

## Grounds Report

### Grants

Much of last month has been spent writing and rewriting grants for submission to; the City of Melville for the **Robin Hood Grant \$20K**, **Westfield's Local Hero Award \$10K**, **Woolworths Landcare Grant for Schools \$1.5K** and the **Local Government Volunteer Grant \$3K**. Thanks to the City of Melville we were also given the **opportunity to nominate our Bush Tucker Garden for an indigenous award**. The school had to write a submission that will be judged accordingly. If we are successful, the school will receive \$10K for future indigenous projects. Any funding from the other grants received has been earmarked for projects already in conjunction with the P&C. Stay tuned and fingers crossed we are successful.

### Buildings and Grounds Committee

I will be super busy this term working for University of Notre Dame supervising 23 new student teachers, so I will have really limited time to spend in the school gardens, possibly a few hours on the weekend only. Should anyone else be interested in doing some weeding or general maintenance, please don't hesitate to contact me on 0431 488 838 and we can arrange access and a plan.

### P&C Shed Maintenance

If anyone has a spare hour or two and likes to organise things, our P&C shed needs some TLC - a little tidy up, some tools fixed and a general sweep out. If this sounds like you, please contact Alison on 0431 488 838 to assist. We have put through a grant request to purchase some new tools for our Busy Bees and it would be great to have the shed all ready to store them in.

### Verge Parking

It appears the **same people that are constantly parking on the verge** are now also traipsing through the gardens to get to their cars too. Many people have done a lot of work to beautify the school grounds, so please show some consideration and **do not park on the verge**. Also, as some 4WD's have been driving straight over our small plants near the bush tucker entrance, we have now reinstalled the blue surrounds. Please try and avoid this area as these plants recover from your wheels.

### Busy Bees

**Well done Kindy and Pre-Primary parents on the first Busy Bee of the year.** A solid turnout including, Kindy and Pre-Primary students, parents and even grandparents worked extremely well on a hot Friday afternoon to fill the bin with over 25 bags of leaves, weed, and pruning material. After mulching the area looked amazing. **A special thank you to our 2 BBQ chefs who ensured everyone was well fed afterwards.**

Year 6's and their parents - it is your turn next! **Your Busy Bee is on Friday 30/4/2021 from 3.15pm.** We will be concentrating on the Bush Tucker area. I have secured some extra plants from Plant Rite which we will be planting - something you can do as a thank you to the school, seeing as it is your final year. There is a little weeding, mulching and some pruning of some dead trees. Even if you aren't a Year 6 student or their parent, you are welcome to come and share the afternoon with us. Don't forget to bring your gloves, hat and sunscreen. Our Busy Bee will be followed by a sausage sizzle and a few drinks. Hope to see everyone there!





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