



# Mindarie Primary School

**Newsletter #16**  
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## Diary at a Glance

<b>Wednesday, 17 October</b>	<b>P &amp; C Star Night</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>
<b>Thursday, 18 October</b>	<b>Assembly: TA 22 and TA 23</b>	<b>8.45am</b>
<b>Monday, 22 October</b>	<b>Graduation Photos</b>	
<b>Wednesday, 24 October</b>	<b>Parent Open Evening</b>	<b>5.30-7.30pm</b>

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## Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to what will indeed be a very busy term, as we have many important and celebratory events occurring. I hope that you enjoyed some outdoor family activities over the school holidays now that Spring is upon us.

In Week 10 of Term 3, Mrs Bromley, Mrs Bewick, Mr Gould and myself attended a four-day conference for the Australian Primary Principals Association to explore the theme of Visionary Leadership and to experience the best the profession has to offer. Many of the national and international keynote speakers spoke about how leadership teams can put their school plans into action, and how they might create more opportunities for people in their learning communities to turn their "one day..." dreams for school into a "Day One" pragmatic strategy. Thank you to Mrs MacLean and Mrs Moore for leading the school during that week.

In May this year, over one million students undertook NAPLAN testing, and of those, almost 20 per cent of students in six states and territories sat NAPLAN in the new online format. Mindarie PS accounted for almost 200 students in that 20%. The online format of the National Assessment allows for students to sit an evolving assessment, giving a richer experience to the students and much more meaningful data for the school and teachers. Students in Years 3 and 5 would have brought home their individual NAPLAN Student Reports at the end of last term. As all of the Year 3 teachers have had the majority of the same students since Year 2, they are understandably elated at the progress the students have made. The Year 5 teachers are similarly proud of the phenomenal progress the students have made. Thank you for the support you have provided in assisting your children on their educational journey. As you all know, it is a partnership and the closer you work with the school the better the outcome will be for the



## **ADMINISTRATION**

**Barbara Bromley**  
*Principal*

**Rebecca Appleton**  
*Associate Principal*

**Belinda Bewick**  
*Associate Principal*

**Andrew Gould**  
*Acting Associate  
Principal*

**Anne-Marie Rosa**  
*Manager Corporate  
Services*

## **SCHOOL BOARD**

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*Principal*

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**Uniform shop  
Opening times**  
Wed 2.15 - 3.00  
Fri 8.15 - 9.00

students. We look forward to sharing this progress in relation to NAPLAN results, at an upcoming assembly and also in our 2018 School Report. The whole school programs we have in place at our amazing school continue to have a huge impact on our students' progress.

In 2017, the school applied for the Federal Science Room Upgrade grant and the works to TA1 and TA6 have now been completed. In this fantastic renovation, TA1 and TA6 have been spruced up. New vinyl has been installed into both areas, with the school funding the additional money to re-vinyl TA1. The renovation also includes new benches and working hot water to TA1, allowing for greater flexibility in learning when completing science experiments. In the coming weeks, the rooms will receive their new furniture, allowing the spaces to be versatile learning areas for Science and STEAM learning. Thank you to our fantastic Science Specialists for being so flexible to facilitate this important growth in our school.

Our fantastic and dedicated Early Childhood Team and their team of helpers have created an incredible piece of art in the Early Childhood Area. A fantastic community day of painting to create the seasons of the Noongar Calendar. A special thankyou to Tracey - the wonderful artist, all of the staff and of course their special children for all of their help.

Teachers began back at school on Monday, with an outstanding day of Professional Learning in the field of Digital Technologies in Literacy and Numeracy. In this session, the teaching staff looked at how quickly the world is changing and the skills that our students will need when they finish their formal schooling. It is quite amazing what is happening in the world at the moment. Automation, augmented reality, artificial intelligence and the expanding world of digital technologies is changing the landscape of our world. Students who are currently in Pre-Primary are unlikely to ever obtain their drivers licence as cars will be fully self-automated by the time they reach 18. What an interesting and exciting future world we are moving into.

Year 6 students will have their swimming lessons at the beach in Week 7 and 8. We continue with this initiative because, and as we know, in Australia a lot of swimming occurs at the beach. The students also have an opportunity during these lessons to learn about the effects of ocean currents on swimming conditions. I know that you will all appreciate what an essential life skill this is.

