Welcome to our Newsletter

Dear Parents and Community

Welcome again to another Nexus that celebrates our school. It has been a wet and colder couple of weeks and therefore students are starting to wear jumpers and warmer school uniform clothing. It is impressive how our students share their pride in our school by wearing the winter based aspects of our uniform.

This time of year also means that jumpers and coats often come off during lunch time play and occasionally get lost. We do currently (as an example) have one of our Year Six students who left his jumper on the oval at lunch and is now searching for this valuable memento of his last year of primary school. This does happen and can cause distress (and extra cost). We can help each other by labelling clothing clearly and when washing clothing at home checking to see we have brought the right ‘gear’ home. Year six parents, if you can help and check for graduation jumpers at home for this particular student, that would be great.

The other winter school message is about care for ourselves and others. We need (and I love) rain. However, playing in the rain, getting wet and then sitting in wet ‘gear’ all day is just not comfortable or too healthy. We will reinforce this at school, but can you also remind your children that we don’t want them playing in the rain. The other aspect is about care and respect for our classrooms and cleaners. This time of year grass and sand sticks to shoes early in the morning so we ask students to stay off these areas before school to ensure grass and sand does not get spread all over the class. Many thanks for your support.

Technology Upgrade

We have recently had a cable company upgrade our cabling to support a new Standard Operating System (SOE4) that is being implemented in all government schools. On Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st May our computers will all be down as the technicians move in and upgrade our operating system across our servers and all devices [desktops, laptops & iPad’s]. This means we will not be contactable via email on these days. We will have one stand alone computer available to access student information and phone communication will be as normal. Our SMS message service will not be able to be used on these 2 days. Many thanks for your understanding and support as we transition to this new operating system that may include a few ‘hiccups’ as we all get used to it.

Pupil Free Day Friday 3rd June

On Friday the 3rd June students do not attend school. This is a pupil free day and one we will spend with our neighbour schools (we are in the Riverside Network of schools e.g Bicton, Melville, Richmond, East Fremantle) to discuss curriculum issues and best practice in teaching, learning and assessment. Staff will be working with others teaching like year levels and all the year one teachers from across the Riverside Network will meet here at Attadale Primary School.

Mrs Barnes On Leave

I am sure if you know Mrs Barnes you will also know that she is expecting her first child and will only be working with us until the end of this semester. We are currently advertising for a staff member to replace Mrs Barnes and will let you know as soon as we can who this is following the selection process.

Air-conditioned Senior Cluster Block and Heating Along the Veranda

We have wonderful news that the cluster building will be fitted with reverse cycle air-conditioning next week and rooms 2,3,6,7,8 & 9 will be fitted with new heaters. A welcome addition to our fine school. As work details become clearer we will keep you informed.

Regards,
Scott Harris (Principal)
2017 Kindergarten Applications are now open.

2017 Kindy Enrolments opened on Monday 9 May. Please see the Application for Enrolment link below. Please attach Proof of Address (Telephone, Synergy bill), Immunisation records and Birth Certificate and bring it into the school office as soon as possible. **THE CLOSING DATE FOR KINDY 2017 ENROLMENTS IS FRIDAY 22 JULY 2016**

2017 Kindy Application for Enrolment

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ONLY ONE APPLICATION CAN BE MADE AT A GOVERNMENT SCHOOL SO YOU MUST BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE CHOSEN THE CORRECT SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD IN ORDER TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT.**

Attadale Primary School is a local intake school with boundaries as per the attached map.

### Eagles Cup - Winter Sport (Years 5 and 6)

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### Staff Profile - Mr Adrian Lawrie

**Position:** LOTE Teacher, Room 14 Friday Teacher and general digital technology helper.

**Why do you like working at Attadale PS?**

There is an lovely community feeling here and an enthusiasm amongst children and staff that is very satisfying to encourage and support. I feel grateful for the opportunity to work with the happy people of Attadale Primary School.

**What are your interests outside of school?** I enjoy cycling and bushwalking. I am racing my bike in the Numbat Cup Cyclocross series this winter. I spend as much time as I can in South East Asia, where I enjoy the chaos and laid back approach to life, where family and friends are number one.

**Other interesting facts:** I have had a career away from education, working in the mining and manufacturing industry as an IT Support Analyst. I have four fantastic grown up children. My super power is being able to tie a strand of spaghetti into a knot in my mouth!
Values Award Winners

Jaxon O’Connor  TAKE CARE  For kindness and consideration of others at all times.
Anna Perosa  STAND UP  For raking the netball courts in preparation for interschool sport.
Oliver Leonard  FAIR GO  For being kind and helpful at library time.
Nana Atta-Danso  GIVE IT YOUR BEST  Nana was the only student to use a ruler to draw a line during one of our class tasks.

