

WCSS Community Memo

15/06/2018

"Normality is a paved road. It's comfortable to walk but no flowers grow."
(Vincent van Gogh)

Hello All

What an amazing week to date, no two days of weather the same or normal. We are thankful for the opportunity for growth this has presented, through the rich variety of learning activities, from the Main Lessons and Specialist subjects, to the Class 5 Play (well done to all involved), to the creative play continuing in the new playgrounds, to the warmth of community, again highlighted in the beautiful Wednesday Soup.

Parent-Teacher interviews forms have been sent out today. Remember to note your preferred day and time and return to Reception as soon as you can.

Work has commenced on the sensory play area of the primary playground. If you wish to donate to this beautiful project, please contact Sheila on 9440 1771 or financeofficer@wcss.wa.edu.au.

At this stage we anticipate the installation of the multi-purpose room and re-location of the Cottage will occur over the school holidays and will let you know when this is confirmed. This will also allow for redevelopment of the Kindy Rose outdoor area.

We have some miscellaneous items no longer required by the school that we are giving away on a first come first served basis. The items are currently located at the end of the staff carpark behind the Administration building, but do need to be collected or moved. If you would like to help with the relocation see Ian or enquire at Reception. Time spent counts towards FCHS.

Child Safe Update

As a Child Safe Organisation we now have "Child Protection Advice for Volunteers and Regular Visitors".

"No child should suffer harm, either at home or at school. Everyone who works in our school has a responsibility to make sure that all our children ... are safe.

This leaflet has been given to you to make sure you understand what is expected of you. Please ask the School's Coordinator for Teaching and Curriculum if you are unclear about anything in it."

If you are coming in to visit or help at school would you please pick one up from reception? One of the items listed under "ensuring our behaviour is appropriate" is to not photograph or video children at school. Please be aware of this during class performances. If

you have any questions about this please feel welcome to contact Vanessa Beesley at curriculum@wcss.wa.edu.au.

Circle of Security

This program was presented very successfully at West Coast Steiner School last year. It is a connection based parenting program that provides a map and understanding of your child's needs and is designed to support and encourage parents to see where they are at in this context.

Please contact Julia by 22.06.2018 (i.e. next Friday) if you are interested in registering for this program. T: 9440 1771 E: marketing@wcss.wa.edu.au.

Other happenings to note:

Week 8

June 17: Sunday West Coast Father's Group Activity 10am

June 20: Wednesday Class 4 Soup Day

June 20: WCSSCA Lantern Making Workshop 9am Community Hub

June 21: Thursday Kindy 5/6 Winter Festival 5.15pm

June 22: Friday Primary Winter Festival 6pm – school finishes 12.30pm

- See Winter Festival Email or "Parent" section of the website for schedule of the evening.

- If you would like more information on the Winter Festival Play check out our blog page on the school website.

Week 9

June 25: Monday School Reports sent home

-Included with Reports will be information from AISWA on the Child Protection Curriculum. A Parent Information Evening is scheduled for Wednesday 1 August (Week 2 Term 3) for those who would like further information.

June 27: Wednesday Rose Kindy Soup Day

June 28 : Last Student school day – Finish at 2:15pm

June 28 : Parent Teacher Interviews commence

June 29: Last Day Term 2

June 29: Parent Teacher Interviews continue

Term 3

Week 1: Staff Professional Development: Behaviour Management

Week 2: Parent Information Session: Keeping Safe – Child Protection Curriculum

- Please see the school website under the "Curriculum" tab for information about the curriculum.

Week 3: Staff PD – Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

- Please see the school website under the Admin/Policies tab for info about the NCCD.

"In the depth of Winter I finally learned there was in me an invincible Summer."
(Albert Camus)