



LATEST SCHOOL NEWS

2022 Term 4 Week 6 Edition



From the Principal's desk

Policy on forming 2023 Classes

As part of planning for 2023, the school has begun sorting students into classes for next year. Classes are formed by placing students into heterogeneous classes, made up of children with a range of different abilities and social skills.

Our ultimate goal is to form classes that allow every child to achieve success in the best possible learning environment, taking into account a variety of factors. The process is complex with many "moving parts". We make ongoing adjustments for school enrolment numbers, funding from the Department of Education and physical resources. Forming balanced classes in 2023 starts with this year's teachers evaluating current students with the following criteria:

- Gender
- Behaviour
- Academic Level
- Special Needs
- Social Relationships
- Developmental and Learning Styles

So classes are as balanced as possible, this year the school is using specialised computer software to distribute students evenly using the above criteria. Our current class teachers are in the best position to make the appropriate professional judgments relating to their students, however, parents can provide the school with any additional information they believe should be taken into consideration when deciding on their child's class placement for 2023.

Please email considerations to Amy.Sefton@education.wa.edu.au by **Monday 21 NOVEMBER 2022**. Late applications will not be accepted. Parent input into the decisions is welcome and will be considered. However, we **cannot guarantee** the school will be able to accommodate parent requests regarding class placements. *Please Note: Requests for a specific teacher will not be considered.*

Aloha to Hawaiian Disco

The Year 3 and 5 disco was a blast! Kids danced up a storm and had a wonderful time. Creating memories at school is an important part of a positive school experience and we have our P&C to thank for that. A big shout out to Sharon Cowley who gave up much of her time to organise the disco despite her own children not being in those year levels! Thank you to all those who volunteered on the night and did the set up too.



Drop off and Pick up of students

We have a few parents who stop and get out to drop their children off in the car park on Heritage Drive. This can be dangerous as there are cars reversing and it is also annoying for others who are trying to find a park. If you are dropping kids off please use the Kiss and Drop on Kaloorup road.

We also have a number of students waiting on the far side of the oval after school to be collected for extended amounts of time. If you are running late please direct your children to the Kiss and Drop where they can be supervised.

Please also remind your children that the crossing on Northerly Street is not a Zebra crossing. Cars should not be stopping to allow students to cross at this stage. It is causing some close calls.



Kind regards, Amy Sefton - Principal

PBS Expectations:

This week (T4 Wk6)

Next week (T4 Wk7)



Be Your Best

After school go straight to where you need to be. If you catch the bus - stay in your bus line.

Be Respectful

Ask for permission before entering a classroom, enter calmly and turn off the lights when you leave.



Merit Certificates

Congratulations to:

PP: Alexis N, Toma R, Finn S, Ruby S, Ethan S, Bailey W-R.

Yr4: Shiloh A, Ashlyn B, Oisin C, Hunter M, West M, Kobi R, Luke T.

Yr1: Thea G, Brody H, Zaiden J, Jasper Mc, Henry R, William S, Oliver S, Logan W, Kylan B, Owen O, Arie W.

Yr5: Charlee C, Ayla Mck

Yr6: Rachel D, Reef F, Sienna F, Ella G, Mason M, Indianah N, Kalani W.



Wow! 1000 Dojo points

Congratulations to Eban W and Zac H for reaching the 1,000 dojo points milestone and receiving a golden certificate and a specially made wooden bee for their amazing efforts.



Students receive dojo points in class for following our school's expectations of being responsible, being respectful and being your best!

Well done to all our students who have reached their dojo goals and received a Dojo sticker for 250pts, a PBS Bee keyring for 500pts and a Vasse bracelet for 750pts.

PBS Team



Win-Win The School Board Community Survey

Take approximately 10mins to complete our anonymous Parent survey for a chance to win some great prizes such as canteen vouchers, a Family Jetty Train Pass (\$51 value) and a Clairault Streicker Restaurant voucher (\$200 value).

This survey will assist us in determining the best way to communicate with parents; find out your thoughts on how we managed our response to COVID-19 and is a great opportunity to provide feedback on what you love about our school and suggestions for improvement.

Your feedback will help us make continuous improvements to our school, with students' best interests in mind, now and for the future.

Katie Taylor • Vasse Primary School Board Chairperson



RULER feeling Word: Aggravated

Word of the week

FEELINGS WORD	DEFINITION
AGGRAVATED	Becoming more and more annoyed at something that keeps happening. SYNONYMS infuriated, angered, frustrated, exasperated, mad, pushed too far.

