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“One kind word can change someone’s day!”

Starting at a new school can be very distressing for students and their families. I am so proud of the students, staff and community at Bletchley Park Primary who always welcome new students and families with such kindness. As I walk around the school it is really lovely to see students showing others around, inviting students to join in their games and encouraging each other. Kindness really can change someone’s day!

One of my favourite parts of the day is when I am on Kiss and Drive monitoring. I thoroughly enjoy greeting our students in the morning and discussing their day with them after school. I would like to thank all of the parents who have worked with us in getting these areas to flow in a more appropriate manner, therefore making them a safer place for our students. We will continue to work on educating our community on the correct use of these zones. The Ranger has been out once already and will visit more regularly throughout the term. Please remember not to park and leave your vehicle in these zones as you will receive a fine. These areas will be manned by staff as often as possible. Please treat all staff with respect.

Duty of care is paramount at Bletchley Park Primary. We provide supervision for students before school from 8:00-8:15am in the undercover area. We ask that your children do not arrive at school prior to this time. We do have a before and after school care provider on site. Please contact the front office if you would like more information.

We understand that finding a car park is difficult and often frustrating at our school. Our new car park should be completed by the end of February and this will relieve the issue somewhat. Please do not park in our staff car park areas. Our teachers have numbered car parks and need these to be kept free in order to park and get to their classes on time. Please refrain from parking at Bletchley Play and Learn. If you live close enough to the school we encourage you to walk to school in order to reduce the numbers of people trying to find a car park.

This term we have many exciting activities planned for Harmony Week! Please keep Thursday 23 March free to join us at our family picnic.

Enjoy the rest of the week!

Bec Burns

Meet our front office staff!

Our corporate services team are always happy to answer questions and queries. Our office is open from 8:15am – 4:00pm Monday to Thursday and 8:15am – 3:00pm on Fridays.



Jennifer Bamford



Keren Harding



Sandy Gard



Tracy Maclean



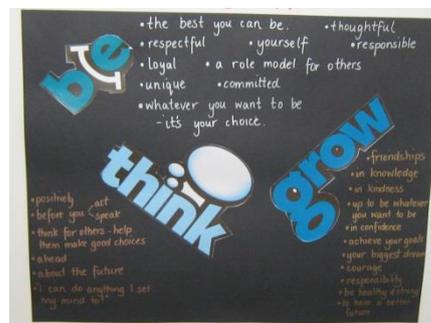
Rose Elshaw



Clare Ward

Be, think and grow...

The students in LA 26 have worked really hard to ensure our vision is a driving force in their classroom. They have worked together in groups to think about what the words **be**, **think** and **grow** mean and then shared their ideas. They now have a poster that reminds them of the appropriate ways to behave in order to **be**, **think** and **grow**. Well done LA 26!



'Dump the Junk'



We are very proud to say that in the latest edition of 'Healthy Kids' magazine our canteen is featured. Robyn is extremely passionate about providing our students with healthy food and her flair for creating exciting, healthy options is being recognised across the country. Our canteen has 78% GREEN items with no RED items on the menu. Robyn and her staff make all of the snack products on site and our students (and staff) love them! We are very lucky to have Robyn at our school!

What's happening in LA 30?

LA 30's FANTASTIC, FRANTIC YEAR 5 FRENZY

It was with anticipation, excitement and some trepidation that 29 new faces appeared at LA 30's door, ready to tackle the rigors of the upper primary years at Bletchley Park Primary School, and we certainly hit the ground running!!!

