



**SOUTH PADBURY
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Pursuit of Knowledge and Friendship

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Kookaburra Chronicles

Busy term in TA8

It has been a very busy term in TA8! We had Book Week and everyone looked fantastic in their costumes. It was an amazing effort by all! We've also started implementing sphero's into our classroom. These are wonderful little robots that allow the children to work in pairs, problem solve and use basic coding strategies to achieve a common goal. Each of the challenges get harder and harder as the students achieve their goals and all this completed on their ipads. They have been quickly embraced and thoroughly enjoyed by all.



Dear Families,

This term has certainly flown by, and students have managed to squeeze in a lot of learning and fun during this time. This was evident at the school's Open Night last week, with classrooms crammed with student's literacy activities, science and STEM constructions and experiments, beautiful artwork, musical tunes and Indonesian learning. It was a pleasure to watch students showing off their classrooms and explaining their achievements to family and friends. The atmosphere around the school was celebratory, with the Book Fair and Food Stall adding to the upbeat vibe. An amazing effort by staff and the hard working P and C volunteers, made the evening special for everyone. Thank you.



Congratulations to parents for the relatively smooth transition from FlexiBuzz to Connect. We currently have 415 people signed up to Connect. This will now be the school's main avenue for communicating with parents, so if you know of anyone who is not yet connected, please encourage them to do so. Anyone having difficulties please get in touch with the front office.

Our new SMS text messaging service for absentees is working well, and we thank parents for replying when absences need to be explained. We have had a considerable drop in the number of unexplained absences since we began the text messaging service.

Supporting children's learning and wellbeing is a priority for the school and we are keen to help families understand that there are many simple things parents can do that will build confidence, resilience and independence in children, which in turn has a huge impact on their ability to learn at school. This week:

Children Having Jobs around the House

How do we develop responsibility in kids? The answer is simple – give responsibility to them! Don't think they can't do it. Most kids rise to a real challenge when it's sincerely given, and backed by realistic expectations.

It makes sense for parents to work hard to provide opportunities for kids to contribute to their family so they feel valued for what they bring to their family, rather than for what they take.

Here are five practical tips to promote a sense of responsibility in your kids:

1. Start early: Children as young as three are keen to help and take some responsibility but we often push them away and say, 'You can help when you're older.' Train your kids from a young age to help themselves and others.
2. Make sure the responsibility is real: Setting the table, making beds, tidying rooms are jobs that others benefit from. Jobs for the sake of jobs just don't cut it with kids.
3. If a child forgets then no one else does the task: If a child doesn't empty the dishwasher then it is still there when they come home from school. Sounds tough but that's how the real world operates. When you empty it, it becomes your responsibility.
4. Place help and responsibility on a roster: The use of rosters has the advantage of placing responsibility on to kids – remind them to check the roster, not to do their jobs!
5. Don't give kids jobs where you have an emotional attachment: Give them tasks that you know that you can live without if they are not done, or not done to your standard.

And another thing! Many parents call this type of responsibility 'jobs' or 'chores'. Perhaps call it 'help'. It's just a little rebranding, but it reflects what it's about.

Happy Parenting!

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Principal

Merit Award Recipients

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards at our assembly on Friday 4 September

PP1: Jarvyn Egan

PP2: Harlen Neath,
Eli Tait

TA1: Harrison Frost
Oliver Scudder
Saskia Sutherland

TA2: Jaxon O'Connell
Jack Snow
Eva Ayers

TA3: Harriet Kendall
Emily Barker
Scarlett Douch

TA4: Jaminson Stewart
Chloe Garner
Saige Calder

TA7: Abby Palmer
Bei Bei Zhang

TA8: Lucy Bailey
Bryn Samiotis
Eyie Mackie

TA9: Mia Wilson
Hendrix Corporaal

TA12: Kyron Scanlon
Peyton Price
Lara Gabelich
Cormac Kellett

TA13: Lachlan Peisley
Isla Ferguson
Hayley Gendle
Jake Moss

TA10: Aiden Mills
Tegan Hegarty

TA11: Blake de Mamiel
Kaleb Attwell

Music: Mason Conte
Aleah Sharper

Indonesian: Marley Zulu
Health: Maggie Overton
Evie Mackie



Pre-Primary



Year 1 and Year 2

Merit Certificate Recipients



Year 1 and Year 5

Year 2, Year 3, Indonesian and Music



Year 4, Health and Music

Year 6 and Health



Indonesian Day

The 17th August 2020 marked Indonesia's 75th year of Independence – Hari Kemerdekaan

In recognition of this important day on the Indonesian calendar we at South Padbury held our Indonesian Day. For us it is a day of recognising and celebrating the cultural richness of Indonesia and the students from Year 1 - 6 participated in a morning of traditional games, art and cooking.

The colours red and white dominated the playground and much fun was had by all who participated. The cooking activity is always a highlight for the older students and the art work produced by all students was outstanding.



Colourful wax resist batik patterns



Volcano collages



Making and playing Congklak.



Traditional sack race relays.



Cooking Kue Cubit.



Temple gates at sunset.

I would like to thank all of the teachers for their hard work on the day and also the parent helpers who came in to assist with activities.

Terima kasih banyak!!

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Due to the ongoing restrictions of COVID
We will only be able to advise nearer the
date on any upcoming events and how they
can operate within the guidelines and
limitations as set out by the D.o.E.

Year 6 Camp

Year 6 Camp is only 6 weeks away and families often find it easier to pay the cost in instalments. The final cost is still to be calculated, however, you may make payments via our QKR by Mastercard App or by Direct Deposit .

Please do not pay more than \$400 until confirmation of the total cost is confirmed.

If you choose to pay by Direct Deposit , you could set up a payment scheme - scheduling amounts and a plan up to \$400 that suits you via your Netbank.

The school account - Bankwest BSB 306-104 Account 4187254 .

Please reference your child's Surname and Camp. For Direct Deposit payments. Thank you.



Connect App

We are now communicating everything through the school's Connect App. If you have not yet registered for the Connect app, or if you are having any issues with Connect, please contact the school so we can help you. southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au

Congratulations 'Dadbury'

Thank you for organising an amazing Father's Day stall for the students, and fabulous prizes for the raffle draw winners.

Kindy Applications for 2021

We still have some spaces available for Kindy 2021. If you are yet to submit your application, or if you know of someone in the community who would like to enrol their child in kindergarten for 2021, please let them know. We require your child's birth certificate, AIR Immunisation record, which is obtainable through your My Gov account and proof of address, such as an amenities account. Passport and Visa details are required if the child or both parents were born overseas. You may now submit your applications at the office. For any further information please contact us by email southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au or phone 9307 5833. You can download an application via our website www.southpadburyprimaryschool.wa.edu.au



Students not Returning to South Padbury for 2021

If you do not intend for your child to continue at South Padbury for 2021 for our forward planning could you please let the front office know. You can contact us via phone on 9307 5833, in person or by email

southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au

If you have a potential work transfer or house move, please let us know so we are aware of this possibility.