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# Camboon Primary School

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## Newsletter



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**Tanya Dique &**  
**Tania Pesce**

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### Calendar

**FRIDAY 19 October**

- Interschool Athletics

**MONDAY 22 October**

- School Board 5.00pm
- P & C Meeting 7pm

**WEDNESDAY 24 October**

- Surf Online Safe Workshop
- Year 5/6 Students (day)
- Parents 6.30pm—7.30pm (Library)

**THURSDAY 25 October**

- Waterwise Incursion

**FRIDAY 26 October**

- Blue dress up day
- Waterwise Incursion
- Assembly Rm2

**Please refer to term planner for Canteen and Uniform shop information.**

We have had a great start to Term 4 and I look forward to seeing all the amazing learning that will take place. During this term, we will begin planning for 2019. It is very important that you notify us if you are leaving Camboon as student number affects the way we create classes.

### Massed Choir Festival

Congratulations to Mrs Michielsen and the school choir on a wonderful performance at the Concert Hall last term. Mrs Dique and Mrs Pesce attended and told me that they were fabulous.



### EC 2 and EC 3 Assembly

Congratulations to Mrs Nguyen, Miss Bettella and all the students in EC 2 and EC 3 for an outstanding assembly performance. I heard about the great student performance and entertainment. Well done.

### Conference

For the last 3 days of last term, I was at the Australian Primary Principals Association conference with over 800 other principals from all around Australia. The conference focused on school improvement, leadership, teaching and learning. The conference provided me with great learning opportunities and I will be sharing this with staff. One of the presentations I attended focused on the importance of reading (one of my favourite things!) and over the course of this term, I will share some of that information in the newsletters and on the school website. Learning to read can be difficult for some of us and once we learn to read, we need to practice. It is vital that our students see adults around them as readers too. I hope you find the information useful.



### Staff Development Day

The first day back this term saw all staff spend the day reviewing our school, student and recent survey data. The focus was to look at what our data is showing us and to set targets and focus areas for 2019. We also reviewed our Business Plan targets to ensure strategies are in place which will help us achieve our improvement goals. It is always wonderful for me to work with our staff who are passionate, dedicated and always come up with great ideas. The day was very busy and very productive.

### After school play

We have had some concerns raised by parents and staff with regard to student behaviour after school in the junior playground. We like seeing families enjoying the social aspect of after school time but I need to remind you again that all children must be supervised. This means that each parent should be able to see their child and what they are doing. Children are not allowed in the bushland area. The school toilets are not available for use as our cleaners have to clean them so please do not allow your child to go to the toilets. We have also noticed an increase in rubbish left after school and ask that you take your rubbish with you. If these issues continue, we may have to stop allowing after school play. I thank you for your understanding and support with the care of all our students.

### Janice Cuculoska—Principal

### Level 3 Classroom Teacher

We would like to formally congratulate Room 3 teacher, Brooke Purdy, on achieving Level 3 teacher status. Level 3 Classroom Teachers are exemplary teachers recognised and rewarded for their exceptional teaching practices. They play important roles in providing and supporting high quality teaching and leadership in schools. We are very fortunate to have Ms Purdy teaching at our school, and congratulate her on this wonderful achievement.

### Eastern Reporter Article

Last month, the Eastern Reporter ran a story on how our nature play area was developed. The story is available online at <https://www.communitynews.com.au/eastern-reporter/news/noranda-camboon-primary-school-aims-to-improve-donated-nature-play-space/>.

### TerraCycle Garden Challenge

The competition closes at the end of this month so please send in your **oral care waste** for recycling and please go online to <https://www.terracycle.com.au/en-AU/contests/colgategardenvoting> and vote for Camboon primary School.



## Survey Results 2018

Thank you to all the parents who took the time to respond to the School Survey. We had a good response rate, with 63 parents completing the survey. Responses show that overwhelmingly parents are satisfied with Camboon Primary School, with the overall rating for items such as "My child likes being at this school", being 4.3. This means that when all responses are averaged, the group sit somewhere between "agree" and "strongly agree" for each item.

89% of parents report feeling a sense of belonging to the school, and 78% are satisfied with the communication methods used by the school.

With regard to suggestions for improvement and comments, the largest number of responses mentioned the following:

- Continue to celebrate Harmony Day (or similar) and increase the significance of this event, incorporating learning about other cultures and religions into classrooms.
- Increase the consistency of communication methods.
- Canteen menu.
- Increase the positive behaviour systems within the school.

The Year 5-6 students also completed a survey, and some of the findings are reported below:

- 100% of students have access to the internet at home, with 87% reporting they have access 'very often' or 'always'.
- 47% of students report feeling unsafe or uncomfortable when using the internet, 'occasionally' or more often.
- 12% of students have concerns about behaviour management at school.

What will the school do with these results?

- We may ask the students some more questions to find out their opinions and plan to put some strategies in place to address these.
- We are currently re-vamping our school website and developing communication guidelines to improve the consistency of communications across the school.
- We have applied for a grant to host some exciting Harmony Day activities for 2019.
- We have reviewed our student behaviour policy and will continue to consult and develop this over the next two years.

