



ROSSMOYNE REFLECTIONS

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We've done it! Thank you to everyone who has contributed to making this year so successful, despite all the obstacles that came our way!



Happy Retirements! Mrs Morrell, Mrs Williams, Mrs Combe, Mrs Brentson, and Mrs Murch are

retiring. I would like to sincerely thank them for their amazing dedication, commitment to education and to positively impacting on the lives of so many children and our school. They will all be sorely missed, but on behalf of the school community, I would like to wish them the very best for their new adventures.

Mrs Morrell commenced teaching in 1979, has worked in four schools throughout her career, in both the metropolitan area and in the Pilbara region. Mrs Morrell has been at our school since 1995!

Mrs Williams' teaching career commenced in Narrogin in 1969. She has taught in a range of schools including metropolitan schools and schools in the South West and Goldfields regions. She has been at Rossmoyne Primary since 2000.

After commencing as a teacher in 1978, Mrs Combe has worked in 8 schools, most recently at our school since 2014.

Mrs Brentson commenced her career as an Education Assistant in 2000 in the Pilbara, and has been at our school since 2003.

Mrs Murch is also retiring after an amazing 34 years at the Rossmoyne Community Kindy,

but we'll always remember her very fondly every time we look at the SS Mrs Murch.



2021 Staffing Update

Mrs Marshall will be on leave throughout Semester One but we look forward to her returning in Semester Two. Thank you to Ms Correia, Mrs Baldock, Mrs Kenny and Mrs Hunt for their efforts at our school throughout this year. I know everyone will join me in wishing them the very best for next year and beyond.

Welcome

Next year, Ms Abby Yu and Mrs Kerry Crocetta will be joining our school community. They come very highly recommended and are both very excited about the prospect of teaching at our school. I know everyone will welcome them warmly next year.

2021 Class Lists

Class lists will be displayed on the boards outside the office on Friday 29 January at 12.30 pm.



2021 Dates

Students return to school on Monday 1 February 2021. It is very important that your child/ren attend school from this date. Teachers and students use these initial days of the school year to establish rules, routines, expectations and relationships. Students in some classrooms will be participating in assessments on these days and your child may miss out on being selected for extra-curricular opportunities if they do not attend

school at the beginning of the year.

Our 2021 Professional Learning Days will be held on the following dates—8 June, 9 August and 11 October. Students will not attend school on these days. Please consider these dates if you are planning family trips or long weekends away.

Happy Holidays

On behalf of the school community, I would like to sincerely wish everyone safe and happy holidays. I look forward to sharing 2021 with you and your family. All the very best to students, staff and families not returning to our school.

Rochelle Williamson

Principal

Upcoming Events

- * 25 Jan. - school office re-opens for 2021
- * 26 Jan. - office closed for Australia Day
- * 29 Jan. - 2021 class lists displayed at 12.30 pm
- * 1 Feb. - students return to school for 2021



Our 2018 to 2020 Priority Areas

1. Excellence in Teaching
2. Successful Students
3. Health and Well-being
4. A Connected Community

Our Code of Conduct

School community members will display behaviours that uphold our four school values—integrity, respect, courage and belonging.

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Merit Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received
Merit Certificates at last week's assembly. Keep up the great work!

Room 8 Sophia Jedd	Room 9 Melissa Chantelle	Room 10 Joshua Emme
Room 13 Fergus Quinn	Room 14 Sarah Kobe	Room 15 Marianna Yashas
Room 16 All students	Room 17 The Starfish Pre-primaries	Room 18 Pheobe Ahura Cayden
Room 19 Yasna Amber	Room 20 Aaran Latika	Room 21 Tahn Aidan
Room 22 Emily Naomi	Room 23 Hannah Chris	Room 24 Amadi Lydia
Room 25	Room 26	Languages (Chinese)



Semester Two Student Reports

If you haven't already, please make sure you check Connect for your child's Semester Two report. I hope you make some time to share the report with your child and celebrate the improvements and successes they have achieved throughout the year. It is very important to remember that a 'C' grade indicates that they are achieving at the expected standard for their year level. It's because of this that many people say a 'C' stands for celebration. I also encourage you to look very closely at the Attitude, Behaviour and Effort marks your child receives. Traits such as being enthusiastic about learning, persevering, working to the best of their ability and showing respect are also very important. Please make sure you save or print a copy of the report so you can access it in the future. Should you need the school to reprint it, or email it to you in the future, you will be asked to make a \$5 donation.



