



Esperance Anglican Community School

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Comment from the Principal – 24th March 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

The gloomy weather will not, I hope, dampen the spirits as the Easter weekend approaches. A gentle reminder that the School is closed on Good Friday and on Easter Monday so I hope you might be able to enjoy the long weekend.

EASTER

It was heartening that some of our Year 10 students volunteered to assist yesterday with the setting up of the Radio West Easter Egg Treasure Hunt. We have contributed in this way for some years now, with the students enjoying the opportunity (as well as the Maccas afterwards!).

Although today is Maundy Thursday we held our own Easter service in the School. Unfortunately we were not able to be outside as intended but we certainly appreciated the service which included an *Agape* (in the Christian Church this is a meal to commemorate the Last Supper). Sadly this was the last service to be taken by our Chaplain, the Revd. Bob Booth, who retires this weekend from his locum position here and in the Church. His time here has been too short but the impact he has made has been priceless and long-lasting: we thank him most sincerely for his fine ministry and example of the Christian life.

ANGLICAN PARISH FETE

Speaking of the Christian life: as you know we are developing – as part of the education we espouse – service to both the local community and the wider world beyond. In this connection the Anglican Parish Fete takes place on Saturday 2nd April from 0900-1600. The School has traditionally supported the Church by providing student helpers and we have been asked to do so again this year by providing students to help run various children's games. I have asked for volunteers from Years 7 and 8 to assist with this and I would like to seek your support: could parents encourage their children to volunteer by giving their names to their Tutor. If we get sufficient volunteers students need only give-up one hour of their time in service to our wider community; if we do not get volunteers I will need to assign times to students when they will have to attend but I am sure this will not be necessary. Of course if you are away from town that weekend, or otherwise unavailable, could you let me know by email as soon as possible so that your child might be excused. Thank you for your understanding and support.

FUNDRAISING

I am delighted to let you know that the total amount raised by Year 7s in their 'Five-Cent Challenge' for the *HeartKids WA Inc* was OVER \$260 – a magnificent effort.

YEAR 7 PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

I thought it would be valuable for parents of students in Year 7 to have an early opportunity to meet the teachers of their children to see how they have settled-in to the life of the

School and how they are managing the new academic regime here. Accordingly we will hold a parent-teacher meeting on **Wednesday 6th April from 1530 to 1730**: please note this date in your diary. We run an electronic booking system and an email will be sent to you next week to start the process of making five-minute appointments with teachers. There will be parent-teacher meetings for other year groups in Term 2 and details of these will be sent nearer the time.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Calendar on the website, SEQTA and *Skoolbag* is kept up-to-date on a regular basis but just to highlight some events in the next week or so:

Tuesday 29 th	1000 Assembly in DMP Photo shoot in School
Wednesday 30 th	1200 GSSSA Swim Carnival Team departs for Albany Photo shoot in School
Thursday 31 st	1100 Presentation from UWA on medicine and dentistry GSSSA Swim Carnival Team returns in evening
Saturday 2 nd	Parish Fete – Band and Years 7&8 involved
Wednesday 6 th	1530-1730 Year 7 Parent-Teacher Meeting
Friday 8 th	Last day of School – all students to attend as normal please

It seems hard to consider that we are nearing the end of the term but a busy couple of weeks will make the holidays that follow all the more welcome.

With my warmest wishes.

Yours sincerely,



P. Kerr Fulton-Peebles
Principal