



LATEST SCHOOL NEWS

2023 Term 2 Week 2 Edition



From the Principal's desk

Welcome back to Term 2, I hope you had a lovely holiday and got to spend some extra time with your children.

Holidays are great, but children thrive on routine and structure so when I visited classes last week many of them expressed their happiness at being back.

Staff Development Day

On our Staff Development Day last week, Teachers participated in three rotations to upskill and ensure we are all on the same page with planning and our priorities as a school and Department. The rotations were a presentation by PLD (Promoting Literacy Development), one on the Department's Teaching for Impact strategies and the third was year group planning. Our teachers are incredibly dedicated and inspired and our school is lucky to have such wonderful staff.

Uniforms, Hair and Jewellery at school

Just a reminder that students need to have their hair tied up if it is touching their shoulders or below (*this includes boys and mullets*) while at school.

Only stud earrings or small sleepers are allowed and students should not wear any other jewellery except watches.

Smart watches must be in 'school mode' and not used to contact parents during the day.

Shirts under polos are not part of our school uniform and a jumper should be worn instead. We have a few second-hand jumpers for sale at the office. Please also remember to label all items of clothing.

Split Lunch Schedule Trial

Starting next week, we will be conducting a trial run of splitting lunch groups for 4 weeks.

Years 1-3 students will be eating lunch first at 12:55 - 1:15 pm and then play until 1:35 pm.

Years 4-6 play first and then eat lunch from 1:15 - 1:35 pm.

The purpose of this trial is to alleviate crowding on the oval for our students, who are incredibly active at break times with most of the school choosing to play on the oval. Change can be tricky for some, so please speak to your child about this. If you have any feedback please let the school know.

P&C AGM

Thank you to everyone who attended the P&C AGM last week. We had a good turnout and with new volunteers joining the executive committee.

Congratulations to all the office bearers - all of whom have been re-nominated for a second year. This continuity strengthens the P&C to continue the ongoing plans started last year.

We appreciate all volunteers who give their time, especially in today's busy world, whose efforts benefit our students and our whole school community.

The P&C still needs more members so if you are interested in contributing ideas and to hear the plans, please consider attending the next P&C meeting on Monday 8th May.

We would also like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to Brian Blanchard who has stepped down from chairing the Vasse Fathering Project Group.

Over the past 2 years, Brian's dedication and effort have built the group into what it is today, engaging hundreds of Dads and kids.

FoodbankWA in Vasse

Thank you to our Chaplain Sam Curran for organising the mobile Foodbank truck for the Vasse area. Foodbank WA is a charity that provides low-cost food and groceries including laundry supplies for families in need, and let's face it, many could benefit from this support in the present climate.

If you would like to access this service the FoodBank Van will be parked in the Vasse Tennis Court car park on the 1st and 3rd day of the month from 9:30 - 10:15am, for a trial period of 6-8 weeks. A referral is required and Chaplain Sam will be at the van to assist you with this. *See flyer on page 6.*



Staff Changes

This term we welcome teacher Leisa Dawkins to Room 7 as Matt Davy takes long service leave.

We also say goodbye to Joan Davies, one of our long-standing front office ladies, as she has been successful in securing a position at Bunbury Primary School. Joan has been working at Vasse PS since 2011, initially as an Education Assistant before moving to the admin office. We thank her for her wonderful service and dedication to Vasse PS. We will miss her greatly and wish her the very best in this next chapter.

Parking Ranger Patrols during peak times

The Ranger will be regularly patrolling around the school over the next few weeks during school drop off and pick up times.

Please remember **not to park** on any centre islands (such as those on Heritage Dr), on any footpaths or within 10 metres from an intersection (this includes the roundabout on Kaloorup/Heritage drive). See images below.

