

#### **E** -BULLETIN News

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#### Term Dates 2023

Semester One 2023			
TERM 1	Wednesday 1 February—Thursday, 6 April		
BREAK	Friday 7, April—Sunday, 23 April		
TERM 2	Monday, 24 April—School Development Day <b>No school for students</b>		
	Wednesday, 26 April—Friday 30 June		
BREAK	Saturday, 1 July—Sunday 16 July		

Semester Two 2023			
TERM 3	Monday, 17 July—School Development Day No school for students		
	Tuesday, 18 July - Friday, 22 September		
BREAK	Saturday, 23 September - Sunday, 8 October		
TERM 4	Monday, 19 October & Friday 15 December— School Development Days No school for students		



#### From The Principal Mrs Margaret Keen

#### Kaya. (Noongar for Hello)

Welcome to our returning and new families to our first E- Bulletin for 2023. We have had a lovely smooth start to our year and are enjoying the freedom we have now COVID restrictions are behind us. We still have air purifiers in all classrooms and encourage good hygiene practices with our students.

We have several new staff joining us this year. There are four new and one returning education assistant; Shelly Hodge room 10, Tash Ducey room 8, Alex Vrcic room 1, Temeka Weston, room 2 & 10 and Alex Brockman room 6. We also have two new and one returning teacher; Sammy Maxwell room 2, Paul Wilmot phys ed and Nat Crerar room 6. We look forward to them joining our team.

We have made some changes to our option classes this year to give our students more choice and pathways for their future endeavours. We have partnered with John Tonkin College Education Support Centre and Malibu School to offer our year 11 and 12 students Cert I in Retail (visage) Studies, Cert I Retail Studies and Permaculture. These students travel with staff to John Tonkin College and Malibu School. We are still offering Cert I in Hospitality here and two students from Malibu have enrolled in this course. These students have already started and the students who were successful in gaining places with South Metro TAFE will be commencing in a few weeks' time.

This year we have also included several new elective classes to provide more choice for students. They are Music, Drama and Coding. These run alongside Art, Bushrangers, Home Economics, Media, Food Technology, Using Leisure Time and Business Enterprise. The mainstream teachers are offering Media, Coding and Home Economics and we are very happy to work with their staff again this year.

#### Year 7 Art

The year 7 art class has had a busy start to the term, learning about colour theory. Using various materials from the craft box, we created some very bright and eye-catching 3-D colour wheels!

We enjoyed exploring different textures, and have starting experimenting with colour mixing and blending.







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#### Year 9 Lifeskills

Our Year 9 classes have started learning how to make their own lunches. They will be trying out different lunch ideas and tasting different healthy food options for lunch boxes. They made Mini Pizza's in their first lesson.

We are also concentrating on filling in forms with personal details and will be moving onto learning how to send emails as the term progresses.













#### Year 11 & 12 Art

The year 11/12 art class has been working on some step-by-step paintings. Following a tutorial, we learned how to layer and blend acrylic paint to create these masterpieces on canvas. We had a lot of fun learning different painting techniques, and Miss Justins is so proud of our end result!



#### Year 10/11

Room 5 has been busy over the last few weeks completing Maths and English activities whilst also starting Senior School subjects such as Keys4Life, Work Place Learning, a variety of ASDAN courses including eSafety and Relationships, and Vocational Education and Training courses both onsite and offsite. Everyone has really stepped up to the challenges these new courses present by trying to be more independent in both their school work and in managing their behaviours, reflecting on their own strengths or areas which may need improvement and setting SMART goals to work towards this Semester. Here is a smattering of what we've been up to.



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#### Year 8/9

Room two would like to introduce the newest member of our class. Antman the Axolotl!

The students of room 2 have spent the last 5 weeks researching the origins, habitat, life cycle of AxolotIs and how to create the ideal environments for these interesting amphibians to live in.

We have worked together to set up Antman's home. We have learnt how to make sure the water has the correct temperature level and PH levels.

Antman's menu consists of carnivore pellets, and we will introduce frozen blood worms.

The students have worked together to make a feeding procedure for mealtimes.

Room two look forward to giving Antman a wonderful home, any classes that may want to meet Antman, and learn more about these amazing animals are more than welcome.'







#### Year 7

The Year 7 students have had a brilliant start to high school. Even with the hot weather, they are achieving so many outcomes and are to be congratulated on their manners, behaviour and willingness to have a go in all activities.

When asked, 'Do you like high school?' Everyone responded with yes! When asked why...

