



# Mount Claremont Primary School

**"We Care"**

**Thursday, 2 May 2019**

**Term 2, Week 1**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**Dear Parents,**

I hope families were able to enjoy the Easter break and share some time together. The staff and children have returned to school refreshed and ready for Term 2.

Recent media reports have highlighted the increase in aggressive and offensive behaviour from parents towards school principal's, teachers and support staff in their workplace, the school. According to data from the *Australian Principal Occupational Health and Wellbeing Survey:2018* Associate Professor Philip Riley found one in three principals were physically attacked and that almost half (45%) were threatened with violence in 2018.

The combination of violence, threats, bullying, allegations on social media, "email wars" and unrealistic parent expectations are a challenge for school leaders.

At Mount Claremont Primary School it is timely to remind ourselves as members of the school community that we:

- Expect and show respectful engagement and communication between parents, community and the school.
- Value the relationship between the home and the school in a child's education.
- Set high standards of behaviour and uphold the reputation of the school.
- Seek solutions to problems or concerns with courtesy and respect.

To be an even better school, our collective focus is to set exemplary standards in a safe environment.

## School Board

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank the outgoing the P&C Parent Representative, Karen Flynn for her outstanding contribution and commitment to the Board and former Council over 3 years. Karen was instrumental in providing communication between the P&C and Board. Karen has been a strong advocate of the school's strategic direction, educational outcomes and a voice for parents.

## **IMPORTANT DATES!**

### **Tuesday 7 May**

Room 14, 15, 16

Mothers Day morning 8.45 to 10.15am

### **Wednesday 8 May**

Staff Meeting 3.15pm

### **Monday 13 May**

NAPLAN Commences

### **Tuesday 14 May**

NAPLAN Language and Writing

### **Wednesday May 15**

Room 9 & 10 Library Excursion

School Board Meeting 6.00pm

### **Thursday 16 May**

Year 4 Outdoor Education Challenge Day

### **Friday 17 May**

National walk safely to School Day



**School Watch**

**Phone 1800 177 777**

## School Board Continued

I am pleased to inform the community that Natalie Kam (Family Law) and Daniel Heggie (Finance) have been duly elected to the Board as Parent Representatives. They have met the eligibility requirement to have a Working with Children Check and National Criminal History Screening Check. The Board looks forward to working with Kim and Daniel.

## Staff Changes

We say farewell to Mrs Nina Tilaka, Education Assistant in Room 14. I would like to thank Mrs Tilaka for her service to the school and students in Room 14. Due to staffing constraints Mrs Tilaka's position was not able to be extended. Mrs Marni Haywood (Mon, Tues) , Mrs Trish O'Connor (Wed,)Thur, Fri am) Mrs Sue Straiton (Fri pm) have been assigned to Room 14.

## School Dress Code

It is a requirement for students from pre-primary to year 6 to wear the school uniform as outlined in the **School Dress Code Policy** (MCPS website). Please ensure children are suitably attired and presented well for school.

## School Grounds

The bike enclosure will provided additional security for student bikes. The enclosure will be locked at 9.00am and opened at 3.00pm. Thank you to the P&C Association for providing the funds for the bike enclosure. Parent volunteers are needed to move the bike racks to the new area.

The sandpits in the early childhood area were cleaned and replenished. New electrical wiring to the administration block and classes was installed. The PA system will be completed shortly.

As the seasons change, the Marri trees become a banquet feast for local cockatoos. Please take care and beware of the honky nuts littering the black court. As fast as the nuts are cleaned up, more are dropped!

## Attendance

School starts at 8.45 daily. Children should be in classes before the siren sounds.

## Early Close

The school will close early on Wednesday 3 July at 12.00 noon for Parent/Teacher interviews. Camp Australia is **considering** opening the after school care program from 12.00. Please register your interest with Camp Australia.

## Tracey Oakes

### Principal



### Congratulations Diya

Diya participated in the 'OnStage Performing Arts Competition' these school holidays and won First place and perpetual trophy in the '16 years and under poetry solo' session.

She also participated in 'Elite Eisteddfod' and won First place in 'Contemporary Vocal solo' section.



# National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy 2019 (NAPLAN)

Students in all Australian schools, including Mount Claremont Primary School students in Years 3 and 5, are expected to participate in the National Assessment Program that is to be conducted from Tuesday, 14 May to Friday, 24 May 2019. Each student will be assessed in reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. Please avoid making appointments for your child on the Tuesday and Thursday of the NAPLAN weeks.

