



LATEST SCHOOL NEWS

2024 Term 2 Week 8 Edition



From the Principal's desk

This will be the last newsletter for Term 2 with Stephanie Argyle (PR, Marketing & Media) heading off on some well deserved long service leave today.

As we come to the halfway point of another winter sport season and the Olympics a couple of months away, I am drawn to notice how AFL players respond when they are clearly feeling the demands and rigour of a long season. Having started pre-season training prior to Christmas, there is still some way to go before they don't have to attend the post match review. At this time of the year, they could be excused for their window of tolerance being tested, resulting in a response that is not typical of their usual conduct. As an observer, this is when I enjoy seeing the great role models in sport step up and display exemplary sportsmanship and accountability. These players don't make excuses or blame others, instead accepting and acting on criticism, remain humble and always looking forward to how they can be their best. (My words, inspired by the actions of Darcy Moore, AFL footballer).



As we approach the midway point of the school year with the winter months upon us, we too may find ourselves feeling fatigued with our window of tolerance being tested. It's at these times I try to imagine how a third party may judge my actions and words.

Would they see them as fair and just? Would they understand my point of view or position on a matter? Would they see that I'm accepting of other's opinions? Would they see me as self-aware?

At Vasse PS we work on these skills with the students through the RULER emotional intelligence and Friendology programs. We take the time to explicitly teach these skills as we see them as essential to quality relationships and good mental health and well-being.

With reports soon to be sent to families, I encourage you to take the time to go through these with your children. Celebrate the achievements, accept feedback and set goals so as to grow and be our best.



Student Progress Reports

Your child's progress reports will be emailed to you on **Wednesday 26 June**. Please ensure you check your Inbox on this day and download the report/s. **The link will expire on 16 July**. Please ensure you notify the front office if your email address has changed so that your details can be updated.

Staff News

We are thrilled to welcome our new School Chaplain, Rob Muscat. Rob joined the Vasse team last week and has immediately made it clear that he is visible, approachable and available to support our community. I have always found School Chaplains offer an invaluable service to school communities and I know Rob will be no different.



Tap the Vasse PS Blog QR code on Pg 4 for more from Rob.

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather and learn today, the Wardandi Bibbulmen people. We wish to thank Elders past, present and emerging for their continuing connection to our country and waterways.

As we approach the end of the semester, we have some staff taking leave entitlements. These are;

Mrs Fairbrother (Rm 20, Yr 1) - Mon 10 June to Fri 28 June

Mrs Smith (Rm 21, Yrs 1/2) - Mon 17 June to Fri 28 July

Miss Woodley (Rm 29, Yr 3) - Mon 15 July to Fri 26 July

Ms Zacher (Rm 3, Yr 6) - Mon 24 June to Fri 28 June

Mr Vardanega (Rm 4, Yr 6) - Mon 10 June to Fri 28 June

Mr Ferguson (Science Teacher) - Mon 24 June to Fri 28 July

Mrs Wall (Office) - Mon 17 June to Friday 28 June

School Development Days (SDD)

Last Friday's SDD was a full day of professional learning for the staff. In the morning, a team worked with the staff on PIVOT, a new initiative from the South West Education Regional Office. PIVOT focuses on developing awareness and supporting students with Autism in a school environment.

In the afternoon session the staff did the final session on Friendology. It was a very productive day and I would like to thank the staff for their active involvement.

The next SDD is scheduled for Monday 15 July (first day of Term 3). This will be a student-free day.



School Board Nominations

A reminder that we are calling out for self-nominating School Board representatives.

Two positions have become available on the Board and we are hoping to receive nominations from parents who are interested in education and the school.

The Board has a range of functions, including being an important 'soundboard' for the Principal and school. Members generally agree to a three-year tenure. Meetings are held twice a term on a Wednesday, 4.30pm to 6.00pm.

To nominate yourself or find out more please email the School Board Chairperson - katie_b_rogers@hotmail.com.

