the moisture retention around the plants. Over the long weekend the area was a hive of activity with students, parents and locals all wondering through - don't be shy, stop and say hello or better still get involved in the changes too. Well done Damien.



Year Group Busy Bees

Looking forward to a really big turnout for our **first Busy Bee this Friday 6 March for all Kindy and Pre-Primary parents** - a full report will be in the next newsletter. Don't forget your hat, gloves and gardening tools to assist. Everyone is welcome.

Coming up very shortly on **Friday 20 March from 3.00pm to 5.00pm** will be the **second Busy Bee** and we are calling all **Year 6's and their parents** to assist with raising the new signage, mulching and planting the whole area on the corner of Adams St and Dean Rd. Who knows - we may even have some painting for those creative souls for our native totem poles. We want everything to look amazing for the official opening on the 27 March for the large contingent of dignitaries who will be visiting the school.

Bush Tucker Area

A special thanks to several of the committee members; Jocelyn Chia and Amanda Loo, along with their daughters who volunteered their time over the recent long weekend, to help clear the mulch piles from the garden areas and the area behind the demountable. Girl power was in full force over the Saturday and Sunday as we created the new entrance to the Bush Tucker area from the school side and wheelbarrowed many loads to the new Roots and Fruits area so that planting can begin there next week. Special thanks to Cambel B from Year 6 who helped me shift several more wheelbarrow loads on Monday. He was a jet! We will be planting Gumbi Gumbi, Bloodroot, Quandongs, Davidson's Plum trees, and many more. If you have some spare time at all, please don't hesitate to come on down and get involved.

We now have river mint to add to our Herbs and Healing space. Check out the massive tree stump that has become a pot for the river mint, with its own secret little pathway.

Thanks to the generosity of our good friends at Tree Care WA on Tuesday Peter successfully moved several of the massive logs to the corner of Dean Rd and Adams St as we begin to create that new area. Tree Care WA will return over the next few weeks to carve out the logs to create natural planters which we will fill with hardy plants to make that corner pop! Coupled with our amazing new sign that Mike has been designing in dual language it should be a great addition and memory to the 50 Year celebrations at Bateman Primary School.

We can be reached on the P&C email batemanpandc@gmail.com or alisonmoore300666@gmail.com or 0431 488 838.



P&C News...cont...

Welcome Sundowner 2020 - Thank You

Thank you to everyone to come along to our Welcome Sundowner for 2020. Fantastic to see our usual faces and lots of new parents and families come along.

A very BIG thank you Kathy Stafford and all the other parents who helped behind the scenes, and to those who helped out on the night with setting up, packing up and all the other bits that help make the night a memorable one. We couldn't have run the event without you - Thank you!

Thank you **DJ "Ben's Tunes"** for another awesome job with the music entertainment and to **Unicone Softserve Perth** for their cool treats, to **Big 5 Curry Den Food Truck** for their great food and curries and the wonderful entertaining **Suitcase Circus** experience for all to enjoy on the night. Also, special mention and thanks to **Unicone Softserve** and **Big 5 Curry Den** for kindly donating part of their proceeds from the night to the P&C.

Men of Bateman - Fish and Chips at South Mole, Friday 13 March from 6:30pm

Hello all MOBsters. The next event is the kids event at **South Mole Fremantle Friday 13 March**.

Grab your kids, some fish and chips and head down for **6:30 onwards**. Watch the ships sail in and out of harbour and if you are feeling lucky have a go at some fishing off the rocks. It is a fun evening. We're looking forward to all you fathers and father figures bringing your kids down for the first Dads & Kids event of the year.

Class Representatives for 2020—Last Calling for Volunteers

The P&C are looking for two volunteering parents (preferably one for each year group) from each class to be a class representative in 2020. Having a class representative helps provide a point of contact for parents, the class teacher and the P&C. Class Representatives duties simply involve...

1. Compiling a 'Class Friendship List' (with Child's Name, Year, Parent/s Name and Contact Number), emailing the list to class parents only and keeping it up to date to help build social networks - this is particularly helpful for new parents to the school, arranging playdates, party invitations etc.
2. (Optional) Organise class social events/activities like coffee mornings, dinners, end of year celebrations.

Please Note:

- The School Newsletter, Skoolbag, Website, P&C Facebook Page and direct correspondence from the Class Teacher will always be the form of communication to parents with what's happening in the classroom, in and around the school, fundraising initiatives and upcoming social events etc and **not via** the Class Reps.
- Class Reps **are not** to be used or help other parents express concern about their own children. This should be done directly between the parents themselves and the teacher.
- Class Reps **do not** have to be part of the P&C and are not required to attend P&C meetings - although you are most welcome to attend.
- To comply with school policy, coordinating collections for end-of-year gifts and cards for class teachers shall **no longer be** the responsibility of the Class Rep. However, parents are most welcome to provide an individual gift to teachers if they wish.