Yellow highlighted areas = No Parking;

Green lined areas = Parking Permitted

Kind regards, Amy Sefton - Principal



PBS Expectations:



This week (T2 Wk2)

Next week (T2 Wk3)

Be Your Best

Leave toilets clean and try to visit during breaks

Be Your Best

Set and work towards goals

Merit Certificates

Congratulations to:



PP: Arlo, August, Charlee, Connor, Conor, Hudson, Mika, Ziggy.

Yr 4: Chloe, Darcie, Sam

Yr 5: Evie, Kobi, Noah.

Yr 1: Charlotte, Georgia, Ja'naeya, Joni, Maggie, Nathan, Paris, Toma.



Yr 6: Amity, Emily, Flynn, Hannah, Jackson, Jordan.

Yr 2: Amalia, Hamish, Kirby, Mila.

Yr 20: Malcolm Jennings
2022 EdConnect Mentor of the Year pictured with Karen Barden - EdConnect South West.

Yr 3: Felix, Keira, Paige, Theo.



RULER feeling Word: Annoyed

Word of the week

FEELINGS WORD	DEFINITION
ANNOYED	Becoming more and more AGGRAVATED 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.

VPS Paper (FIRE) Bricks For Sale in the front office.

Our paper bricks are perfect to burn in your wood fires to warm your home.

Try our handmade paper bricks, especially made for you by our students as part of our sustainability initiative.

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April to May

The Autumn, Cooling temperatures.
The Season of the Adulthood.

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Special ANZAC Assembly

On Wednesday 26 April, Vasse Primary School held a special whole school assembly commemorating ANZAC Day (Tuesday 25 April).

Our Student Leaders hosted the assembly, welcoming Special Guest speaker Mr. Jason Ey, and pianist Mrs. Bogachova on this day of Remembrance.

Mr. Jason Ey, local business owner and Busselton community member. Jason is a returned serviceman and has over 10 years working in the Navy as a Clearance Diver and Military Fitness trainer. Mr. Ey spoke to us about his long family military history with both his Grandfather's, Father and Uncle serving in the armed forces. His Grandfather, Reginald "Mick" Ey was one of three Australian Aircrew shot down in 1942 behind enemy lines in the Libyan desert and famously survived and walked to help, some 11 days later.

Jason has raised funds for several Charities such as Legacy, collaboratively running 1100 km across the Nullarbor and also running for 24hrs on the Cape to Cape Track to raise funds for Busselton's Safe Space to recognise his grandfather's feat.

A beautiful fresh wreath was laid at the foot of the Australian Flag pole to symbolise the soldiers who have come to their final resting place. Heads bowed as the bugle sounded "The Last Post" followed by a one minute silence, a pause of respect to those men and women who have given their lives while serving to protect our country.

The Vasse Choir accompanied by Mrs. Bogachova on the piano, led the whole school in the Australian National Anthem plus the choir performed 'Song of Australia' - a beautiful finale to our ANZAC Remembrance Assembly.



P&C News

Many thanks to everyone who attended the AGM last week, especially the new P&C members. All positions were filled and we are pleased that all of the 2022 P&C Office Bearers and Committee members re-nominating and winning their positions for a 2nd year. We are a supportive group who enjoy achieving great things together for our school. If you are interested in being part of something great, it's not too late to join the team. Our next P&C meeting will be Monday 8 May @ 6pm in the staffroom. All welcome.



 **Vasse Art Award 2024** (our major fundraising event) is seeking a head coordinator and committee members. Tap the QR code to read about the last event. Email pnc.secretary@vasseps.wa.edu.au for more information.

We have an updated **Winter Canteen Menu** for Term 2 and Term 3. You can view or download it from the school website.

Now you can really enjoy your weekends with the **Canteen now open on Mondays** for pre-ordered lunches.

Thank you to the CLO's and parent volunteers from each classroom who are helping in canteen each day. This is greatly appreciated by Lexie and Shannon, especially during recess and lunch service times.



