

eNews @ Nedlands Primary School

11 February 2022



PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Kaya

Well done to us all for a great start to the new year. Collectively we are using the Covid-19 conditions imposed upon us as a community to demonstrate that with adversity comes community spirit, innovation and lateral thinking. In light of the restrictions we have cancelled the School Welcome Picnic and Lion Dance to celebrate Chinese Lunar New Year.

Please follow these links to understand how all schools in WA will proceed should there be an identified cases of Covid-19 at the school. <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/managing-covid-19-in-a-school>. High case load protocols for schools <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/covid-19>

Current Director General instructions advise where possible **conduct all meetings online and cancel all non-essential events**. This will impact on P&C, board meetings and other events.

Our teachers are in the process of completing their online Classroom Information sessions via Zoom. **Schools are not to continue mixed year level ensembles and choirs**. Instrumental education will continue and year group choir will continue because year levels won't be mixing. IMMS teachers will continue at this stage to visit our school.

On Friday morning we made history by having our first remote Leadership Assembly. The event was live and not recorded for future viewing. The principal's address follows it may contain a snippet or two worthy of discussion at home.

Our first newsletter:

- Celebrates our incoming student leadership team with the inclusion of the principal speech
- Operational messages
- Covid-19 home learning while school is open
- Introducing Philly our chaplain
- Third party activity provider information

A picture below of gorgeous Aria and Alice delivering the first of many messages I am bound to receive.

Kevin, the kookaburra continues to shout instructions at me and the ravens outside my window are flouting the rules of social distancing by having treetop committee meetings. I share an article with you about ravens without claiming that I can verify the accuracy of content. Interesting read though. <https://www.smh.com.au/entertainment/raven-the-undertaker-of-the-bush-20130320-2qexp.html>.

From our families to yours
Keep safe and healthy
LINDA GRIFFIN

Term 1 Events @ Nedlands

Week 3

- Wed 16 Online Board Meeting 5pm (link to follow)

Week 4

- Wed 23 Feb Online P&C Meeting 5pm (link to follow)

Monday March 7

Labour Day

Public Holiday



Nicola Holt and Andrew Gould Associate Principals Updates

Thank you everyone for responding so positively to the changes and routines in this constantly changing landscape of Covid. **Assemblies will be conducted online** and parents will be emailed a link on the day.

Parent Crosswalk Volunteers

We are calling for parent volunteers to help as traffic wardens at the Elizabeth Road crosswalk. This will only require around twenty minutes of your time (3.10pm to 3.30pm) one day per week to help the students safely across the road. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Nicola.holt@education.wa.edu.au.

Term 1 Parent Meetings

The online parent meetings have been very successful and the recordings will ultimately be posted on Dojo or as arranged with the teacher. Well done Neddies teachers!

Crunch & Sip

This is a reminder that everyone needs Crunch & Sip on their desks at school, to feed their brain throughout the day, to keep alert and on task in the classroom. Your child needs a bottle of water in a labelled (student's name) container and a small labelled container of fruit (e.g. grapes, blue berries, strawberries, cut- up apple etc.) or vegetables (e.g. cucumber, mushrooms, celery sticks, carrot, snow peas etc.) to snack on during Crunch & Sip time. Please do not send biscuits, nuts or lollies. This is separate food to Recess and Lunch. Thank you and happy crunching. (Mrs Margaret Parker)

Wearing Hats

As part of our school Sun Smart policy we would like to congratulate our students on wearing their hats at school, for sun protection. Wearing of hats at recess and lunch is compulsory and where there's no hat, students need to select areas of shade play thus limiting their choices. We encourage adults and students to wear hats to and from school. The Cancer council also recommends the application of sunscreen SPF 30-50+ before coming to school. **It has been noticed that a number of students have sunscreen attached to their bags for application during the day, which is a great idea.** We also like the way that students are eating and playing in shaded areas which of course, is Sun Smart. (Mrs Margaret Parker and Mrs Renu Sahai)