River Rangers

We had 32 Year 5 and 6 students in our River Rangers Program throughout this year. They engaged in an exciting program focussed on environmental awareness and initiatives. Some of the highlights have included; planting with the Canning River Residents Environmental Protection Association (CRREPA) to create filtration for the drain on the river bank at Pleasant Place in Shelley; cleaning up the river bank for Clean Up Australia Day; building a swan from recycled materials for the Noongar Garden at school; learning about the cultural significance of the river to the Noongar people; eating Kangaroo stew and damper; and going on a river cruise from Perth to Fremantle during which we saw river dolphins. We'd like to thank our Year 6 students for their participation in this program over the past two years and hope they continue to engage in environmental initiatives in future years.



What's Been Happening in Languages (Mandarin)?

The 2020 Confucius Institute Short Film Competition for school students was held earlier this term. This activity was designed to be an accessible and creative way for students to showcase their knowledge of Chinese language and culture. Dimas from Room 26 won Third Place and received a prize a \$200 gift card as his prize. The name of his film was *'The Cat and the Rat.'* The judges made the following comments—"Good story telling using hand-drawn animation. Very engaging personal introduction and final comments by the filmmaker, cleverly connecting the traditional story to his own life. It was great to see brilliant Chinese language pronunciation and excellent presentation skills delivered direct to camera". Congratulations, Dimas!



This term the Year 6 students have been learning Chinese calligraphy. We were very fortunate to have Wang laoshi and Liu laoshi visit our class and demonstrate their calligraphy skills. Using the skills they learnt, students wrote their names on rice paper which they then made into bookmarks. Some of them wrote “福 / fu” (meaning good fortune), which is the most common greeting word for the Chinese New Year.



The Year 5s learnt traditional Chinese paper cutting. They cut the character “春 / chun” which means spring.



Music at Rossmoyne Waters

Our Junior and Senior Choirs had the opportunity to perform for the folks at Rossmoyne Waters on Webb Street. The Junior Choir went down the road on Tuesday, 1st December performing our 2020 staple pieces 'Sound of Music Medley' and 'Charlottetown' as well as a few others. A big thankyou to Mrs Vivien Ling who accompanied us on piano on this day. A week later, on Tuesday, 8th December, the 40-degree day, the Senior Choir showcased 'Bring Me Little Water Sylvie' and then got the crowd joining in with a number of Christmas carols.

During both visits, a number of instrumentalists performed on the piano, violin, guitar, cello and even the recorder! Congratulations to our magnificent musicians AND congratulations to our beautiful choir members for giving up your extra time to sing and play and learn with me. You make me and all the teachers at our school very proud.

Sending lots of love to our Year 6 students as they move to their next adventure and wishing you and your families a wonderful holiday break. Mrs Tran





Year 6 Big Week Out 2020

The Year 6 students had a fantastic Big Week Out. Each day for a whole week they visited different venues and parts of Perth. On Monday they visited the Hills Forest Discovery Centre. On Tuesday they had an active day at Melville Superbowl, lunch at Piney Lakes and the afternoon was spent playing indoor Beach Volleyball. The Year 6s spent the day in Fremantle on Wednesday. They started at the Literature Centre, before having lunch at Kailis and ending the day with a pre-screening of the Croods 2 at Hoyts. They spent Thursday in Perth City. They loved indoor rock climbing at the Hangout, had lunch in Russell Square and then visited the Art Gallery of WA where they drew abstract self-portraits. The week came to an end with a great day at Adventure World on Friday.