'I like high school' JB

'I like my friends' SM

- 'I am working super well' RE
- 'I like maths and English' GS

'It's nice' JH

- 'I like everything' BP
- 'I like my new friends' CB
- 'I have fun' IB-M
- 'I like all my friends' SB
- 'I like all my new friends' ZF



#### **Bush Rangers**

#### YEAR 7 BUSH RANGERS

The Year 7 Bush Rangers have been settling into the Bush Rangers program. They have been issued their uniform and look very smart on arrival to class. So far, we have been concentrating on nature crafts – making a Bush Ranger banner and logo and for Valentines Day a nature heart. We have completed two nature scavenger hunts. Shortly, David from Animal Ark will join us for an incursion so we can get to touch animals.



#### YEAR 8 BUSH RANGERS

Our focus for the semester is Animal Classifications, we have investigated the difference between vertebrates and invertebrates. They will delve deeper into how animals are classified as we continue our learning journey. Check out the work they completed on Seesaw sorting animals into the two main groups.



#### YEAR 9 BUSH RANGERS

The Year 9 Bush Rangers are gaining an understanding that many animals have adaptations that help them to survive in the natural environment. For example, the echidna has a long sticky tongue to catch termites for food, sharp claws to break open termite mounds and spines to protect from predator.



#### **Bush Rangers**

#### YEAR 10 BUSH RANGERS

In the news, we hear about how many animals are struggling to survive and are hence endangered. Locally we have two animals in Rockingham that are struggling – the Australia Sea Lion and the Little Penguin. So, we have been learning about the IUCN red list and the conservation status given to animals. The Australian Sea Lion = EN = Endangered and the Little Penguin = LC = Least Concern. However, in Western Australia the population of Little Penguin on Penguin Island is declining. New conservation measures are being put in place to protect our

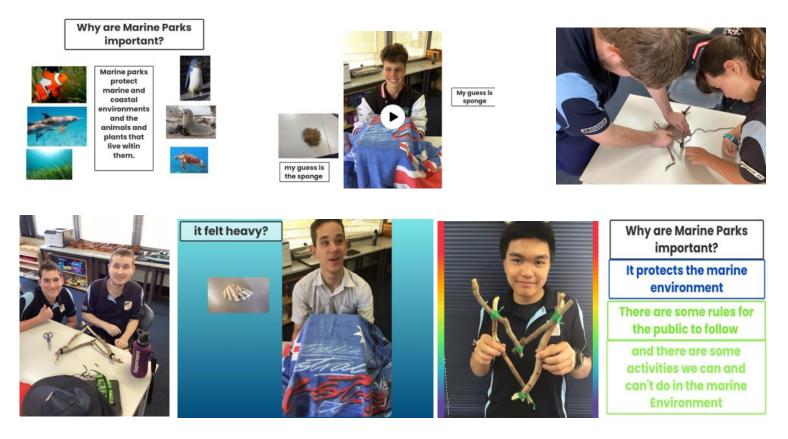
See : Update on actions to protect little penguins | Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (dbca.wa.gov.au)

To help us learn to conservation status continuum we explore the IUCN red list website and played Endangered Species Bingo. Later in the semester we will examine the threats faced by animals and conservation strategies being put in place.



#### SENIOR BUSH RANGERS

The Senior Bush Rangers will be examining marine environments in our local Rockingham patch – sandy seabeds, seagrass meadows and limestone reef. They have started discussing the importance of marine parks in the protection of plants and animals. For fun, we played what is in the box.



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## WE NEED YOUR BREAD TAGS



Help us support 'Bread tags for Wheelchairs'

https://ozbreadtagsforwheelchairs.org.au/

Reduce the plastic we send to landfill.

Please send them with your child to the Bush Ranger room.