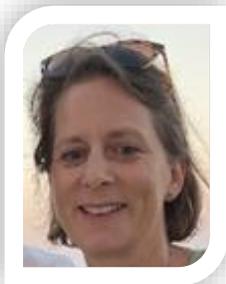


Curriculum @ Nedlands

Diagnostic Assessment

In week 3 all students, year 1-6 will participate in PAT (Progressive Achievement Test) and the Pre Primaries will begin their On-Entry Testing. The school collects both externally and internally moderated data to form an overall view of your child's development. We measure the individual growth of students to ensure all students are making good measurable progress and we adjust our learning plans accordingly. The On-Entry testing is linked to Naplan and demonstrates longitudinal performance for the stable cohort which informs our strategic goal setting for cohorts and individuals. Our recent partnership with Best Performance is supporting our student data integration for gap analysis. Teachers are accessing professional development to use the platform and are already using it to tailor their planning for learning. We are aware that it is equally important to consider abilities not just challenges and to this extent we continue to research tools to support best practice in this area.

<https://bestperformance.com.au/solutions/datahub/>



Chaplain Chat

Hi! I'm Philly the school chaplain and I'm at school every Thursday. I offer social and emotional support to children, and if required to parents and staff as well.

I provide both 1:1 support as well as running small group program. I want to tell you about a fantastic small group program we successfully ran last term called **Seasons for Growth**.

This evidence-based program is for children who have been through significant change, loss or grief. It is not just for bereavement, but is also for children whose parents have separated or divorced, and with Covid there are many children whose families have been separated for a long period of time which has been really tough.

During these times it's normal for both parents and children not to have the emotional energy to talk about what's going on, and often children don't want to upset their parents by telling them how they truly feel. However, it's really important for children to talk, to be taught coping strategies, and realise they're not alone.

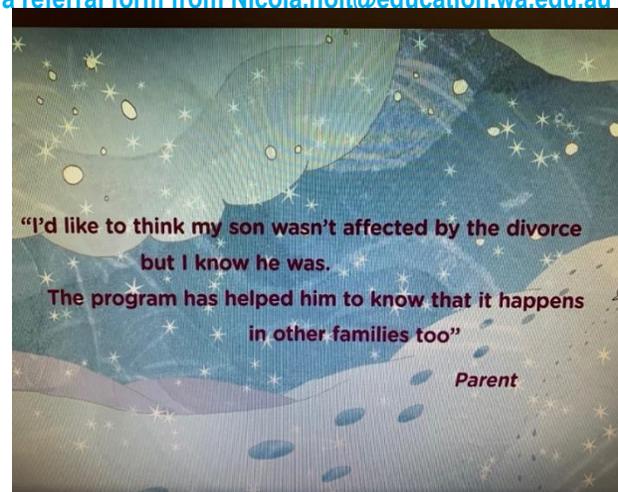
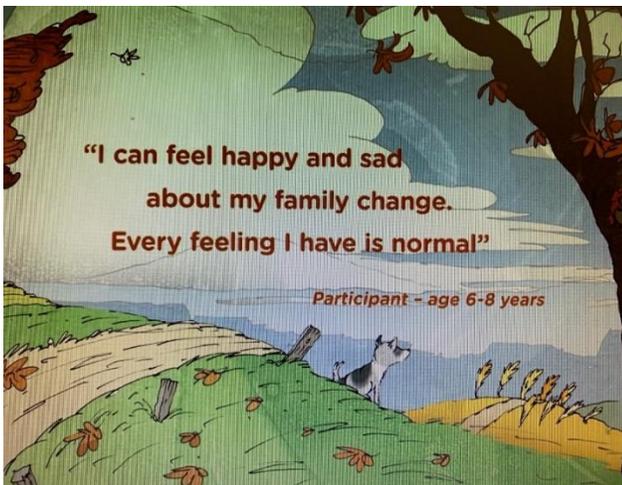
In short, whether the problem is big or small, I provide a safe space for them to talk, or, as some have described me, I'm like a lighthouse, helping them navigate around the rocks!

