

ASESC Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 5 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Well we are already half way through Term 4 and over 85% of the way through the year!

As we prepare for our leaving students to finish school, for the end of year rewards and celebrations as well as beginning reporting and planning for 2020, we also reflect on the students' success over the year. It is so fabulous to see and hear how much students have learned over the year in all areas of their learning; academic, social and emotional. Each child is doing more and to a higher standard than at the beginning of the year. They are also happy (as happy as teenagers can be to come to school) which is a great indicator that they have a sense of belonging in our school.

As you will read we have several exciting events coming up in the next few weeks; PBS reward Unity Day, several class excursions and camps as well as graduation of several students, so the next newsletter will be full of photos so you can read all about their exciting activities.

We are currently preparing for 2020 and as many of you know we will be moving out of the whole administration/classroom block at the end of term to allow builders to come in so we will be operating out of demountable office areas for at least Term 1 2020.

We are also still intending to close at 2.30pm each alternate (even) week on a Tuesday to allow for staff planning and preparation to ensure we are always providing the very best education for your child that we can.

Happy reading!

Warm Regards,

Karen Campbell

If you haven't already, please pay your contributions and charges for the 2019 school year by 18th December.

Mobile Phone Policy for 2020

From the start of Term 1, 2020 there will be a ban on the use of mobile phones for all students from the time they arrive at school to the end of the school day. Further information about specifics for our school will be available at a later date.



A1 Class Report

Term 4 has presented itself with many achievements from all students in A1. Apart from working hard to achieve their goals, there have been lots of fun activities. In Science this term we have looked at sources of heat. In order to do this A1 students have been going into the A7 kitchen to look at heat sources in the kitchen and what they may see around their own home. During these lessons we reviewed comparisons of hot and cold items in the room. Whilst in the kitchen all students had the opportunity to observe changes from cold to hot and liquid to solid by watching cooking what heat can do. All students were able to communicate correct answers about heat.



Shannon make pikelets in an electric fry pan.



Shania made scrambled eggs on a stove.



Kate waited for the water to boil in a saucepan on a stove.



A1 students have enjoyed the social and relaxing aspect of activities. Kate loved having her nails painted as a reward for attending swimming, while Finlay enjoyed conversations in the gazebo and Shania showed us how relaxed she was in the pool.



A4 Class Report

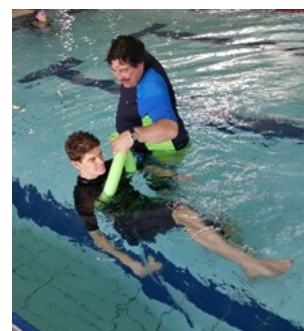
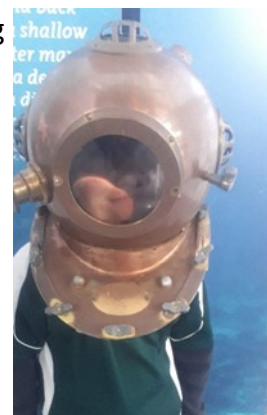
Five weeks down, five weeks to go to the end of the school year and A4 are still working hard towards their IEP goals, while still managing to have some fun and enjoyment on the way. All students are displaying positive attitudes to their school work and are embracing the changes to routines and the school environment, with the start of the refurbishments to NASHS and ADESC moving ahead this term.

Sam and Gus have responded extremely well to the hands on activities and strategies of Yumi maths and their progress and enjoyment is pleasing to see. Christoff has worked diligently on his ASDAN units and life skills, while Hamish grows in confidence allowing him to pursue new activities willingly and successfully. All students are learning and completing life cycles of animal and plants in Science enthusiastically. Bush Rangers continues to excite all with students participating in some amazing displays and interactive activities at the Albany Residency Museum. Gus was wowed by the birthday celebrations and chocolate cake on his birthday at the Emu Point Café and his reaction to the whole café joining in to sing happy birthday had him dancing on the table, well almost!!

All students will enjoy a unity PBS reward day full of activities on the 22 November, whilst Christoff will attend his graduation night later that evening at the Entertainment Centre where he will receive his graduation certificate, great effort Christoff!!

Thank you to all staff, parents and carers for your continued cooperation in ensuring that students remain positive and focused during this last term.

Thank you
John Jarzabek, A4 Coordinating Teacher.



A5 Class Report

A5 are having a fantastic term so far. They are all very energetic and are really enjoying being at school. The students are learning about needs and wants and diversity. They have found the information really interesting and have been able to see that access to needs may vary depending on where you live and what your circumstances are.