Tomorrow (Friday 5 May) is the LAST DAY to register for the Colour-Run next week. Don't miss out. Register now. Tap the QR Code <https://www.trybooking.com/CGOJN>





On the ANZAC Day public holiday the Vasse Fathering Project (VFP) was lucky enough to be asked to cook the lunch for the Busselton RSL Club and thanks must be given to them for the opportunity to raise money for the group. Plus a big thank you to the Dads who helped out on the day.

This term the VFP will host two 'Dads only' events. The first event is a **Dads Catch up** (all Dads/Father figures welcome) at the Busselton RSL Club on Friday 12th May from 6pm. Come along for a chat and a drink and a pre-ordered delicious dinner from Sachi Japanesey will be available from 6.30pm. *Dress code: collared shirt and closed in shoes - so no t-shirts and thongs boys!*

Then we have the **VFP Dads 'n' Kids Beach Walk** on Sunday 28 May. This is a highlight of the term so don't miss out. *See flyer on next page.*

We encourage all Dads and kids to get involved in our activities. We have a great school community and the importance of the group speaks for itself. *Brian Blanchard*

Relationship Education: Bunbury

Term 2: April-June 2023



Face-To-Face	Date	Time	Cost
Understanding Angry Emotions	Wed 3 May	6pm-8.30pm	\$30
Introduction to Managing Anger-For Men 4wks	Wed 10-31 May	6pm-8.30pm	\$95
Parenting After Separation - An Introduction	Thur 11 May	6pm-8.30pm	\$30
Mums Raising Teen Girls	Tues 16 May	6pm-8.30pm	\$30
Emotion Coaching Your Child	Thur 25 May	9.30am-12pm	\$30
Managing Anger & Stress for Women 4wks	Tues 6-27 June	6pm-8.30pm	\$95
Dads and Sons	Thur 22 June	6pm-8.30pm	\$30
Dads and Daughters	Wed 28 June	6pm-8.30pm	\$30

Online	Date	Time	Cost
Dads and Daughters	Wed 10 May	6.30pm-9pm	\$30
Healthy Conflict in Relationships	Wed 17 May	6.30pm-9pm	\$30
Fathering After Separation	Wed 24 May	6.30pm-9pm	\$30
Parenting Adolescents 5wks	Thur 1-29 June	6.30pm-9pm	\$75
Introduction to Managing Anger-For Men 4wks	Wed 7-28 June	6.30pm-9pm	\$95
Emotion Coaching Your Child	Tues 27 June	9.30am-12pm	\$30

Bookings, registrations and payment prior to the session are required.

For more information about our courses and workshops, please call **6164 0566** or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

Course Location

- Bunbury Family Relationship Centre,
Corner of Molloy & Symmons Streets,
Access Symmons Street side of the building.



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the Vasse
fathering
project

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**DADS &
KIDS EVENT**

**SMITHS POINT
TO YALLINGUP
WALK**

**SUNDAY
28 MAY 2023
9:30AM - 2:00PM**

Enjoy a Dad's or Father Figure's and kids outdoor walk from Smith's Point to Yallingup. We will be picked up by bus and taken to Smith's Point, from there we will walk on the Cape to Cape Track and beach, spotting dolphins, whales and taking in the great scenery. Once we walk back to Yallingup a BBQ lunch will be provided. Meeting spot will be at the Yallingup Bus Stop Outside the Surf Store and Yallingup Beach Resort at 9.30am.



Spectacular Coastal Walk
Bus Transfer
BBQ - Refreshments

INFORMATION & BOOKING

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Numbers Limited



**MOBILE
FOODBANK**

**Starts
1st
May**

YOUTHCARE

KALLOORUP ROAD (OPP VASSE HALL)

1ST & 3RD MONDAY EVERY MONTH

9.30 – 10.15 AM

\$15 frozen hampers

\$10 dry hampers

\$5 fruit & veggie hampers

To access Mobile Foodbank you will need a referral from our partner charities. Free-call 1800 979 777 to apply for a referral. We accept EFTPOS or pre-paid vouchers. No cash accepted.