Graduation Lunch



Thank you to Corina Lee, Lee Dhepnorrarat, Grace Chen and Li Qin for organizing the backdrops for the graduation photos. They looked amazing!





2020 Year 6 Graduation Ceremony



Congratulations!



Big Congratulations to the following students who received awards:

Citizenship - Celeste

Endeavour - Charlotte, Kristen and Kai Jun

English - Ruth, Kelly and Anna

Maths - Rayyan, Boran and Chloe

Science - Aretha, Kelly and Jinning

Languages - Dimas

Music - Nina

Sportsperson - Alexis and Ciaran



Class of
2020



Chappy's Chat

Wonder

I recently came across this piece on 'Wonder' by Sue King-Smith on the Innovative Resources web-blog. I loved it so much, rather than rewrite it... here is an excerpt for you.

Is wonder the most under-valued emotion? **Wonder is an emotion that we often don't talk about.** The dictionary describes it as 'the quality of exciting, amazed admiration; rapt attention or astonishment at something awesomely mysterious or new to one's experience'.

It is a feeling that uplifts and creates a spark. It is a recognition, at a deep level, that something is worthwhile, unique and valuable. Wonder can motivate people to want things to change, not by creating outrage and anger, but by inviting them to imagine that the world has the potential to be an inspiring and beautiful place. In many ways, now is the perfect time to be thinking about how we can bring more wonder into our lives. COVID-19 has forced us, as human beings, to step back and take stock. For some of us, this has enabled us to retreat from the usual busyness and clutter of our lives and find the wonder and joy in small things. Perhaps it has unwittingly become a type of disruptive wonder?



- Think of a time you felt really inspired. Where were you? What were you doing?
- When have you experienced joy, happiness or wonder?
- How did it feel in your body? What were you thinking?
- When was the last time you were genuinely surprised, in a good way?
- Have you ever had a great big belly laugh?
- What do you do for fun? What silly or quirky stuff do you enjoy doing when no one is watching?
- Would you like more moments like these in your life? How could you make this happen?
- If you had a superpower that could transform the world into a happier place, what would you do first? What would you do differently if you could fly?
- If you were the happiest person in the world, what would your day look like? What would you have for breakfast? Who would be there with you? What would you do first? Second?
- Who supports you to feel like anything is possible?
- What are some things you could do that would bring more wonder and lightness into your life?
- Who inspires you? Who helps you see the world through new eyes?
- If you woke up tomorrow and life felt magical and alive, what would have changed?
- If you could do one fun thing right now, what would it be?

For the entire article, including an interesting explanation of 'disruptive wonder' see the following weblink...<https://innovativeresources.org/wonder-the-most-under-valued-emotion-for-creating-change/>

Protective Behaviours

I have been in a number of rooms throughout this semester and the students have responded so well to learning about the concepts of personal safety. The two themes of Protective Behaviours are:

- (i) We all have the right to feel safe at all times, and
- (ii) We can talk to someone about anything.

These are important messages to reinforce at home, as well as at school. Just a reminder that you can access the Protective Behaviours Parent Handbook in the library in Connect. As part of these lessons, we looked at the online KidsHelpline, including the 24/7 chatroom for children of all ages (5 to 25 years) to access qualified counsellors to **help with life's big and small problems. I encourage you to look at this website with your child**, as it is an excellent resource for kids and parents - <https://kidshelpline.com.au/> Another really important resource is the Office of the e-Safety Commissioner. This website has very useful information for parents and children and is all about keeping safe online. It is also the main avenue for reporting abuse of an online nature - <https://www.esafety.gov.au/> There is also a line for parents, grandparents, and carers - <https://parentline.com.au/> because these are the hardest jobs in the world and we all **need help sometimes...sometimes often! Remember if something is bothering you, talk to someone you trust, online or in person.**



Chappy Renee

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Parents and Citizens' Association



Huge thanks to our wonderful P&C for organising last Friday's Colour Run. What a great way to end a crazy year!



