



Bicton Primary School

AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Wed, 14 th June	Early Close 2.30pm After School Italian Classes
Fri, 16 th June	Year 5/6 Assembly
Mon, 19 th June	P&C Meeting 7.00pm

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last Friday we welcomed back our year 6 students from their school camp at Serpentine. After travelling to Serpentine Falls the students and staff took on a three and a half hour bush walk through farming paddocks and the Serpentine National Park. The students were very happy to finally get to camp and settle into their dorms.

Over the next three days the students participated in activities with the Adventure Out crew. This included raft building, low ropes, orienteering through the bush, rock climbing and an adventure course.

Highlights of the camp included the evening campfire where everyone got to toast marshmallows and sing songs, the film nights in the dining room, the games in the gymnasium and the talent contest on the final night. So many talented stars!

Thanks to our year 5/6 staff for organising and facilitating the camp. During the week Ms Madden, Mr Franklin and I were lucky enough to spend time with the students. They worked extremely well together and enjoyed all aspects to the camp, except the early morning wake. It was also great having the pre service teachers come along with us – Mr Stapleton, Miss Hudson and Miss Quantrill. Thank you and well done to every camper. You were all terrific.



Thanks to Mr Herne and our room 10 students for a very funny assembly item last Friday. The students all did an amazing job in front of the whole school.

As part of their history learning area our year 1 students visited Samson House last Friday. The students participated in various activities relating to past and present family life. Staff reflected on the lovely environment and appreciated the facilitator's kindness to

the students. Thank you to Mrs Loader for organising the excursion.

Yesterday our year 2 students travelled to the Canning River Eco Education Centre. Students participated in activities where they observed and investigated microorganisms. They enjoyed catching the "Creepy Crawlies" and viewing them under a microscope. Thanks to Mrs Howells for organising the excursion.

Stephen Doherty
PRINCIPAL

REGULAR ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT

Bicton Primary School monitors and records student attendance daily and regularly reviews attendance data to determine whether a student's attendance is of concern. We also aim to monitor the reasons for student absence and to work with students, parents and teachers where necessary to improve the attendance of students who are at risk.

Regular attendance is critical for students to achieve optimal learning at school. Missing school adds up; for example, if your child misses an average of five days a term, they miss out on approximately one year of school by year 9.

If your child is absent please contact the office or the classroom teacher. This can be done by phone or email. We appreciate parents who do contact and make us aware of student absence and reason.

EAGLES CUP

We look forward to our next game on Friday, 16th June. We will be playing Attadale Primary School. Our AFL, Soccer A team and Netball C team will be travelling to Attadale while our Soccer B, Netball A & B will be playing at home. Parents are encouraged to come and cheer on the teams.

2018 KINDY ENROLMENTS – TIME IS RUNNING OUT

It is very important for parents who have a child entering Kindy in 2018 to get their application in by the end of term. If you know of families wishing to enrol for next year please let them know to come to the office and complete the required paperwork. Completed application forms must include a copy of your child's birth certificate, proof of residential address (eg utilities bill), visa subclass details (if applicable) and the ACIR Immunisation History Statement.

FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD

The school board is currently reviewing the school website. Parents are asked to please log onto www.bictonps.wa.edu.au and provide feedback on the provided slip.

EDU DANCE CONCERTS: Pre Primary – Year 5

Listed below is the schedule for the upcoming Edu dance Concerts.

EDU DANCE CONCERT 1 Thursday 22 nd June – 2.15pm		
Item 1	80's Disco Dudes	Pre Primary 2
Item 2	Pirates of Dance	Year 4 Room 8
Item 3	ABC It's a Simple Melody	Year 2 Room 3
Item 4	Crazy Frog	Year 1 Room 4
Item 5	Irish Starships	Year 4 Room 10
Item 6	Rock Steady Crew	Year 5B

EDU DANCE CONCERT 2 Tuesday 27 th June – 2.15pm		
Item 1	80's Disco Dudes	Pre Primary 1
Item 2	Pirates of Dance	Year 4 Room 7
Item 3	Rock Me	Year 1 Room 2
Item 4	ABC It's a Simple Melody	Year 2 Room 14
Item 5	Crazy Frog	Year 1 Room 1
Item 6	Irish Starships	Year 4 Room 10
Item 7	Rock Steady Crew	Year 5A

EDU DANCE PARENT SHOWCASE: Kindy

Listed below is the schedule for the upcoming kindy Edu dance showcase.

Kindy Showcase Thursday 22 nd June 8.45am & 9.15am		
Item 1	Kindy 1	8.45am
Item 2	Kindy 3	9.15am

Kindy Showcase Tuesday 27 th June 8.45am & 9.15am		
Item 1	Kindy 2	8.45am
Item 2	Kindy 4	9.15am

MERIT AWARDS

The following students were Merit Award Winners at our last assembly on Friday, 9th June. Congratulations and keep up the hard work.

PP1	Poppy F
PP2	Sasha S
Room 3	Teagan H, Tom R
Room 6	Georgia Y, Alexander H
Room 8	Maddy F
Room 9	Isabella G
Room 14	Joshua B

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SUPERVISION

If you would like your child/ren supervised after early close on Wednesdays, please email the office.

ACCOUNTS

Thank you to parents who have paid for their excursions in advance. This seems to be a much easier option for many families. When an invoice is produced for an incursion or excursion the amount is automatically deducted from the credit in the account. Student accounts that do not have credit will receive an invoice in an envelope. There is the ability to have invoices emailed to you if required. Please let us know if you prefer this. We appreciate parents paying their invoices promptly. At the end of each term a statement will be sent home.

P&C NEWS

The next P&C meeting will be held this Monday 19th June at 7.00pm in the Conference Room. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.

CANTEEN

Please see attached information for online ordering. Thanks to our families for supporting our new canteen menu items. There is certainly a lot of staff and students enjoying our new lunches.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment Books will be onsale until the end of term. Orders can be placed online www.entbook.com.au/84983a or into the box in the office. Each book sold raises \$14.00 which assists with purchasing resources for the school.

SCHOOL BANKING

Do not forget our banking team is available every Wednesday morning to take student deposits and facilitate new accounts. If you are interested in school banking, all you need to do is visit: www.commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open the Youthsaver account.



AFTERSCHOOL ITALIAN LESSONS

The ITALO-AUSTRALIAN WELFARE & CULTURAL CENTRE INC is sponsoring the Italian after-hour language and cultural programme at Bicton PS again this year. These courses are of ninety minutes duration after school and are conducted on a weekly basis during the school year. In 2017 there will be a charge of \$25.00/student/semester (non-refundable) payable by cheque or cash to the **Italo-Australian Welfare & Cultural Centre Inc** on enrolment at the first lesson. The Italian after-hour lessons are in Room 11 from 2.30pm to 4.00pm and will run for the duration of the school year. Your teacher of Italian is Signorina Georgia Turco.

SCHOOL WEBSITE FEEDBACK

Parent Name: _____

Child's Name: _____ Room No: _____

Please return to the office.