



NEWSLETTER

28TH JULY 2023 #5

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WHAT'S COMING UP IN JULY

18TH STUDENTS BEGIN TERM 3

21ST FACTION CROSS COUNTRY

31ST FEARLESS PPP SESSION
PARENT SESSION @ BEACHLANDS PS

31ST PEAC TESTING

WHAT'S COMING UP IN AUGUST

1ST- 2ND PEAC TESTING

2ND TALENTED YOUNG WRITERS
PROGRAM

3RD RM 6 ASSEMBLY
JEANS FOR GENES DAY

4TH NCVISSA CROSS COUNTRY



Welcome to Term 3 students, staff and families. I was very pleased to be able to announce my appointment last term as your substantive principal and I'm looking forward to working with the school community to continue to nurture and grow the "Walkaway Way."

Term 3 is typically a busy term with the inclusion of carnivals and events. In 2022 we made a concerted effort to ensure that we kept things calm and in track, as many of you battled illness and Covid fatigue. Student progress during that period was surprisingly strong despite the health challenges and interruptions. So, this term we plan to adopt a similar approach and will be focusing on making the most of every minute in the classroom. The Early Years classroom teams are exploring opportunities for cross setting to implement oral language interventions and target student needs across P-2.

While the Year 3-6 teams will continue to work collaboratively, crossing over for Science and Music and coming together for STEM and Numero. The Year 5-6 students are looking forward to seeing their bus stop artwork installed during the term.



The Faction Cross Country was again a success and it was so pleasing to observe the efforts of all students. One of the behaviour focus that has been reinforced by Mrs Nelson-Milnes is the notion that "it takes effort to achieve hard things" and for some students cross country is one of those hard things. Through their preparation in physical education lessons students were encouraged to set personal goals around the event, like running the whole way, or finishing the race, or not giving up! I think the results speak for themselves.

Thanks to all the families who came along to cheer students on.



Thursday 3rd August
Class Assembly



Term 3 is a key time for classroom teachers to analyse Semester 1 student data and plan the remainder of the year to ensure that students are on track to achieve expected outcomes. Student attendance is important all year round. We know that some absences are necessary, but I can not stress enough the impact of irregular attendance on your child's learning outcomes, sense of belonging and attitude and confidence around learning. Poor attendance habits can form very quickly and research tells us that when poor attendance is perpetuated and supported by families it leads to some very complex attendance issues later in a child's schooling journey. Please discuss any concerns or challenges you are having with attendance in your household.

Kind regards,

Norah Flanders

Principal

KINDY ENROLMENTS ARE NOW DUE!



If your child turns 4 years old before 30th June 2024 (born between 1st July 2019 - 30th June 2020) Please contact the office for an enrolment pack. The enrolment forms are also available on our website: walkawayps.wa.edu.au

If you know of any new families to the community, please encourage them to contact the office on 99260 200 for more information.

Our school photo day is

THURSDAY 24 AUGUST

- Please return all envelopes before the photo day even if you're not ordering
- Sibling envelopes are available from the office
- More information, please contact the office

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School Photography Specialists



On the 3rd August, the school will be supporting Jeans for Genes.

This is a fundraiser that our school has supported for many years to raise money for the Children's Medical Research Institute.

Students and Staff are able to wear denim/casual clothes for a gold coin donation.

Please support this worthwhile cause.

WK	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	July 17 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY	18 STUDENTS BEGIN	19	20	21 Faction Cross Country Pie Day is back!	22	23
2	24	25	26 Newsletter Items due	27 Newsletter	28	29	30
3	31 Fearless PPP (Parent session @ Beachlands PS) PEAC Testing (Yr 4 only)	August 1	2 Talented Young Writers Program	3 Jeans4Genes Day Rm 6 Assembly with Rm 1 Showing	4 NCVISSA Cross Country @Horrocks	5	6
4	7	8	9	10 Mingenew Expo Yrs 3-6	11	12	13
5	14	15	16 Author Visit Kitty Black (K- Yrs 2)	17	18 Faction Carnival	19	20
6	21	22	23	24 FOTOWORKS	25	26	27
7	28	29	30	31	September 1	2	3
8	4 Numero	5	6 Newsletter Items due	7 Newsletter	8 NCVISSA Athletics Carnival @Northampton	9	10
9	11	12	13	14 Rm 2 Assembly with Rm 6 Showing & Open Day RU Okay Day Coffee Van	15	16	17
10	18	19	20	21	22 END OF TERM	23	24