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STUDENT COUNCILLORS FACTION CAPTAINS & VICE CAPTAINS 2023



PRINCIPAL'S PATTTER

Hello Everyone

Our student leaders (councillors, faction captains and vice captains) are looking forward to attending Young Leaders Day at the Perth Convention Centre on Monday 20 March.

High profile speakers will talk to the children, with the objective of inspiring students to make a positive contribution to the school and also of motivating students to become great leaders in their area of influence. Hopefully, our students will be empowered by the practical skills of balancing studies, school commitments and social life, as well as managing the responsibilities of these areas. It will expose students to a diverse range of leaders in society and to their views on leadership. The list of speakers in the past has been both diverse and interesting and from a variety of fields, including sports, politics, community service, arts, business and the media.

Many thanks to everyone who came along to the classroom parent meetings held over the past three weeks. It is most important to find out about classroom policies, procedures etc. and to enhance communication between the school and the home. Information given out at these meetings has also been sent home to all those parents who couldn't attend due to work commitments, etc. Parents are invited to make an appointment with their child's teacher/s at any time throughout the year to talk about their child's progress and any concerns they may have.

Enjoy your weekend.

Welcome to autumn.

Peter Gates
Principal



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY



Our next assembly will be held tomorrow Friday 10 March, commencing at 9.00 am with our year 4 class performing the item. Parents, grandparents, friends and community members are very welcome to attend.

HARMONY DAY

On **Friday 24 March** we will be celebrating Harmony Day. We ask that all students wear something **orange** to school on this day to signify unity and harmony. Each class will engage in Harmony Day activities during Week 8.



Harmony Day

THE ITALIAN PROGRAM

CARNEVALE

This term in Italian, students have been learning about the city of Venice and one of the most famous events that takes place there each year, Carnevale!

Celebrated in the days leading up to Ash Wednesday, the festival involves people dressing up in intricate costumes. Tradition has it that the masked costumes historically allowed people to hide their identities, ensuring that for these few days, everyone is equal. Male, female, rich or poor – they can all have fun, parading around and playing jokes on each other.

To celebrate Carnevale, student in Years 3 – 6 had the opportunity to design and create a mask during their Italian lessons.

The masks look fantastic!

Signora Franchina

Italian Teacher



NOONGAR SEASONS

We are currently in the **Bunuru** Season of the Noongar calendar (Feb – March). This is also known as the Second Summer and Season of Adolescence.

It is the hottest part of the year with very little rain.

FREEZE FRIDAYS

Freeze Fridays - every Friday from 12.30pm to 12.50pm, so bring your 50c for half (Kindy & PP) or \$1 for a whole icy pole.

UNIFORM SHOP

We are accepting online orders and items will be delivered to the students class. E-mail your order with your child's name, room number and picture of their bag to: balcattaps_uniform@hotmail.com



SMS Shoshie (430 216 620) or email for appointments to try uniforms on at school.

Payments can be directly paid in to following CBA account:

Balcatta PS Uniforms 066140 10483583

EFTPOS is available with small charge of up to 2.2%.

Follow us on www.facebook.com/BalcattaPSPandC for updates.

EASTER RAFFLE – Information will be coming soon!!



DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

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| Friday 10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly (Yr. 4) |
| Wednesday 15 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NAPLAN (15-27 March) (Yrs. 3 & 5) |
| Monday 20 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Leaders Day |
| Thursday 23 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newsletter (4) |
| Friday 24 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly (Harmony Day) |
| Friday 31 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Board Mtg. (9am) |

APRIL

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| Thursday 6 April | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newsletter (5) Final day of Term 1 |
| Friday 7 April | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good Friday (public holiday) |

Term 2 begins Wednesday 26 April 2023 (for students)

