

### Congratulations to our 2021 School Councillors



#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 15 Mar	Health Nurse Screening
Fri 19 Mar	Coogee PS Swimming Carnival Yrs 4-6
Sun 21 Mar	Welcome Picnic
Tue 23 Mar	Harmony Day
Thu 25 Mar	Assembly (Room 12)
Wed 31 Mar	Ride to School Day P&C Easter Raffle Draw
Thu 1 Apr	Interschool Swimming Carnival Yrs 4-6

#### TERM DATES

Thursday 1st April is the last day of Term 1.

We look forward to seeing you all at the commencement of Term 2 on Monday 19th April.

# PRINCIPAL'S SAY

Dear Parents and Carers

It was such a highlight to have parents, grandparents and family members, at yesterday's first class assembly since early last year! It was also nice to be able to present our councillors and faction captains with their badges with their parents at the assembly. Congratulations to the councillors and faction captains for being elected to these important roles for 2021.

## Buster's Bench

As many of you know, Buster Vogt, an ex-student at our school, tragically and suddenly lost his life almost a year ago on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020. This week we invited Buster's mother Zoe and his sister Millie to a small afternoon tea, and to see the bench that we had made outside of the Library in memory of Buster. The bench has a plaque with Buster's name and the years that he attended Coogee Primary School. Buster's message to all was, "Just be a good friend". In honouring his message, Buster's bench is named our "Buddy Bench". Ironically, Buster was walking his dog named Buddy, when he tragically passed away. The Vogt family were an important part of Coogee Primary School, and I hope that each time you pass Buster's Bench you think of a brilliant young man who lost his life so suddenly, and also spare a thought or say a prayer for his amazing family who have suffered so much.



## Covid-19 and other Viruses – **IMPORTANT!**

While we have not had any community transmission of Covid-19, this remains a possibility in WA. Furthermore, the cold and flu season is right around the corner. In light of that, it is important that parents keep sick children home from school. Sick students in classrooms infect other students very quickly. This is not pleasant for anyone, but it can be a serious concern for those with family members whose immune systems are compromised. For some people, a cold or flu can be life threatening. Given this, it is important that alternative arrangements are made for sick students, but if students present sick at school, parents will be called to collect them.

Hand washing remains an important strategy in reducing the possible transmission of infections. We will continue to promote regular and effective handwashing at school. I ask parents to be mindful of sharing this message at home also.

# PRINCIPAL'S SAY

## Solar Tour

Two weeks ago the Fremantle College Solar Tour bands visited our school, and each band performed a number of songs for our students. We were all amazed and enthralled by the quality of the performances and the variety of music that was played. This was a brilliant show case of the quality of the music program at Fremantle College, but also of the influence of the IMSS program, which many of our Coogee students are enrolled in.

A huge thank you to all of the students and staff from Fremantle College who provided such a rich musical experience for our students. In particular, my appreciation to Mike Gowland, who runs the music program, and to Myles Draper (Principal) for giving our students the opportunity to experience the Solar Tour. It is important that our parents know and understand how fortunate we are to have Fremantle College as our Public Secondary School. The work that Myles and his team have done, and continue to do, to establish Fremantle College as a school of choice is truly incredible.



## Harmony Day

Harmony Day is just around the corner, and this year we will be celebrating it on Tuesday 23 March. However, there will cultural days throughout the week. Debbie at the canteen will be offering lunches from different nationalities (check the canteen information for which food is offered on what day). On the Tuesday we are inviting students to dress in the national dress that represents their cultural background or origin. It is always a great day to see how many different cultural backgrounds contribute to the vibrant culture at Coogee Primary School. I understand this is not always easy for parents, but we hope to see as many students as possible display their pride in their cultural background by dressing up for the day.

## Congratulations to our 2021 Faction Captains



### Swimming Carnival

114 students have entered the Coogee Primary School Swimming Carnival. I'm very impressed with this number so well done to all of you who have entered. Can all parents/students please check the events on the library window. Please come and see me before the Swimming Carnival if I have made a mistake. A big thank you to all parents who have offered to volunteer.

### Change in timetable

There has been a change in my timetable.  
Room 5 now has their Physical Education lesson on the Wednesday instead of the Friday.  
Room 3 now has their Physical Education lesson on the Friday instead of Wednesday.  
This change is effective immediately.

### Ride2School Day

This year we will again participate in the National Ride2school day. Please start thinking about leaving the car at home for the day and ride/walk/scoot with your children to school. Due to the Swimming Carnival our Ride2School day will be on Wednesday 31 March. More information will follow.

### Availability:

Parents can always come and talk to me before school, after school or send me questions, comments per email. My email address is: [kornelis.maatman@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:kornelis.maatman@education.wa.edu.au)

Kind regards,

Kees Maatman

Physical Education Teacher

# A NOTE FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

Welcome to the New School Year. My name is Elle and I am looking forward to working as the Community Health Nurse at your school again in 2021. A major part of my role is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program which is run for all children in their first year of school (usually Kindy). I will visit your school throughout the year, and with your consent I will complete a health assessment that includes checking vision, hearing, growth, teeth and general health.

