What's On

Primary School
Week 4

Keith Newby
Primary Principal

Primary College
Tuesday 23 February 2016

Adventure Camps & Adventure Playgrounds

Tomorrow (Wednesday 24 Feb) is our first assembly for the year and will commence at 8:45 in the undercover area. Mrs Koller’s Year Two class will be running the show and always put on an entertaining show. Merit certificates and some other acknowledgments will be made so we hope to see lots of parents and relatives. A reminder, too, that this will be followed by a ‘New Parents’ morning tea. If you are new to the College this year but have not registered we would still love for you to attend and to meet some of the other new families over a cup of tea and a scone.

Last week we held our first Year Six camp at Boshack Adventure Camps out the back of beyond somewhere between Toodyay and Bindoon. You can see from the photos that this was a scenic spot offering all sorts of adventures for our students and teachers. I had the privilege of visiting and staying overnight and was most impressed with the range of activities on offer in the program and the attitude and behaviour of our students. The Camp Director complimented me on the students’ manners - always pleasing to receive such feedback.

Don’t forget our Radio Station 87.6 ‘The Sound of Austin Cove’. This is a twenty four hour station and the program is compiled and managed by our secondary media students. We encourage you to tune in and enjoy what the station has to offer. Another way of being informed about the College is to visit our website and to browse its contents. We work hard to keep it ‘fresh’ and some of the latest additions include the recent edition of What’s On in both the Primary and the Secondary Schools and our photo gallery includes photos of Pancake Tuesday, the Year Two science activities and the Boshack Camp.

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The Primary School has sought to clarify its position on the use of sugary foods in our ‘Lolly Policy’ which can be found on the website under Policies.

Basically, the use of sweets as a reward for children in school is strongly discouraged. Of concern also has been the number of students coming to school with lolly pops and chocolates in their lunch boxes. Teachers on duty have been concerned at the risk posed by children running around with the lolly pop stick in their mouth. We ask that parents consider replacing such items with healthier choices such as dried fruit and snack bars.

We have been encouraging teachers to visit the Austin Lakes Adventurescape Fun Park over the road from the College. It is a wonderful place for safe, creative play and exercise so do not be surprised if your child says that they visited it during the school day. As part of our safety management process teachers take a MOBILE and first aid duty bag.

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Kiss and Drive
It has been brought to our attention that some people are using the Kiss and Drive area as a parking area. This is making it hard for those who would like to pickup/drop off and go. Please remember that Kiss and Drive is a drop off and pickup area only and cars are not to be left unattended. There is a designated area at the end of Kiss and Drive for afterschool care vehicles only.

A Worthy Cause
The school frequently receives requests to help fund raise for worthy causes. It is not possible to respond to all as we have specific causes we support on an ongoing basis. Among these are our Compassion Child Andika Al Afwan in Indonesia and Canteen. The following information about Burrumbuttock Hay Runners may be something people wish to support personally.

The "Burrumbuttock Hay runners" have completed 9 successful hay runs and hoping to continue helping our farmers in drought affected areas.

To help our farmers who are facing real hardship in the face of severe drought, get on board and help Brendan and his team out by donating today!

Donations are to be made to the Rotary Club of Sydney as they handle all monetary donations on our behalf as we are not an organisation, just a bunch of blokes trying to help out a fellow Aussie in times of hardship.

BSB: 062 438
ACC: 10211156
Description: Drought Appeal

Satterley Adventure Park and playground use
From Mid Term 1 Primary classes will be given the option of going off campus to use the Adventure Park in Austin Lakes.

Teachers will be able to sign their classes out and take a supervised play session at the new adventure park. Parents will be notified of any upcoming off campus visits to the Adventure playground via the ‘today we learnt’ function of the school management system. Teachers will be required to take a first aid kit and phone in the unlikely event of an emergency.

We hope that this new addition to the local community with enhance the student’s play time and discovery whilst at school.

A1 Fun
A1 Fun has commenced an after school care program and collects students from Austin Cove Baptist College and busses them to their premises in Mandurah. Once the Secondary School has relocated and we have moved into the extra facilities the program will be offered here on campus at the College. For more information contact Sue Gilbert at A1 Fun on 9534 7233 or 0438 198 808
Metamorphosis in Year 2

There is some excitement in Mrs Koller’s 2V Class, as their Monarch Caterpillars go through their metamorphosis stage and become Monarch Butterflies.

Year 6 Boshack Adventure Camp
PAYING OF SCHOOL FEES IN 2016 DIRECT DEBIT

A reminder that if there are any changes to the frequency or bank account details that you have previously provided the school with from which your annual, semester, termly or monthly payments are made, please notify the school as soon as possible. Unless we are informed otherwise, your information from 2015 will be used in 2016.