So far, we have shown that we are made up of lots of parts, with our 'Pieces of Me' jigsaw, read huge numbers, seen one million (well almost) and brainstormed what we know about Governments of the World. We have also set goals, stating what we hope to achieve in year 5 and beyond. The class was also very interested in researching the fabulous Australian icons, after whom our blocks are named. Here are some things we have produced:



My Goals

- By the end of the year, I would like to be able to write a story and read it to my family. – Sophie
- By the end of the year, I would like to be voted Faction Captain. GO BRADMAN! – Ivy
- By the end of the year, I would like to read more books, know some tricky words and understand more about what I am reading. I can do this by reading 2 chapter books a week. - Tahni
- By the end of the term, I would like to improve my Math. I can do this by practising. – Kayla
- By the end of the term, I would like to improve my spelling. – Emaan
- I am good at Soo Bank Do because I practise it all the time. – Beau
- I am good at playing soccer because I played every day. - Dominic
- I am good at swimming because I do swimming lessons. – Holly
- I am good at music because I have lessons and practise at home. - Nathaniel
- I am good at swimming because I started swimming when I was little. – Kauthar
- I am good at Maths because I practised and practised all day. – Kane
- I am good at reading because I challenged myself. - Bailey
- When I am older, I would like to be a wrestler. I can do this by training and being fit and strong. – Liam
- When I am older, I would like to play for the Boston Baseball Team. - Harry
- When I am older, I would like to be a gym person like our coach. – Shylah
- When I am older, I would like to be an author for teenagers. - Yi
- When I am older, I would like to work on a farm. I can achieve this by getting lots of money. – Emma
- When I am older, I would like to be a beautician for over thirty years. – Lucy

OUR AMAZING AUSTRALIAN ICONS

- Shaun Tan was the shortest person in his class, like me! – Maryanne
- Shaun Tan is a famous artist and illustrator. - Dylan
- My name is Finn and I learnt that Banjo Paterson is on the \$10 note.
- Sally Morgan is a famous author who writes a lot of books. - Max
- Fiona Wood was educated at the University of Western Australia. – Giavaan
- Mem Fox was born in 1946. – Ahmed
- Sally Morgan Jones's job is an author and dramatist. – Nicole
- Mem Fox won't tell you her real name. – Brayden

CAN YOU FIND OUT MEM FOX'S FULL NAME?

Communication is Vital

Please ensure we have your most up to date contact details on our system including an email address. Emails are fast becoming the preferred way of contacting you unless there is an emergency. In case of emergency it is vital that we have the correct contact numbers. It is also important that we have more than one contact person to phone in an emergency situation if you are unavailable. Please send any updated contact details to your child's classroom teacher. They will send the details to the office for updating.

Who Is New In Your School Community?

Meet our Chaplain

My name is Diane Thoomes and I'm happy to let you know I am your new school chaplain. I've been a chaplain for 8 1/2 years. I have worked in a number of schools in that time. I am still at my first school Challis Community Primary two days a week and as of last year at South Thornlie Primary 1 day a week. My days here are Wednesday-Thursday. I have been very warmly welcomed by the school community. For those of you who may have questions concerning 'what is a chaplain and what do they do?' I am employed by YouthCARE which is Christian based and backed by local churches. My role within the school is not to preach, but to come along side, support and journey with the school community...students, staff and parents/caregivers. As the days and weeks go by, my role will be more clearly defined. Please feel free to contact the school if you would like to chat with me over a cuppa or you feel your child would benefit from chatting with me. I facilitate the Rainbows program to help students navigate through their thoughts and feelings if they have gone through a significant event due to grief and loss. I also facilitate the DRUMBEAT program targeting the upper primary. DRUMBEAT is an acronym for...Discovering Relationships Using Music, Beliefs, Emotions, Attitudes and Thoughts. It focuses on different relationship themes such as identity & social responsibility, values, dealing with emotions, peer pressure, harmony, communication and teamwork while using a djembe drum.

