Dear Parents/Caregivers,
The role you play in your children's education is vital in helping them become happy and confident learners at school. To assist you, a series of booklets is available online at the Department's parent website, *Schools and You*. They include great games, activities and ideas that your children will love. Go to [www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolsandyou](http://www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolsandyou) to find ways in which you can help with numbers, reading, writing and spelling.

**Staff Carpark**
Once again I must remind all parents and carers that the staff carpark is for staff only. Parents tearing in and out of the area at peak times are creating a hazard and you are putting lives at stake. Staff members are backing out to leave the parking area, service vehicles are coming and going and there is an expectation that there are no children in the carpark. You will be aware that little people behind vehicles are very difficult to see. Please do not say to staff members who caution you about the parking that it is none of their business. It is our business to provide duty of care at all times.

**Parent Survey**
Thank you to the 15 parents who have completed the survey and for expressing your views about our school. I would like to see many more responses, you can access the survey at [http://apps.det.wa.edu.au/dest/58492](http://apps.det.wa.edu.au/dest/58492). Just a reminder from the last newsletter that we had only 76 families with email addresses. Since then we’ve had several more, so I’m hoping that the number of parents and carers with access to emails will increase.

**Holiday on Tuesday**
Please be reminded that on Easter Tuesday the school will be closed.

**Asthma Assist Care Monkeys**
We are an asthma friendly school and have health plans for children with asthma and receive the newsletter from the Asthma Foundation WA. They suggested that we put the following insert into this addition of the newsletter.

**Asthma Inhaler Recall**
Asthma Australia have advised that GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) and Alphapharmare are undertaking a voluntary recall of several batches of Ventolin and Asmol inhalers due to a fault in the delivery mechanism of a small number of inhalers within each batch. This can lead to less than the full dose being delivered for each puff.

The only batches affected are as follows:
- Ventolin Batch numbers KN7170, KN7173, KN7178, and KN 7179.
- Asmol Batch Numbers KL6790, KL6795, KL6796, KL6797, KL6798 and KL6799.

If you have an asthma inhaler (puffer) which matches any of the above batches, take the inhaler to your pharmacy and exchange it for a new one.

For more information contact your local Asthma Foundation on 1800ASTHMA (1800 278 462).

**IPhones and IPods**
All the above must be handed into the office on arrival and signed out after three o’clock.

Have a wonderful break over the Easter period, enjoy the family, drive carefully and come back to us safely.

Cheers, Marg
The year 3/4 class of B6 have done a wonderful Dr Seuss display in the library, congratulations! We celebrated World Dr. Seuss Day on March 2nd by doing:
- Oil crayon Dr Seuss characters
- Making a Cat in The Hat peg holder.
- Researching Dr. Seuss
- Inviting year 2 (B5) to be our friends in the library and making them a Cat in the Hat peg holder.
We also had a Dr Seuss competition and the winners were presented with their prizes at assembly yesterday. The winners were Kayla Luckman C6, Te-Awamairangi Raharaha B4 and Ruth Gilbert C1.

We are losing a few books a week because of WATER DAMAGE. Please be aware that iced bottles in a child’s bag will condense and cause nearby articles to get wet. Tops on bottles need to be tight too.
Happy Easter everyone
Helen McGinniss & Claire Brockway

Funky Hair Day

A BIG thank you to everyone who participated in “Funky Hair Tuesday”, fundraising for the Leukaemia Foundation. A lot of fun, laughs and some very funky hairstyles were had. A total of $261.30 was raised which will go toward this very worthy cause.

Congratulations to all of the following students who received honour certificates.

A Block recipients
A1 Jake Richardson  Bree Hancock
A5 Darren Button  Jason Falconer
A6 Ivy Sheedy  Tahlia Vincent
A7 Corey Button  Toran Joslin

B Block recipients
B2 Ruby Livingstone  Jaxon Aquino
B3 Jayla Wallace  Elizabeth Butler
B4 Aliya Harharha  Luke Barnes
B5 Riddhi Kanojia  Rebecca Gibb
B6 Brooke Jones  Jazzie Donnelly

C Block recipients
C1 Breeanna Burslem  Reese Ryder
C4 Charlize Jenkins  Hapai Smith
C6 Shontae Coyne  Raymond Evans

LA1 Magenta Marich  Allira Pritchard
LA2 Daniel Edgecumbe  Zoe Fitzhardinge

Sport Tahlia Vincent  Jayden Swanton
Helping your child with maths

An important part of learning almost anything, is to understand it.

