Dear Students, Parents, Carers and Staff

Welcome back, everyone – I hope your break was what you wanted it to be and you all enjoyed the Esperance winter or escaped to a warmer climate.

Thank you, students and staff, for commencing Term 3 so smoothly – it is wonderful to see lots of learning and teaching happening so quickly, and a special welcome to our new students and their families to our Esperance Primary School community.

Term 3 Staffing Changes

- As indicated in last term’s newsletter, Mrs Lisa Helenius is currently enjoying some leave. While Lisa is on leave, I am Principal and Mr Matt Colquhoun is joining Todd as Deputy Principal. Matt will continue teaching Dolphin Cove 4 students Mondays and Tuesdays, with Mrs Denise Sharman performing his role Wednesday to Friday in Dolphin Cove 1 and 2.
  - Mrs Natalie Eather has taken leave in Term 3 and we would like to welcome Mrs Megan Johnston who will be in Nat’s role for the remainder of the year.
  - Miss Megan Barlow from Notre Dame University will be working in Lucky Bay 2, with Miss Green and the Year 2s for the entire term.

Please help me welcome Denise, Megan and Megan into our learning community.

Term 3 Planner - As you can see from our Term Planner accompanying today’s newsletter, we have another busy term planned, with Jump Rope For Heart, Fotoworks ~ School Photos, PEAC Testing for our Year 4s, Music Festival, visit from a RAAF Hot Air Balloon, Learning Journeys, TOM, Music Festival, Book Week, Literacy & Numeracy Week and our Year 6 Camp.

2016 Kindergarten and Pre-Primary Enrolments

Parents and carers of students eligible for Kindergarten and Pre-Primary for 2016 were invited to come into the School Office to register their interest by completing an Application for Enrolment Form. The closing date for these enrolments was Friday 24 July 2015. If you didn’t get an opportunity to do so, or know of someone who needs to, please come in as soon as possible as we will be hoping to finalise offers of acceptance in the next few weeks.

Every child who applied for a place in the Esperance town site will be accommodated through one of the schools. We will be forwarding letters to those parents and carers who have completed the necessary forms by the end of August, confirming whether they have a placement at Esperance Primary School next year.

2016 Years 1 - 6 “Out of Boundary” Enrolments

Parents and Carers who made an application for enrolment for students who do not reside in our intake area (Esperance PS zone) will also receive written confirmation on whether they have been successful by the end of August.

Critical and Creative Thinking PEAC course and TOM Selection

Mr Karl Gurney (Karl is our TOM leader and coordinator in 2015), Mrs Hayley Kirkup, Mrs Mel Wolfenden and Mrs Lisa Helenius were once again impressed by the thinking skills, active participation and engagement displayed by the fifty-four Years 4 - 6 students involved in the critical thinking challenge held last term. This day was a culmination of a term’s PEAC work where the students have been learning creative and critical thinking skills and how to apply them when solving problems. This year we will have three TOM teams, including a Language Literature team facilitated by Mel Wolfenden, an Applied Technology team facilitated by Karl Gurney and a Social Science team facilitated by Hayley Kirkup and Lisa Helenius.
TOM Teams 2015 Congratulations to the following students on being selected to represent our school in the Tournament of Minds competition in Term 3.

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The teams have received their challenge and the Regional Finals (Esperance) will be held on Sunday 30 August 2015.

WA Education Awards 2015 - Recognise excellence in our school

Students have the chance to turn the tables on staff at their school and award them with merit certificates as part of the WA Education Awards. Merit certificates are an opportunity for students and parents to recognise the work of school staff and let them know they value the work they are doing.

Parents and carers are also encouraged to speak to the school about nominating for a WA Education Award. The awards are your opportunity to tell everyone what's great about our school and the staff who work here. This year there are 11 award categories:

- WA Premier's Primary Teacher of the Year
- WA Premier's Secondary Teacher of the Year
- WA Premier's Excellence in Aboriginal Education Award
- WA Primary School Leader of the Year
- WA Secondary School Leader of the Year
- WA Beginning Teacher of the Year
- WA Education Assistant of the Year
- WA Aboriginal and Islander Education Officer of the Year
- WA School Services Staff Member of the Year
- WA Primary School of the Year
- WA Secondary School of the Year

Nominations must be received by 5.00pm Friday 21 August 2015

All details for the awards can be found here.

The WA Education Awards 2015 are proudly sponsored by BHP Billiton Iron Ore, Edith Cowan University, The West Australian, Teachers Mutual Bank, Fotoworks, Teachers Health Fun and Slater and Gordon.

