



Hello Parents and Carers,

Our Year 3–6 students have been working incredibly hard in preparation for tomorrow's Cross Country event, demonstrating persistence, resilience and determination during training sessions over recent weeks. Cross Country provides a wonderful opportunity for students to challenge themselves and support one another.

Unfortunately, I am unable to attend tomorrow's Cross Country as I am celebrating a very special milestone with my family — my father's 80th birthday. I would like to thank our staff, parent volunteers and supporters who have assisted in making tomorrow's event possible, and I look forward to hearing all about the day and celebrating our students' achievements when I return on Monday.

Please check the notification that Mr Cliff Taylor has posted today on Connect about the event.

TERM 1 AND 2 EXCURSIONS – THANK YOU!

As we continue through Djeran, the Noongar season marked by cooler mornings, calmer weather and the changing colours of the landscape, we have been fortunate to enjoy such beautiful conditions for our recent Term 1 and Term 2 excursions and special events. These opportunities have provided wonderful experiences for our students to learn, connect and create lasting memories together. We hope you have enjoyed our social media posts showcasing the activities students participated in. We would like to sincerely thank our parents and carers who generously volunteered their time to support these experiences. Your support plays a vital role in making these opportunities possible for our students.



We also acknowledge and thank our staff for the significant work undertaken to prepare students prior to each excursion through purposeful classroom learning and for the care, planning and attention given to ensuring the needs of all students were supported throughout the day.

Finally, we congratulate our students for the outstanding way they represented our school community by consistently demonstrating our STARS expectations — Striving for Success, Taking Responsibility, Always Being Inclusive, Showing Respect and Staying Safe while out in the community.

OPEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend our Open School Board Meeting in Week 6 on Monday 25 May at 4:15pm. Each year, we offer this opportunity for our school community to gain insight into the work of the Board and how we support the strategic direction and ongoing improvement of our school. As a school, we are committed to being open and transparent in our communication with the Board.

At this meeting, we will discuss the findings from our National Schools Opinion Survey, compare data from previous years, and identify areas of strength and improvement. We will also provide a demonstration of the Elastik platform, outlining how teachers will use data to improve student achievement and reporting, as well as share reflections from our first Shaping Minds workshop. An agenda will be provided closer to the meeting.



STAFF MEETING UPDATE

Our teachers are incredibly excited to now have access to the Elastik platform as part of our ongoing commitment to strengthening student achievement and progress. Staff are eager to dive deeply into the data and use the insights provided to better understand student strengths, identify areas for improvement and further refine classroom teaching practices. One of the greatest strengths of our school is our consistent whole-school practices and collaborative year level planning, and Elastik will further strengthen these processes by supporting staff to engage in more targeted, evidence-informed discussions about student learning.

Importantly, our partnership with Elastik also includes ongoing coaching and support for staff to ensure we maximise the impact of this significant investment. This professional learning will build staff confidence and capability in analysing and responding to data, ultimately helping us continue to provide high-quality teaching and improved outcomes for all students.

DAY FOR DOLLY – FRIDAY MAY 8

Last Friday our students proudly participated in Day for Dolly by wearing blue to stand together against bullying and support kindness, inclusion and respect for others. Throughout the day, students took part in classroom lessons and discussions focused on the importance of positive relationships, standing up for others and the impact our words and actions can have.

We would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful school community for your incredibly generous donations and support. Your kindness helps raise awareness of the importance of creating safe and supportive environments for all children. We raised a total of **\$1078** from **both gold coin donations and individual donations** through our fundraising page.

This will help fund Dolly's Dream anti-bullying programs that provide vital guidance and support, including:

- 13 DOLLY, its Bullying Support Line
- Anti-bullying workshops in schools and communities
- Youth Mental Health First Aid Training
- The Bullying Support Hub
- The Beacon Cyber Safety App

Every fundraiser, donation, and act of kindness sparks conversations, builds safer spaces, and empowers young people to feel safe, supported, and not alone. Together, we're making a real difference in the lives of young Australians.

If you would like to view the story behind the founding of Dolly's Dream foundation, you can watch it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ye2B47TpYm8&t=5s>

FOSTER CARERS NEEDED

As a school community, we know the importance of every child feeling safe, supported and connected. We have been asked to share information regarding the urgent need for foster carers within our local Fremantle community. Foster carers provide children and young people with stability, belonging and care during some of the most challenging times in their lives.