Mr. Alex Cameron - Principal



Last chance to watch: **zoom** URSTRONG Language of Friendship

Parents who registered for this online parent-child workshop can view the recorded workshop until this Friday 7 June.



Click the QR Code for the Recording:

Language of Friendship Online Workshop

Password: #1Ninjas

We hope you now feel like Friendship Coaches, better equipped with strategies & language to help your child/ren navigate their friendships and reinforce the great work being done in the classroom with our Friendology curriculum.

THIS MONTH'S THEME IS

TRUST!

(THE BEST BUD OF RESPECT!!)



Hey Everyone,

Friendship Fact

#3 reminds students that **Trust & Respect are the two most important qualities of a friendship.**

This month, our eyes are on TRUST...an absolute Must-Have in a healthy, Green-Zone friendship.

Brené Brown, shame and vulnerability researcher, explains that *"trust is not built in big sweeping moments. It's built in tiny moments, every day."*

Inspired by her research, we've got a gorgeous lesson on **Marble Jar Friends** for the younger students and a thought-provoking **BRAVING acronym** (that features the 7 elements of trust) for the older students.

Download them both here:

[What is Trust?](#)



Fundraiser Cake Stall



Friday 7 June 2024

Please bring your coins to the Quad at RECESS - and possibly Lunch - depending on supply - for a delicious treat, and help fundraise for 2025 Year 6 Camp.

Come to our

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!

Tuesday 11th until Friday 14th June



Dates

8.15am - 3.45pm(2.15pm on Fri)

Times

Vasse P.S. Library

Place

Our Expectations:

Positive Behaviour Support (PBS)



Be Responsible

Sybil



Be your Best

Esther



Be Respectful

Spec



Thank you P&C – Icy Poles & Picnic Tables

This term has seen some wonderful P&C initiatives come to fruition just in time for P&C WA Day!

Thank you to our P&C Team who work behind the scenes to achieve great things for our whole school community. Why don't you become a P&C Member today - and connect with other like-minded people who want the best for our kids!

Tap the QR code above to read more.



Footy Fever has hit Vasse Primary

Faction Footy is back at Vasse Primary. It is an intra-school program that offers boys and girls the opportunity to learn footy skills in a fun, safe environment with friends in their school factions. At Vasse PS, the program runs every Thursday lunchtime for 5 weeks in a round-robin tournament that includes Finals and Prizes.

AFL Football Clinics

During Week 6 of this term, Vasse Primary was fortunate enough to have Matt Chave from WA Football Commission to run a footy clinic for a variety of year groups ranging from Year 1 to 6 during the students' Physical Education (P.E.) lessons.

VPS Guernsey Grant

AFL Schools launched a National Schools Grant in 2023.

On behalf of Vasse, I applied for the Guernsey grant and we were successful candidates.

It's been a lengthy process to get our very own guernseys. With the assistance of the 2023 Year 6 students and Steph Argyle we created our very own Vasse Primary AFL Jumpers.

Tap the QR code above to read more.





Replica Chicken Club Coop in Rm 26

In Room 26, we have been looking after our very own chicken coop during investigations.

Mrs. Van Ranzow has kindly donated her time and hard work to create a replica of VPS Chicken Club in our dramatic play area.

Tap the QR code above to read more.



Vasse Primary School
ESTD 1869

KINDY NEXT YEAR?

Applications Open

Limited spaces, apply now!

www.vasseps.wa.edu.au

Reading is Magic
#CBCA2024

Vasse PS
Book Week
Dress Up Parade!

Term 2 Week 11
9am Friday 28 June

BUSY BEE DAY

Sunday 16th June

9am-12pm

Come join us for a tidy up around our beautiful school!

Focusing on, High Pressure spraying, painting,
removal of rubbish and cleaning.



Hosted by VPS P&C

SINGING FOR KIDS

HIGH STREET HALL



SCAN ME



Tuesdays age 7 - 12 at 3.45pm

CHOIRS4KIDS.COM/BUSSELTON

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Makuru Bonar

*The Cold and Wet Season with the First Rains,
time to travel to inland hunting areas.*

The Season of Fertility.

