Dear Parents and Carers,

Given the number of students I have counseled over the past few weeks I think it is timely to have a chat to your children about what it takes to make and sustain friendships and establish positive relationships. Gossiping and telling tales is a pastime in which we must not act as role models for our children.

BEING A GOOD FRIEND

- Friendship is defined as the caring relationship which exists between two or more people. Having friends is important to everyone, so helping your child to develop skills in establishing good friendships is an important parental role; one which is supported at school. Much is said about the traditional ‘three R’s’ in education, but there are really ‘four R’s’ and the fourth ‘R’ is friendships. School is about learning to live as a community member, and relationships and friendships are the glue that keeps communities together.

Here are some ideas and advice for developing healthy friendships:

- Be honest and truthful.
- Be there when your friend needs you; be helpful.
- Respect people’s feelings and belongings.
- Share your feelings and be a good listener.
- Be kind and caring.
- Invite people to join in your

- Never talk about people when they are not there.
- Always keep your promises.
- Be prepared to forgive and forget; it is human to make mistakes.
- Ask for help when you need it.

BE the kind of friend you’d like to have.

Making and keeping friends requires a lot of effort. It’s not always easy and sometimes friends do things which are hurtful. A good friendship is one in which the people involved all work together to make it an enjoyable and rewarding experience for everyone. Be prepared to step in and help your child if you sense that their friendships are not appropriate or suitable. Talk to your child’s teacher if you are unsure.

We will be ready to move into the Early Childhood Centre very soon. The furniture will be delivered next week and the big two days of resetting will take place on the 18th and 19th. Parents of the K-1 students will receive a letter next week detailing the movement plans.

This is the last newsletter for the term so on behalf of the staff I wish you all a safe and happy holiday. Spend as much time as you can with the children. For me it’s time with the grandchildren.

Cheers,
Marg Dove.
Library News

It's fast approaching the end of term—please encourage students to return all resources. If children have returned all resources then they may BORROW RESOURCES FOR THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS. Don't forget a visit to the local library is a great idea in the holidays.

Congratulations to Corinne Fairbotham (C1) who received a letter from the Premier of W.A, Colin Barnett and a book for successfully taking part in the Premier’s Summer Reading Challenge. Well done, Corinne.

Please send in any unwanted plastic shopping bags that we can recycle for library bags.

A1, A6 & A7 have made some creative “Limericks” that are now on display in the library. Please come in and view them. This was a creative writing exercise which was as a result of reading “My father is not a Comedian” by Ursula Dubosarsky. Well done, students.

A copy of Sarah Vincent’s limerick is here:

Claudie’s friend likes lacky-bands
While her dad sells newspaper land!
They made a play
This lasted all day
With actors who played lacky-bands

Helen McGinniss
Library Resource Teacher

Canteen News

Wow! I can't believe term one is nearly over. I’m having an awesome time in the canteen.

The new winter menu is underway, with all time favourites like hot chicken rolls and hot dogs staying on and old favourites returning like lasagne and nachos. And for something new, soups and macaroni cheese. Enjoy!

The Swan View fruit & vegie shop, located at Swan View Shopping centre, supplies our canteen with fresh local produce. I’d like to thank Matt for the friendly, helpful service that I receive each week.

Thanks, Teresa 9294 3347

Music News

The Swan View PS Choir has again been accepted into the WA Primary Schools Massed Choir Festival this year.

We are very lucky that we are doing this again as not every school who applied has been accepted. Every child in the choir will be given a CD with the songs on it and a book with all the song lyrics to look at over the holidays. KEEP BUSY!

P & C News

Many thanks to all the parents/carers who have donated items for our Mothers Day Stall. The stall will be held on Friday 6th May in the Undercover area.

Congratulations to all of the following students who received honour certificates.

A Block recipients
A1  Kye Walmsley  Sarah Woolhouse
A5  Allen Turner  Baiden Hodgson
A6  Aleisha Brown  Georgia Trinidad

B Block recipients
B1  Olivia Slade  Jordan Davis
B2  Kye McLean  Sharna Ryder
B3  Jacob Cross  Jaxon Flintoff
B4  Shyanne McMiles  Brahim Woods
B5  Lina-Marie Swadling  Sheydon Skidmore
B6  Rhegan Harvey  Tahlia Vincent

C Block recipients
C1  Bradley Caines  Jaykeb Fleming
C4  Robbie Volaric  Shakaya Smith
C5  Ruby Livingstone  Zykaireah Mathews
C6  Jessica Barnes  Amy Kemp

Sports Award
Effie Garlett  Dion Merrilees

Music Award
Raymond Smith
Year 7 Rottnest Camp Fundraising

Year 7 Sausage Sizzle Rottnest Fundraiser

Thanks again to all students who supported our second sausage sizzle fundraiser for the term. Over 170 students participated and a profit of $501.30 was made, a fantastic effort. This brings the total amount raised in the two sausage sizzles to just under $1,000. Once again Green was the champion sausage sizzle faction with 53 students ordering a sausage sizzle.

