



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

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# Kookaburra Chronicles

## Interactive learning activities in Pre-Primary



The Pre-Primary classes have been working hard to prepare their gifts for Mother's Day and mums you are in for a treat.

We have also started our next Talk For Writing Unit and the Inquisitive Hook to give the children some clues to our story were left in the classroom.

It was a basket of cookies....a shawl and a red cape..... Can you guess what our story will be?

We will have lots of fun learning how to structure the story and acting it out as well as lots of engaging learning activities.





Dear Families,

With some lovely weather returning it is a great opportunity for students to walk or ride to school, especially as this Friday is Walk to School Safely Day. When students undertake some physical activity before learning it increases oxygen to the brain and helps with focus, which is why we love when our students ride or walk to school. We are currently teaching our students to walk their bikes and keep left while on the site, as pathways are multiuse, and we have lots of parents, grandparents, toddlers, and prams using paths. We would kindly ask parents cycling home with their children to also please model this and walk bikes on the school site, particularly crossing the staff car park. We are in the process of investigating widening the path from the top carpark down towards the bike racks, to further ensure everyone's safety.

Congratulations to Kalani M and Charley B, two Year 6 students who outwardly model our school's moral purpose of 'Be the Change' and received awards at last week's assembly. This term we will be focussing on our community charter statement 'be kind'. This is about harbouring a spirit of helpfulness, being generous and considerate, both with others and with yourself. Kindness is good for the body and mind, as it increases self-esteem, empathy, and compassion, and improves mood. Physiologically, kindness can positively change your brain. Being kind boosts serotonin and dopamine, which are neurotransmitters in the brain that give you feelings of satisfaction and well-being and cause the pleasure/reward centres in your brain to light up. Being kind can decrease blood pressure and cortisol, a stress hormone, which directly impacts stress levels. People who give of themselves in a balanced way and show kindness also tend to be healthier and live longer.

The student council have selected the Type 1 Diabetes Family Centre as its charity for Term 2. The Type 1 Diabetes Family centre is based in WA and is dedicated to supporting people impacted by type 1 diabetes to face the daily challenges of the disease. The team at the Family Centre offer information, education, connection, events and camps for children, clinical care, and wrap-around social support, and South Padbury PS currently has one student who accesses these services. To help support this not-for-profit organisation we will be having a Pyjama Day on Thursday 8th June, in Week 7. A Connect notice will be sent out to families later in the term with details on how you can donate.

Term 2 is an extra busy term for staff this year, as they are beginning to implement some new classroom strategies in reading comprehension, fine tuning daily reviews, undertaking additional assessments to track student progress, and writing student reports. We ask parents to be aware that staff will respond to emails or queries as quickly as possible, usually within 2-3 days, however they are teaching and engaged all day while at school, so will not respond instantly to non-urgent matters during the school day. Staff are not required to respond or reply to communication out of school hours or on weekends, and we ask parents to respect those boundaries.

Please keep an eye out on Connect this term, as we will have a few info-notices for families on the topics of Reading and Resiliency. Remember, families can become members of our school library, and borrow from our new parenting resource section.

Finally, this Friday is P and C Thank You Day. On behalf of the school and students I would like to acknowledge the amazing work our P and C and community volunteers do for the school. With two successful fundraising activities already completed and several more planned, our P and C are making decisions that benefit our students and encourage and recognise community spirit. Please support the P and C in any way you can, no matter how small, and 'be involved' in making our school better.

Happy parenting!

Cass Disisto  
Principal





## Kindy Mother's Day

In Kindy last week we had a lovely Mother's Day afternoon to pamper our special mums. Our Mums were treated to a massage, nail painting, bracelet making, painting, make up application and some special songs!

Thank you to all of our mums for coming!



## Merit Certificates

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☆☆ Congratulations to the following students ☆☆  
☆☆ who received merit awards at our assembly ☆☆  
☆☆ on Thursday 11 May ☆☆

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☆☆ PP1: Manaia W ☆☆  
☆☆ Frank E H ☆☆  
☆☆ Phoebe B ☆☆  
☆☆ Sia S ☆☆

☆☆ PP2: Kaia P ☆☆  
☆☆ Lily R ☆☆  
☆☆ Jack C ☆☆

☆☆ TA1: Brody M ☆☆  
☆☆ Niamh S ☆☆  
☆☆ Solomon S ☆☆

☆☆ TA2: Grace P ☆☆  
☆☆ Hendrix S ☆☆  
☆☆ Indiana S ☆☆

☆☆ TA3: Archer H ☆☆  
☆☆ Priya G ☆☆  
☆☆ Saifan S ☆☆

☆☆ TA4: Joey D ☆☆  
☆☆ Lukas M ☆☆  
☆☆ Ivy G ☆☆

☆☆ TA6: Brady B ☆☆  
☆☆ Ryland E ☆☆

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☆☆ TA7: Atticus L ☆☆  
☆☆ Harlan M ☆☆

☆☆ TA8: Jacob K ☆☆  
☆☆ Finn B ☆☆

☆☆ TA9: Ryan G ☆☆  
☆☆ Felicity H ☆☆

☆☆ TA12: Flynn M ☆☆  
☆☆ Adam M ☆☆  
☆☆ Bethany P ☆☆  
☆☆ Scarlett P ☆☆

☆☆ TA13: Max D ☆☆  
☆☆ Eva C ☆☆  
☆☆ Saige C ☆☆  
☆☆ Harrison R ☆☆

☆☆ TA10: Tommy C ☆☆  
☆☆ Katherine M ☆☆  
☆☆ Jacob M ☆☆  
☆☆ Marley Z ☆☆

☆☆ TA11: Grace E ☆☆  
☆☆ Taylor S ☆☆  
☆☆ Ollie M ☆☆

☆☆ Music: Ryan A ☆☆  
☆☆ Max D ☆☆

☆☆ Indonesian: Tahlia K ☆☆  
☆☆ Eliza H ☆☆

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## Statements

Statements were sent home this week with every student who has an outstanding balance. If you have not received a statement your contributions have been paid and we thank you for your support. If you are unsure or have any queries, please contact the front office on 6206 2250.

