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## NEWSLETTER

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AAARRGGHH! Ahoy my hearties! It was wonderful to see so many of our students and staff dress up for Pirate Day on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

Pirate Day is an annual national day of dressing up to raise awareness and much-needed funds for childhood brain cancer. Funds raised on the day are allocated to scientific studies to find better treatments and ultimately a cure for the disease through the Pirate Ship Foundation and The Kids' Cancer Project.

Dear Parents and Carers

Once again we have arrived at the end of the term. I think each term moves faster than the last one! Could be my age creeping up on me!



We still have COVID-19 Stage 4 conditions in place and until these restrictions are lifted we will continue to be unable to have external visitors such as therapists working in the school. I would like to thank those parents and caregivers who attended the information session in relation to therapy provision at school. I would be happy to provide another session if enough interest is shown. If you would like an explanation of this process please phone the office and leave your details and I will arrange a meeting time. A number of therapy providers also attended a meeting where I was able to explain the Department of Education's policy in relation to the delivery of therapy services during teaching time.

This term our hens, Chloe, Izzy, Charlize and Noni Honeylegs arrived and everyone has been very excited around the collection of eggs as well as interacting with the hens during gardening sessions. An area next to their coop has now been enclosed so during the day they roam free and at night they retire to their Treasure Coop.

Our very exciting news is that we have ordered our "LU" Interactive playground screen. This will assist us with improving students' movement and physical skills.

We will be the first school in Australia to have one of these amazing interactive boards. It will be located in the gym to enable all students to participate in a variety of programs.



A big thank you to the P&C for their fantastic effort in raising \$1700 as a result of the Sausage Sizzle held at Bunnings Balcatta on the 19<sup>th</sup> September. A special thank you to Biljana (P&C President) and her team of volunteers for their outstanding effort.

We are having a new building installed this week. It will replace the Art Room which is in great need of repair. This transportable building will be placed on the grassed area where we hold the Christmas Concert. This is a very welcome addition to our school facilities.

On your behalf I wish to thank the staff for their excellent work this term and trust they will enjoy the break and return refreshed for the final term of 2020.

I wish all of you a restful holiday with your families and look forward to working with you in Term 4.

**SCHOOL RECOMMENCES FOR STUDENTS ON TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2020**

Kind Regards  
Gemma Bosnjak  
Principal

# Gladys Newton School's Clue Hunt

Week 9 we had the very first clue hunt around the school.

Students went on an adventure across the school and had to look for a

green clue (DO) and a blue clue (NEXT).

Some of the places they had to find were the frog pond, the bike track, the nurses, the gym, the garden, the nature playground and even Andrzej's office.



**WHERE:** Frog Pond



**DO:** Act like a frog



**WHERE:** Assembly area

**DO:** Pretend to host assembly



**WHERE:** Nature Playground

**DO:** Balance for 20 sec



**WHERE:** Garden **DO:** Act like a chicken



1.



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1. Hiding in the bike track like a kangaroo
2. Getting a tennis bat from Andrzej
3. Jumping on the trampoline
4. Shooting some hoops

# BUSH RANGER CADETS

## BIG NIGHT IN



On the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2020 a group of students attended the annual BIG NIGHT IN! We had a lot of fun. We had a very special guest from Yanchep National Park, Derek, who told us dreamtime stories, talked about how the First Nation people used to live, using fire and kangaroo pelts for warmth, and we were lucky enough to have him play the didgeridoo for us. We even played a game of 'guess the animal' using the didgeridoo! A VERY BIG THANK YOU to the staff who volunteered, you guys are amazing!

## INCURSIONS, INCURSIONS, INCURSIONS!!!

This term in Bush Ranger Cadets, we have had the pleasure of having numerous organisations attend school for incursions. They have all been great fun and we were able to handle a variety of animals from WA Birds of Prey and West Oz Wildlife. We also had Paul and Sally Osei from African Drumming teaching us how to drum with rhythm! It has been an amazing term of fun in Bush Ranger Cadets!!

### Western Australian Birds of Prey



## West Oz Wildlife



## African Drumming



## BUSH RANGER CADET FUN AT GNS

Throughout the term, cadet groups have been working extremely hard completing various conservation projects and a variety of art based projects around the school. All students and staff have been amazing and should be very proud of all the effort put in this term. Well done!





# The joy of a scientific discovery!

Hungry caterpillars.



The start of a cocoon.



Our first cocoon.

Some worm poop got caught in the silk!



Ava is unsure about touching the cocoon.



Suma inspecting the eggs and checking to see if any new worms have hatched.



Suma learns about mulberry trees.



Katrell inspecting a cocoon.

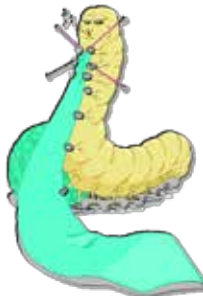


Victoria enjoyed seeing the babies turn into big babies through the magnifying glass.



Yes, we have to work too.

Getting up close and personal with the big ones.



Room 2 students have been learning all about the life cycle of a silkworm. We watched the worms hatch out of their eggs and grow from tiny little worms, that were really only visible through a magnifying glass, into fat, juicy silkworms. They are extremely good eaters and only eat mulberry leaves. Some have started to spin and will turn into pupas inside their safe, yellow cocoons. After the holidays we will come back to find silk moths and watch the circle complete itself when they lay their eggs.