We are also cooking again this term. The students have made flat bread, dips, sausage rolls and pizzas. They are learning to use knives appropriately, to measure out ingredients and to work together.

In Maths we have been learning about grouping and the students have been multiplying using the stacking method which they are doing very well. In literacy they are writing stories and using ICT to edit and to assist them with flow. The students are still enjoying swimming and we are seeing good improvement in their skills.



A6 Class Report

It has been another terrific start to a term in the A6 classroom. All of the students have been working terrifically well and are excited to see the end of the year approaching. I would like to congratulate the students involved in the parent afternoon tea performance. The time and effort they put in was amazing and I think that it showed during their performance on the day. I would to thank Mrs Artemis and all of the students for their efforts.

In class the students have been learning about the earlier settlers to Albany and the challenges faced by them and the Noongar people of the area. The students have been study some of the traditional stories of the Menang people. The students have also looked at the differences between living in 1826 compared to present day. I have enjoyed all the students' efforts and look forward to ending the year well.

Mr T Claessens



A8 Class Report

The students in A8 have begun the final term of the year magnificently and are working extremely hard to complete their learning goals across many learning areas. In Science the students planned, and are now making, some sensational models which transform chemical and electrical energy in to another type of energy. In Mathematics, some students have been using a variety of blocks, counters, desks and number lines to distinguish between multiplication and division, whilst in History, they have identified some of the roles that slaves undertook in Ancient Rome.

The class are very much looking forward to the upcoming camping trip in week eight and have started preparing by making sausage rolls for lunch boxes. A big thank you must be offered to all the staff and parents who supported the class at the fundraiser sausage sizzles, as well as Mr Peter Watson for his very generous contribution. The trip will compliment and consolidate the students' learning programs in Mathematics and Science, and give them vital practical experience in their literacy and numeracy programs. I think that the camp is going to be a great finale to the year!

Mark Turner

Teacher – A8



Zac connected his circuit when making an electric toothbrush.

Chad transformed the chemical energy from the battery into electrical, light and heat energy in order to make a lighthouse.



A9 Class Report

This term has been packed with activities in A9 classroom.

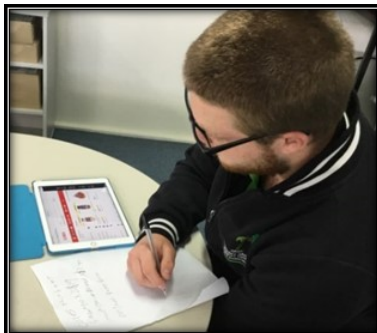
The A9 students, have been planning and collating the first ever ADESC Leavers' Magazine, as part of their Certificate I in Business course. We are waiting in anticipation for magazine's delivery at school!

Several students in A9 have now passed their Learner's Permit through their participation in the 80 hours of lessons and a test in the Keys for Life Driver Education program. Congratulations to these students on your first step to independence; Braedon, Kynon and Emily.



Other programs the students have been actively participating in include; morning fitness, social skills, Drug and Alcohol Safety (based on SDERA resources), Literacy and Numeracy in practical activities including budgeting. Some students are also combining part-time work with part-time school. Great effort Adam, Sam and Emily.

The A9 coffee enterprise, Tea Coffee Team, has had it's last week of production. A huge thank you to all the staff who have purchased products from the enterprise. Braedon, our supervisor, has arranged to donate monies earned from the enterprise to Albany State Emergency Services, to purchase a new coffee machine for ADESC and for the A9 students to go an excursion to Emu Point.



Some students are beginning to focus on 'life after school'. We have begun to create Vision Boards for what we want our lives to look like, Journals to record and reflect on how we are shaping our lives and to practice some of our life's skills such as ironing, sewing, meal planning and how to secure a place to live if we want to leave home.



A10 Class Report

A10 has been busy getting back to nature and exploring the bush around the school as well as working in our garden. We have been on treasure hunts to find different plants and animals, and have been watching our resident red tailed black cockatoo family grow.

Our garden started as seeds in trays, and now we are waiting to eat our yummy tomatoes, snow peas, beans and more!