Voluntary Contributions can be paid via QKR, cash in the front office or bank transfer as detailed on your statement.

Please note P&C contributions are per family not per child.

Contributions are vital in providing additional resources and opportunities to all students at South Padbury Primary School.



**Learn music at  
South Padbury Primary  
School!**

- Keyboard/guitar starting from \$20.50 for a group lesson.
- Held after school.

**Enrol now for lessons!**  
[www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form](http://www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form)

0479 171 424 | [enquiries@keyedupmusic.com.au](mailto:enquiries@keyedupmusic.com.au) 



## 2024 School Enrolments



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## School enrolments are now open for 2024

**If your child is starting Kindergarten, Pre-primary, Year 7 or changing schools you will need to apply to enrol by 21 July 2023.**

**Find out more:**  
[education.wa.edu.au/enrol](https://education.wa.edu.au/enrol)



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## Applying to enrol your child Kindergarten

### Enrolment application process

Once you submit your child's application for enrolment, it will be assessed by the school's principal. In some cases, the school may receive more applications than places available. When this happens, the principal prioritises applications.

- First priority**
  - You and your child live in the school's local-intake area.
  - They have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
  - You live nearest to the school.
- Second priority**
  - You and your child live in the school's local-intake area.
  - They do not have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
  - You live nearest to the school.
- Third priority**
  - You and your child live outside the local-intake area.
  - They have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
  - You live nearest to the school.
- Fourth priority**
  - You and your child live outside the local-intake area.
  - They do not have a sister or brother enrolled in the same school next year.
  - You live nearest to the school.

If your child's school doesn't have a local-intake area, the principal will prioritise applications from those that live nearest to the school to those living furthest from the school.

### Why do I need to apply by the 21 July?

Applications submitted by the deadline form part of the school's first round offers. You can still apply after 21 July, but this may mean that your child misses out on a place.

If your child is not offered a place, the school staff will help you find another school as close to your home as possible.

### What do I need to have to apply to enrol my child?

- Your child's birth certificate or identity documents.
- Proof of your child's residential address.
- If your child was born outside Australia or is a temporary resident of Australia, you need their passport, visa and travel documents.
- You need to tell the school whether your child has an Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) immunisation history statement.

### Don't have all these documents right now?

Provide as much information as you can. You should make a time to speak with school staff to let them know what is missing and why you don't have it.

### Don't forget.

You will need your child's current Australian Immunisation Register Immunisation History Statement if your child is offered a place.

### How long does it take?

Contact your child's school or community kindergarten if you would like an update on their application.

Kindergarten and Pre-Primary applications for 2024 will close early next term, **Friday 21 July**. 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 or Pre-Primary for 2024 at South Padbury PS, please let them know. Application forms can be downloaded from our website or collected from the front office. 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. For any further information please contact us by phone on 6206 2250, in person or via email [southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

## 2024 Re-Enrolment from Kindy to Pre-Primary

Parents of our current Kindy students, you will not be required to fill out another application form for Pre-Primary at South Padbury for next year.

We will be sending home a letter with your child later this term, asking you to confirm if your child will or will not be attending Pre-Primary at South Padbury next year. This will also include a student update and a request for an updated immunisation from your My Gov account once your child has completed their 4 year old immunisation schedule.

## Contact Information:

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**Phone: 08 6206 2250**

Email: [southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:southpadbury.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

[www.southpadburyprimaryschool.wa.edu.au](http://www.southpadburyprimaryschool.wa.edu.au)

Police Communications: 131 444

Education Security: 9264 4771 or  
9264 4632

## Lightning Carnival YR4/5/6

Advance notice - **Selected** Year 4/5/6

Students will be attending the Lightning Carnival at Kingsway in Week 9, Thursday 22 June. Further details to come.

## Dates to put in your diary....

Friday 19 May	P&C Day
Sunday 21 May	P&C Little Ink Pot Workshop
Wednesday 24 May	National Simultaneous Storytime
Monday 29 May	Reconciliation Week
Thursday 1 June	Community Assembly
Monday 5 June	WA Day—Public Holiday
Thursday 8 June	Pyjama Day T2 YR 6 Councillors Fundraiser

**Week 7 - Monday 5 June**

**WA Day - Public Holiday**

## Advance Notice for Term 3 PP-Y4 Swimming Lessons

The PP-Y4 students will be participating in swimming lessons at Craigie Leisure Centre in Week 1 of next term.

This will be an 8 day program commencing on Wednesday 19 July and finishing on Friday 28 July.

We are in the process of working out the final costings, which we anticipate will be approximately \$40.00 per student which will cover the bus to and from Craigie Leisure Centre and pool entry each day.

As this program is commencing in Week 1, we will need to collect all payments and swimming enrolment forms before the end of this term.

More information will be posted on Connect when we have a final cost.

## Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge for Enrichment

In Week 1 this term, students in the Enrichment Program competed in an international competition where students are posed computational thinking challenges to solve. Over 25 000 students from around the world competed! We have just received the results and are so proud of the achievements of our students. 5 students achieved a High Distinction, and 6 students achieved a Distinction, which were the highest scores. Finn B (Year 4) and the team of Katherine M, Hayden W and Marley Z (Year 6) scored the equal highest for our school overall. Well done to all of those involved! Mrs Butterly

