

Newsletter

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REMINDERS

Monday 5th March – Public Holiday

Thursday 29th March –

Student Development Day

Friday 30th March – Tuesday 3rd March – Easter Break

BREAKFAST CLUB

Mon – Fri

8.10am-8.30am

Science undercover area

FACTION FRIDAYS

Early Close

Thursdays 2.30pm

From the Principal's Desk

Dear parents and care givers

New school hats: Our new school hats are on sale from the front office, they are available in each of the faction colours so make sure you get the right one. If you are unsure of your child's faction colour please ask at the office and they will happily find out for you. Already children are wearing the hats and looking great. I am looking forward to faction Friday's to see them turned faction colour out.

Fogarty Foundation: This year the school has formed a partnership with the Fogarty Foundation. They are a charitable organisation who work with the leadership team of schools to help them improve student outcomes and gives the school access to several experts in the fields of literacy and numeracy. We will be working with the Foundation for the next 3 years which will mean that the members of the Admin team will undergo several days of training each year. On the days that the team is away this year, Mr Mike Mount-Bryson will be filling in the role of Acting Principal. Mr Mount-Bryson worked with us in term 4 last year and is therefore known to the staff and the students.

Amanda Jones-Rowbottom

Principal



2018 LEADERSHIP GROUP

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Honour Certificates

Room A	Mikayla Willmot	Cooper Edmonds
Room B	Georgia Dinka	Annika Venter
Room 1	Callam Opray	Haru Danin
Room 2	Lucas Cleveland	Grace Brayshaw
Room 3	Aldrei Rico	Sam Edwards
Room 4	Brodie Edwards	Lilly Scott
Room 5	Ava Saville	Xavier Sibley
Room 6	Felicity Oliver	Lilian Langille
Room 7	Asha Smith	Ella Beard
Room 8	Indiana Ewings	Chris Elkington
Room 10	Zack Young	Hope Hazlewood
Room 11	Joshua Moorfield	Alyse McLean
Room 13	Jonah Vinson	
Science	Room 8	
Phys Ed	Room 10	
Music	Room 11	Room 6
Italian	Maebh Wooster	Dakshinaa Rao
	Jaxon Austin-Burns	Room 4

Aussies of the Month



January – Lucas Cleveland

February – Anoshka Davies



Congratulations to all our Honour Certificate recipients during our first assembly for 2018.

Congratulations also to Mrs Johnson and Room 7 for a fabulous assembly item and a very special thank you to Mrs Davies who made the fantastic back drop.

What a lively energetic way to start the year.



Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning Survey

In the coming weeks we will be inviting students, teachers and parents to provide feedback on their experience of our school using an online survey. The surveys are an important part of our whole school evaluation and planning process.

We would like to invite you to complete the *Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning* survey. As we value the role of parents and carers within our school community we would greatly appreciate your feedback. The information you provide will be used to maintain our commitment to working together in partnership to further improve student learning and wellbeing at Northam Primary School.

The survey is anonymous and will take approximately 20 minutes to complete. You are able to access the parent survey on your computer or mobile device by using the URL below:

<https://www.tellthemfromme.com/northam>

Science News

This term in science we are doing the Physical Science Strand. Across the school we are learning about topics such as heat, electricity, light, sound, push and pull forces and how we move.

We have some new creatures in the science room this term- some Spiny Leaf stick insects (they are huge) and many (many) different sized tadpoles.

We are always looking for donations of shoe boxes, paper towels rolls, foam trays and plastic containers with lids if you have any to spare.



HELP WANTED

FACTION SWIMMING CARNIVAL

If interested please leave
name at school office



Keeping Kids in School

Our Community is working together in a bid to encourage students to gain a better start in life by attending school every day. The "Keeping Kids in School" program was implemented in 2008. Under this program local businesses can refuse to serve students during school hours and will contact their school to report any unauthorised absences.

If students have a legitimate reason for not attending school and they wish to go to the shops during school hours they will need to have a valid leave pass which they can get from the school office.

P&C News

Shopping bags are on sale at the front office for \$5. Huge thanks to Tori's Nana (Mrs Wiktorski) who sold bags for the P&C at the Vintage Vehicle Swap Meet last weekend. Westpac is also selling the bags for us - thank you Nicky.