I look forward to seeing some of you soon. The link below which tells you more about the program.

https://www.goodgrief.org.au/sites/default/files/Good_Grief_Edit_FINAL_V2.mp4

If you're interested in any of this, or need to chat about anything else please don't hesitate to contact me philly.lumby@education.wa.edu.au I am in school every THURSDAY.

#To complete a chaplain **referral form** please request a **referral form from Nicola.holt@education.wa.edu.au**



YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP ASSEMBLY



Student Heads of School: Riley and Isabella

The excellent distributed leadership team that strongly includes student voice at our school is to be applauded. Congratulations to all our students. I have included my speech from the Leadership assembly as it was live streamed and many of you may not have been able to attend.

Kaya, Good morning, Selamat pagi, Goeie more to our parents, grandparents students and teachers. At Nedlands this greeting could go on infinitely if we were to acknowledge all the cultures.

Today it will be a privilege to extend the leadership of Nedlands to our students. This invitation acknowledges that a great community respects that leadership at its best is when there is representation from everyone. At Nedlands we have highly skilled teachers leading our student learning and wellbeing, we have a school board supporting the strategic development of our school, and a P&C leading with fundraising and events to enhance our learning. I have the privilege of leading with you and learning from you.

Globally we have had the epiphany that leaders are not born but rather trained and that means that we all have the capacity to lead. The first person we learn to lead is ourselves. When you were born your parents toilet trained you and thereafter you were the leader of that program. Your parents taught you to love, apologise, develop good habits and begin to understand what it means to belong to a community. As a person in year 6 you're already doing most of this but you probably check back in with your parents, teachers and the wisdom of your elders/grandparents.

I have thought about my own path to leadership and now that I am an elder in my community I can share with you that leadership and love are intricately woven together. So I offer you the following.

Love, simply love - love every living being even those you've never met, love nature and the voiceless animals. Approach every situation with the end game being 'what does this look like if love is the answer'. Use love as the instrument of how you listen and set boundaries. Your parents love you enough to set boundaries and when you hear 'no'. Listen carefully to the language of love as it may be a protective 'no'. When I meet with you as a leadership team we will unpack this further.

Be you, be authentically you because when you are not, you are wearing armour and that will mean you will have to think how to be, and over time you may struggle to find yourself again. One begins to see that not being authentically ourselves has no benefit.

Be willing to be vulnerable and look forward to being wrong – Each day I come to school knowing that I am not going to make perfect decisions, and that's ok because I trust my team to support me and set me straight with love.

Listen, suspend judgement and deeply listen. A good leader listens for what others need in the situation and responds with good judgement. Have you ever been in a situation and you can't wait for someone to finish their story so that you can tell yours. We've all been there. Next time be present in the story and simply listen. **Remain curious**, your time will come.

From age 11-13 **empathy** is one of the most important skills you need to develop to be a healthy member of your community. If you are listening in a way that protects your rights constantly, it means that you have not yet developed empathy. **As a leader it is vital that you can see life through the lens of another human being. Take this opportunity as leaders to practise this skill.**

If you are not selected as a leader today, it does not mean that you are not a leader. You need to continue **leading yourself**. If you have one friend at school you are leading because good leaders inspire others and you encourage your friend or friends and being supportive makes you a leader.

As a leader of the school I know that there is leadership between the students and there is leadership between the teachers and assistants. There is leadership everywhere and 99% of the leaders are not wearing a badge today.

To those who have the honour of being publicly acknowledged as either having proved their leadership or having the potential to be a leader, I ask you to commit to the following:

Lead by example, get it right in your life so that you may be a model for others

Suspend judgement and give everyone a chance. When we dignify others, we dignify ourselves

Listen, truly listen to what others need and support your peers in doing the same.

Lead the way and show the way in working and playing together.

Have the courage to be vulnerable and learn from your mistakes every day, seeing them as an opportunity to learn and grow. Do not hide behind your mistakes, own them and learn from them.