Please click on the following hyperlink to read a NAPLAN [Information for Parents](#)

We believe that the NAPLAN tests provide valuable information about how students are meeting the key educational outcomes in Literacy and Numeracy. NAPLAN tests are one aspect of the school's Assessment and Reporting process; they do not replace the ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance. The NAPLAN results are used to make judgments on individual and cohort progress in reading, writing, spelling, grammar and punctuation, and numeracy. They are also used to identify our strengths as well as areas that may require improvement.

We believe it is important to reassure your child that NAPLAN tests are just one part of their school program and to encourage them to do their personal best in each of the tests.

Mount Claremont Primary School believes that the strategies listed below best prepare our students to achieve their personal best in each of the tests:

- ensuring that the general concepts covered in NAPLAN tests are included in our Teaching & Learning program
- prior to the NAPLAN tests, Years 3 and 5 students are given the opportunity to experience similar tests so that they are familiar with the test instructions and the style of questions for each test. A statewide NAPLAN ONLINE practice test was administered last term.

These strategies prepare our students to feel comfortable in the testing environment and are able to sit the NAPLAN ONLINE tests with confidence. These strategies are in accordance with the recommendations of the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA).

We believe it is necessary that all staff, parents and students approach the tests with a positive attitude. It is important that together we develop a shared understanding that the information gathered can be used to positively influence student literacy and numeracy outcomes. It is recommended that you read the [Information for Parents](#) brochure thoroughly.

## Please be advised of the following 2019 NAPLAN timetable for all students in Years 3 and 5

<b><u>Tuesday 14th May</u></b>	<b><u>Wednesday 15th May</u></b>	<b><u>Thursday 16th May</u></b>	<b><u>Friday 17th May</u></b>
9.00am-9.50am	Catch up	9.00am-9.50am	Catch up
Year 3 Writing (paper test)		Year 3 Reading	
Year 5 Writing Online		11.15 am-12.00	
		Year 5 Reading	
<b><u>Tuesday 21st May</u></b>	<b><u>Wednesday 22nd May</u></b>	<b><u>Thursday 23rd May</u></b>	<b><u>Friday 24th May</u></b>
9.00am-9.50 am	<b><u>May</u></b>	9.00am-9.45am	Catch up
Year 3 Conventions of Language	Catch up	Year 3 Numeracy	
11.15 am-12.00 Year 5		11.15 am-12.00	
Conventions of Language		Year 5 Numeracy	



# Anzac Day 2019

On the last day of Term 1, we held our annual Anzac Day commemoration. This year we were fortunate enough to have Major Sally Stanton speak to us about the Anzac spirit. WO2 William Renwick also attended and drove an Army vehicle to have on display. The band played very well, the school choir sang beautifully and class representatives spoke with ease in front of their peers, teachers, parents and family members and friends. Thank you parents who helped make floral bouquets to place under the flagpole. Following the service, we had morning tea. Room 14 students helped me make some delicious Anzac biscuits for this and we spoke about why they were so easy to send all those years ago!

I'm sure many of you also attended services on April 25 during the break and I hope after listening to Major Stanton and Mrs Oakes speak at our service there was a greater meaning as to what the Anzac spirit represents and why we continue to remember all those who fought, served (and continue to serve), returned or perished from conflicts and peacetime operations over the last 100 years.

**Amber Aitken**  
**DSM**



# Edu Dance

This term all students from Pre Primary to Year 6 will participate in a dance program. Children will have the opportunity to develop their movement and dance performance skills with specialist dance teachers. On Monday the 29th of April students enjoyed their first of nine sessions. Each class is learning their own unique dance routine during the program. This will culminate with students performing a dance routine at a special Edu Dance concert on Monday the 1st of July, Week 10, Term 2.

Edu Dance is a creative hip hop dance program designed for primary school students. It provides students with the opportunity to be part of a fun and energetic dance program and fulfils the dance requirements for the physical and health aspect of both The Arts and PE. It covers aspects such as coordination, musical appreciation and self-confidence. More importantly the program promotes fitness and fun.

