School Board Nominations

Thank you to those parents who have nominated to be on the School Board. Those who have nominated will receive a letter outlining the next stage of the process.

Mrs Jennifer Than Htay previously owned this position but is now unable to undertake the role due to her children moving to a high school environment. Mrs Than Htay has been a very strong supporter of the school, is a past P&C President and has made a very positive contribution to the Camboon Primary School Community and we thank her for all her hard work.

As there is more than one nomination, an election process will take place. More information on this will be in next week’s newsletter.

Last week the school was informed that the oval will be reticulated and resurfaced. This will involve automatic reticulation and the laying of roll out lawn. This is a significant project as roll out lawn will mean that the oval will be back in operation over a very short timeline in comparison to having lawn replaced with stolons. We look forward to this happening very soon.

WRITING AND SPELLING: THE WORLD OF WORDS

The role you play in your children’s education is vital in helping them become happy and confident learners at school. To assist you, a series of booklets is available online at the Department’s parent website, Schools and you. They include great activities, games and ideas that your children will love.

Designed for busy families with young children, each booklet focuses on a specific learning area:

- **Learning at home: A guide for parents/carers of children aged 0 to four years.**
- **Hello school! A guide for parents/carers of children in Kindergarten to Year 1.**
- **Numbers: Showing children they count:** A guide for parents/carers of children in Kindergarten to Year 1.
- **Reading: Light up your child’s imagination:** A guide for parents/carers of children in Kindergarten to Year 2.
- **Writing and spelling: The world of words:** A guide for parents/carers of children in Kindergarten to Year 2.

W: det.wa.edu.au/schoolsandyou

**After School Mathletics**

Next Monday 11 March we will start our After School Mathletics program. The program will be run by Mrs Rintoul each Monday from 3:00pm to 3:30pm in our school computer lab. Any students from Years 1 to 7 who do not have internet access at home for Mathletics are welcome to attend. Students wishing to participate in this program need to return the completed tear-off slip below and return to school. Parents are reminded that participating students need to be picked up promptly from the Computer Lab at 3:30pm.

Thank you to Mrs Rintoul for giving this opportunity to students.

**Battery Recycling 2013**

Congratulations Camboon PS! You recycled 103.4kg of batteries last year. A really great effort.

Let’s see what we can do in 2013. Keep collecting the batteries and bring them to your classroom—Thank you. Ms Collins.

**EASTER HOLIDAY REMINDER**

- FRIDAY 29TH MARCH - GOOD FRIDAY
- MONDAY 1ST APRIL - EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- TUESDAY 2ND APRIL - EASTER TUESDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL - STAFF DEVELOPMENT (PUPIL FREE DAY)
Health Information
As the weather begins to cool down we often begin to notice an increase in coughs, colds and flu. If your child is unwell prior to the school day, please endeavour to keep them home to rest and get better rather than send them to school. This not only allows your child time to recuperate but also ensures that germs are not spread to others.

We have recently had word that whooping cough is again in our community. Whooping cough is a highly contagious, acute, respiratory, bacterial infection. It is spread via droplets, is airborne and can be contaminated with direct contact with contaminated nose or throat secretions. The infectious period is from the onset of a runny nose to 21 days after the onset of cough. Exclusion from school is for 14 days from the onset of the cough or for 5 days after starting antibiotic treatment.

It is useful to advise the school if your child has suspected whooping cough so that we can be aware and advise other parents should symptoms be similar.

Before and After School Supervision
Please ensure your child is at school and in his/her classroom ready to commence the day at least 5 – 10 minutes before the beginning of the day but not prior to 8.30am. It is lovely to see our parents and students enjoying our school grounds after school. Whilst we do not want to discourage the after school play on the Junior Primary play equipment, we have been experiencing issues with students not being closely supervised by parents. Please note that the school gates outside this area will be locked at 3:45pm each day. Thank you for assisting us with this matter.