On a personal note, I am a single mum to an 18 year old son who seems to never stop growing and is now at TAFE. I also have a 24 year old stepson who, along with his partner blessed me with a gorgeous granddaughter in November 2015. She is an absolute joy. I'm not sure where the years have gone, it seems like yesterday these two boys were jumping on the trampoline and playing with the Lego...and here I am a granny. Seize the day, as time waits for no man. I own a loveable fur baby and two birds who love to sing. I enjoy my cup of tea and all things chocolate. I love to craft and probably spend too much money on it, but creating puts a smile on my face. I'm a strong advocate for pyjama days, sleep-ins on a Saturday and building priceless memories with family.

Thought for the week...What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for each other? George Eliot

Have a blessed week.

Chaplain Diane

School Banking



- The school banking program provides children with an opportunity to save money each week at school. The program is about how often your child makes deposits NOT how much they deposit.
- Every deposit earns them a silver token, and once they've collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for a reward.
- Please note students can only bank ONCE a week.

Banking at Bletchley benefits

School banking is not only teaching a valuable life skill to those children who participate but also contributes to the school's resourcing. Last year, with over 3,600 deposits made by our bankers, the Commonwealth Bank **paid over \$2,500 to Bletchley Park Primary**. This is commission earned on deposits made by the students and new accounts activated at Bletchley. Well done – keep up your saving\$\$\$\$ in 2017.

Help Wanted

Some of our 2016 parent volunteers have moved to new schools and we require volunteers. If you are **interested in helping** with school banking on either a Wednesday or Thursday morning, please contact Kerry at kerrymailbox@gmail.com. We would love some new members in our banking team. You do not need to be a member of the P&C.

2017 Banking Rewards

In 2017 the Dollarmites have a futuristic adventure in store and the following rewards are available:



- Cyber Handball – now available
- Colour Change Markers – now available
- 3D Chalk Set – Released in Term 2
- Tablet Case – Released in Term 2
- Smiley Emoji Keyring – Released in Term 3
- Volt Handball – Released in Term 3
- Pencil & Tech Case – Released in Term 4
- Epic Earphones – Released in Term 4

Competition – Tokyo Disneyland!

Every student who makes **15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2017** will automatically go into the draw to win a family trip for two adults and three children to explore Tokyo Disneyland.



The Grand Prize

- Five nights accommodation at the Sheraton Grande Tokyo Bay Hotel
- Return economy airfares from the winner's nearest capital city to Tokyo, Japan
- Three-day Magic Pass to Tokyo Disneyland & Tokyo DisneySea
- AUD\$1,000 spending money

View full terms and conditions at www.commbank.com.au/school-banking

Want to start school banking?

Any student from Kindy to Year 6 can bank at Bletchley Park. You can open an account Online, at any Commonwealth Branch or over the phone 132221.

When is Banking?

Wednesday & Thursday in alcove near Sensory Garden (behind Library) 8:00-8:25am – only one deposit per week



P & C News

Our AGM on Monday night saw the election of our 2017 Bletchley Park P&C Committee. We welcome all our new members and are pleased to announce the executive positions for this year:

Renae Ritchie - President

Vanessa Gordon - Vice President

Sonia Wright - Treasurer

Vicky Warwick - Secretary

Congratulations and thank you to our newly appointed executives and representatives.

A big thank you to Bianca Brisset, who previously held the position of President, for her commitment over the last 18 months.

Thank you also to Vanessa Woodington, our outgoing Treasurer, for her expertise in that position over the last 2 years.

We have some exciting new projects to fund and some great events being planned for 2017.

The P&C welcomes new members at any time throughout the year, so if you'd like to get involved please come along to our next P&C meeting on **Monday 27 February at 7pm** in the Staff Room.

For more information, please contact Renae Ritchie on 0411 069 577 or renae.trenn@bigpond.com

School Board News

School Board Meetings 2017

Term 1

Monday 20 February

Monday 20 March

Term 2

Monday 15 May

Monday 12 June

Term 3

Monday 7 August

Monday 4 September (Open Meeting)

Term 4

Monday 30 October

Monday 27 November

Bletchley Way Café

Offering Delicious & Nutritious Food To Our School Population

!!!WELCOME BACK STUDENTS, PARENTS AND STAFF TO YOUR SCHOOL CANTEEN!!!