School Times

With school instruction times being 8.45am - 3.05pm (3.00pm for K/P) for our students, we encourage all children to enter their classes and be well prepared for learning. The music at 8:30am signifies all classrooms are open for students to become organised and catch up with others in their classroom. Students are encouraged to enter our school grounds at or after 8.30am. ALL students who enter the grounds prior to 8.30am must sit in the courtyard for risk management. Parents and carers, please help us maintain a safe environment through adhering to the entry time of 8.30am for students, as staff are busy preparing lessons and are not expected to supervise early students. If parents and carers also arrive much earlier than 8.30am, it would be fantastic role modelling if you could also wait in the courtyard. We appreciate your support.

FOYER DISPLAY Twilight Cove 2 students have decorated our foyer with Perspective Art – Students used a vanishing point to create landscape pictures then painted with water colours – the result is outstanding, very creative TC2.

Kind regards
Ross Tamlin Deputy Principal

Jump Rope For Heart - Esperance Primary School's Jump Off Day will be held on Friday 7 August. All students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 will be participating in our Jump Off Day. It is a wonderful time of fitness and fun. Remember that all money collected by our students goes towards heart research. Thank you for your support. Coordinators Ash Sharpe, Jette Neve and Chris Blair

LUNCH TIME KNITTING AND CROCHET GROUP Thanks to the willingness of parents/carers/grandparents and community members, we are able to offer a knitting group and a crochet group. Students from Years 4 to Year 6 are invited to join our groups at lunchtimes on Monday, Wednesday and/or Thursdays. If you do not know how to knit or crochet, we will teach you. We will supply the needles and the wool to help us make blankets to give to those in need. If anyone else wants to come in and help teach the students to knit or crochet, or has any wool, knitting needles or crochet needles they can donate please contact the school office (90712199). Last year this wonderful project was a great success thanks to your support. I look forward to what we can achieve this year. Chris Blair Chaplain
SCHOOL PHOTOS
The school uniform required for school photos is outlined below. All other Students (except year 6) please check with your teachers for the preferred colour shirt for your individual class photos.

**GIRLS:** Polo Shirt: White or royal blue with school logo.
Zip Windcheater: Royal blue with school logo.
Jacket: Royal blue with logo
Track pants: Royal blue
Shorts: Royal Blue
Tartan Skirt: Royal Blue

**BOYS:** Polo Shirt: White or royal blue with school logo.
Zip Windcheater: Royal blue with school logo.
Jacket: Royal blue with logo
Track pants: Royal blue
Shorts: Royal blue
Trousers: Navy

**Year 6 FORMAL UNIFORM:**
Boys: White polo shirt, navy trousers and black shoes.
Girls: White polo shirt, royal blue tartan skirt, white ankle socks and black shoes.

**Leavers Jackets** may be worn, however not all students have one so this decision will be made on the day.

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**Pre-Primary—Year 2 Students will be attending this fabulous Incursion **
**Parents/Carers this is funded through EPS 2015 Charges and Contributions, please check with the School Office if you are unsure regarding balances of your 2015 Student statements.**

**Online payment details:**
Account Name: Esperance Primary School
BSB: 306-037 Acc 4162150

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**Book club Orders will need to be returned to School Office by 9am Thursday 30 July 2015...**

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**Canteen News**
Welcome back to new school term in the canteen, hopefully I will see most of you throughout the course of this term. We have a couple of new ice-creams in the canteen this term, Fandangles and a Bulla Party Cup. These are all $2. Some of the new snacks available for recess include large Raspberry Muffins 60cents each and warm Ham and Cheese quiches 30cents each. These are made daily for recess well as lots of Cheesies $1. Slices of watermelon are also proving popular for 50cents each. The photo on the left is an example of what may be served at recess.

This is the salad that is served under salad boxes in the menu. Items can be left out if there is something that is not eaten. We also have a varied supply of fruit available for 80cents a piece for recess, lunch or crunch and sip. Some of the fruit this week is apples, oranges, bananas and watermelon. We are now getting a daily delivery of fresh preservative free bread and rolls. **Canteen Manager Megan Stockdale**

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**P&C News**
**Message from the Uniform Shop** - As School photos and the music festival are coming up soon, please make sure you have placed your uniform requirements ASAP to avoid disappointment.

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**Community News**
Escare’s Term 3 Newsletter where you will find all the latest news and happenings at Escare and in our community. For more information on Escare services or links to the Esperance community contact us on Ph: (08) 90713110 Website: [www.escare.org.au](http://www.escare.org.au)

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