People from many different backgrounds can become foster carers, including individuals, couples and families, with training, financial support and ongoing guidance provided. Your experiences, cultural knowledge and compassion can make





a profound difference in the life of a child.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a foster carer and making a meaningful difference in a child's life, please contact:

Phone: (08) 6277 3939

Email: FremPlacementOfficers@communities.wa.gov.au

Please also see the attached flyer for further information.

CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR STUDENTS

At Success Primary School, we are committed to maintaining a safe, respectful and orderly learning environment for all students. At times, staff may need to speak in a firm and serious manner when responding to inappropriate, unsafe or disruptive behaviour. It is important to understand that a firm tone is not yelling.

Yelling is what people may do at the football when cheering on their team or reacting to a decision, or when responding urgently to an unsafe situation such as a child running towards a road or riding a bike in front of a car.

Our staff work incredibly hard each day to support the learning and wellbeing of all students, often managing classes of 20, 24, 27 or even 32 students in our mainstream program and 8-14 students in our education support program and in both indoor and outdoor environments. There are occasions where staff may need to raise their voice so instructions can be clearly heard, particularly when students are not responding to established classroom signals, continue conversations during instruction, or are engaging in off-task behaviours. This is an important part of ensuring student safety, engagement and orderly learning environments.

We encourage families to have conversations with their children about the importance of listening to staff instructions, responding to classroom expectations and understanding the difference between a staff member speaking firmly to manage a situation and someone yelling in anger or for safety reasons.

Importantly, if a parent or carer hears a staff member genuinely yelling at students inappropriately, we ask that this is reported directly to the Administration Team so it can be addressed appropriately. Our staff remain committed to interacting with students in a respectful, professional and caring manner while upholding our STARS expectations across the school.

RESTORATIVE PRACTICES

At Success Primary School, we use restorative practices to help students learn from mistakes, repair relationships and develop the social and emotional skills needed to navigate conflict respectfully. We explicitly teach students that conflict is a normal part of life and can provide important opportunities for learning, growth and reflection.

As part of this approach, students are taught how to offer a meaningful apology, including taking responsibility for their actions, understanding how their behaviour impacted others and identifying ways to make things right moving forward. Students are also explicitly taught how to respond to an apology, including understanding that forgiveness and rebuilding trust can take time.

Importantly, restorative practices are not about simply saying "sorry" and moving on. They are about helping students to reflect, take responsibility, repair harm and strengthen relationships. These conversations support our STARS values and help us maintain a school culture where students feel safe, respected, included and supported while learning important lifelong interpersonal skills.

Please also see the attached PDF document for more information.





P&C Day WA is only one week away!

Friday 22 May marks P&C Day WA — a special opportunity to recognise and celebrate the countless hours P&C volunteers dedicate to supporting school communities across Western Australia. Held during National Volunteering Week, this day acknowledges the incredible contribution P&Cs make to enriching school life for students, staff and families.

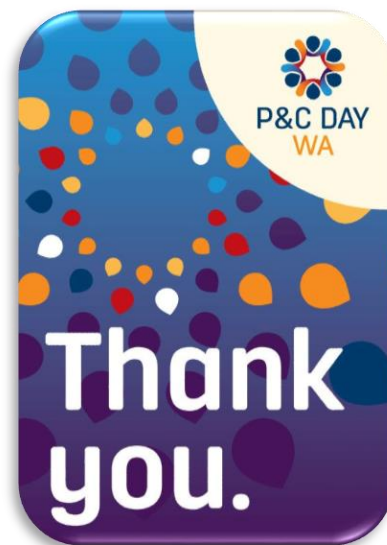
At Success Primary School, we are extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated and supportive P&C who work tirelessly behind the scenes to support our students and school community.

To celebrate and show our appreciation, we invite our community to visit the library before school from 8:15am on:

- Tuesday 19 May
- Wednesday 20 May
- Thursday 21 May

We would love for students, parents, carers and staff to drop by and write a special thank you message for our wonderful P&C volunteers.

P&C Day WA was created by WACSSO and is proudly supported by the WA Department of Education.



P&C PRESIDENT UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 2 is well underway and off to a vibrant start 😊

Rainbow Run

What an incredible way to begin the term. Week 1 ended with sunshine, colour, and an amazing turnout of volunteers who helped make the Rainbow Run such a memorable day for our students. The energy was electric, with many eager to be powdered and slimed. The bubble machine was also a standout favourite among all attendees. The feedback from teachers has been wonderfully positive, and it was beautiful to see the joy and excitement across the oval.

We were also joined by David Scaife, who enthusiastically ran the course with the Year 6s and was a great sport when it came time to be slimed by our highest fundraiser. Students and volunteers alike left the event smiling and looking like rainbows.

