Dear Parents/Caregivers,

**Edu Dance**
Edu Dance starts next term and all students are expected to attend. Please make arrangements to have the fee of $2.30 each lesson paid in advance. This year students who have not paid for the lessons simply can not attend as it becomes to hard to juggle the finances.

**Update Student Information**
Information regarding families needs to be updated each year, but it is a big job for everyone to be dealt with at the same time. So to make this easier we will do one year level per month. Please make sure when you get your form that you complete the update and get it back to school as soon as possible so that the information can be entered onto the enrolment system.

**Parent Contributions**
We ask parents to pay $20 per student as a contribution towards the purchase of resources and materials for the year. This is a very small amount compared to many other schools. Please pay your contribution towards the things your child needs as soon as possible. Last year only half of our parents helped to purchase these items.

**Recycled Cans**
We received a big contribution of Aluminium cans from the company Cummins to contribute to our recycling program. That will boost the coffers.
All the public competitions are rolling in. The next one that you may like encourage your child to enter is the Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards. Go online to find out all details. Go to www.dorothea.com.au/awards. Entries close on June 30th. Enter online or get your entry form from the library.

It’s the Chinese Year of the Dragon and to celebrate this we have a display and competition in the library. The winners are pictured and were presented with their dragon t-shirt or dragon book at our last assembly.

Congratulations girls.

On Friday 30th March, we will be celebrating THE NATIONAL YEAR OF READING with an Activity Day based on Mathematics. This should be a fun day for all the children to be in multi-aged groups and move to various classrooms to read and do maths.

**Reading Tips for the National Year of Reading**

In all the newsletters for the year we will include some READING TIPS that might help with the all important and fun activity of reading. Please give us any feedback on what you have done that has proved a big success.

- Read a range of books.
- Identify particular words in books.
- Ask your child to find these words throughout a book, but don’t let this activity ruin the flow and enjoyment of the story.
- With very young children, let your child pretend to read.
- Talk about the pictures.
- Find a really comfortable place to read.
  
A favourite chair or bed are good.

Helen McGinniss and Claire Brockway
Library Resource Centre Staff

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**HONOUR CERTIFICATES**

### A Block recipients

| A1 | Alyssa Beckhaus | Georgia Gibb |
| A5 | Logan Sanford   | Holly Merrilees |
| A6 | Kevin Jayasekera | Briana Devereux |
| A7 | Billy Elzer     |               |

### B Block recipients

| B1 | Jaymes Ford       | Shyanne McMiles |
| B2 | Alethea Winkworth | Charlize Jenkins |
| B4 | Kyanne Beagley    | Jaxon Flintoff  |
| B5 | Sebastian Evans   | Kohdi Sankey    |
| B6 | Madison Gee       | Brandon Morley  |

**C Block recipients**

| C1 | Katisha Musarri  | Tiana Chapman |
| C4 | Levi Moana       | Trystan Bradley-Mippy |
| C6 | Jack Eades       | Briah Ryder    |

**LA1**

| Ethan Wilson-Daurat |
| McKenzie Hemopo     |

**LA2**

| Ashlyn Sharp         | Luke Barnes   |

**Music Award**

Curtis Clements
Maths News

Mental maths

Did you know?
Children can sometimes be confused about numbers and this can affect their maths learning.
For example, some children make mistakes when they count into the hundreds, such as:
108, 109, 200...208,209,300...308,309,400. When you play games and involve your child in maths at home, it gives you the chance to see or hear mistakes like this. You can then explain what the correct number should be and help them see the repeated pattern.
Tracey Armstrong

FITNESS TESTING MODIFIED AFL DRAFT CAMP
This week the children participated in the Fitness Testing –Modified AFL Draft Camp.
This involved students completing agility tests, beep test, a measured standing vertical jump test, 20 metre sprint and length of their arm spans.
The students were involved in contextualising their mathematic knowledge by using a variety of concepts of time and linear measurements.