Direct Debts will continue to be made as follows:

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2016 School Fees

The Board of the College has set the following fees for 2016.

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The 2016 fees for Austin Cove Baptist College Primary will include the College Fees and new Resources Fee. Combined, these two fees will increase the parent contribution by $7.50 per week.

The 2016 fees for Austin Cove Baptist College Secondary will include the College Fees and the new Resource Fee. Combined, these two fees will increase the parent contribution by $9.30 per week.

Family discounts apply to the College Fees but not to the Resources Fee

For the next year the College Board has needed to add a Resources Fee to Cover the cost of providing new buildings, establishing new grounds, equipment, insurances, licences, materials, selected publications and computer internet, computer software and other resources that complement the delivery of the college’s academic programmes.

One of the resource improvements will be the college’s internet connection which will allow the college staff and students to unlimited data on carrier grade fibre optic cable. This will enable the college staff and students to access many more educational resources than we have ever had before.
Information Update

Change of Details

It is imperative that the College has accurate information regarding your child/children in the event of an emergency. Therefore, we request all parents advise the College Office of any changes to address, medical or personal details immediately, by completing a Personal Information Update form, available from Student Services.

Uniform Shop

Please note the Uniform Shop Hours for 2016:
Monday 8.00am - 10.00am
Tuesday 8.00am - 10.00am
Thursday 8.00am - 10.00am
Friday 8.00am - 10.00am

Please note that the Uniform Shop will be closed on Wednesdays.

Uniform Fittings are Available between 10:00am and 12:00pm (Excluding Wednesdays)
Booking Required please email uniformshop@acbc.wa.edu.au

College E-mails

Emails
Please note that the following College emails have changed:

Reception
primary@acbc.wa.edu.au
secondary@acbc.wa.edu.au

Absentee
primaryabsentee@acbc.wa.edu.au
secondaryabsentee@acbc.wa.edu.au

Student Services
primarystudents@acbc.wa.edu.au
secondarystudents@acbc.wa.edu.au

Please use the new emails above for all future correspondence with the College.

College News

The Austin Cove Baptist College Primary School Newsletter will be emailed to all families fortnightly. Should you wish to receive the Newsletter in a hardcopy please email Primary Reception on primary@acbc.wa.edu.au.

Our Newsletters can also be found on the College website www.acbc.wa.edu.au.

2016 Term Dates

Term 1
Monday 1 February to Thursday 7 April

Term 2
Tuesday 26 April to Thursday 30 June

Term 3
Tuesday 19 July to Thursday 22 September

Term 4
Monday 10 October to Thursday 8 December
IN THE PIPELINE...
Welcome to Term 1. We are currently planning some exciting fundraisers for the 2016 year. Watch this space or keep an eye on the Facebook page…or come along to our P&F meetings.

COMING SOON: NEW FAMILY P&F WELCOME PACK
The production of a P&F welcome pack is currently underway. This pack will include details about our role within the school, our meetings and an overview of the fundraisers we run. It will include the snack shack menu and details about when it runs etc. We will also include Facebook page details including the Sports Page and Buy and Sell etc.

If you can think of any other handy pieces of information to include, we welcome any ideas.

CALENDARS
The P&F has designed a calendar to suit our school’s term dates and school holidays, WA public holidays and importantly the P&F meeting dates. This is super handy for planning your year. They have a magnet attached to the reverse side so they can be easily displayed on your fridge. The magnets are for sale at $4 per calendar.

A big thank you to the businesses who advertised with us, they include Austin Cove Community Church, James St Cruise and Travel, Mercer Harries First National and Peel Tinting and Windscreens.

If you would like more information on how to purchase your calendar, please do not hesitate to ask us.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE VACANCIES 2016
Sadly there are a handful of the Executive Committee members who will be standing down from their positions on the P&F Executive Committee this year. Now is the time to start thinking about whether you could potentially take on one of these roles. An AGM will be held in March to fill these positions. If you would like more information on what it takes to be a committee member, do not hesitate to contact us. An explanation of each role has been given on our Facebook page, otherwise simply ask us.

PnF MEETINGS
Our next P&F general meeting will be held Wednesday 24 February 2016 at 3.15pm. All parents are welcome along. It is a great forum for discussion on any issue relating to the College. Hope to see you there!
For all of the latest on the P&F, find us on Facebook. It is a great source of information on the latest topics and issues concerning Austin Cove Parents.
Community Page

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