Always aspire to the school's vision of **SEMPER ALTIUS** : always higher

When I look across the room I see tomorrow's global leaders, leading through knowledge and the courage to innovate. You will enter the fields of The Physical and Social Sciences, The Arts and Commerce.

No matter who you become the qualities of being truly human will be your only guarantee of being successful in your chosen career and private life. At Nedlands PS, our aim is to ensure that you take up your rightful place in society as well rounded human beings for your sake, and the sake of those you will ultimately lead.

SEMPER ALTIUS



STUDENT COUNCILLORS: Serena, Ka Wai, Axel, Isaac, Chloe, Chheng, Ollie



HOTS: Eshaal, Chee, Bella



Health & Wellbeing Captains: Evan, Zephan, Emma



Bruce Captains: Chloe, Dylan, Olivia



Music Captains: Sophia, Emili



Audio Captains: Yahya, Aidan, Hanna



Gallop Captains: Hannu, Jonathon, Nizam (absent)



Winthrop Captains: Ben, Emily, Harry



Armstrong Captains: Oliver, Rachel, Solem



Photographers: Charlee, Anjali, Justicio, Thomas

Noongar Language Sharing

Kaya (Hello) Bandang (Everyone),

Wandjoo (Welcome) to the new school year. Each newsletter I will share with you a little information of the Noongar Language.

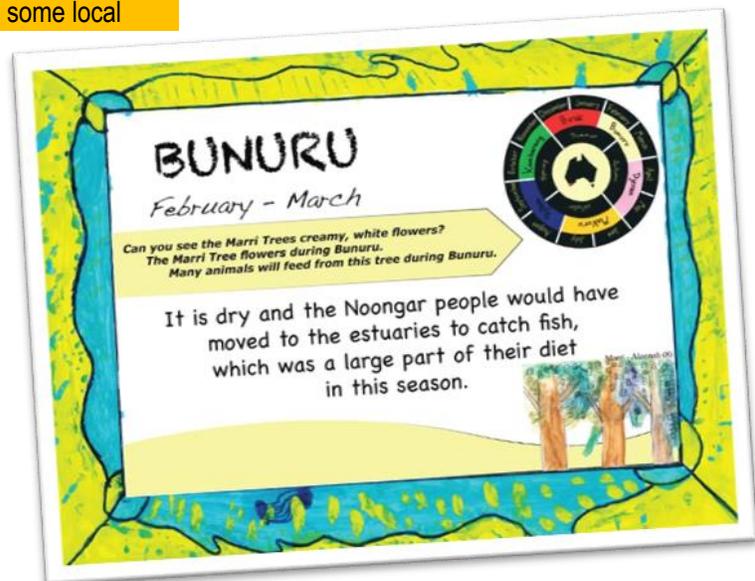
You will notice that sometimes words are spelt differently. Here are some local

Noongar words for you to try:- kaya = hello, yes boodja = ground, Derbarl Yerrigan = Swan River, bilya = river, waardong = crow, koolbardi = magpie,

djildjit = fish, maarli = swan, yerderap = duck, kooboolong = frog, booyi = turtle, noorn = snake, kaarda = goanna, bobtail = yoom, kaa-kaa = kookaburra.

Boordawan (talk later)

Mrs Margaret Parker



UWA WEST COAST SQUADS – COME AND TRY

Can your swimmer swim 50mtrs freestyle, 50mtrs backstroke and 50mtrs breaststroke? OR are they in stage 7 or above with school swimming? Then they are ready for junior development squad training with UWSC.

UWSC junior squads teach young swimmers how to build swimming endurance while maintaining good technique.

Contact UWA West Coast to 'come and try' our squads:

Email: administration@uwawestcoast.org Phone: 08 6156 1900 Website: <http://www.uwawestcoast.org>

Music @ Nedlands

Instrumental Lessons

All instrumental lessons through the Instrumental Music School Services (IMSS) have started,

- **Ongoing students** will need to ensure they arrive at their lesson 5 minutes before their scheduled lesson, with their practice journal and instruments.
- **Beginner students** must also arrive 5 minutes before the start of their lesson, with their practice journal. Their instrumental teacher will allocate instruments at their lesson.