June to July



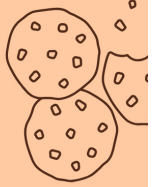


VASSE PRIMARY 2025 YEAR 6 CAMP COOKIE FUNDRAISER

Help us fundraise for the **2025 year 6 camp** by buying some cookie dough!

Go to www.australianfundraising.com.au and click on "Cookie Dough Login" on the home page, create a fundraising account and get selling! Make sure you select 'Vasse Primary School' and 'All classes' when creating an account for your child.

Ends June
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There are heaps of awesome benefits to fundraising online - including incentive prizes, a chance to win a PlayStation 5 and more.

Delivery Date - 26 July



For more information - PM Vickie Walker



2024 Term 3 Planner

Subject to change. Please refer to 'Calendar' (scan QR code) for updated events and more.



Calendar

Wk	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT-SUN
1	15 JULY Student Free Day (SDD - School Development Day)	16 Students commence Term 3	17 Kindy A attends	18 Incursion: Kaboom Percussion	19	20-21
2	22 - NAIDOC (Activities) Incursion: WANjoo Gina & Guy	23	24 Kindy B attends	25 Newsletter	26 Whole School Assembly	27-28
3	29 P&C Meeting All welcome.	30	31 Kindy A attends	1 AUGUST	2	3-4
4	5	6	7 Kindy B attends School Board Meeting	8	9 Assembly: (PP-Y2) Rm 14 & 15 to host	10-11
5	12 National SCIENCE WEEK	13 Science Incursion: The Marine Team Yrs 3-6	14 Kindy A attends	15	16 P&C Disco Yr3 5-6:15pm, Yr6 6:30-8pm	17-18
6	19	20 MSP School Photos	21 Kindy B attends MSP School Photos	22 MSP School Photos Newsletter	23 Assembly: (whole) Room 20 & 22 host. Incursion: Charlie McGee K-2 P&C Disco Yr1@5pm, Yr4 @6:30pm	24-25
7	26 Intern Swimming (PP-Yr3) Group 2 GLC week 1 of 2	27	28 Kindy A attends	29	30	31-1
8	2 Sept Intern Swimming (PP-Yr3) Group 2 GLC week 2 of 2	3	4 Kindy B attends	5	6 Yr 3-6 Senior Assembly - Hive SWaTutti - Choir Camp	7-8
9	9	10	11 Kindy A attends School Board Meeting	12 - R U Ok Day! INQUIRY EXPO DAY	13 Interschool Cross Country	14-15
10	16	17	18 Kindy B attends	19 Newsletter	20 Whole School Dojo Assembly Students last day Term 3	21-22



The Blog



Events



Newsletter



P and C



Canteen



Facebook VPS Parent Support Page



Facebook P&C



Facebook Fathering Group

Need a break during the Holidays? Once registered with us you can book a day or more when needed!



STEP INTO A WORLD OF HOLIDAY FUN!



ROCKETEERS
Extraordinary Holiday Adventures



SAVE MONEY

these school holidays with the **Child Care Subsidy** available for eligible families.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

*Please note the fees on the following pages are only of the maximum Child Care Subsidy (CCS) a family may be entitled to. To find out your eligibility, simply log into MyGov and complete your CCS Assessment.

