



Memo from Mr. Mansfield.

Welcome back to a new school year, and a special welcome to our new families. We have enrolled over 30 new students this year and I imagine we can expect more as Vasse continues to grow. We also welcome our new staff members. Meet them by scanning the QR.



COVID-19

The start of school this year has been filled with uncertainty; the impact of COVID is continually being felt in all walks of life. Over the school holidays I, along with my staff, have endeavoured to keep updated with latest advice from the Department of Health and the Department of Education. We have worked to ensure the best start of the school year in what are complex times. Walking around the school, it is a joy to see so many students smiling and excited about the year ahead. Our goal, despite what the world throws at us, is to create a safe and caring environment for all of our students.

We will continue to keep parents informed of any Department COVID updates that affect our whole school community via the website and Class DOJO. I understand some parents experienced difficulty in activating your DOJO accounts this year. I believe the issue has now been resolved but if you have not yet managed to join please let the classroom teacher know.

I would also like to thank you all for wearing face masks indoors and outside where social distancing is not possible, and sanitizing when necessary. It's these little things that help us maintain a safe environment.

Due to recent Covid Restrictions we are limited in the ways Parent & Teachers can interact. Vasse Prides itself on its connection to the community and we are working towards solutions that will enable you to continue connecting with your child's teacher/class and school. Our existing technology (Class Dojo / Website/ Microsoft Teams) will play a large part in this connectivity. Please be patient as we evolve through this latest development.



Virtual Assembly on Monday

Following on from the latest Covid Update on gatherings at School (See QR) This Monday we will be trialling a Whole School Assembly online live using Microsoft Teams. Classes will view the assembly on their smart boards in their rooms.

Parents of merit certificate recipients are invited to attend assembly, social distancing (no seating available) in the Hive or virtually online through Microsoft Teams. All student merit certificate recipients will come to The Hive to receive their certificate. We will also announce our 2022 Student Councillors, voted in by the Year 4 - 6 cohort after some inspirational speeches today.



NO NUTS



Due to severe food allergies, this is a Nut Free Zone. Do not bring any products containing nuts into this area.
Thank you!

Nut FREE Zone

We have a number of students who have life threatening allergies to nuts and we ask that students do not bring products containing nuts to school.

No Dogs

Please can I remind you that dogs are **not** allowed on or around the school grounds unless they are present for a specific educational purpose. This includes pet dogs tied up at the school gate. For students who are fearful of dogs, it is difficult for them to enter/exit the school where dogs are present.

News online

We are aware that many parents/carers view the newsletter on their mobile phones. We are trialling a new layout to refine the content for easier viewing with quick links/QR codes to the school website. The positive aspect of this move is that school stories will be posted more regularly.

We look forward to observing the achievements of all our students over the next year.

Kind regards,

Simon Mansfield

Principal

Important Admin News

Student Medical Updates

It is very important that Parents/Carer notify the front office staff of any changes to their child's Health and Medical status.



Online Payments

Volunteer Contributions and Charges are due for 2022. EFTPOS/Credit Card payments are accepted and can be made at the front office during term 8.30am - 3.30pm. Direct Credit payments are preferred and must be made 2 days prior to excursions/incursions to allow for processing.

Direct Credit Payments to:

Acct Name: Vasse Primary School

BSB: 633-000 • Acct number: 182-526-996

Reference: Student Surname First Initial (*Very Important*)

example: Smith A Excursion (a brief description of payment is also helpful if you have space).

Chaplain's Chat

Welcome back to school everyone. I hope you had a lovely holiday and ready to enjoy another year at our amazing school. It's been so nice to see all your amazing children's smiling faces, all a little more grown up.

Breakfast Club will be re-commencing on Monday morning 7/2 and once again **Vasse Bakery** are kindly donating bread for toasties and our wonderful volunteers from Cornerstone Church will be helping every Monday morning and donating Milo.

If anyone's chooks are happily laying at the moment, eggs would be very much appreciated.

I am at school to support our school community Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Wishing you wellness and a happy start to the new year. *Sam Curran*

Interm Swimming

Year 4 - 6 Students will be participating in Interm Swimming Lesson at the Busselton Foreshore in Week 5 & 6 of this Term. Swimming forms were sent home in your child's school bag on Monday 31 Jan. Please ensure forms are completed and returned to the classroom teacher by Monday 7 Feb. Payment is due by Wed 23 Feb. Scan QR Code for more info.



Music News

Welcome back everyone, and welcome to our new families! Just a reminder that we offer private piano, drum and guitar tuition at school. These are half hour lessons, during school time. For further information please contact me at school or via DOJO and I can put you in contact with the tutors.

Happy music making! *Karen Bigwood*

Dental Van

Students who usually attend the Vasse Mobile Dental Clinic are now being seen at the General Dental Clinic, Busselton Hospital. School Dental staff are there on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Parents/carers will be contacted to arrange appointments.

For any queries please contact us via Mobile 0418 269 234 • Email busseltonmobile@health.wa.gov.au

Outdoor Play Donations

We are looking for donations to enhance our outdoor play areas around the school. If you have any of the following items lying around or in the backyard/work places we would love the following donations! Click QR Code for list.



Vasse Fathering Project



The Vasse Primary School Fathering Project is alive and well and has some great events in the planning for this year so keep your eyes out for latest news or the Face Book page - Vasse Primary School Fathering Project, for regular updates. Scan the QR to vote for us for City of Busselton funding for a Multi-Use Trailer.

Brian Blanchard



Events

See the website for Private Piano Tuition with Summer Chi, Blue Bird Child Care and what else is coming up on the School Calendar.



Calendar



Events



Gallery



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At Home