Students in Pre-Primary through to Year 5 will be participating in swimming lessons in Week 9 and 10. Hopefully the weather in those weeks will be sunny and warm. Parents, we urge you to make sure that your children can manage their clothing themselves as they will be changing back into their uniform at the pool.

This week is Mental Health Week. Mental Health Week is a national week celebrated each year in October. This year the theme of Mental Health Week is: "Mental Health Starts Where We Live, Learn, Work and Play. To conclude Mental Health Week at MPS, the students and staff participated in session facilitated by School Board member Mel Cook in which we were all able to take a moment to relax and focus on our breathing.

A reminder to all families to please be considerate to others when using the Kiss and Drive after school. We also remind all families to collect their children in a timely manner at the end of the day to avoid unnecessary issues at the Kiss and Drive.

Please use [Connect](#) to find out more about our upcoming one-to-one BYOD Program for our Year 4 students in 2019.

On Wednesday 17 October 5:30 the P & C are hosting a free Mindarie Star Gazing night in the senior playground. Students will have the opportunity to learn more about the stars and planets in our Solar System and to view the stars through a guest telescope. Please bring a rug and picnic dinner. Sausage sizzle, coffee and drinks will be available for purchase.

As all parents are aware, Term 4 is a planning term for our school as we prepare for the end of one school year and the start of the next. Given this, it is essential that we know which students will be leaving our school and any new students enrolling in our school. We therefore request that you advise the office or your child's class teacher if your child will not be returning to Mindarie in 2019. As teachers begin to propose classes for 2019, please keep in mind that all decisions will be based on what is best for your child and our school as a whole. Remember that we will consider all aspects of your child, however, friendship groups are not a viable consideration for class placement. Please address all correspondence to [Mindarie.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Mindarie.ps@education.wa.edu.au)

Kind regards

Rebecca Appleton  
Associate Principal



We are pleased to announce that Ellie had a fantastic result in Victoria. She finished 4th overall and primary rider in her 90cm class, a great achievement riding against the best of Australia .

Congratulations Ellie from everyone at Mindarie Primary School!

TA11 Pre Primary students enjoying their outdoor classroom experience in the sunshine this week. The freshly painted sea container in the early childhood playground includes the seasons and Indigenous seasons. The students engaged in rich discussions about the characteristics and features of each season.





# MINDARIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## PARENT TERM PLANNER

### TERM 4, 2018

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Oct	8-Oct Staff Development Day - NO STUDENTS	9	10	11	12 Newsletter
2 Oct	15  Board Meeting	16	17  P&C Star Night	18 Assembly: TA 22/23	19
3 Oct	22 Graduation Photos Artist in Residence Jade Dolman Book Fair	23  Book Fair	24 Parent Open Evening 5.30 to 7.00pm  Book Fair	25 Artist in Residence Jade Dolman  Book Fair	26 Newsletter Artist in Residence Band Workshop Instrumental Students Book Fair
4 Oct/ Nov	29	30	31	1-Nov Assembly: TA 3 & TP 3	2  Sat 3 Nov 10-12pm Quinns Yr 6 orientation
5 Nov	5	6 Irene McCormack - Yr 6 Orientation 1/2 day	7 Kindy Parent Info Day	8 Kinross College - Yr 6 Transition Day 9-2pm	9 Newsletter
6 Nov	12	13	14 Peter Moyes - Yr 6 Orientation Day	15 Assembly: TA 12	16
7 Nov	19 Beach Swimming Yr 6	20 Beach Swimming Yr 6	21 Kindy Orientation Day Beach Swimming Yr 6 Bunnings w/shop Yr 1	22 Beach Swimming Yr 6 Assembly PM: Staff item CEWT - Technology	23 Newsletter Beach Swimming Yr 6 Rainbow Run - PM
8 Nov	26 Beach Swimming Yr 6	27 Beach Swimming Yr 6	28 Kindy Orientation Day Beach Swimming Yr 6	29 Assembly: Nativity/Instrumental Beach Swimming Yr 6  P&C Meeting - 6pm	30 Beach Swimming Yr 6  Book Awards PM
9 Dec	3-Dec Swimming PP - Yr 5	4 Swimming PP - Yr 5	5 Swimming PP - Yr 5	6 Swimming PP - Yr 5	7 Newsletter Swimming PP - Yr 5
10 Dec	10 Swimming PP - Yr 5  Yr 6 Graduation ECU	11 Swimming PP - Yr 5  Reports Issued	12 Swimming PP - Yr 5	13 Swimming PP - Yr 5  LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	14 NO SCHOOL