Lisa and I are very excited to be of service to you again this year. Please see our helpful information sheet attached with this newsletter on the canteen's opening hours and how to place orders at the canteen. At Bletchley Way Café we are all about offering fresh, delicious food every day. We pride ourselves on 'Creating Real Eats Not Just Treats' and our efforts have not gone unnoticed. This month we are featured in the Healthy Kids Australia magazine who have shared our story on Dumping The Junk in our school canteen; we are seen as an inspiration to other school canteens, which is amazing! Bletchley Way Café follows the *'Traffic Light System'* and complies with Department of Education's *'Healthy Food & Drink Policy'*.



Food is rated either **GREEN** or **AMBER** we do not sell **RED** food.
Our menu is currently 80% **GREEN**.

The canteen's photo board and menu are color-coded for easy recognition of which category food items are rated. Most of our food is canteen made from scratch, we have our lunch recipes assessed by the *West Australian School Canteen Association* to ensure compliancy. If something is out of stock or unavailable a substitute item will be offered.

Pop Up Specials - In addition to our regular menu, look out for our Pop Up Specials. Our opening special was Pop Corn Chicken Salad and our current special is Nom Nom Nachos! (These are rated amber so are an 'occasional' food) Not just your normal Nachos, these ones are made with our own special Nachos sauce which contains a healthy serve of pinto beans high in protein & fibre (the kids won't detect them), sweet corn, tomato and spring onion. They are cheesy and delicious!

Kindy Kids Lunch Special - To introduce our youngest students to canteen ordering we are offering a Kindy Lunch Special Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd of week 4. On offer is our Aussie Bento Box with a half price slushy. Our slushies are 99% fruit juice. Parents you should have received an order form this week, if you would like to order please pop it into your classroom canteen basket with payment on the day that is relevant to you.

Harmony Day - Is fast approaching in March. Harmony day celebrates cultural diversity and is one of our favourite events! We have a special menu on offer for you with some foods we hope your kids will love. This is available by preordering only, order form will be sent home in week 6. We also have Family Picnic Packs available for order on the Family Picnic Day, Thursday 23rd March.

School Excursion Lunch Packs - Has your child got a school excursion coming up? The canteen offers excursion lunch packs for \$6; forms are available from the canteen and your child's teacher. Bring your order form back to the canteen after your excursion and you may purchase a large slushy at half price. (Must present form and have purchased the excursion pack).

Helpful Information

How Can You Order?? - PP & Kindy - LUNCH ONLY - We cater lunch only to ECE classes including drinks and slushies; Kindy and Pre-primary students do not participate in the morning recess break. You may place your child's lunch order in their class basket or make an order at the canteen. **Yrs 1-6** Make an Order at the Canteen. Alternatively, **On Line Ordering is Available** - Our Online Canteen has changed its name to QuickClick. If you would like to register to order online you can do so at ouronlinecanteen.com.au orders can be placed up to 2 weeks in advance. Lunch specials are available online also.

Domino's Pizza on Thursday is unavailable to Kindy students sorry, we have delicious canteen made pizza available! Pre-Primary students may still order Domino's

Volunteering In The Canteen - We are always grateful for an extra pair of helping hands. If you would like to donate some time to the Canteen please call Robyn at the canteen on 93982488 or email the canteen at canteen.orders@education.wa.edu.au for information on times that we require help.

We are unable to extend credit. sorry

Bletchley Way Café

Our Opening Hours Are – Tuesday to Friday - 8am to 1.30pm
Canteen Phone: 93982488 Email: canteen.orders@education.wa.edu.au

Follow the canteen on Facebook @BletchleyWayCafeBppsCanteen

You can view the menu on the school website, on the canteen pin up board or collect a copy from the canteen.

The full menu is also available when online ordering.