Well done to the following parents who volunteered to help on the day, Shelley and Dave Burslem, Joannie and Ken Haenen, Lyn Kensitt, Nancy Jones, Teresa Elzer and of course our coordinator, Milka Harrison. Our final sausage sizzle for the term will be held on Monday April 18th.

Ross Tompkins
Deputy Principal

Jump Rope for Heart 2011

Our school is participating in the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart 2011. Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart is an exciting and non-competitive program which encourages children to become active, learn new skills and raise vital funds for cardiovascular research and community health programs. Over the next few weeks, your child will be learning a range of fun skipping skills and new tricks. We will emphasise the importance of regular physical activity such as skipping, as well as enjoying healthy eating as part of a healthy lifestyle.

Sponsorship is simply asking your family and friends to make a donation to the Heart Foundation in support of heart research and health programs. There are two ways of seeking donation:

Students can fundraise by email, using a brand new secure Heart Foundation online fundraising account, under parent/guardian supervision. www.heartfoundation.org.au/jumpropeforheart
Or students can still fundraise using the traditional Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart sponsorship form. Using this method, children will ask for cash donations from family and friends—we firmly request that children do not go door-to-door or ask strangers for donations. At the end of the program we will be holding a Jump Off, which is an event to celebrate the conclusion of the Heart Foundation Jump Rope for Heart program. Your child should bring any cash donations they have collected and their sponsorship forms to school before the jump off.

Weather Watch by A1 & C5

As part of the Air Watch program, students from A1 and C5 are currently exploring the weather. The year 7s have buddied up with the year 1s in C5 and together they have used weather instruments to read weather conditions. This has included them reading the daily minimum and maximum temperatures during week 8 of this term and emailing their finding to channel 7.

The year 1s were especially excited when Natalia Cooper read out their names during her weather presentation!
The two classes will continue to report the weather conditions in Swan View for one week of each of the next three terms.

Maths News

This is another example showing part of the teaching process students are exposed to understand the concept of a half. Students are encouraged to use a variety of strategies such as symmetry, dealing out or measuring to partition quantities into two equal shares and learn to name each equal share “a half”.

Student examples from Braomi Woods and David Hill from C4. We have been learning to halve quantities. Students must be able to produce the partition for themselves.
Community News

Midland Gate Shopping Centre Canteen Rescue
Between Monday 4th April and Sunday 12 June 2011 Midland Gate Shopping Centre are again holding their Canteen Rescue. All we need to do is simply present your shopping receipts at the Customer Service Desk or place receipts in the drop boxes in the Coles Mall or you can bring your docket into the office. Customers nominate the school they are supporting and are awarded one point for each dollar spent. Thank you for your support.

The Annual Family Parkerville Picnic
Parkerville Children and Youth Care invites you to join us at the annual family picnic.
Sunday 1st May 2011 11am-3pm
FREE ENTRY
The Annual Family Picnic on Parkerville Campus has a 100 year old history and our organisation will be 108 years old on our picnic day. We are celebrating this event by encouraging people to dress in period costume, if it takes their fancy.

BBQ lunch, Devonshire teas, cake stall, jumble sale, animal farm, kidz corner face painting, funky balloons, bouncy castle fabulous raffle prizes and lots more.

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Karate for all the family
Learn Self Defence
Build Confidence
Increase Fitness
Relieve Stress
Improve self esteem
Increase focus & concentration
Classes for adults, children & families
For more information please contact
Kirsty on 0404 347 722

Hook in2 Hockey
Where stars are born!
Club:
Old Guildfordians Mundaring Hockey Club
Contact: Naomi Jennings
0408 116 517
Location: Lilac Hill, West Swan Rd
Email: n-njennings@bigpond.com
Web: www.agmhc.com.au
Please ring before 8th April to register.

Midland Hills Junior Rugby 2011
Nothing to do over the winter months?
Come down and play some Rugby!
New players are always welcome.
Training has started at Stratton Oval (at the back of Farmer Jacks, Stratton) between 5.30 & 6.30pm Tuesdays and Thursdays, come and join the fun.
If you have any queries please feel free to contact Herbie on 0404 208 363 (Club President) for further details.

Baseball Winter program at Swans-
Players aged between 9 and 15 yrs including tee-ballers transitioning into baseball. Sessions held on Saturday from 2.00pm—4.00pm for a ten week program starting on 7th May and concluding on 9th July.
Cost will be $125.00 which will include a shirt and hat for each registered player. There will be prizes throughout the program. For registration form or further information please contact Marina Brennan 0422 522 463/ 9250 6508 or brennanpm@bigpond.com Registrations need to be received by 19th April 2011.

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