

North Parmelia Now

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Together we will be DARING and ROBUST learners.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back to Term 2, 2023. Regular attendance is extremely important for students to achieve their full potential. We ask parents and carers to support their children's education by ensuring they attend school on every day that they are able to. Please support your child to attend every day and advise the school of absences. If students are absent please advise the school in person, by phone, email or via our website.

Parents and carers are reminded to be vigilant regarding their child's movement to and from school. Periodically reports are made to the school of children feeling threatened by members of the public, so please give some thought to your child's trip to and from school. Tips regarding Stranger Danger are published in this newsletter.

At the end of this term children will receive their Semester One report. Parents and carers are encouraged to discuss with their children what their goals are for the semester and then to support them in relation to achieving their goals. If children try their best we can ask no more and the children can feel proud of their achievements.

The Smith Family offer many positive programs at North Parmelia PS. One of the programs is the Learning Club, where on a Wednesday afternoon the children have the opportunity to work with Smith Family people in the area of literacy. Other Smith Family support programs include the Student2Student reading program, the Learning for Life scholarships and the Future Jobseeker program conducted with Year 5 students in Term 4. We thank the Smith Family for their support. If parents and carers would like more information regarding these programs please contact the school on 6173 8500 and I can speak to you about them.

We are receiving many reports regarding members of the school community contracting COVID-19. Please continue to be diligent in this regard, keep your children at home and seek medical advice if they are displaying flulike symptoms. The school has many test kits available so if you require a box of kits please speak to the office and you will receive one.

The renovations to the Breakfast Club room are taking longer than expected, which is unsurprising given the current context in regards to the construction industry at the present time. Breakfast Club will resume when the room is ready and we will advise the school community accordingly.

The 100 Nights of Reading program continues. Please support your child to participate in the 100 Nights of Reading program.

Last week parents and carers would have received an email containing a link to the community School Survey. The school values your feedback so please take the time to complete this short survey.

Peter Elsegood Principal



STRANGER DANGER

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

It is a timely reminder to parents at the beginning of each school term to heed advice from the WA Police Service regarding safe practice for children:

We urge all students to take care when going to and from school, and to report anything suspicious to parents, school and the police – call **000** in an emergency or 1800 333 000 to reach Crime Stoppers.

What children should do:

- + Always travel in company
- + Walk on the right hand side of the road so you face oncoming traffic
- + Wherever possible, leave space between yourself and the roadway
- + Stay in areas that are well lit
- + Stay in view avoid going into areas that are hidden from view (such as parkland, bush or behind shopping centres) and plan trips to avoid such locations
- + Be alert earphones and headphones can reduce your awareness considerably
- + If you have a mobile phone, have it turned on and ready to dial an emergency number
- + If a passing car stops nearby never get too close
- + Do not hesitate to run from a situation in which you feel at risk
- + Provide this advice to brothers and sisters, especially if younger

Report suspicious behaviour to parents, school and the police, noting number plates of cars and/or clothing or distinguishing features of individuals.

ANZAC OBSERVANCE

The students took part in the schools' ANZAC Observance on Wednesday, 6 April in Term 1. The students reflected on the sacrifice made by many of our servicemen and woman and the honour in which they served then and now.

As a tribute to the fallen and those still serving our country each student made a poppy which was then placed on the pathway leading into the school creating "A PATH OF REMEMBRANCE".

It was a beautiful sight.







Mothers Day Stall: If anyone has items they can donate for the stall you can leave them at the front office for the P&C to collect. If you are able to give up some time to help out on these events please leave your name with Susan and she will pass the information on.

Mothers Day Raffle: Tickets have now gone out and they need to be returned to the box in the front office with money by 2.45pm, Thursday, 11 May. The raffle will be drawn Friday, 12 May in the morning.

AGM

The P&C will be holding the Annual General Meeting on Friday, 19 May at 2pm in the Parmelia Centre. All members of the school community are invited to attend. Joining the P&C is a great way to become involved in your child's school and to meet some wonderful parents and community members.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

P&C Committee Members