www.campastralia.com.au/rocketeers



MISSION XIV PROGRAM

Vasse Primary School

Address: 17 Kaloorup Rd VASSE WA 6280

Phone: 0404806045 Program Times: 06:30 am - 06:00 pm



<p>Mon 01 Jul Mission Takeoff: Ancient Adventures</p> <p>Ignite the flame of ancient adventure at the birthplace of the Olympics - Greece! Discover the marvels, ancient crafts, and active fun by engaging in Greek pot painting, mini ancient games and fun challenges with friends!</p> <p>Full Fee \$97.30 After Max. CCS* \$9.73</p> <p> Project Incursion</p>	<p>Tue 02 Jul Operation: Dream Pets</p> <p>Do you have a dream pet? We're not talking dogs and cats (although they're adorable!) - we're talking fantastical creatures from your imagination that you can create, care for, and befriend! Bring your imagination to Base Camp today!</p> <p>Full Fee \$79.00 After Max. CCS* \$7.90</p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>
<p>Wed 03 Jul Adventure: Hole Lotta Fun at The Par 3</p> <p>Putt your way around 18 holes of fun at The Par 3, set amongst the picturesque Old Broadwater Farm in Busselton. Will you get a hole-in-one today?</p> <p>Full Fee \$125.00 After Max. CCS* \$12.50</p> <p> Excursion</p>	<p>Thu 04 Jul Operation: Heroes that Inspire</p> <p>Who inspires you? Is it an athlete, an artist, an inventor or someone closer? Do you want to be someone who inspires others? Come prepared with any fun facts or get ready to inspire someone else today at your Base Camp!</p> <p>Full Fee \$79.00 After Max. CCS* \$7.90</p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>
<p>Fri 05 Jul Project: Jamaican Cook Up</p> <p>Let's sizzle up some tasty fun as we cook up a storm with traditional Jamaican patties! From fun sports and games to crafting your own hummingbird suncatcher, experience the exotic taste and vibrant culture of Jamaica!</p> <p>Full Fee \$102.00 After Max. CCS* \$10.20</p> <p> Project Incursion</p>	<p>Mon 08 Jul Operation: Frosty Fest</p> <p>Come to Base Camp today, you'll be 'too cool for school' as we explore the wonders of everything cold using our senses and imagination. Get ready to chill and enjoy various cold-as-ice activities for a frosty good time today!</p> <p>Full Fee \$79.00 After Max. CCS* \$7.90</p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>
<p>Tue 09 Jul Project: LEGO DREAMzzz Adventures!</p> <p>Embark on a LEGO® DREAMzzz™ adventure in Rocketeers! Join four exciting trials: Create IDs, race scavenger hunts, capture The Never Witch, and build dream realms with LEGO bricks! Adventure awaits!</p> <p>Full Fee \$102.50 After Max. CCS* \$10.25</p> <p> Project Incursion</p>	<p>Wed 10 Jul Big Art Day: Mega Puzzlers</p> <p>Unleash your creativity on a giant puzzle piece to see what we end up with once we put all our pieces together! Then discover fun in more BIG ways at your Base Camp.</p> <p>Full Fee \$90.00 After Max. CCS* \$9.00</p> <p> Base Camp Day</p>
<p>Thu 11 Jul Adventure: Exploring Play at Boorn - Bunbury</p> <p>Unleash your imagination and discover play in a whole new way! From role plays to problem-solving activities and beyond, explore a range of play equipment to take your creativity to the next level.</p> <p>Full Fee \$120.50 After Max. CCS* \$12.05</p> <p> Excursion</p>	<p>Fri 12 Jul Experience Takeover: Loose Parts Party</p> <p>Use your imagination and get creative with an abundance of flexible, adaptable loose parts to move, carry, combine, line up, redesign and put together in multiple ways - the possibilities are endless!</p> <p>Full Fee \$106.00 After Max. CCS* \$10.60</p> <p> Experience Takeover Incursion</p>

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Child Care Subsidy



The Australian government provides assistance to help families with the cost of approved childcare.

The Child Care Subsidy (CCS) is paid directly to Camp Australia to reduce the fees you pay before you are billed. The amount you get depends on your family's income, the type of childcare you use and the hours you and your partner work, and other recognised activities that improve your skills.

New changes to CCS

From 10 July 2023, if your family earns under \$530,000, you'll get increased Child Care Subsidy (CCS). Families earning up to \$80,000 will get an increased maximum CCS amount, from 85% to 90%. This means cheaper childcare is available for eligible families.

- If you earn over \$80,000 you may get a subsidy starting from 90%. This will go down by 1% for each \$5,000 of income your family earns.
- If you have more than one child aged 5 or under, you can still get a higher rate for one or more of your children.
- The low income limit for Additional Child Care Subsidy (ACCS) Transition to Work will also increase to \$80,000.
- If you already get CCS, don't need to do anything to get the increase rate as the new changes will be applied to your CCS automatically.

