

REMINDER

**Monday 8th October –
Students start term 4**

BREAKFAST CAFE

**Mon – Fri
8.10am-8.30am**

FACTION FRIDAYS

**Early Close
Thursdays 2.30pm**

From the Principal's Desk

Dear parents and care givers

Please note that Northam Primary starts back on Monday of term 4, we do not have a pupil free day.

Interschool Athletics

Congratulations to everyone who participated as part of our Interschool Athletics Team last Friday. It was wonderful for over 80 of our students to be able to represent the school with great sportsmanship. Thank you to our staff that assisted the students and also helped to run a successful carnival.

Room Changes

For Term 4 we will be trialling teaching our year 6 cohort very differently to prepare them for their transition to high school. The students will move between room 4 and 13 each period and also work together as a whole team for certain subjects and preparations for their leaving ceremonies at the end of the year. Letters have been sent home to families from Room 4 & 13 explaining this further.

Head Lice

As the weather has warmed up we have seen an increase in cases of head lice at school. Holidays are an excellent time to check for any lice or eggs, treat children's hair in a 7 day cycle to ensure all lice and eggs are removed. If your child has eggs in their hair, here's a good tip on how to get them out: Use a cup of really runny conditioner mixed with half a cup of eucalyptus oil, put onto dry hair and then leave wrapped in a plastic bag for 30 minutes, when you comb the eggs out they will come out more easily as the eucalyptus oil helps to break down the glue that holds the egg to the hair shaft. Remember it is also a really good idea to wash bedding, clothing, hats and hair brushes and hair ties. If families take the coming holidays to be vigilant about head lice we will all be helping each other to have fewer cases in Term 4.

Farewell

The staff and students would like to take this opportunity to wish Mrs French all our affection on the pending arrival of her baby, due early next term. Thank you Mrs French for being our Room 4 teacher this term! We are also aware that a few of our families are moving out of Northam over the holidays, we hope these students enjoy their new schools.

Welcome

We would like to welcome Tara Sookee and Violeta Mitic to Northam Primary who have joined our permanent cleaning staff. We would also like to note that Mr John Rowbottom will be staying with us as our temporary gardener until the end of term 4.

Thank you

We would like to thank Mrs Kelly Beard who has been doing relief in our library while Mrs Hayes has been on leave. Thank you Mrs Beard, you have done a great job and we enjoyed having you with us.

Happy holidays

Term 3 has been busy with many incursions and excursion and Term 4 is always fast paced and full of activities. We hope families have planned some nice time for students to rest and revitalise ready for the last term of 2018. Have a wonderful holiday.

A mind is like a parachute. It doesn't work if it isn't open. Frank Zappa

Amanda Jones-Rowbottom
Principal

SEDA Incursion



NPS was pleased to welcome SEDA last week to provide a football clinic to all our students. The day was a great success, the SEDA team did an excellent job providing our students a safe, inclusive and highly engaging program; on behalf of Northam Primary, we would like to thank them for their hard work and effort.

Room A Term 3 Wrap up

Room A have had an absolute blast learning about space this term. Last week we set out to design our own rockets. First, we created a balloon zip line rocket and tested out what would happen if we blew up our balloon bigger or smaller. Then, we each made our own straw rockets and experimented how to get them to go as high as possible. After all we've learned this term we're well on our way to being the next generation of space cadets that's for sure!



Breakfast Club

We are getting between 30-40 students each morning now with the largest number of children attending reaching 41! The students appear to be enjoying coming in for a chat and something to eat in this social setting. A reminder for bus students, if you're hungry when you get to school pop into Breakfast Club for a top up!

We would like to give the Angwin family a big thank you for their kind donation to Breakfast Club of bread, which we are now chomping through very quickly. Also, we would like to say thank you to Ursula Stain for all her help this term as a volunteer. If other parents would like to volunteer in the morning, please see Rachael Flint next term.

Thank you to all the students who come in and show us their best manners and behaviour with the other students and teaching staff. Next term Breakfast Club will re-commence on Tuesday of the first week.