### Mid Term Assembly Award Winners

## Congratulations to all of the award winner from the Mid Term Assembly.



Nominating Teacher	Classes/Options	Form	Year	Certificate of Achievement awarded T1 Week5
Laura Baldwin	Class	R11	YR7	All Yr 7 Students
Sammy Maxwell	Class	R2	YR8/9	Georgia SAW
Jen Naude	Class	R8	YR9	Charlie LOWER
Amy Nicholls	Class	R10	YR9/10	Deegan DONE
Kama Pike/Marie John-	Class	R1	YR10	Scott CAMPBELL
Jo Lawler	Class	R5	YR11	Chase MAES
Nat Crerar	Class	R6	YR12	Sarah WAGNER
Nicola Meegan	Class	R7	YR12	Sahara STEIN
Amanda Flood	WPL/VET	R5/6/7	Yr11/12	Elija SARGENT/Kayde JARRETT
Jo Lawler	Café/VET	Various	YR11/12	Joseph DACE
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R11	YR7	Simon BRUCE
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R2	YR8	Chelsea FINNIGAN
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R8	YR9	Kyle COUSENS
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R10	YR9/10	Brandon HYDE
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R1	YR10	Josh BAUGHEN
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R5	YR11	Scott CAMPBELL
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R6	YR12	Elijah SARGENT
Paul WILMOT	PE Class	R7	YR12	Kurt OMAR
Paul WILMOT	FOOD	R2/8	YR9	Riley MINNS
Paul WILMOT	FOOD	R5/6/7	YR10/11/ 12	Lainey PEARCE
Nicola Meegan	Business Enterprise	R5/6/7	YR11/2	Jade VINEY
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R11	YR7	Stirling MCKENZIE/Blake POWELL
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R2	YR8	Conner CHURCHILL
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R8	YR9	Not submitted
Rachel Nixon	Bush Rangers	R1/10	YR10	Chelsea FINNIGAN/Eva IRVINE
Rachel Nixon	Senior Bush Rangers	R5/6/7	YR11/12	Amber DUNN
RSHS Julia Nunez	Home Economics	R2/8	YR8/9	
RSHS Jake Dorrington	CODING		YR9/10	Logan THOMAS
RSHS Neil Robinson	Media	R5/6/7	YR11/12	Not submitted
RSHS Melissa Reeves	Drama	R2/8	YR8/9	Conner CHURCHILL
RHSH Melissa Reeves	Music	R1/10	YR9/10	Taj SCOTT









#### **Important Notice**

From the Manager Corporate Services

If you hold a current Centrelink Health Care Card, Centrelink Pension Concession Card or Veterans' Affairs Pension Concession Card you may be eligible for up to \$350.00 towards your child's school expenses.

Come in to reception with your concession card and bank account details by Thursday 6 April and complete your application form.



YEARS 7 TO 12 YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO:



DO YOU HOLD A: CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD (OR) CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD (OR) VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

#### Applications Close Thursday 6 April 2023

Ask School Reception for More Information



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#### **Community News**

# Emergency Relief Agencies Service Providers







#### **Emergency Relief Agencies and Service Providers**

Rockingham has many local not-for-profit service providers that can assist should you find yourself struggling. Types of emergency relief which may be available to you, ranging from meal and food hampers to financial assistance, are detailed below:

Monday	Coastal District Care   9am - 12pm Food hampers (Health Care Card required)   4 Hefron Street, Rockingham The CREW   10am - 1pm Hot meal, dessert, coffee and morning tea   Salvation Army Building, corner Willmott Drive and Read Street, Cooloongup
Tuesday	Salvation Army   9am - 1pm Food hampers, takeaway meals, help with bills, showers, laundry and bread. Salvation Army building, corner Willmott Drive and Read Street, Cooloongup Please leave a message if outside operational hours - 9527 3460
Wednesday	Coastal District Care   9am - 12pm Food hampers (Health Care Card required)   4 Hefron Street, Rockingham Salvation Army   9am - 1pm Food hampers, takeaway meals, help with bills, showers, laundry and bread. Salvation Army building, comer Willmott Drive and Read Street, Cooloongup Please leave a message if outside operational hours - 9527 3460 Friends of the Beach BBQ   5pm Free meal   Foreshore, Governor: Rd Reserve, Rockingham Contact Ris - 0411 393 552
Thursday	Street Chaplain Jamie McNee   Food hampers by appointment only - 0427 427 316
Friday	Coastal District Care   9am - 12pm Food hampers (Health care card required)   4 Hefron Street, Rockingham St Brendan's Homeless Respite   10am - 1pm Hot takeaway meals, fresh produce and showers. The Guide Hall, Watts Road, Safety Bay Salvation Army   9am - 1pm Food hampers, takeaway meals, help with bills, showers, laundry and bread. Salvation Army building, corner Willmott Drive and Read Street, Cooloongup. Please leave a message if outside operational hours - 9527 3460 The CREW   10am - 1pm Emergency relief food hampers and clothing (Health Care Card required) Paradox Transformation Centre - 5 Cessnock Way Rockingham (you can come in once a fortnight if in need)

Where else can I go? AnglicareWA | Monday - Friday | 8.30am-4.30pm AnglicareWA | Monday - Friday | 8.30am-4.30pm Ariyone experiencing financial difficulties can acce 1300 114 446 or 9528 0702 | 14 Council Avenu SCALES Community Legal Centre | Monday and Friday 9am - 12pm | Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am - Spm Tenancy advice and support | 9550 0400 | Suite 3/14 Council Avenue, Rockingham

#### **Rockingham Youth Centre**

Early this term we had a visit from youth workers from the Rockingham Youth Centre! They handed out some information about free activities and programs they're running throughout Term 1.