How to apply for CCS with Camp Australia

You should apply as soon as possible as new claims can only be backdated for a maximum of 28 days.

- Register for a MyGov account
- Complete your Child Care Subsidy application
- Confirm activity hours
- Create your bookings with Camp Australia
- Ensure you have provided Camp Australia with individual DOBs and CRNs (Customer Reference Number) for all children and the parent claiming the Subsidy
- When prompted by the government, log into your MyGov account and confirm the enrolments for OSHC (Outside School Hours Care)



Eligibility & criteria

The CCS percentage you're entitled to depends on your family's income.

The following classifies as recognised activity:

- Paid work (including annual leave and parental leave)
- Self-employment
- Business start-up
- Doing unpaid work in the family business
- Enrolled in approved study or training course
- Actively seeking work
- Recognised volunteering
- Other activities on a case-by-case basis

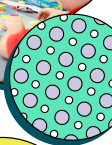
ACCS - Additional Child Care Subsidy

Additional Child Care Subsidy is extra support for some families. This includes grandparents and great grandparents, families moving from an income support payment to work and those experiencing temporary financial hardship.

You can claim these subsidies through your Centrelink online account through myGov.

Additional Child Care Subsidy may also be paid in circumstances where a child is at risk, or has been at risk, of serious abuse or neglect. To discuss further please contact us on 1300 105 343 for a confidential conversation with a member of our Specialist Team.

To find out more go to www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/child-care-subsidy



Billing

When the Child Care Subsidy has been paid to Camp Australia, it will be applied to each booking prior to you receiving your statement. You will receive an updated invoice if your balance increases due to CCS recalculations, see below for why this may have occurred.

Why have I stopped receiving CCS?

If your CCS has not been applied, has changed, or has recently been removed, this may be due to the following reasons:

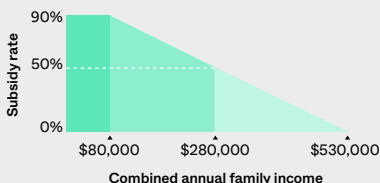
- Your activity test results have expired. Please update your activity test via MyGov.
- You have recently updated your activity test and your CCS is being recalculated. Please check the submission report via MyGov to confirm the outcome.
- You have submitted an ACCS claim which is currently pending. You will be notified once this application is complete.
- You have not yet confirmed your Camp Australia enrolment. All enrolments must be confirmed via your MyGov account before CCS will be paid.
- Your ACCS claim has ended/ expired. Please submit a new ACCS claim for this to continue.
- Your child has not attended a Camp Australia service for 14 continuous weeks and the enrolment has been 'Ceased'. The enrolment will be updated to 'Pending' on the child's next attendance which you can confirm via MyGov.
- Your child has not attended a Camp Australia service for 14 continuous weeks and the enrolment has been

'Ceased' with the last booking being marked as absent. CCS is not paid for any days after a child's last physical attendance, which may result in CCS being recovered.

- Your child has not yet physically attended a Camp Australia service. CCS is not paid to absent bookings prior to a child's first attendance.
- You have 'disputed' or 'rejected' a Camp Australia enrolment via MyGov. CCS is not paid to enrolments that have not been confirmed. Please contact our Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 to have your enrolment resubmitted.
- You have exceeded your Allowable Absences. This threshold is 52 absent bookings per child, per financial year.
- From 11 July 2022, children who haven't attended a session of care in 26 consecutive weeks will no longer be eligible for Child Care Subsidy. If the child starts to attend care again, the family can lodge a new claim for Child Care Subsidy.

Things to remember:

- Your Child Care Subsidy application must be approved by Centrelink before CCS will be applied.
- Your Camp Australia account must be formalised, and your enrolment confirmed for CCS to be paid.
- Changes in circumstances or extended periods of absence may result in recalculation of your CCS.



Rates correct as of July 10, 2023