UNIFORMCONCEPTS

- NELLGRAY -

WILLETTON SUPER STORE

Back to School Announcement

We all know WA have done incredibly well during the Covid-19 pandemic and we at Uniform Concepts are very appreciative to all our customers who have adapted to the changes we have made to date within our stores. As we approach the very busy January period, and to ensure the continued safety of our customers and staff, we will be limiting the number of customers within the store to adhere to the physical distancing requirements. As such, we have introduced an appointment system for anyone who requires a fitting service and would encourage you to take advantage of this to avoid longer than normal wait times. Appointments can be made by clicking on the link: www.nellgray.com.au/appointments - bookings for January are now open.

- *"I'm new to this and my child needs to try on uniform" – we strongly encourage you to make an appointment.*
- *"I know exactly what I want and do not need to try on or view the uniform sizes" – we encourage you to order online at www.nellgray.com.au/schools - you can opt for click and collect or we can deliver to your preferred address for just \$10.*
- ***Exchanges & Refunds** – if you need to try on different sizes, please make an appointment, if you are simply swapping sizes or require a refund, visit our store.*
- ***'Walk-Ins'** – Online ordering and appointments are preferred however customers can still visit our store at their discretion – wait times may vary depending on the day and time.*
- ***Hygiene at our Stores** – Hand sanitiser is provided on entry to our store for customer use and our uniform samples and fitting rooms are sprayed several times a day with a disinfectant spray.*

To further assist with limiting customers in store, we kindly request that only one parent is present with their child during a fitting.

- *Please do not enter our store if you are feeling unwell or are recovering from a recent illness*
- *Have travelled from interstate or overseas*
- *Have had close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19*
- *Have tested positive for COVID-19 or awaiting a test result*

Uniform Concepts, 30 Kembla Way, Willetton, WA 6155

Tel: 9270 4669 Email: willetton@uc.nellgray.com.au

Open: Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm (Thursday 6pm), Saturday 9am – 1pm

(Closed for the festive season from 1pm 19th December, reopening at 9am 4th January)



bentley baptist church

Free event!

Christmas Festival

5:00PM SATURDAY, 19 DECEMBER



Live music Craft Face painting

Food Kid-friendly activities

Christmas carol singing

Sausage sizzle

Biscuit decorating




59 CHAPMAN ROAD, BENTLEY WA

FIND US ON FACEBOOK! 



CALLING ALL GIRLS!

Rossmoyne Junior Football Club
is waiting for you in 2021

New and returning players of all abilities are welcome to join our family friendly Club

- Auskick (Pre Primary – Year 2);
- Junior Mixed Football (Year 3 – Year 6); and
- Girls only Competitions

YEAR 4 - 6 GIRLS ARE INVITED TO JOIN A NEW GIRLS ONLY TEAM
IN AN ALL GIRLS COMPETITION IN 2021 (Sunday Mornings)



For more information about our all girls team please call Sharn Avery on 0433 383 076

Or to register your interest and become a Rossmoyne Raider today visit:

www.rossmoynejfc.com.au

registrar@rossmoynejfc.com.au

PERTH FLYING SQUADRON YACHT CLUB

TACKERS

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

PRESENTED BY SUN SMART

TACKERS IS A JUNIOR START SAILING PROGRAM AIMED AT 7 - 12 YEAR OLDS. THE 20-HOUR COURSE IS MANAGED BY EXPERIENCED COACHES AND IS A POPULAR WAY TO GET YOUR CHLD INVOLVED IN SAILING AND DEVELOP A PASSION FOR BEING OUT ON THE WATER

TACKERS 1

"HAVING FUN"

MONDAY 4 JANUARY TILL FRIDAY 8 JANUARY
8:30AM - 12:30PM

THIS COURSE AIMS TO PROVIDE CHILDREN WITH A FUN, SAFE & AFFORDABLE WAY TO GET INTO SAILING AND IS DESIGNED FOR PARTICIPANTS WHO WISH TO HAVE FUN & LEARN THE BASICS OF SAILING THROUGH GAMES ON & OFF THE WATER.