This term we will be running in school:
Easter egg raffle Tuesday March 27 (\$1 per ticket)
Spooky free dress day Friday April 13 (gold coin donation)

Dsatco mulch and Garden Express bulbs to order.

If anyone would like to donate some Easter eggs, baskets or basket decorations to go into the raffle prizes (aiming for one major prize and two prizes for each class) please drop them off at the front office. All contributions are much appreciated.

The Dsatco mulch information will be going out with the next newsletter (9th March). There is no obligation to buy. The mulch will be delivered 28th and 29th March so just in time for Easter break gardening. The P&C receive between 13%-26% from Dsatco, depending on the product ordered.

NORTHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C

FACEBOOK PAGE

Has gone **LIVE**

Parents/Carers/Grandparents can search for the facebook page and then request to be a member. P&C will approve if appropriate.

Canteen News

Ordering of lunches – Please remember to order your lunch between 8.30am and 8.45am. Any orders placed after this time will be limited to a sandwich or roll, In the case of an “emergency lunch” where lunch money or lunch has been left at home, then a cheese or vegemite sandwich will be provided and the amount of \$3.00 is to be paid the next day canteen is open.

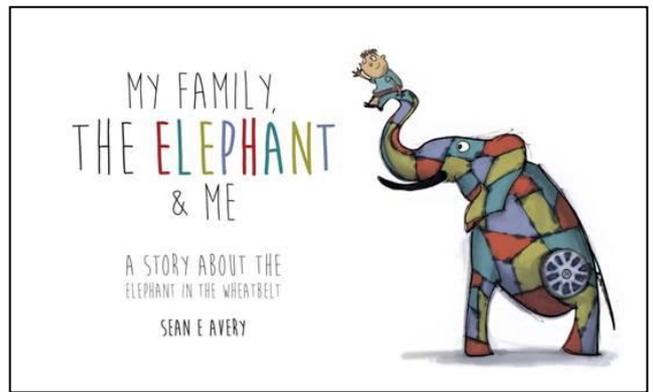
Volunteers required- help is needed at the canteen from 10.30am to 2.00pm one day a month. Parents and grandparents are welcome. Morning tea and lunch provided. If you are able to help please see Ros or phone the canteen on 9622 1317. A big thank you to those who have already offered to help this year.

Thank you
Beaurepairs
Northam
for your
donation
towards our
school.



Thank you to
Scott Family
for the trays of fruit
that have been left at
the office.

We are all enjoying
demolishing the box by
the end of the day



RAC is excited to provide, free of charge, a copy of the children’s storybook “My Family, The Elephant and Me” to all primary school students in the Wheatbelt. Today NPS students received their free book with the newsletter.

The story focuses on the importance of road safety, and follows a Wheatbelt family on a road trip to Jurien Bay. The little boy is excited for the trip; he’s going to bring his toy elephant with him and he can’t wait! Along the way, Dad makes some mistakes while driving and the Elephant gets very upset, reminding the family to “travel safe or not at all!”

Written and illustrated by Perth teacher and artist, Sean Avery, RAC hopes the book is read by teachers and parents to their children, ultimately changing the driving attitudes and road safety perceptions of all generations.

Since his first appearance, The Elephant has travelled thousands of kilometres across the Wheatbelt raising awareness and encouraging communities to take responsibility for road safety in their towns.

His aim is to provide communities with lasting reminders of the simple things everyone can do to make a real difference to road safety in their community.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



Quairading Bat Night

Join us for this FREE event with bat expert Joe Tonga. Be introduced to the different species of night creatures, their importance for the environment and agriculture and learn how to build successful nest boxes.

Date: Saturday 3 March 2018

TIME: 2.30pm - 5.30pm Bat talk & Workshop | 5.30pm - 6.00pm BBQ | 6.00pm - 7.00pm Night stalk

Cost: FREE including BBQ and refreshments

Address: Cultural Arts Centre, Quairading Community Resource Centre, 1 Parker Street, Quairading WA 6383

Register: <https://www.wheatbeltnrm.org.au/qbn>

Contact: Leigh Whisson, Wheatbelt NRM on 9670 3136 or email: lwhisson@wheatbeltnrm.org.au

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We are looking for a washing machine for the school so phys ed bibs, uniforms etc can be washed.

If anyone has a one that they could donate to the school please ring the school office on 9622 1203.