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Dates to Remember	
Wednesday 29 November	Swimming Carnival Yr 3-6
Monday-Friday 4 Dec-8 Dec	Interm Swimming Lessons at Peaceful Bay Yr P-6
Wednesday 6 December	Year 6 Dinner
Tuesday 12 December	End of Year Concert 6pm
Thursday 14 December	Last day of term for students

### PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

We have a busy four weeks left of the term. Teachers are writing reports and students are preparing for the End of Year Concert. In amongst that, we still need to find time for a swimming carnival (yr 3-6) and swimming lessons (yr P-6) as well as the regular curriculum.

Based on our current numbers, we will continue to provide three classes next year, a K/P/1, 2/3 and 4/5/6. Class sizes will, again, be small to allow that individual attention we do so well.

Mrs Teague-Robertson was successful in gaining a 12 month contract to teach full time at the school next year. She will teach the K/P/1 class.

Mr Hurtz has taken up a position at Mundijong for 2018.

## **Opera Workshop**

The WA Opera are performing at the Tree Top Walk this weekend. We have been lucky enough to have them provide a workshop for the school today. As always, we try and provide our students with opportunities that auality can expose them to interests and careers they never thought possible.

## **Interschool Carnival**

Selected Year 3-6 students attended Pemberton DHD last week for the Interschool Athletics Carnival. We weren't as successful as usual, coming fourth place out of

five competitors: Pemberton (1), St Joseph's (2), Northcliffe (3) and Nannup (5).

Congratulations to Keenan N for winning the Silver Medal for the Intermediate Boys.

#### LOTE

I have made enquiries regarding AUSLAN as a Language Other Than English for the Year 3s next year. Although there are resources available online, I have been informed that a qualified teacher must teach the course, therefore, I have had to look at other options.

We can access native Standard Mandarin teachers, living in China. Our students would have a twenty five minute session online and then have access to resources that their classroom teacher would oversee. I trialled that this week but it took 45 minutes to have the technology up and running. This was a big issue last year with Italian and I think it is safer to not have online lessons.

There is a workshop for classroom teachers next year, which enables them to teach Indonesian to their students. Resources and support will be provided.

Denmark PS is likely to do Indonesian and the high school is likely to select that as their LOTE language.

As Indonesian was voted second of the choices given, we will be teaching LOTE for Year 3 in 2018.



WA Opera workshopping our students on singing.

## Merit Certificates

K Oryon S-P

PP Winsome M, Jack S

Yr i James M, Vallee D, Harry C

Yr3 Stella H

Yr 5 Max M

Yr 6 Danias S-M, Blayde B



## RE: SECONDARY SCHOOLING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2018 - NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

The Department of Education coordinates a range of scholarships, grants and prizes to meet some of the costs of secondary schooling. Most scholarships for 2018 are now open for applications.

The minimum scholarship value is \$750; however, the majority are for amounts of \$1 000 and upwards. A number also offer repeat funding in subsequent years, subject to satisfactory academic progress.

Eligibility criteria information on how to apply can be found at: <a href="http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/education/secondary-school/additional-learning-opportunities/scholarships/">http://www.education.wa.edu.au/home/detcms/navigation/education/secondary-school/additional-learning-opportunities/scholarships/</a> An online submission process is used for lodging most applications. Instructions are available on the website.

The closing date for most of the Department's scholarships is 5.30pm Thursday 7 December 2017.

For further information, email the scholarship coordinators at <u>PathwaysandTransitions.Scholarships@education.wa.edu.au</u> or call 9402 6304 or 6206 2010.



# SOUTH WEST EMERGENCY CARE FOR CHILDREN INC. ASSISTANT COORDINATOR

The service is seeking an Assistant Coordinator to join our team to assist in the provision of home based respite and to support families in crisis.

Short term contract (3 months with possibility of extension)

16 hours per week, plus relief

Applications must address the Selection Criteria and include a CV with at least 2 professional referees.

For an application package please call (08) 97911 335 or email swecc@bigpond.net.au.

Applications Close: Friday 1st December 2017



There will be **NO** Wednesday
Lunches on 29 November and 6 December
due to our Swimming Carnival and Leavers