Music News

On Tuesday 20th March, we had a great music incursion- "WALA, The Spirit of Ghana"
The members of WALA came to Australia all the way from Ghana. They presented a dynamic fusion of drumming, dance, percussion and soaring vocal harmonies. Everyone had a great time. The teachers even got up and danced. Thank you to all the parents who came to watch, I saw many of them buying presents from the van afterwards.
Tim Schoenmakers (Music Specialist)

YEAR 7 ROTTNEST CAMP FUNDRAISING
Our second sausage sizzle to raise funds for the year 7 camp raised a total of $283.20, a fantastic effort. Thanks to all parents and students who have supported us so far this term. Thanks also go to the helpers on the day who cooked and prepared the sausages for us, Tanya Wishart, Sandi Gibson, Jo Barnes, Megan Robinett, Tereza Elzer and Trevor Gathercole. A special thank you also goes to Guy Cooper who reconditioned a second barbecue for us, this was also very much appreciated.
Congratulations also goes to Olivia Wijtowycz who is our lucky raffle winner. Olivia can pick up her $10.00 canteen voucher from my office.
Our final sausage sizzle for the term will be held on the last Monday, April 2nd. Please support this and help to lower the costs for our year 7 students to attend camp at Rottnest. Order forms will be sent out next Monday.
**SPORTS NEWS**

**Harmony Week Basketball Carnival**
As a part of National Harmony Day, Swan View Senior High School ran a basketball carnival yesterday which students from our school participated in. We had 2 teams, one in A and one in B division. There were 5 other schools at the carnival and we played each other school twice during the day, making a total of 10 games for each team. The day was a great success, both from a results and an enjoyment point of view. Once again our students showed fantastic behaviour and sportsmanship all day and they can all be very proud of the way they conducted themselves. In the end, the results were very close with our A division team finishing in second place only 1 point behind the winners. Our B Division team finished 3rd or 4th. Considering none of our students play basketball, it was an amazing effort to do so well after only 3 or 4 weeks of training. MVPs for our two teams were Maia Beale A division and Tahlia Vincent B division, but everyone contributed and played a part in our success. Congratulations to all our students, they most certainly did Swan View Primary School proud.
Mr Peterson
Well done I am very proud of you. Mrs Dove

![Harmony Week Basketball Carnival](image1)

**P & C News**

**FAMILY FUN DAY EVENT**

Dear Parents and Students
We are still requiring more volunteers to help out on the day, so if you have an hour or so available, or if you would like to run a stall, please contact me on 0438 911 138 or through the office.

**NOVELTY RACES FREE FUN** for whole family, races include egg and spoon race and three legged race. We also still require any old ties laying around for the three legged race.

**RAFFLES** Fabulous prizes such as an 8 ft trampoline, Perth Heat signed baseball bat, Huge tool box, Warriors signed cricket bat, jumping Jay Jays castle hire and more

Kind Regards
Amanda Kerrison
P & C Association

The P & C meeting was held last night and positions were voted in, they are as follows:

President: Amanda Kerrison
Vice President: Jazinta Chapple
Secretary and Treasurer: Debbie Butler
School Council Committee: Jo Barnes and Terri Burke
Fundraising Co-Ordinator: Tracey Kelly
Thank you all, we had a wonderful turn out and always welcome new faces.

**CANTEEN RESCUE**
Don’t forget...Canteen rescue is back again for 2012 with the Run Around Australia competition and our school is participating for a chance to share in thousands of dollars worth of prizes and the chance to win $40,000

**SCHOOL RESCUE PACKAGE.** Contact myself or the office for details on how to help.

**A6 have been growing watermelons.** Our watermelons have taken 14 weeks to be ripe.
So far we have picked 6 melons. This whopper was given to the canteen. They have sold it as watermelon slushies, melon kebabs and in slices.
The canteen staff nicknamed the new staff member “Melonie”.
Be sure to get in and get your slice soon.
Thank you to Mr Durant & his class for the watermelon. It is great to have access to fresh fruit & veges from the kitchen garden.
Thank you C6 for your wonderful posters on the planets, they made a colourful display.
Thank you also to the volunteers for your support: Sandie, Lynda, Jacinta, Gaye & Nikky.

**MAKE A WICH DAY-- FRIDAY 23RD March**
The canteen will be donating profits from the following items to the make a wish foundation.
Star pikelets $1.00
Rainbow jelly 60c
Watermelon stars
Teresa

![Teresa, Melonie and Ella.](image2)