Bush Rangers



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Parks and Wildlife

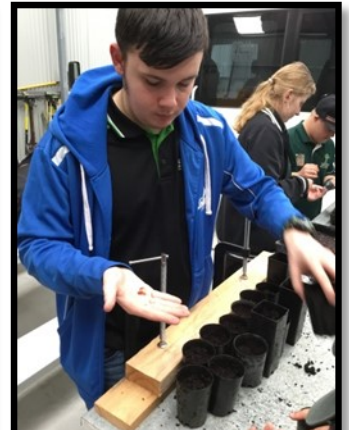


The City of Albany invited selected students from Albany Secondary Education Support Centre to participate in a 'Keys to the City' ceremony for the 17 Construction Squadron Workshop Vietnam Association on 16th October.

Adam, Kynon and Joanalyn represented ASESC and were able to honour the veterans by laying a wreath after the service.



The Bush Rangers have also been preparing some native plant seeds for germinating for our new garden bed near the A9 classroom.



A9 Bush Rangers helping A1 and A4 students enjoy the parachute during a physical activity session.



Student Services

YEAR 12/13 DINNER

The Year 12/13 students attended a dinner at The White Star with students from NASHS in the last week of term 3. These students are also preparing for the 2019 Presentation Evening. This event will be held at the Albany Entertainment Centre on Friday, 22 November. There will also be an afternoon tea at ADESC at 2.00pm on Friday, 22 November as part of PBS reward Unity Day, for the parents of these students.



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PARENT AFTERNOON TEA

On Wednesday, 6 November we had our second parent afternoon tea for the year. It was a well supported event with a large number of parents and family members in attendance, along with ADESC staff and students. Parents were treated to some tasty, student made culinary treats and were able to watch some creative power point presentations, prepared by students, on the zones of regulation.

Mrs Campbell gave everyone a brief update on the refurbishment plan, due to begin on the first day of the school holidays, and attending parents completed a survey to assist us to ensure we are offering interesting and desired content at our events.

After the refreshments, everyone moved down to A6, to watch the class production of Little Red Riding Hood, a twist on the original fairy-tale, reflecting the students work on protective behaviours, and the body's early warning signs that help us recognise dangerous and uncomfortable situations. It was a great success and thoroughly enjoyed by the parents, students and staff present. Well done to the A6 students, their drama teacher, Ms Artemis and everyone involved who supported the students in this endeavour.



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FOODBANK FOOD DRIVE

As you may be aware, the ADESC student councillors organised a food drive to run over the duration of Term 3. We are happy to announce, that as a result of the councillor's hard work and the kind donations brought in by the students, parents and staff at ADESC, our school collected enough food to provide over 200 meals to hungry families in the Albany area. This is a fantastic effort for a small school and we are extremely proud of the efforts of our community to support such a worthwhile and generous program. Well done everyone!

Carol Griffiths

Program Support Coordinator



2020 WA School Holidays and Term Dates

	Start	Finish
Term 1	Monday 3rd February	Thursday 9th April
School Holidays	Saturday 11th April	Sunday 26th April
Term 2	Monday 27th April	Friday 3th July
School Holidays	Saturday 5th July	Sunday 17th July
Term 3	Monday 20th July	Friday 25th September
School Holidays	Saturday 26th September	Sunday 11th October
Term 4	Monday 12th October	Thursday 17th December

Public Holidays

Labour Day: 2nd March

Good Friday: 10th April

Easter Monday: 13th April

ANZAC Day Public Holiday: 27th April

WA Day 1st June

School Development Days 2020

Students do not attend School on the days listed below.

School Development Day—28th April

School Development Day—20th July

School Development Day— 6th November (Albany Show Day)

School Development Day— 18th December

Community Notices



Albany Roller Derby League invites you...

We really excited to have **two** great events to share with you

“Team Indigenous Dreaming V Albany Roller Derby”

Saturday 16th November 6pm at The Track

Roller derby is a full contact sport played on roller skates, come and watch Albany take on Team Indigenous Dreaming. Team Indigenous are a borderless mob made of skaters from across Australia, Aotearoa, Fiji, Mauritius and Singapore.

We have some **10 FREE** tickets for students at your school

Please contact us ASAP for these tickets

AND

“Youth Dreaming Workshop”

A 2 hour roller skating workshop for kids and teens aged 7 to 17.

No experience is needed and your skates and protective gear is **FREE**

Free BBQ lunch for participants and their families

Sunday 17th November 10am to 12pm

We have space for 20 young people and would love to hear from you before the day if possible

Family are welcome to stay at the venue or return to collect their children.

Contact details will be taken on the day.

WHERE: The Track – 300 Roundhay Street, Gledhow (off Lower Denmark Rd)

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