Kids Matter

Yoga is coming to Attadale Primary School! After the very positive feedback received from each class trialling the program, our school and P&C have approved a P-6 yoga program to be run in our school hall next term.

Michelle Green (mum of Ashanti, Marley and Jala) is a very experienced and qualified yoga teacher and she has offered our school this program at a discounted rate. Yoga is a play based, non-competitive activity which develops physical awareness, strength and flexibility while supporting the school’s physical education and health programs.

Yoga develops mental awareness which supports the Kids Matter program by developing social and emotional awareness (self-esteem, confidence and self-regulation).

Full details will be received in the upcoming weeks and the yoga sessions will commence in the first week of next term.

Student Achievement

The Girls’ 12yrs and under Cricket Squad for School Sport WA was announced yesterday and Attadale Primary School has two students that made it, Georgia Blackbeard and Amalea Lawrence. Well done to both girls on your achievement, as well as Jaye Lamond who was one of our Year 6 girls last year. It is very exciting for the girls in such a male dominated sport.
Dear Parents

This term in Science, we are studying Biological Sciences. The school will be participating in an egg-hatching program from 30 May 2016, which will be run in the Science classroom.

If you have any concerns about potential allergies that your child may experience by being in close proximity to the chickens or chicken eggs, I would like to discuss these concerns with you so that this can be appropriately managed.

Should you wish to discuss this valuable learning experience further, please feel free to contact me on lisa.genovesi@education.wa.edu.au or visit me after school in Room 3 from Tuesday to Thursday.

Kind Regards
Miss Lisa Genovesi
Science Specialist

Upfront Payments now at the Office

You are now able to make a lump sum payment at the office which will be left as a credit on your child’s account. Payments for all incursions and excursions can then be automatically deducted from this amount (you will still need to return permission slips). A statement will be issued at the end of each term so you can see the balance of your child’s account. You can make this payment with cash, cheque, Eftpos or Direct Debit (Attadale Primary School BSB 066 163, ACC 00903316).

Entertainment Books 2016/17
Stock is limited, please order NOW

Time is running out to get your new entertainment book. The current books expire on 31 May (next week) so the time to buy a new book is now. We have limited numbers left and there is a waitlist for more books so if you want a book, please order NOW. This is a fundraising activity for our school with every book contributing funds to our school P&C fundraising. Order forms are available in the office or there is a link following. Order your copy now!
https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/8310s2 or contact Arianne on arianne.george@iinet.net.au
Term two has started out like a charm and as always the parliament has been getting up to a lot.

Anzac Day
As you all know, this term the parliamentarians and Mr Perera organised the Anzac ceremony that went as well as planned. Anzac Day is a day to remember all those who served in the Australian armed forces to defend and make our country a better place. Members of the Performance Troupe sang ‘The Band Played Waltzing Matilda’ which reflects on the Australian soldiers departing on ships for the Gallipoli campaign. Students also laid two wreaths of flowers in remembrance of the fallen soldiers and the Australian flag was set to half-mast. Thank you to all the students that brought in flowers for the wreaths.

Choosing Our Charity
At the moment the parliament and Mr Perera have been choosing the charity/charities that we will support this year. This year, we are thinking about supporting organisations that help the homeless or the less fortunate.

National Walk to School Day
Last Friday the 20th of May was National Walk To School Day. Lots of people rode, walked, jogged or found another active way to come to school on Friday. The kids who joined in with this day were rewarded with a sticker to acknowledge their efforts. Well done to all those who supported this campaign which promotes physical activity in our community.

Written by Molly West (Minister for Communications)

Year 3 & 4 Big Ball Soccer Competition
My name is Kye Brindle and I am your Minister for Sport. Last week I held signups for Year 3 and 4 students to take part in a lunch time big ball soccer competition. I will announce over the PA who is playing and what days they will play. If you did not sign up and still want to be included, please come up and see me or your Premier, Jackson Fitzgerald. The games will be played on the school soccer pitch with a gym ball and will be faction vs faction.

Mini-Ministers 2016
Hello, my name is Mia Cunningham and I am your Minister for Cultural Affairs. This term, the other parliamentarians and I are running ‘Mini-Ministers’ once again. ‘Mini-Ministers’ allows younger students (Years 1-5) to gain experience in school leadership as they have the opportunity to become a junior minister for a week. If chosen, the students will get to attend a parliament meeting, assist with running the whole school assembly and help out with other ministerial jobs.

