

# Keeping you in the loop...

**5 August 2020**

It has been a fabulous week at Southern Grove Primary!

This week we hosted two Walker Learning Study Tours and the visitors to our school were highly impressed with the teaching and learning environments and the way in which the students investigate. It was very rewarding to be told by the Walker Learning CEO that our school is one of the four top Walker Learning schools in Australia.

## **Traffic Management**

Thank you to those parents who have taken on board the traffic issues we have been experiencing and are following the road rules. We will be continuing to monitor the Kiss and Drive zones, car parks and the manner in which our community drive and park around our school. If necessary we will be taking photos of illegally parked cars to send to the Ranger, who will issue infringement notices. Please do the right thing.

## **COVID-19**

We continue to maintain our good hygiene practices and physical distancing whenever possible. We ask that parents also put this into practice during drop off and pick up times.

Starting on Monday 10 August we are returning to allowing parents to drop their children at the classrooms in the mornings. Our gates will open at 8:00am. This will mean all Kindy and Pre-primary students will need to be taken to their classrooms with a parent.

In order to follow protocols, we are requesting the following:

- Only 1 parent per child is to enter the grounds to drop off or pick up students
- Parents are not to enter the classrooms (unless meeting with the teacher)
- Siblings must not play on or with any equipment or resources
- Please remain 1.5 metres from other parents during this time
- Please follow good hygiene practices
- Please do not enter the school grounds if you are unwell
- Keep your child home if they are unwell

We will be opening the library from 8:00am for those parents who need to drop their children to school before 8:15am when classroom doors open.

Students should not arrive at school before 8:00am unless attending Running Club or Choir.

## **STEM day**

Next Friday we are holding a STEM day and your children will be engaged in a whole day incursion. During the day your children will be actively involved in the design process. We cannot wait to see what ideas your children come up with.

### Wheelie Wednesday

Our students in years 1-6 are loving the opportunity to bring their scooters or skates to school on Wednesdays. Please ensure your child has a helmet and the scooter is in good working order as we are unable to fix broken scooters.

### School Development Day

On Monday 17 August we have a School Development Day and students do not attend school. All staff will be off site on this day, including our office staff. Helping Hands are taking bookings for the day.

### Kindy or Pre-Primary 2021

Is your child starting Kindy or Pre-primary next year? If you have not yet completed an 'Application for Enrolment' form for Kindy or Pre-primary 2021 we ask that you do so immediately as the last day for applications was 24 July 2020. We have limited availability in Kindy for 2021.

### Will your child be leaving Southern Grove at the end of this year?

As we begin to look at staffing and class structures for 2021 it is important that we know how many students we will have in each year level. If your child(ren) will be leaving Southern Grove next year please let Melissa know via email [Melissa.devries@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Melissa.devries@education.wa.edu.au) as soon as possible.

Stay healthy and happy!

*Kind regards,*

*Bec Burns*  
Principal

## Together we grow...

