DIARY DATES - TERM 2

What’s on in the next two weeks?

Week 4
- Thur 30 May: Assembly 8:45am Room 3; Tuckshop (Rms 1 & 18)
- Fri 31 May: Eagles Cup 1:30 – 2:30pm; Bateman V Shelley

Week 5
- Mon 3 June: Western Australia Day (Public Holiday)
- Tues 4 June: Swimming Lessons commence Yrs P - 7
- Fri 7 June: Eagles Cup 1:30 – 2:30pm; Shelley V Burrendah

From the desk of the Principal .......

Dear Readers

Premier’s Summer Reading Challenge 2012 - 2013
The Reading Challenge (in support of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Western Australia) was a great success with thousands of students participating across the state. The Challenge reinforces the efforts of teachers and school staff to develop students’ reading and literacy skills which are so important in life.

Congratulations to the following students from Shelley who participated in the Challenge: Booke H, Manudi K, Juston S, Roxanne A, Jin Cheng C, Elodie F, Rafi M, and Rakib M.

Tough Love
Last Saturday’s Weekend West featured a front page article Tough Love about initiatives St Hilda’s Anglican School is taking to develop resilience and life skills. Praise will be minimised, less reward stickers will be given out and students will attempt work which they which they will most likely fail to successfully complete.

The rationale for this approach is to develop in students a more realistic ‘take on life’. In the real world we won’t always succeed at everything we try, we may not get praised for having a go at everything we do and sometimes our best may not always be that brilliant. This is the reality of life. Setting unrealistic expectations and over use of praise will not necessarily lead to higher achieving, more resilient students. What the St Hilda’s approach is predicated on is research indicating that self-respect and self control may be better predictors of school success rather than self-esteem. It could also be argued from the article that self-esteem could in some situations become inflated by over use of encouragement. This could cause issues for children later in life.

If one accepts the premise of the article (and I would be keen to get your feedback if you have read it) then resilience which is a focus of our pastoral care program at Shelley is closely aligned to St Hilda’s approach. Resiliency is about providing people with the necessary coping and problem solving skills to effectively deal with a range of situations they are likely to encounter in life. We also use encouragement, stickers and other rewards but I believe we use them appropriately so that they are valued and sought after by our students.

Sick Students
The cold & flu season is in full swing now with student absences starting to increase. Parents/caregivers are encouraged to keep sick students at home until their period of contagiousness has diminished. I am not a doctor but for most infections the risk of passing on a bug is significantly reduced after 3 or 4 days. If you need to keep your child home due to illness please let the school know. Whilst they recuperate the best school related work they can do is to read a book or go over whatever work they have in their bag.

Meeting with Dr Mike Nehan
Our School Council Chairperson Mark Buntine and I have been invited to attend a breakfast meeting with other community leaders at the office of our local member of parliament. At the meeting I will be providing an overview of the school.

Regards,
Steve
Thank you to Kelly who has been working at our school as a cleaner for 2 years. Kelly has now finished Uni and is heading into the workforce. We wish her well in her chosen career path and thank her for her time at Shelley Primary School.

If you are or if you know someone who may be interested in a cleaner’s job (3 hours per day – early morning) please see Ms Good in the school office.

SWIMMING LESSONS
START AFTER THE LONG WEEKEND

All children in Pre-Primary to Year 7 will be participating in our inter-school swimming lessons from TUESDAY 4 June.

Students can come dressed in their school uniform with their bathers beneath their clothes. A separate labelled bag containing towel, underclothes and thongs needs to be brought to school each day. Thongs can be worn to and from the pool; however, they are not suitable or safe for the entire day. Long hair should be tied back and please do not wear jewellery or bring expensive items to swimming classes.

Please label all items as the school will not be responsible for any lost items. Children are encouraged to be responsible over the 9 days.

Session Times:
9:15am Rms 12, 7 & 4
10:00am Rms 11, 3 & 8
10:45am Rms 9, 6 & 13
11:55am Rms 10, 5 & 17
12:40pm Rms 1 & 14
1:25pm Rms 15 & 18

EAGLES CUP - INTER SCHOOL SPORT
SHELLEY V ROSSMOYNE

Last Friday Shelley competed against Rossmoyne Primary in the Eagles Cup. We were able to defeat Rossmoyne in A & B Netball, A & B Soccer and Hockey. Our football team played courageously but were defeated. Congratulations go to all students participating, your behaviour, team efforts and team spirit once again displayed the high Shelley standards. Thank you to all parents who came along to support the teams.

NEW TEAM MEMBER JOINS TECH TEAM

Congratulations to Phillip from Year 6 who has joined Curtis and Adam in our ICT team for 2013. Phillip is helping the ICT team with the I-Pads.

PRE PRIMARY DENTAL SCREENING RESCHEDULED

Unfortunately the dentist on duty called in sick, all appointment had to be cancelled. Appointment has been rescheduled for Thursday, 20 June at 1:15pm.

SHELLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL MATHS OLYMPIAD TEAM

Our Maths Olympiad Team sat their first competition on Wednesday 22 May. Our team performed well.

The following students achieved a perfect score:

Lucy Z  Year 7
Lisa Q  Year 7
Curtis B  Year 7

Well done to our whole team. The next Maths Olympiad competition will be held on Wednesday 12 June.
**SOME INTERESTING AND THOUGHT-PROVOKING STATISTICS**

Griffin Longley from Nature Play WA recently shared some very real statistics to a group of parents from a neighbouring school about the change in childhood play.

**Did you know?**

If a television is located in a room where families communicate, the number of words spoken drops from 6000 to 500.

Our ten year old children are taking 2000 steps fewer per day than the number required to prevent childhood obesity.

Our children are spending 600 hours at school, 1200 hours with family and 1900 hours in front of a screen.

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**P & C NEWS**

**P&C ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS FUNDRAISER**

Thank you to parents for purchasing their Entertainment Books in support of Shelley Primary's P&C Fundraising. Thank you also for returning unwanted books in a promptly manner.

There are some outstanding Entertainment Books that either haven't been paid for or returned to the school office. You can make payment online or fill in the green order form that was delivered with each book and leave in the specially marked payment box in the school office. There is a box in the office for book returns also.

A sample of the book is available to be viewed at the school office. Parents, teachers and the community still have the opportunity to order books. There are order forms in the school office for parents and in the staffroom for school staff.

Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions please give me a call. Michelle 0410654078

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**SCHOOL BANKING DAY**

**TUESDAY BEFORE SCHOOL AT 8:30AM**

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**COMMUNICARE OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE CELEBRATES 10 YEARS**

Communicare has been servicing the families of your school with morning drop offs and afternoon pick ups for the last 10 years and would like to invite all past and present families to our celebrations.

Our celebration to mark this momentous occasion will be held on Wednesday June 26th, from 4:00pm until 6:00pm, at our Communicare Out of School Hours Care premises (Noongar Way, Riverton).

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**SCHOOL DRUG EDUCATION AND ROAD AWARE (SDERA)**

School Drug Education and Road Aware (SDERA) is the WA State Government’s primary drug and road safety education strategy. Their purpose is to prevent road related injuries and the harms from drug use.

**2013 TERM 2 SDERA NEWS**

Please click on the link below to access the SDERA e-newsletter:

[SDERA E-Newsletter for Term 2 2013](http://www.sdera.wa.edu.au)

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**PARENTING IDEAS MAGAZINE**

Welcome to Issue 8 of Parenting Ideas Magazine with great tips and advice to help you raise happy children. Parenting Ideas Magazine is free for parents/carers to access.

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