Ongoing Parking Issues
Once again we are having issues with parking in and around our school. Parents are reminded that the staff car park is not a pick-up and drop-off zone for students and the car park behind the canteen is the same. Students and parents are also regularly seen walking through the middle of these car parks which is a safety issue. Parents picking up students are reminded to abide by our parking signage around the school to avoid receiving a fine from the Bayswater Shire Rangers.

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH
The Aussie of the Month Award is a West Australian primary school based award program which has been in operation for over ten years, with the participation of hundreds of schools across the state. Like all of our awards the ‘Aussie of the Month’ recognises personal endeavour, achievement and contribution to the community. The awards also reflect some of the values we share as Australians, a sense of fair play, generosity of spirit, commitment to community, participation and a real concern for the environment.

Congratulations to our February ‘Aussie of the Month’ winner

Max D.—Room 16
February 2013

AWARDS
HONOUR CERTIFICATES
Congratulations to the following students who received Honour Certificates at last week’s Assembly:

Room 1  Callum H.  Aaron H.
Room 2  Renae J.  Karina L.
Room 3  Andrew N.  Shantaya R.
Room 4  Heather G.  Xzander B.
Room 7  Emma D.  Nicole C.
Room 8  Erin B.  Floyd M.
Room 9  Natalie C.  Luca P.
Room 10  Bridget T.  Giacomino A.
Room 12  Fiona S.  Lorne B.
Room 13  Kirby J.  Logan G.
Room 14  Stanley C.  Layla W.
Room 15  Mariam T.  Madison E.
Room 16  Alex L.  Nathan N.
Room 17  Jules P.  Tom d.B.
LOTE  Denholm A.

Congratulations to our first 2013 Mathletics Award Winners
Jack C.  Daniel M.

Numero Winner
The Numero maths challenge is set by the West Australian Newspaper each week and is open to students throughout WA. At the assembly, a set of Numero cards was presented to the Numero Gold Challenge winner

Denholm A.
HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE SCHOOLKIDS BONUS?

Do you know about the Schoolkids Bonus? It is a new cash payment to help eligible families and students with the costs of primary and secondary school studies. Around 1.2 million families have already benefited from the first wave of payments in January 2013 – have you?

If you receive a family or income support payment, including Family Tax Benefit Part A, you could be eligible to receive $410 a year for each primary student and $820 a year for each secondary student, with half paid in January and half paid in July.

The Schoolkids Bonus replaces the Education Tax Refund (ETR) and is a much simpler system. You no longer need to collect receipts and payments are made automatically so you don’t have to wait months to make a claim via your tax return. Unlike the ETR you can choose how you use the payment to best support your children’s education – whether it be school books, stationery, uniforms, school fees, or excursions.

Check your eligibility by visiting australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus and if you think you might have missed out on the January payment, contact Centrelink – either in person at a Centrelink-Medicare Office or by calling 132 468.

P&C NEWS

Canteen Volunteers

We would like to remind parents that helpers are always required on our Canteen and we would love to see some new faces making some sandwiches and helping out! Parents who volunteer their time receive a $2.00 voucher for their child/ren to spend at the Canteen and they also have the chance to win movie tickets at the end of each term. If you are free, please pop down to the Canteen and speak to Nuala and Kayla, otherwise you can call the Canteen on 9276 7021.

Easter Raffle

The P&C will again be hosting our yearly Easter Raffle to be drawn at the Easter Assembly on Thursday 28 March. Please watch this space for information in next week’s newsletter about where to donate eggs and purchase raffle tickets etc.

Community News

Information regarding the following is displayed on the school noticeboard-

- Harlies Hockey Club Dianella

Mathletics

My child ___________________________ from Room ________

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will be accessing the Mathletics sessions at Camboon every Monday from 3:00pm until 3:30pm.

Parent/Carer name________________________Signature:____________________

Contact phone number (during Mathletics times)_____________________________