

MELVILLE NEWS

Edition 1
9 February 2018



Dear Parents and Guardians

The 2018 school year is off to a flying start with 692 children ensconced in 24 classes. We have welcomed 44 new students from Pre-primary to Year 6 plus 79 kindergarten students, so we have many new families in our community. I know you will make them all feel welcome and will take the opportunity to mix together at the **Twilight Harmony Picnic on Friday 16th March** on the school oval. More details will be distributed in the coming weeks.

We also welcome 5 new staff; James Bland in Year 2 J2, Abi Temby Year 6 S2 and Angela Delury Music. We also have two new education assistants Jema Ritchie and Amanda Johns.

Tuesday the 13th of February will be the Parent Information evening starting at 6:30pm in the undercover area. I will give a short 15 minute presentation and introduce the School Board members. Jo Webb president of the P&C will also give a 5 minute talk about their future directions. Parents will then move to classes to hear a 30 minute presentation from the teacher. There will be 3 handouts available to you from your child's teacher containing information from them, the Admin team and P&C. We understand that you won't be able to get to a see all your childrens' teachers so we suggest if possible both parents attend, or you attend the class of your child you may have concerns about, or take the opportunity to listen to the teacher you have not met before.

Please remember this is an information evening only. There will be an opportunity to meet individually with the teacher for a more formal meeting during the semester. If you are unable to get to your child's teacher, either ask for the pamphlets in person or have them emailed to you.

Another important date for your diaries is the **P&C AGM on Wednesday 7th March commencing at 7:30pm.** All executive positions will be declared vacant, so if you have been thinking about increasing your contributions to the school community we would welcome your attendance.

The term planner is on the back page. Please note dates for swimming carnivals for year 4 to 6 students.

For those of you who like to have an extra-long weekend away, the students will have Friday 1st and Tuesday 5th June added to the Western Australia Day holiday weekend. Staff will be involved in professional learning on those days.

As parents, your contributions to the school are highly valued. Your role as partners in your child's education is essential. Communication and respectful relationships make the education journey a positive one for all.

Have a wonderful weekend in this lovely mild summer weather.

Betty McNeill - Principal

What's On!

Uniform Shop Open
Every Wed 8.15 - 9.15am

Y5 & 6 Beach Swimming
Continues until Fri 16th Feb

Parent Information Evening
Tue 13th Feb at 6.30pm

Assembly - J4
Fri 23rd Feb

P&C AGM
Wed 7th Mar at 7.30pm

Harmony Day Twilight Picnic
Fri 16th Mar

TERM DATES 2018

Term 1

Wed 31st Jan to Fri 13th Apr

Term 2

Mon 30th Apr to Fri 29th Jun

Term 3

Tue 17th Jul to Fri 21st Sep

Term 4

Tue 9th Oct to Thu 13th Dec

MSSH IMPORTANT DATES FOR YEARS 4-6

Gifted & Talented Secondary Selective Applications close	Year 6	Sunday 11 February
Specialist Applications Close	Yrs 5-6	Friday 9 March
Gifted & Talented Testing	Year 6	Saturday 17 March
Specialist Testing Day	Yrs 5-6	Saturday 24 March
West Coast Fever 4-5 Netball Carnival	Yrs 4-5	Thursday 2 August (TBC)
High School Transition Day (One of two days)	Year 6	Thurs & Fri 29-30 Nov

Melville Primary School Calendar

Term 1 2018

Week	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	28 Jan	29 PL Day	30 PL Day	31 Students Commence 2018	1 Feb	2	3
2	4	5 Yr 6 Parent Camp Meeting 6pm Swimming @ Coogee Beach Y5/6	6	7	8	9	10
3	11	12	13 Parent Info Evening 6.30pm	14	15	16	17
4	18	19 School Board	20	21	22	23	24 Busy Bee ECC
5	25	26	27	28	1 Mar Market Day Y6	2	3
6	4 High Clean of School	5 Labour Day Holiday	6	7	8	9	10
7	11	12 Faction Swimming Carnival (pm)	13	14	15	16	17
8	18	19 Rottnest Camp Yr 6	20	21 Science Incursion Y3-5	22 Science Incursion Y3-5	23	24
9	25	26 School Board	27	28	29	30 Good Friday	31
10	1 Apr	2 Easter Monday	3 Easter Tuesday	4 Interschool Swimming Carnival (am) P&C Meet	5	6	7
11	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
						Assembly – E5	