If you would like to be a ‘Mini’Minister, you will need to answer the following question in writing:
How can every student be a leader at Attadale Primary School?

The minimum requirement is for two sentences (Year 1) and the maximum is half a page. One student per year group will be chosen by the parliamentarians and Mr Perera. The entry box is kept outside of the office and entries will close on 2nd of June (next Thursday).
This Wednesday was National Simultaneous Storytime and the chosen book was “I Got This Hat”! We had some great hats on heads for the reading of the story.

Help with homework  Help with Research  Accurate and reliable information

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING?
WORLD BOOK WEB

For accurate, reliable and age-appropriate content for homework or research, look no further than the World Book Web!

Access via www.worldbookonline.com
Username: attadale
Password: worldbook
Cyber Safety Community Forum - 6pm June 8

You may not have attended the Cyber Safety talk at the school earlier this year, however Mr Paul Litherland who conducted this talk is speaking at a community forum, run by the City of Melville on Wednesday 8 June at 6pm. This is certainly a hot topic at the moment, and very relevant to our children’s safety. Please see attached document for more details.

Ten Privacy Tip for Parents and Carers

Children are increasingly spending more time online to connect with friends, learn and be entertained. Online environments give children the chance to express themselves and build an online personal identity. Sharing personal information online can be risky and it’s important to educate your children on how to make good decisions and limit those risks.

Your children need as much support online as they do offline. This fact sheet contains information and useful tips that will help you and your children protect their privacy when they interact online.

1. Start the privacy conversation

To help your children protect their personal information, and their privacy, it is essential that you talk to them about what privacy is and why it is important. Privacy is about protecting information about who they are, what they do, what they think and what they believe.

Make sure your children understand how privacy relates to their online behaviour.

the steps they need to take to protect it and encourage them to report anything suspicious, like unknown people contacting them or unexpected notices. The key message your children need to understand is that they can protect their privacy by protecting their personal information. Personal information can include your child’s name, address, telephone number, school and date of birth.

How much physical activity should my child be doing?

Children need at least 60 minutes of physical activity each day. But more is better, so encourage your child to be active for up to several hours each day.

Children need a combination of moderate and vigorous activity. ‘Moderate activity’ is any activity which is similar in intensity to a brisk walk e.g. bike riding or active playing. ‘Vigorous activity’ is any activity which makes your child “huff and puff” e.g. organised sports, ballet, running or swimming laps.

Any activity that requires your child to expend energy should be encouraged. Go to http://raisingchildren.net.au/nutrition_fitness/school_age_nutrition.html for more information.

Physical activity - family activities

If you’re looking for ways to help your family be more active, why not try…

- Walking or riding to school together;
- Visiting the beach to play cricket or Frisbee;
- Taking the dog for a walk;
- Doing some gardening (try building a veggie patch!);
- Visiting the local swimming pool;
- Playing at the park;
- Going for a bike ride;
- Bush walking;
- Outings that involve walking (like the zoo);
- Participating in a community walk;
- Buying children presents that encourage physical activity (like sports equipment or a kite).

For more information go to www.nutritionaustralia.org

Physical activity for kids

Physical activity should be part of a child’s daily routine. Physical activity is not only fun, but also important for healthy growth and development. Being involved in physical activity helps kids to make friends and learn physical and social skills. The two points to remember are;

- Children need at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous activity each day
• Children should not spend more than two hours a day using electronic media for entertainment (e.g. TV, computer games, internet), especially during daylight hours.

Remember, by encouraging your child to be active when they are young, you are helping to establish a routine that will stay with them throughout their life.

For more information, go to [www.natureplaywa.org.au](http://www.natureplaywa.org.au) or [http://raisingchildren.net.au/nutrition_fitness/school_age_nutrition.html](http://raisingchildren.net.au/nutrition_fitness/school_age_nutrition.html)

**Screen time - limit your child’s use of TV and computer games**

Children and adolescents should not spend more than two hours a day on screen based activities. Excessive screen time often leads to poor health, poor fitness and overweight.

Activities like surfing the net, watching TV and playing screen games can be educational, but all of these things involve sitting still for long periods of time. It is better for your child’s health and wellbeing if they are doing something more active during daylight hours.

For more information, go to [http://raisingchildren.net.au/nutrition_fitness/school_age_nutrition.html](http://raisingchildren.net.au/nutrition_fitness/school_age_nutrition.html)