*Thank you, Alison Conroy
Music Specialist*

TERM 1 CHOIR, BAND AND ORCHESTRA REHEARSALS

CHOIR REHEARSALS from Week 3:

MONDAY	Room 16	1.40-2.15	Altius Centre 29 chairs 3 rows of 9 or 10 chairs
TUESDAY	Room 17	set up as above, can be left until Thursday	
WEDNESDAY	Room 14		
THURSDAY	Room 15		

Band:	sectional rehearsals (small groups) for Yr 6 students. Music councillors to set up.
	Tuesday 8.10am
	Tuesday 12.55
	Thursday 7.55am
	Thursday 12.55

Orchestra:	Wednesday 7.55am	Year 5 in Music Room (15 students) Mrs Conroy
	Wednesday 7.55am	Year 6 in Altius Centre (15 students) Mr Barclay

Nedlands P&C

If you would like further information on these roles please contact

nedlandspca@gmail.com

Uniform Shop Update

Each Thursday the uniform shop located in the Altius centre is open from 8.45am. Online orders can be placed via <https://nedlandspca-uniforms.myshopify.com/> for classroom delivery on Thursdays.

NEDLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



KidzBiz Out of School Hours Care

We welcome all children aged from 4 to 12 years of age. The service opens at 6.30am for Before School Care and closes at 6pm for After School Care. During the school holidays our Vacation Care program operates all day from 6.30am to 6pm, Monday to Friday. The service will offer the Child Care Subsidy to reduce childcare costs for families.

Our programs are fun and interactive with a focus on sport activities. Every day at Kidz Biz we provide a varied program offering children a choice of exciting incursions, excursions, swimming sessions, arts & crafts, sports skill training, cooking, drama and so many more fun activities!

Our fee includes all nutritious meals prepared by our onsite cook. Breakfast for before school care, Afternoon Tea for after school care and all meals during Vacation Care.

We look forward to supporting Nedlands Primary School and forming excellent relationships with its' families and children. To make enquiries and bookings please email: sheila.v@kidzbiz.net.au Please visit our website: kidzbiz.net.au

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Community News

PRO football training

After School Soccer Program

Nedlands Primary School

After School on Wednesday's



Term 1 Program

Wednesday 9th February to Wednesday, 30th March

3.10 pm to 4.10pm

Cost: \$149 (8 Weeks)

To Register your Child please contact info@profootballtraining.com.au



Mark Lee - 0430 788 703 | Barry Wood - 0407084 589

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Come and Try UWA WEST COAST

Junior Development and Youth Squads

at HBF Stadium and UWA Aquatic Centre
AM and PM squads available

Junior Development Squads - 7yrs to 12yrs - Come and Try

UWSC junior squads teach young swimmers how to build swimming endurance while maintaining good technique. Training in UWSC Squads is a great way to learn more about competitive swimming and to be ready for school swimming and carnivals.

Not sure where your swimmer would fit?

Contact UWSC Administration to 'Come and Try' squads.

*Junior development white squad suitable for swimmers - Stage 7 and above

Youth Squad - Come and Try

UWA West Coast Youth Squad is recommended for girls who are 13 years and older and boys who are 14 years and older.

Youth squad swimmers will have the opportunity to train with swimmers of a similar ability and age group. The UWSC Youth squad offers swimmers with other sporting interests or school requirements the chance to continue swimming and training at a high level without the commitment to a performance squad program.

**UWA
WEST COAST
SWIMMING CLUB**

Contact UWA West Coast SC to
'Come and Try' squads today!
www.uwawestcoast.org
administration@uwawestcoast.org
08 6156 1900

Chess Club



Nedlands Primary School Chess Club reopens for students from year two and older. Classes for beginners are on Mondays at 7: 30 am in the library. Please contact John Pimenov for details on 0449173087 or by email johnpimenov.au@gmail.com

Website:
<http://nedlandsp.s.wa.edu.au/>

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