MINDARIE PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C

# mindarie under the stars

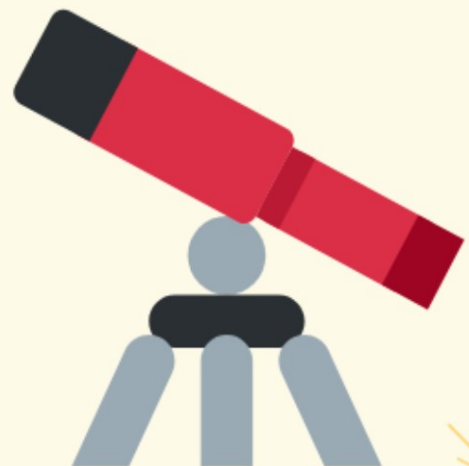
Wednesday 17th October

From 5:30 PM

Sausage sizzle and drinks for sale

Coffee Van on site

Bring a rug and a picnic dinner  
for a magical night of stars and  
wonder



## KINROSS COLLEGE TRANSITION DAY – Thursday 8 November 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians

Thank you for enrolling at Kinross College. I would like to extend an invitation to your child to attend Kinross College on Thursday 8 November, 2018.

Your child is invited to attend the Transition Day for 2019 Year 7 students from **8.45am – 2.00pm**. At the start of the day, students are asked to assemble on the grassed area at the front of the school to be organised into their groups for the day. Your child should be collected by a parent at the front of the school no later than 2.00pm. *If you are unable to collect your child and you wish for them to walk home or get collected by another parent, you will need to notify us.*

Students are to wear their **primary school uniform** and bring a **hat, water bottle and recess**. Lunch will be provided for the students (by Kinross College) at no cost to you.

The lunch will consist of a juice box and a food item. You are given the following choice of food item and will need to confirm this when you RSVP:

1. Sausage Roll
  2. Half Wrap- Chicken and salad
- Half Wrap- Cheese and salad

If your child has allergies or food intolerances, please feel free to provide lunch for your child. The canteen will not be open for purchases on the day.

Parents are asked to ensure their child arrives by 8:40am. Children will not be supervised earlier than 8:30am and are therefore asked not to arrive before this time.

To help Kinross College to know your child better, I have attached a form for you to tell us about your child's strengths and interests (*My Child*). I have also included a ***My Life So Far*** document that gives us important information to help us understand what and who has helped to shape the lives of these special young people. Please complete both of these forms and return by the Transition Day. There will be a box to drop these in at the Front Office or you can return them by email.

Please note that if your child wishes to bring their mobile phone, that we have a firm '**Off and Away All Day**' policy. Phones are required to be **powered down and in their bag for the duration of the day** and you are welcome to contact your child through the office on 9233 6700 if needed. Your child is responsible for their phone and any other valuables, including money that is brought to school. Students are **NOT permitted** to take photos on their own devices at Kinross College and we would appreciate you discussing this with your child prior to the day.

Please phone Filomena Voyce (Enrolments) on 9233 6700 to confirm your child's attendance, lunch option and if your child will be making their own way home, or email [Filomena.Voyce@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Filomena.Voyce@education.wa.edu.au)

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Anna Eason  
Manager Student Services  
Kinross College  
8 OCTOBER 2018

## LUNCH ORDER DAYS

[www.quickcliq.com.au](http://www.quickcliq.com.au)