TACKERS 2

"TRICKS & TECHNIQUES"

MONDAY 11 JANUARY TO FRIDAY 15 JANUARY
8:30AM - 12:30PM

THIS COURSE AIMS TO BUILD ON THE FUN FROM TACKERS 1 AND PROGRESS ON THEIR SAILING SKILLS. IF KIDS ARE CONFIDENT THEY CAN SAIL A BOAT ON THEIR OWN WITH LOTS OF SUPPORT, SUPERVISION & ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE INSTRUCTORS.

TACKERS 3

"SAILING FAST"

MONDAY 18 JANUARY TO FRIDAY 22 JANUARY
8:30AM - 12:30PM

THIS COURSE AIMS TO BUILD ON SKILLS LEARNED IN TACKERS 2 & FOCUSES ON ADVANCED SAILING SKILLS THROUGH GAMES & ADVENTURES ON THE WATER. THIS IS A CHANCE FOR KIDS TO SAIL BOATS ON THEIR OWN, LEARNING HOW TO MAKE THE BOAT GO FASTER, ALL WHILST STILL UNDER THE GUIDANCE & SUPERVISION OF THE INSTRUCTORS.

MEMBERS - \$242/COURSE
NON-MEMBERS - \$273/COURSE

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 1 JANUARY 2021
TO REGISTER CALL RECEPTION ON (08) 9386 6437;
EMAIL MEMBERS@PFSYC.COM.AU OR REGISTER THROUGH OUR WEBSITE

Australian Sailing

SunSmart

healthway



Enrolments are now open for VacSwim swimming lessons during the summer school holidays.

VacSwim offers fun lessons at both beach and pool locations during the long break.

Not only are they a great school holiday activity, but they also teach children valuable safety skills to help keep them safe in the water.

Children can start as young as five years old.

Don't wait! Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

EAST MANJIMUP PRIMARY SCHOOL

50th Anniversary Dinner

Make a table of 8 or
tell us which years you
attended/taught and we'll place you
with your 'peers' for a night of
reminiscing!

BYO alcohol/drinks

Call EMPS on 97719200 M-F or email
eastmanjimup.ps@education.wa.edu.au
to arrange purchase of your ticket/s.

**Saturday
March 20th
2021**

3 course meal
to be held 'undercover'
at EMPS
from 6pm

Tickets \$70 each
includes tea and coffee
limited tickets
available



**EMPS
P&C
GALA
DAY**

9am - 2pm

**Saturday
20th March 2021**

**EAST
MANJIMUP
PRIMARY
SCHOOL**

is celebrating
its 50th Anniversary
in 2021!

**50th
Anniversary
Dinner**

TO BE HELD ON THE EVENING
OF 20/03/21





BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

Be fitter, healthier and happier!

The Better Health Program is a free 10-week healthy lifestyle program for 7-13 year old children who are above a healthy weight, and their families. The program is available face-to-face or online in selected areas throughout Australia.
Get in touch to find out if the program is available near you!



Is your child...

- Aged 7-13 years old?
- Above a healthy weight?
- In need of support to improve eating and activity habits?

The Better Health Program is a FREE, 10-week, online or face to face program for children and families. There are weekly sessions, free resources (+fitness tracker!) and weekly coaching meetings or calls with a trained and qualified health coach to help keep you on track.

Get involved and start collecting your weekly tokens and prizes!

To register or find out more:
1300 822 953
betterhealthprogram.org

Better Health Company
[@betterhealthcompany](https://www.instagram.com/betterhealthcompany)

The Program is funded by government agencies throughout Australia.

Call the Better Health team on 1300 822 953 to find out if the program is available in your area.