Sounds like

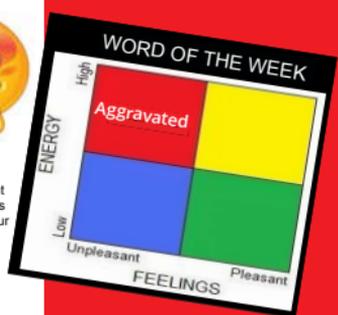
Voices can be raised and harsh. Tone can be unfriendly. Communication can be short and direct.

Looks like

Brows furrow or become drawn together, mouth can be tight and eyes drawn together and focused. Posture is tight.

Feels like

A very high energy and unpleasant feeling. Sometimes a feeling that is not in your control. It can cause your heart to beat faster and you may feel physically warmer.





Our Indonesian Sister School visitors

We've had an amazing week with our visiting teachers **Ibu Winna** and **Ibu Lisa** who have travelled all the way from our sister school in **Samarinda, Kalimantan** to visit us.

They have loved sharing their culture and language with our students who have participated in activities such as cooking **Bakwan** (fritters), learning about batik material, playing Indonesian traditional games, fitness activities and singing songs ...all in Indonesian.

We loved the videos they shared of the students at their school and were surprised to find out the students wear a different uniform every day. We look forward to continuing our relationship with them. It has really given the students at Vasse Primary School purpose and motivation to learn Indonesian.

Terima kasih! Bu Tucker



Important Admin information

End of year school payments

Please call the front office to confirm if you have any outstanding credits before making payments for end of year excursions.

Please ensure all direct credit payments are paid 2 days prior to due date to allow for processing time.

Acct Name: Vasse Primary School

BSB: 633-000 • Acct No: 182 526 996

Reference: Smith A (*Student's surname, then initial*)

2022 Voluntary Contributions now overdue

 Please make payment at your earliest convenience via direct credit to the Vasse Primary School Account (above) or EFTPOS and cash payments are accepted in the front office during office hours.

2023 Personal Items & Book Lists

Next year's Personal Items & Book Lists distributed by Friday the 25 November 2022.

Students not returning in 2023

Please inform the front admin office by Monday 21st November, if your child/ren will not be returning to Vasse Primary School in 2023. This will assist admin in planning for next year.

Thank you Parents - Kiss and Drop flow

Thank you to all those parents who are now arriving a bit later to collect children from Kiss and Drop after school.

It has definitely made a difference to traffic flow with parents arriving at 3:10pm, with traffic jams on Kaloorup Road not lasting as long. So thank you.

The Admin Team



Library Books

We love our books being read but, it is that time of the year once again, that the Library Dragon has to let you know that **Week 7** is the last week to borrow books. *All books are due to be returned in Week 8.* Thank you. *The Library Team*



P&C Meeting

6pm social hour
7pm meeting

All Welcome

Monday
21 November,
Lentedal Wines



The Combined Churches of Busselton Christmas Hamper Food Appeal



We are once again asking for donations of non-perishable food items that will be used to make up Christmas Hampers to support local families in need. This year The Combined Churches have a greater call for support from families and would greatly appreciate your donations. Collection boxes are located in the front office and outside Room 15 in the Pre-Primary area.

Please drop your donations off by Wednesday 14th December.

Thank you for your support. *Sam Curran - Chaplain*



Christmas Hamper Food Appeal

SUGGESTED ITEMS

Non-perishable food items and groceries urgently required this Christmas:

Tinned foods

- Fruit
- Vegetables (peas, carrots, corn)
- Beetroot
- Soups
- Spaghetti
- Baked beans
- Fish- tuna, salmon etc

Beverages

- Long-life milk
- Tea, coffee, milo
- Cordial, soft drink
- Long-life juice

Cereals & Carbohydrates

- Breakfast cereals
- Muesli & muesli bars
- Instant noodles
- Rice
- Pasta/spaghetti
- Pasta sauce
- Rice sauce eg Kantang
- Rice cakes



Treats

- Chocolates and lollies
- Biscuits (sweet)
- Potato chips
- Pop-corn
- Jelly crystals
- Cake mix
- Pancake mix
- Jam, honey, vegemite, peanut butter

Extras for Christmas

- Bonbons
- Christmas cakes
- Christmas puddings
- Custard - Long life or boxed

HANDY HINTS

Ring-pull tins are most helpful, as not all people receiving the food will necessarily have access to a can opener.

Long expiry dates

Please ensure foods donated are non-perishable and expiry dates are well into next year.