Please feel free to contact me anytime throughout your child's primary school education if you have any concerns about your child's health, development or wellbeing.

The services provided are free and confidential.

I will be working part time two days per week; you can contact me via your school office or at my Community Health Base on 9314 0100



## School Entry Health Assessment

All children in Western Australia are eligible for a School Entry Health Assessment when they are of school entry age. The School Entry Health Assessment is provided by the local School Health Nurse. It is an excellent opportunity to look at the health and development of your child at the beginning of school life.

The assessments are simple, non-invasive, quick and easy. They screen for problems which are best addressed, if picked up and treated early. The assessments include:

- Vision
- Hearing
- Teeth
- Growth (including weight, height and Body Mass Index).

Your child's results will be sent home after their health check has been completed. Results are always treated confidentially.

Please note, if the assessment results for your child suggest there may be a concern, the School Health Nurse will contact you to discuss.

School Entry Health Assessment forms are currently being distributed for parents to complete. **Please complete and sign the back page of the form before you return it.**

**Please return the form to Admin or the class teacher as soon as possible.**

Kindy assessments start in Term 1 and will continue until Term 4.

I look forward to working with you and your family.

If you have a concern about your child's health, development or wellbeing that you wish to discuss please contact me

*Elle Auty*

Community Health Nurse

**Child and Adolescent Health Service - Community Health**

T: (08) 93140100

## P&C NEWS

Principal, Greg Sullivan and the P&C Association invites Coogee Primary School families to pack a picnic and come down to the school oval to enjoy some entertainment and welcome in the new school year. This is a great opportunity to meet other families and students.

We look forward to seeing you there!

LIVE BAND  
JUMPING CASTLE  
FACE PAINTING  
COFFEE VAN  
ICE CREAM TRUCK  
SAUSAGE SIZZLE

By purchasing a sausage sizzle, you support your Year 6 students fundraising towards this year's Camp!

Free entry and entertainment!

As parking will be limited, walk or cycle to the event.



## Coogee Primary School WELCOME PICNIC

Sunday 21st March 2021  
1-5pm  
School Oval

COVID-19 INFORMATION  
**MAINTAIN  
SOCIAL  
DISTANCING**



## COMMUNITY NEWS



JOIN US FOR A  
*College Tour*

Tuesday 30 March 2021  
Tuesday 18 May 2021  
Wednesday 18 August 2021  
Wednesday 27 October 2021

All tours will run from  
4.00pm - 6.00pm

Please register your attendance  
on the College website  
[www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au](http://www.emmanuel.wa.edu.au)



# 2021 JUNIORS REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN !



inside  
sports



adidas

## BECOME A KNIGHT IN 2021 !

- BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 6 TO 16 -  
[WWW.WESTERNKNIGHTS.COM.AU](http://WWW.WESTERNKNIGHTS.COM.AU)

COMMUNITY FOOTBALL AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PATHWAY FOR ALL AGES

# Year 6 Parent Information Evening



FREMANTLE  
COLLEGE

Wednesday 24 March 2021

6:00 - 7:00pm

College Performing Arts Centre

All parents/carers  
of children who are currently  
in Year 6 are invited to attend an  
information session which will cover:

- Enrolment process to the college in 2022
- What Fremantle College can offer your child
- Transition activities in place for Term 4 2021
- How your child will be supported in a secondary setting



Please book by Friday 19 March via the below link:

<https://fremantlecollege.wa.edu.au/year-6-parent-information-evening/>

[www.fremantlecollege.wa.edu.au](http://www.fremantlecollege.wa.edu.au)

P: (08) 9338 8900



## YEAR 5 & 6 GIRLS WANTED

### SOUTH COOGEE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

More information –

Brad Mazzuchelli (President) 0420 958 878

[scjfc.president@gmail.com](mailto:scjfc.president@gmail.com)

[www.scjfc.com.au](http://www.scjfc.com.au)



@SouthCoogeeJFC



Australian Army Museum of WA presents

# A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM

**Friday 16 April 2021 and Saturday 17 April 2021**  
**Artillery Barracks, Burt St, Fremantle**  
**6pm - 10pm**

For the first time the Army Museum of Western Australia will be open at night to the public. As well as visiting the galleries you will see...

**VOLUNTEERS IN PERIOD UNIFORM | MILITARY VEHICLES PAST AND PRESENT**  
**WW2 MOVIE TONE NEWSREELS | NEW VICTORIA CROSS GALLERY**  
**FLAG LOWERING CEREMONY | REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE**

**FEATURING THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY BAND PERTH**

Tickets available through [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com)

Adults \$15 | Family (2 + 3) \$35

Concession \$10 | Children 6 - 17 \$10

Booking fees apply



Check the website [www.armymuseumwa.com.au](http://www.armymuseumwa.com.au) or  
call 9430 2535 for further details.