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**Miss Sibson**

**Pre Primary Teacher**



<b>Monday weeks 1-10 (No week 6)</b>					
9-15am	to	9-45am	Pre-Primary <b>22 students</b>	Miss Henderson	30 mins
9-45am	to	10-15am	Pre-Primary <b>21 students</b>	Miss Sibson	30 mins
10-15am	to	10-45am	Year 1 <b>22 students</b>	Mrs Hollier	30 mins
<b>Recess</b>					
11-05am	to	11-35am	Year 2/3 <b>23 students</b>	Mrs Rogers	30 mins
11-35am	to	12-05pm	Year 2 <b>22 students</b>	Mrs Carter	30 mins
12-05pm	to	12-35pm	Year 1/2 <b>20 students</b>	Mr Cecins	30 mins
<b>Lunch</b>					
1-15pm	to	1-55pm	Year 5/6 <b>31 students</b>	Mr Hart	40 mins
1-55pm	to	2-25pm	Year 3/4 <b>24 students</b>	Miss Heritage	30 mins
2-25pm	to	3-05pm	Year 4/5 <b>32 students</b>	Miss Crozier	40 mins



## MessageYou

A new system for reporting absences will be commencing Monday, 6th-May at Mount Claremont Primary School.

Parents or care givers will receive a text message (via the Front Office) after 9.00am informing them that their child is absent UNEXPLAINED and they are to text a message back. E.g. John Smith RM 10 sick.

Front Office staff will copy and paste this response into our attendance records and it will improve attendance accuracy and ensures quick follow up of unexplained absences.

It is also the Department of Education's preferred method of contacting parents/carers should an emergency arise.



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## Finance News

Thank you to all our families who have made their Voluntary Contributions payments for 2019, those funds are utilised in our Learning Areas as listed below.

Learning Areas	
The Arts-Music/Art	\$10
English/Library	\$10
Mathematics	\$15
Humanities & Social Sciences	\$5
Science	\$10
Physical Education/Health	\$10
<b>Charges</b>	<b>\$60</b>

## Visual Arts

Does your child enjoy entering art competitions? There are currently two competitions open for parents to submit their child's work. I will endeavour to promote both competitions during lessons over the next week.

The first competition is the 2019 Shaun Tan Award for Young Artists and is open to students from Year 1 to Year 12. The categories for primary school students are lower (Year 1-2), middle (Year 3-4) and upper (Year 5-6) primary. The art work must be two-dimensional and may be up to 1 metre X 1.5 metre in size. Parents will need to fill in the online entry form and then submit their child's art work to Subiaco Library in person or via post by Monday 20 May 2019. An exhibition of the finalists will be held at Subiaco Library from 9 July to 4 August 2019. For full details visit [www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/shauntanaward](http://www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/shauntanaward)

The second competition is the MLC Young Artists Prize and is open to students from Year 1 to Year 6. The two categories are Year 1-3 and Year 4-6. Students have the chance to win an amazing art hamper as well as a \$250 grant towards their school's art programme. The theme for the competition is 'Secret Powers', which coincides with the 2019 Book Week theme. The art work must be two-dimensional and A4 size. Parents will need to fill in the online entry form, scan their child's art work and email the image by Friday 14 June 2019. An exhibition of the finalists will be held at Methodist Ladies' College from 17 August to 22 August 2019. For further information visit [www.mlc.wa.edu.au/art](http://www.mlc.wa.edu.au/art)

Best of luck in the competitions.

**Simone Shedley**

**Visual Arts**

## **Kids & Anxiety:** **An information session for parents and caregivers**

There is a high prevalence of anxiety disorders in children and youth, and anxiety in childhood is the most common risk factor for depression in adolescence and early adulthood.

The good news is, we can increase emotional resilience as a family and help children develop positive coping skills before more serious difficulties may occur.

You are invited to a FREE EVENT at Mount Claremont Primary School to help parents and caregivers understand anxiety, behaviours and protective factors for their children.

Gemma, Founder of [Resilience Kit](#) will discuss:

- Signs and symptoms of anxiety
- Some of the risk and protective factors for healthy emotional development
- Strategies to build resilience in the family
- Online, public and private support services available

Spots are limited. RSVP is essential.

**Date: Wednesday 22 May**

**Where:** School Library

**Time: 9 to 10 am**

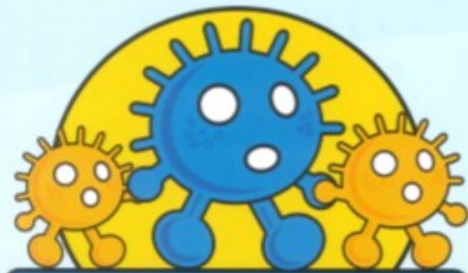
**RSVP:** [mountclaremont.ps.office@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:mountclaremont.ps.office@education.wa.edu.au)

Or our Chaplain, Jane Marsh

[Jane.marsh@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Jane.marsh@education.wa.edu.au)



# ACTIVE KIDS ARE SMARTER KIDS





WALK SAFELY  
TO SCHOOL DAY

FRIDAY 17 MAY 2019



Until they're ten, children must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road

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## Entertainment Books

Entertainment books have now been delivered.