Interschool Athletics Carnival

This year Northam Primary School managed to secure 2nd place in the interschool athletics. Well done to all our students who participated in the individual and team games. Five of our students won Champion/Runner-up Champions boy/girl:

YEAR 1 GIRL CHAMPION	Ava Saville
YEAR 3 BOY RUNNER UP	Kazeem Matsumoto
YEAR 4 BOY RUNNER UP	Kai Wayne
YEAR 5 GIRL CHAMPION	Felicity Oliver
YEAR 5 GIRL RUNNER UP	Latisha Ewings

We would also like to thank the Northam Recreation Centre, and our parent helpers who helped us on the day.

SCHOOL RESULTS

POSITION	SCHOOL	POINTS
1 ST	St Joseph's C.P.S.	337
2 ND	Northam P.S.	283.3
3 RD	Avonvale P.S.	229
4 TH	Toodyay D.H.S.	147
5 TH	West Northam P.S.	103.6



P&C News

We hope students enjoyed not wearing their uniform today for our free dress day fundraiser. Thanks to everyone who participated.

The 5 and 10c coin collecting contest will continue next term, finishing on the 7th of December, in time for a great prize in the last week of school. Front runners so far are Pre-primary Room A, Room 10, Room 7 and Kindy/Pre-primary Room B.

Our next big event is the whole school Lapathon on Friday 26th October, the P&C's biggest fundraiser. This year we hope to have a cool surprise for our walkers and runners – extra to the icy poles for each student at the end. More details next term!

The reusable shopping bags continue to be available at the front office for \$5, very handy to have in the car on shopping trips.

Canteen News

- Included in this Newsletter is the Term 4 Menu and Stationery List.
- **Sushi** – a big thank you to Lee McLellan for offering to make sushi at the canteen.
- **Thank you** to all the wonderful volunteers who have helped at the canteen this term – we look forward to your continued support.

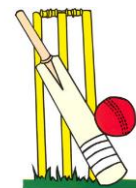
WACA Cricket incursion term 4

Northam Primary School will be welcoming Melinda Lucas and her WACA team to provide an incursion for all year 3s and year 6s on Tuesday 9th October on our large school oval. The time table is:

Between 1:45 and 2:30 - all year 3s

Between 2:30 to 3:10 - all year 6s

The incursion will take place during normal school time, students will need to bring their hats and water bottles.



The WACA will be running a free cricket clinic (through PCYC) open to all primary age students at Jubilee/Henry Street oval on the Wednesday 26th September (9am to 11am). For more details please contact Melinda Lucas, Cricket Manager, Wheatbelt Melinda.lucas@waca.com.au

Term Calendar

Term 4			
Week 1	Monday 8 th October	First day term 4	
	Tuesday 9 th October	WACA Incursion	Year 3 and Year 6
	Wednesday 10 th October	Special Council Meeting	3.15pm Library
Week 2	Friday 12 th October	Assembly	Presented Room 5 Commences at 9.00am
Week 3	Wednesday 24 th October	P&C Meeting	Commences 7pm
	Friday 26 th October	Lapathon	Commences 1.45pm
Week 4	Friday 2 nd November	Assembly	Presented by Room 3 Commences 9.00am
Week 6	Friday 16 th November	Assembly	Presented by Room 4 Commences 9.00am
Week 7	Wednesday 21 st November	P&C AGM	Commences 7pm
Week 8	Monday 26 Nov-Friday 30 Nov	Interm Swimming	Rooms A, B, 2, 5 & 7
	Tuesday 27 th November	School Council Meeting	3.15pm Library
	Friday 30 th November	Year 4-6 Cricket Carnival	
Week 9	Monday 3 Dec – Fri 7 Dec	Interm Swimming	Rooms A, B, 2, 5 & 7
	Tuesday 4 th December	School Presentation Evening	P -6
	Wednesday 5 th December	Kindy Presentation	
Week 10	Monday 10 th December	Year 6 Leavers Presentation	
	Thursday 13 th December	Last Day term	