We often have 'SPECIALS' which are not on the menu and will be advertised on the canteen black board, Facebook and Our Online Canteen.

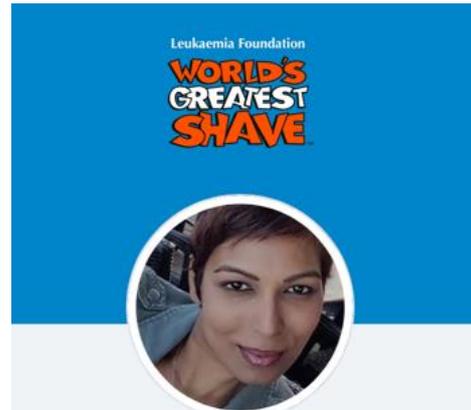
Your Canteen Manager is Robyn assisted by Lisa
We are grateful for any volunteer help thank you!

Community News

Hair off to you!

"Life is a gift and it offers us the privilege, opportunity and responsibility to give back to others."

Our Board Chair, Sharmini Aru, is doing her bit for charity. Sharmini is participating in the 'World's Greatest Shave' to help raise much needed funds for cancer research. Well done Sharmini!



Child and Parent Centre



Triple P Seminar Series

Make parenting easier by teaching your child the social and emotional skills they need.



Bookings essential.
No crèche available.

Positive parenting

Introduces the core principles of positive parenting, having realistic expectations and taking care of yourself as a parent.

Date: Wednesday 1 March 2017

Time: 5.30pm Supper and registration
6.00pm to 8.00pm Seminar
8.00pm to 8.30pm Questions

Venue: Don Russell Performing Arts Centre
Lot 13 Murdoch Road, Thornlie

Raising confident, capable children

This seminar looks at the skills that are important for children to succeed at school and get along with others.

Date: Wednesday 29 March 2017

Time: 5.30pm Supper and registration
6.00pm to 8.00pm Seminar
8.00pm to 8.30pm Questions

Venue: Don Russell Performing Arts Centre
Lot 13 Murdoch Road, Thornlie

Nurturing strong, happy children

This seminar looks at ways to increase your child's emotional skills and build resilience.

Date: Wednesday 3 May 2017

Time: 5.30pm Supper and registration
6.00pm to 8.00pm Seminar
8.00pm to 8.30pm Questions

Venue: Don Russell Performing Arts Centre
Lot 13 Murdoch Road, Thornlie

**Come along to one, two or all three free parenting seminars.
All participants receive a free show bag.**

For bookings please contact Anne Finch or Hailey Osborne at City of Gosnells
Telephone: 9397 3121 Email: hosborne@gosnells.wa.gov.au

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We believe in growing girls through the hidden elements of our curriculum including nurturing confidence, self-esteem, public speaking skills and teamwork. Choristers develop values including commitment, self-discipline and resilience.

Frequently seen at prestigious events, our senior performers have entertained everyone from Queen Elizabeth II to Oprah during their Australian visits. 375 choristers recently performed alongside Hugh Jackman in the 'Broadway to Oz' Australian Arena Tour.

a very good place to start

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

February Open Classes

Come along and try a free class at your local rehearsal venue!

Duncraig, Murdoch and Subiaco

Opening of Harrisdale Senior High School

from the P&C president...

On Wednesday I had the pleasure to attend the official Opening of Harrisdale Senior High School on behalf of the P&C . In attendance were the Premier, Colin Barnett, Minister for Education, Peter Collier and the Director General of Education Dept, Sharyn O'Neill, along with 220 foundation students, many parents and community members, as well as the media.

The assembly was held in the sport's auditorium and was run by the Year 7 students. Leila Bothams (Principal) confirmed this will be an ongoing tradition, where the year 7's will run the first assembly each year. The students who were selected indicated their interest to do so on their orientation day.

An acknowledgement of Country was made to the traditional custodians of the land, the Whadjuk people.