If you choose not to keep your book, please return it in its **original envelope** to the box in the Front Office.

Thank you

Sian Jefferies





**\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION\***

**Claremont Underground Power Project**  
**Stage 4 – Removal of Poles and Wires Advice**

Dear Occupier,

The removal of the old overhead system will be undertaken by **Power On Cabling**, and will occur in your area between:

**30/04/2019 & 15/05/2019**

To enable the **safe and efficient removal** of the wires and poles from the verge outside your property, can you please assist us by removing any vehicles and or property from your verge?  
If you could action this prior to the date noted above, this will reduce the risk of any damage.

For enquiries regarding this work please contact:

Power On Cabling - T: 0448 005 831 or [claremontupp@poweroncabling.com](mailto:claremontupp@poweroncabling.com)

For any other enquiries regarding the project please contact:

Western Power - T: 13 10 87 or [westernpower.com.au/underground-power-projects](http://westernpower.com.au/underground-power-projects)

## **Davies Road Rehabilitation notification**



Dear Resident,

### **Road Redevelopment Project 2018-19 – Davies Road (between Lapsley Road and Alfred Road)**

We are pleased to advise that the Road Redevelopment Project for Davies Road between Lapsley Road and Alfred Road is scheduled to commence on Monday 6 May 2019. We hope to have works completed before Friday 14 June 2019, weather and contractor availability permitting.

The proposed sequence of works is:

- Week 1 - 2** from Monday 6 May until and including Friday 17 May.  
Remove the existing kerb, remove existing median island, install drainage pits, install retaining walls where applicable.
- Week 3-4** from Monday 20 May until and including Friday 31 May.  
Remove existing road surface, install new kerbs and median islands, install new asphalt road surface, backfill behind kerbs, plant new street trees.
- Week 5-6** General clean up and reinstatement.

Works are expected to occur during normal working hours [between 07:00am and 05:00pm] on weekdays. Some Saturday work may occur to complete the project on time.

Some crossovers may need to be modified by the Town's contractor to better match any new road or kerb levels. When this occurs, please do not move the cones as concrete may be curing or asphalt cooling. During this time, alternate arrangements may need to be made when accessing your property. Removing or ignoring cones can lead to confusion, damage to vehicles or road surface and delays in the project.

# Mount Claremont Primary School Notice Board

## Young Engineers Club

(YEC) @ Library  
(Wednesdays 3:15pm - 4:30pm) –  
calling all Yr1-3 students. The  
Young Engineers club that meets  
weekly on Wednesday afternoons in  
the library will be accepting new  
students for term 1 2019. Registration  
will open next week. If you will  
be in year 2-4 in 2019, then this is  
your chance to join in. We have lots  
of fun building and learning about  
Lego machines & robots. It's the  
perfect way to prepare for the robot-  
ics revolution. Limited to 16 places  
only. Fees apply.

>> Register:

<https://www.tybooking.com/WNFF>

[perth@young-engineers.com.au/](mailto:perth@young-engineers.com.au/)

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[www.chessempire.com.au](http://www.chessempire.com.au)  
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Mount Claremont PS

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[www@redhagebasketball.com](mailto:www@redhagebasketball.com)



# Before and After School Activities at Mount Claremont Primary School.

**Wednesday Morning Tennis Lessons**

- 7.30 - 8.30am Mount Claremont Primary School
- 8-week term commencing 13 February
- Red/Orange ball lessons
- \$100/child (4-6 students per coach)
- Free 30 minute introductory lesson\*
- Free Saturday Match Play Invitation

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



**KID DO**  
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Just like Reading and Writing, kids need to learn to MOVE.

KID DO helps your child develop the important movement skills in a fun, exciting environment.

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**KINDY - YEAR 2**  
7:45AM - 8:30AM  
THURSDAY BEFORE SCHOOL ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS  
10.5 FOR 9 DOLLARS  
STARTS THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY  
YEAR 1 ONLY (SCHOOL) \*MOVING AND BALANCE

Learn more about the KIDDO program at [www.kiddo.edu.au](http://www.kiddo.edu.au)



## Free Chinese Lessons

联络电话Daily Contact: 0426826890 电邮

Email: [kyle.chineseschool@gmail.com](mailto:kyle.chineseschool@gmail.com)

Mondays 3.15 to

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