The Rainbow Run is our largest annual fundraising event and requires significant organisation and volunteer hours. We are delighted to announce that the **2026 Rainbow Run raised \$13,264.30** in donations 😊 an outstanding achievement and a testament to the generosity of our Success families. Thank you.

Funds from this event will go towards installing shade over our new play spaces. We are currently working with the School Administration to ensure installation is completed before next summer.

P&C Annual General Meeting





Our P&C AGM was held recently. Unfortunately, no new members attended, which was disheartening for our current committee, as new members are essential for a healthy and sustainable P&C. This shortage of volunteers meant we were unable to run the Mother's Day Stall, especially with the committee already managing the rescheduled Rainbow Run after the Term 1 weather cancellation.

However, after sharing an update with families about the challenges we were facing, we were overwhelmed by the number of parents who reached out wanting to help. Many attended our most recent General Meeting to see how they could contribute, and we are incredibly grateful.

We have now formed a **Fundraising Sub-Committee** to support upcoming events. Term 3 is always a busy fundraising term, and with the help of our new members, we are confident that our stalls and events can continue. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has stepped forward.

P&C Association Recognition Day is coming up on **Friday 22 May 2026**. This day, created by WACSSO and supported by the WA Department of Education, celebrates the contributions of P&C volunteers across the state. Keep an eye out for our post introducing our newest general committee members.

We are pleased to confirm that the Executive Committee from last year has been re-elected for 2026.

P&C Executive Committee 2026

- **President:** Erika Limina
- **Vice-President:** Janelle Edmondson
- **Secretary:** Alana Field
- **Treasurer:** Anam Asim
- **Fundraising & Events Organiser:** Caree Orchard
- **Second-Hand Uniform Manager:** Nadia Smyth

Day for Dolly

Last Friday, our Canteen Manager, Ebony, and her wonderful team decorated the canteen in blue to support *Dolly's Dream* — a National Day of Action promoting kindness and standing against bullying.

Through canteen window sales, the P&C raised **\$176.00**, with part proceeds being donated to the Dolly's Dream Foundation to support anti-bullying education and programs. Thank you to everyone who supported this important cause.

Chomp saw Allocation of Funding

The P&C is absolutely delighted to announce that funding has been approved for **five additional chomp saw devices for the art room!** This is a fantastic win for our students and will allow full whole-class participation, more hands-on creative learning, and bigger, more ambitious art projects than ever before.

These extra devices also strengthen our commitment to sustainable art practices, giving students even more opportunities to reuse cardboard and other recyclable materials in creative, meaningful ways.

We're also thrilled to share that, through the Rainbow Run, we received donated storage cardboard boxes from Storage King Cockburn. The P&C has kindly passed these on to the art room, they will be a perfect match for the chomp saw providing a steady supply of reusable cardboard for student projects.





A massive thank you to our Art Teacher Clare Hall, whose passion, groundwork, and evidence gathering brought this project to life. Clare's advocacy made it clear just how valuable this investment will be for every student across the school.

Stay Connected

Stay up to date by liking and following our **Families of Success Primary School** Facebook page.

The P&C remains committed to working hard for the greater good of our school community. **Many hands make light work.**

Kind regards,
Erika Limina
P&C President

As we approach National Reconciliation Week (NRW), we look forward to acknowledging and celebrating the importance of reconciliation within our school community. Held annually from 27 May to 3 June, these dates commemorate two significant milestones in Australia's reconciliation journey — the 1967 Referendum and the High Court Mabo Decision. National Reconciliation Week encourages all Australians to reflect on how we can continue to build respectful relationships and deepen understanding between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the wider Australian community. It is also an opportunity to recognise that we all have a role to play in valuing and respecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures and futures.

This year, we will be holding our first NRW Assembly on Tuesday 2 June, providing an opportunity for students and staff to come together to reflect on the importance of reconciliation within our school community. Our Senior Choir have been busy learning 'Beds are Burning' by Midnight Oil, a powerful song that highlights themes of justice, recognition and reconciliation. In addition, our Year 6 students from LC2.4 will speak about the history and significance of National Reconciliation Week and why it is important that we recognise and acknowledge it as a school community. We look forward to sharing this meaningful occasion together.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK



STAY CONNECTED AND INFORMED

Remember to download the Connect Now App on to your smart phone and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

<https://www.facebook.com/SuccessPrimary> and <https://instagram.com/successprimaryschool>

Information about our school can also be found on our website.
<https://www.successprimary.wa.edu.au/>

Have a great weekend.
Kind regards,
Natalie McRobb