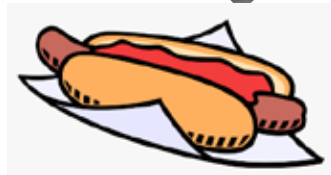
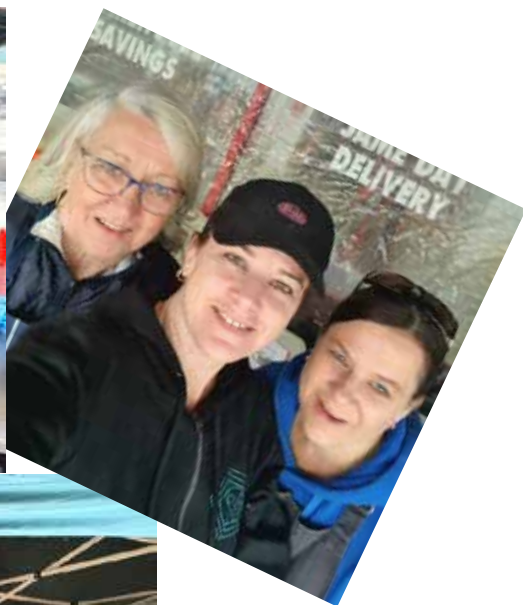
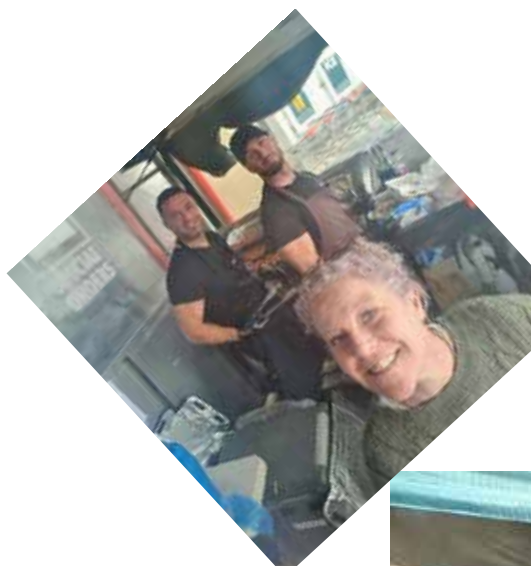
A huge thank you to Victoria's family who has regularly sent in mulberry leaves so our Science project could stay alive.



Katrell making sure he knows how to take care of our silkworms.



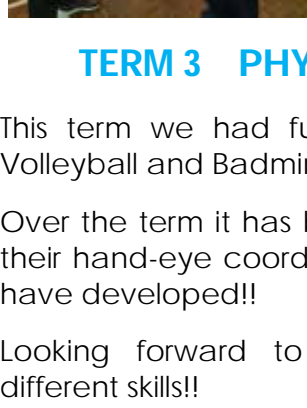
Only looking Dominic, no touching!



# Bunnings Balcatta Sausage Sizzle

Thank you once again to our wonderful P&C Committee for organising this year's Bunnings Balcatta Sausage Sizzle.

We raised \$1700.00 for our school. Of course nothing like this can be achieved without our committee and volunteers, both staff and parents helping out during the day, manning the tongs, flipping the onions and cooking the sausages. Thank you to Biljana, George, Mandy, Arnold, Adham, Slava, Space, Naum, Greg, Elke, Sue, Anisia, Renee, Alison, Michelle, Amy, Annalisa and Britt.



### TERM 3 PHYSICAL EDUCATION

This term we had fun learning to play Tennis, Volleyball and Badminton.

Over the term it has been impressive to see how their hand-eye coordination and team work skills have developed!!

Looking forward to next term and learning different skills!!

# Community News



. Tree Trail | Monday 28 September -  
Friday 9 October

**Branch out these school holidays** and be a trailblazer at the City of Stirling's Tree Trail!



During the October school holidays, the trees of Dianella Regional Open Space will come alive to share their stories.

Follow the self-guided trail and answer the secret question to win an opportunity for more free nature based adventures! Each weekday of the October school holidays from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October with free activities from 9.30am -12.15pm.

- Tree Trail is perfect for children aged 4 to 11 and their families
- The Trail is 1.9kms and will take you between 1hr 30mins - 1hr 45mins to complete
- Bring your bikes, scooters and prams, water, hats, sunscreen and a pencil or pen
- Make sure to leave a note at the Message Tree

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**Community Vision School Holiday Program September 2020** Activities will include Mini Golf, iPlay, Perth Zoo, Whiteman Park, Darklight Laser Tag, Zone Bowling, Kings Park and Latitude.

tel: [1800 968754](tel:1800968754) or email [info@communityvision.asn.au](mailto:info@communityvision.asn.au) for further information on restrictions, pricing and regulations.




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**Aye Aye my Hearties! Happy Holidays!**  
**From the Crew in Room 1**





# TERM PLANNER – Term 4, 2020

Weeks & Assembly	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS	FRI.
Wk 1 ADMIN	12 October Pupil Free P.D. Day	13 October Students Return	14 October	15 October P&C MTG	16 October
Wk 2 Rm	19 October	20 October	21 October SCHOOL BOARD	22 October	23 October
Wk 3 Rm	26 October	27 October	28 October	29 October	30 October
Wk 4 Rm 5	2 November	3 November	4 November SCHOOL BOARD	5 November	6 November
Wk 5 Rm 4	9 November BUSHRANGER	10 November CADETS	11 November BUSSELTON	12 November CAMP	13 November 9/11 – 13/11
Wk 6 Rm 1	16 November	17 November	18 November	19 November P&C MTG	20 November
Wk 7	23 November	24 November	25 November	26 November	27 November GRADUATION  DINNER
Wk 8 Rm 2	30 November	1 December	2 December SCHOOL BOARD	3 December Graduation Assembly 	4 December
Wk 9 Rm	7 December	8 December	9 December	10 December	11 December  Xmas Concert
Wk 10 ADMIN	14 December	15 December	16 December Last day for students	17 December Staff PD	18 December Staff PD