Talking with your child about unexpected things helps that understanding grow. For example:

- Sometimes small things can be heavier than big things depending on what they are made of or contain.
- A tall thin container may hold much less water than a short fat container.
- Sometimes children write one hundred and one (101) as 1001 because they write 100 and then add the 1 at the end.
- Using a calculator can also help. Talk about the keys including the signs.
- A calculator will "count" if you press the keys 1+1====, which is very useful when a child is unsure of what number comes next. You can start 97+1== and discover what comes after 99 and what it looks like.

Kira sharing her problem solving strategies with our class.

Sports News

Harmony Day basketball carnival

Last Wednesday 14 of our year 6 and 7 students spent the day at Swan View Senior High School competing in their annual Harmony Day Basketball carnival. Six schools participated with each having a championship division and a division 2 team. As is always the case, our students behaved beautifully and they all had a great day.

Our Championship division team played very well, winning 5 games, drawing 2 games and losing 3 games. This team finished in 3rd place and really developed their play during the day. Terrence Taylor won most valuable player in this team and other players to do really well were Jack Eades, Jovic Lana and Alicia Clinch.

Our division 2 team were the only team in both divisions to win EVERY game they played. Although the games were short, they won most games by 6-10 points which was a fantastic effort. Players in the division 2 team were Tahlia Vincent (Captain), Byron Walley, Corey Button, Caelan Toki, Jason Falconer, Caitlin Tyson and Cooper Harrison. These players all deserve huge congratulations for the way they played - the team spirit and great sportsmanship they displayed all day was so pleasing to see.

Well done to all our students who participated, they once again represented our school brilliantly.

Mr Peterson
Dear Parents/Carers

Congratulations to: 1st prize E. White, 2nd prize Jessica Donaldson and 3rd prize Niamh Donaldson and Leonie Harrison for the non chocolate as winners for the Easter raffle.

We are asking for Mother’s Day stall donations again please, there is a collection box in the front office and we thank you for supporting the P and C.

The stal will be held on **Friday the 10th of May**, for students from pre primary through to year 7. This is the first Friday back after the Term one holidays.

The next P and C meeting will be held on Tuesday the 9th April in the library. All parents/carers are welcome to attend. Terri Burke, President.

Welcome back to Book club. There are currently two brochures. Orders for the regular brochure close Thursday 25th April. The clearance brochure orders must be in by next Thursday 4th April. We are also looking for a volunteer to continue co-ordinating the book club for the school. If you would like to know more please leave your name at the office. Milka Harrison

**Cookbook:** “Let’s Cook” the Swan View Primary School cookbook is still available. Pick up your copy from the canteen for $5.00. We are still in need of volunteers, if you have any spare time please contact Teresa at the canteen. Thank you. Teresa Elzer

**Canteen News**

What a fantastic result for our second fundraising sausage sizzle which was held last Monday with over 170 orders. The helpers were rushed off their feet and we well and truly eclipsed the amount that was raised two weeks ago.

Many thanks to our intrepid band of helpers, Gaye Vincent, Rebecca Voice, Roseanne Kemp, Tereza Elzer and of course Dave Doyle who does such a great job on the BBQ.

Mrs Elzer has asked if orders for future sausage sizzles could please be in by the Friday before. Congratulations go to Trey Robinett from C1 who is the lucky winner of the $10.00 canteen voucher.

Our last fundraiser for the term will be on Monday April 15th. Please support our year 7 students in their fund raising efforts for the Rottnest Camp.

Ross Tompkins

**School Banking**

School banking day has changed for Kindy, Pre Primary and Year 1. it is now to be held on **Wednesdays** in the early childhood area from 8.15-8.45

If you are unable to make it for Wednesday please feel free to come in on Thursday in C Block.

Years 2-7 will still be held on Thursdays in C Block from 8.00am-8.45am. Catherine Swanton.

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**Swan View SHS Year 8 information session & school tour**

**When:** Thursday 11th April, 3 sessions available

**Where:** Swan View SHS Library

An opportunity for parents and students to meet the principal and learn about the range of innovative programs on offer at Swan View. Sessions will run from 3.15 to 4pm, 4.15 to 5pm and 5.15 to 6pm. Contact Swan View on 9294 0100 to register your interest.