Current List of Class Reps

Rm	Yr	Class Rep 1	Class Rep 2	Teacher
EC1	PP	Trisha Ding		Miss Flanagan/Mrs Allen
EC2	K	Kate Hunter	Ashleigh Ridgeway	Mrs Katnich
EC3	K	Karoline Caldwell	Melissa Morrison	Mrs Slavin
2	PP/1	Klaire Wilson (Yr PP)		Miss Ryan
3	1/2	Kellie Fearnall (Yr 2)		Mrs Gobetti
4	1/2			Mrs Hughes/Mrs Ayton
5	2/3			Mr Moseley/Ms Loveland
6	1/2	Suzanne McCarthy (Yr 2)		Ms Rimmer
7	3/4	Evelyn Muller (Yr 3)		Miss Bray
8	5/6	Gail Della-Marta (Yr 5)	Liz Petersen (Yr 6)	Miss Cleghorn
9	3/4	Karoline Caldwell (Yr 3)	Wendy Mobley (Yr 4)	Miss Kaiser
10	3/4			Miss Hawgood
11	5/6			Mrs Pugh
12	5/6			Mrs McDonald/Miss Bruinsma



Note:

Please advise your classroom teacher or Kathy Stafford at batemanpandc@gmail.com of your interest by **13 March** so that a 'Class Rep Information Pack' can be forwarded to you.

P&C News...cont...

Class Friendship List – Request for Contact Details



Would you like to join our Class Friendship List?

Having a Class Friendship List is a great way to stay in touch with other parents and to help build social networks – this is particularly helpful for new parents to the school, arranging playdates, party invites or organising social get-togethers like coffee mornings, dinners etc.

Your Class Representative will compile a Class Friendship List, email the list to class parents only and keep it up to date.

Important Note: Our Class Friendship List is intended for our classroom families and distribution only. Please do not pass on other people's contact details without their prior consent.

- No thanks, I do not wish to join the Class Friendship List
- Yes thanks, I wish to join the Class Friendship List. Here are my details....

Room No	
Year	
Child's Name	
Parent Name(s)	
Email Address	
Contact Number	

Please complete and return this form to your **Class Teacher** by: _____

Kind regards

Class Representative: Name: _____ Room No: _____ Date: _____
Bateman Primary School

Note: Once a Class Rep has been identified, the P&C will arrange for 'Class Friendship List - Request for Contact Details' form to be sent home with class students for completion, making it easier for the Class Rep to compile a Class Friendship List.
See example...



Vacant Position - P&C Fun Events Coordinator(s)

If you have a knack for making things happen (what parent doesn't?), like organising events and enjoy seeing your plans come together, we would love to have you on our team! During the course of the school year, your P&C runs, promotes, coordinates a number of events and projects (usually one or two events per term). We need you, the 'Oracle', to oversee and ensure your merry band of helpful, passionate parent helpers are doing the right things at the right time, so things run oh so smoothly. Full training and support provided. If you are interested in a position and would like know more, please contact Glenn Beauchamp (P&C President) 0411 116 966, Mike Baldwin (P&C Vice President) 0406 666 567 or come along to one of our P&C meetings.

Next P&C Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Monday 16 March 2020 - All Welcome

Each year, parents and members of the community work together on a variety of fundraising initiatives and projects around the school to benefit your child's education experience. You can support the school by volunteering a few hours a month with things ideally matched to your skills and expertise.



P&C OFFICE BEARERS
President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
P&C REPRESENTATIVES/COORDINATORS/ COMMITTEES
Services Coordinator - Uniform
Services Coordinator - Lunches
Events Coordinator/s
Grounds/Buildings Coordinator (and Committee)
Men of Bateman (MOB) Coordinator
Marketing/Communications Coordinator/s
Newsletter Coordinator
Book Club Coordinator/s
School Banking Coordinator/s
Ice-Cream Shop Coordinator (Friday's Term 1 & 4)
Entertainment Book Fundraising Coordinator/s

When: Monday, 16 March 2020 at 7.00pm
(drinks and nibbles provided)

Where: P&C Utility Room/Uniform Shop

P&C Positions: Refer table to the left

All positions on the P&C are declared vacant during the AGM for election and voting, with new P&C members commencing their role in Week 7/8, February 2020.

All current P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact Glenn Beauchamp on 0411 116 966 or bate-manpandc@gmail.com if you wish to nominate for a position or would like to know more information about a position.

Community News

The following items are mentioned as community news and are not school endorsed activities

City of Melville
Libraries

Packed with Goodness Healthy Lunchboxes

Packed with Goodness.

Healthy lunchbox session

Lift the lid on a healthy lunchbox in this informative session. Packed with Goodness is a new Cancer Council WA nutrition education program for parents, grandparents and caregivers of primary school-aged children.

Learn tips for packing a healthy lunchbox, healthy alternatives to pre-packaged snacks, the importance of fruit and vegies for kids, label reading and the best drink choices for kids.

Each parent will receive a free resource kit to take home, packed with information and goodies to get started.

Tuesday, 10 March, 10.00 am to 11.30am
at Bull Creek Library
Free | Bookings Essential
www.melvillecity.com.au/libraryevents

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Bull Creek
for our
Door Prize

melvillecity.com.au/libraries

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Congratulations to these Bateman Students

A group of Bateman PS students proudly represented the Kardinya Red Sox at the TBAWA State Championships over the March long weekend. In Under 13's was Lenny G who's team came second overall. In Under 9's was Lucy O'K, Sophie K, Archie and Jacob G who competed courageously against tough competition. And in under 11's was Jemma G who's team took out the divisional championship for the 2nd year in a row.

Kelly Golding