Leila spoke of her goal for Harrisdale High to be in the top 50 performing WA schools.

The premier spoke of the state of the art facility and confirmed the school cost \$56 Million for stage 1 with stage 2 commencing in 2020 which will include a performing arts centre. He also mentioned on the first day of school in WA there were:

800 schools

23000 teachers

450 new teachers

7500 education assistants

more than 450000 (300000 in public school) students

The premier of WA, Colin Barnett, announced the school officially opened with the foundation students and a plaque was revealed.

It was a great opportunity to tour this new community high school.

Renae Ritchie

Term Planner

Bletchley Park Primary School Parent TERM ONE Planner 2017



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Important Dates for All Students		Incursions & Excursions		Assemblies are now Friday afternoons starting 1.45pm sharp		Sports Events
WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
1	30 Jan School Development Day Students do not attend	31 Jan School Development Day Students do not attend	1 Feb	2 Feb	3 Feb	
2	6 Feb	7 Feb	8 Feb	9 Feb	10 Feb	
3	13 Feb P & C AGM	14 Feb	15 Feb	16 Feb	17 Feb Junior Assembly Year 1 & 2	
4	20 Feb School Board Meeting	21 Feb	22 Feb Gosnells Safe City Incursion Year Six	23 Feb	24 Feb Senior Assembly Year 5 & 6	
5	27 Feb	28 Feb	1 Mar	2 Mar	3 Mar Middle Assembly Year 3 & 4	
6	6 Mar Labour Day Public Holiday	7 Mar	8 Mar	9 Mar	10 Mar Junior Assembly Year 1 & 2	
7	13 Mar	14 Mar	15 Mar	16 Mar	17 Mar Senior Assembly Year 5 & 6	
8	20 Mar School Board Meeting	21 Mar	22 Mar	23 Mar	24 Mar Middle Assembly Year 3 & 4	
	HARMONY WEEK Yrs 1 - 6 Philip Green Aboriginal Survival Technology	HARMONY WEEK Yrs 1 - 6 Philip Green Aboriginal Survival Technology	HARMONY WEEK Pre-Primary only Aboriginal Story Telling	HARMONY WEEK !!Family Picnic!! Everyone is Welcome 12.50pm to 1.20pm !!Family Picnic!!	Year 6 Summer Interschool Carnival	
9	27 Mar	28 Mar	29 Mar	30 Mar Constable Care Incursion PP – Year 6	31 Mar Senior Assembly Year 5 & 6	
					Constable Care Incursion PP – Year 6	
10	3 Apr	4 April	5 April	6 April	7 April Last Day For Students Students Return Monday 24 April	

USEFUL INFORMATION

Students do not attend on School Development Days

School Hours: 8.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. Please ensure all students are at school ready to commence the day at 8.30am and collected at 2.30 p.m. when the school siren sounds.

Bletchley Park Bank Account: BSB: 066 040 Account: 1990 1121 Commonwealth Bank

P&C President: renae.trenn@bigpond.com P & C Meetings are held on the Last Monday of the month, at 7.30 in the staffroom.

Canteen: Phone 9398 2488 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. ON LINE ORDERING- Register and Order at www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au

School Banking: Wednesday and Thursday in alcove near Sensory Garden (behind Library) 8:00-8:25am – only one deposit per week.

Helping Hands After Hours Care: 0488 040 839 **Education Security:** 1800 177 177

Dentist: at Excelsior Primary School, 63 Shreeve Road, Canning Vale, Ph: 9256 4170

Uniform: Totally Schoolwear, 9457 7333, 2/185 High Road, Willetton

Bookclub payments are now made through this site. <http://www.bookclubs.scholastic.com.au> . We are no longer accepting payments.

Orders will usually arrive back at school 2 weeks after the closing date.

School Payments via QQR Phone App Go to our Bletchley Park Primary School Website <http://www.bletchleyparkps.wa.edu.au>

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