If parents would like to know more about the survey results, they can view a copy of the full results in the front office. The School Board will be presented with these results later this term.

## Water Week 2018

Camboon Primary School is celebrating National Water Week in Week 3. Students from Years K-6 will attend a FREE Water Corporation incursion called 'Water Conservation' on the 25<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018. K-2 students will participate in role-play activities to show ways that water can be wasted and how they can be 'waterwise'. During this activity, students will learn about the importance of water in our lives and why we need to conserve it. Year 3-6 students will estimate the percentages of household water use and compare this to real data, in order to help them consider where and how water can be saved. During this school talk, students will learn how Perth's water sources are affected by the drying climate and the importance of water conservation.

We are also having our **Blue Dress Up Day** for on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October; where students are invited to wear something blue for a \$2 donation, to go to our sister school in the Angkor Project.

## Water Week Poster Competition

Lots of cool prizes up for grabs!!

Poster template available from your teacher.

**K/PP/Yr 1** What's in my ocean...

**Yr 2/3** My water saving message.

**Yr 4/5/6** Sustainable watering solution.

Need some inspiration? Poster examples are displayed on the wall outside the library.

Entries are due in to Mrs Pesce in the office by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

Winners will be announced and prizes presented at the assembly on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October.



## World Teacher's Day

World Teachers' Day is celebrated in Australia on Friday 26 October. We will be celebrating our hardworking educators on this day and will set-up posters in each class for students to write messages of thanks. Parents can also put a message of thanks on these posters which will be hanging in each class doorway on 26 October.

## Surf Online Safe

A note was sent out last week with full information about these presentations being held Wednesday 24 October. Year 5/6 students will have a presentation on safe use of the internet from 1.50-3pm, and parents are invited to a presentation from 6.30 – 7.30. Places are limited and filling fast. RSVP is required to the office staff.

## Recycling Champions!

Congratulations to the students in Room 4. They have each won a recycled pencil case to reward their amazing efforts in recycling. Keep up the great work in helping to make our world a better place.



## Welcome to Mrs Thomson's Baby

Noah Alexander



## Chaplain's Corner

### Friendology 101

It's no secret navigating our children through difficulties in friendships is not always an easy task. This year we have decided to take a whole school approach to teaching the students about friendships. Each class from year 1-6 has been taught "Friendology 101" which is about recognizing healthy friendships, handling conflict and building resiliency. Each classroom has posters that display the information taught. Keep an eye out for further posts about the material covered.



## Warmer Weather



### HOT WEATHER



As the weather has warmed up, please ensure your children are dressed appropriately and are not wearing too many layers. Some students have shown heat stress due to wearing long sleeved tops with a jumper and long pants. We also ask that you send your child to school with a drink bottle filled with water, as we encourage the students to keep well hydrated during the warmer months.



Congratulations to Marcin B from Room 14 for winning the Skate WA State Championship Junior Men's 42K Marathon.



## Let's Talk About Teens

A parenting program for parents of children aged 13-17 years.

**Where:** Noranda Family Centre, Garson Ct, Noranda

**When:** Tuesday 13th, 20th, 27th Nov & 04th Dec 2018

(participants must be able to attend all sessions)

**Time:** 6.30pm - 8.30pm

**Cost:** FREE

## 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 October 'Aussie of the Month' winner**



**Tanesha P —Year 6/ Room 16**

## Douglas Lockwood

It is with sadness that we inform our school community that former Camboon Principal, Douglas Lockwood has passed away. Douglas was principal at Camboon from 1995 to 2007, when he retired, and is fondly remembered by many staff and former students and their parents. Our thoughts are with his family at this time.



# P&C NEWS

## Taste Buds Canteen

The canteen is open for orders on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 8.40am - 9.10am. There are an increasing number of children who are ordering after this time, often at recess or lunchtime because they are forgetting before school. Please be advised that the canteen will not be accepting any late orders as from Monday 22nd October. If your child does not order on time and comes to the canteen at lunch time they will be sent to the office to get a vegemite sandwich.

We also have an online ordering option for those parents who do not have time to get to the school or who would prefer not to send money with their child/children. This can be a great option to order both recess and lunch and you can pre-order for the whole week just by selecting the date. You can sign up at <https://quickcliq.com.au/> and transfer money onto your account via EFT or credit card.

Our canteen manager Dee, can also take your orders for the week ahead if it is easier for you to only come in once a week. If these options do not suit, please feel free to pop in and see Dee at the canteen to discuss other options.

## Halloween Disco

Our annual disco is coming up on 2nd November. We will be running two timeslots for the different aged children with music and games catered to the age groups. This event costs \$5 to attend and your child/children can choose to dress up in their favourite Halloween costume or simply wear their party clothes for a fun night out with their friends. A flyer will be coming out soon with all the details.

## Tea Towel Fundraiser

For our kindy and pre-primary parents you should have received your order forms home for your personalised class tea towels. Please ensure that you complete the forms and hand them in to your teacher by Friday 26th October so you don't miss out. These will make fabulous Christmas gifts.



For all parenting courses please refer to the Relationships Australia website-

<https://www.relationshipswa.org.au/courses-and-seminars/for-parents>

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