Subway—12 October

Pizza— 19 October

Subway— 26 October

Pizza— 2 November

Subway— 9 November

Pizza— 16 November

Subway— 23 November

Pizza— 30 November

Subway— 7 December



## 2018 SCHOOL TERM DATES

### Term 1:

Wednesday, 31 January to Friday, 13 April

### Term 2:

Monday, 30 April to Friday, 29 June

### Term 3:

Monday, 16 July to Friday, 21 September

### Term 4:

Tuesday, 9 October to Thursday, 13 December

## 2018 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS STUDENTS **DO NOT** ATTEND SCHOOL

### Term 1:

Monday, 29 January & Tuesday, 30 January

### Easter Break:

Thursday, 29 March to Tuesday, 3 April

### Term 2:

Monday, 28 May and Wednesday, 27 June

### Term 4:

Monday, 8 October and Friday, 14 December

## SCHOOL START AND FINISH TIME

**Starts at 8.45am and finishes at 2.45pm EVERY DAY**

If you have to make other arrangements for the collection of your child please remind children and the class teacher before school as it is not always possible for office staff to get the message to the children. We will endeavour to do so but we cannot guarantee we will get the message to them on time.

## SCHOOL GATE OPEN AND CLOSE TIMES

**Main front gates –**

**Open from 8.00am. Open all day.**

**Other gates –**

**Opened at 8.15am. Closed at 9.00am.**

**Opened at 2.30pm. Closed at 3.15pm.**



# Free DISCOVER SAILING DAY HILLARYS YACHT CLUB

**SUNDAY  
21 OCTOBER 2017  
9am - 1pm**

Discover Sailing Day is a great day to bring your family and friends along to Hillarys Yacht Club and enjoy a FREE day of sailing.

You will need clothes and shoes that you won't mind getting wet, sunscreen and a hat and lots of enthusiasm!

Boats and safety equipment are provided by the club.



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[development@hillarysyachtclub.com.au](mailto:development@hillarysyachtclub.com.au)  
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65 Northside Drive HILLARYS



## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST **SOCCER SCHOOLS** AT Shorehaven Park Alkimos

**P-P's to Year 5's**  
**Starting Wednesday**  
**17th October to 5th December**  
**3.10pm - 4.10pm**

**8**  
week  
program

term  
**4**

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## Your child's first smartphone—are they old enough?

Children often have access to devices, including smartphones, from a very young age. Whether it's watching their favourite program through streaming services on your phone, using educational apps or simply viewing photos with you and the family, they are engaging with devices in one form or another.

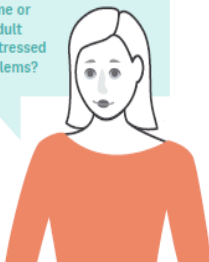
### But when is my child old enough to be given their own mobile phone?

In 2012, the Australian Bureau of Statistics revealed children as young as five years old owned a mobile phone—two percent of children aged between five and eight years old, and 29 percent for children aged five to 14 years. This figure is likely to be higher now!

For many parents and carers, five years old would seem too young. For others, it might offer them peace of mind and security to know they can keep in touch with their child—especially in an emergency.

The right age for your child will depend on their level of maturity. It's worth asking yourself the following questions before handing over a digital device.

- Does my child have a good sense of responsibility?
- Are they able to stick to the rules?
- Do they show a good understanding of actions and consequences?
- Do they come to me or another trusted adult when they are distressed or encounter problems?



For younger children it's best to start with a mobile phone without internet access, and introduce a smartphone when they demonstrate an appropriate level of maturity. Some younger children might argue that they are ready for a smartphone, especially if their friends already have one. But it's worth holding out until you feel confident that your child is mature enough.

### My child has their first smartphone—now what?

When your child receives their first smartphone it's a great opportunity to instill safe online behaviours early on, so they can carry these skills through to their teens and beyond.

Here are some tips for getting them on board with good online habits.

#### Establish rules at the outset with clear boundaries

Talk about expectations and the consequences for not meeting these rules. Depending on the age of your child, you might want to set up a written signed agreement which lists the rules.

Here are some you may want to agree on:

- No phones after a certain time (i.e. 8.00 pm)—unless in an emergency.
- Keep to daily screen time limits (i.e. 1 hour per school night).
- Family time is a no-phone zone (i.e. dinner).

- Do not share your passwords with others—apart from parents.
- Do not share your real name (or full name), age and address when posting, talking to strangers or on sites where anyone can see it.
- Be kind to people—treat people on the phone as you would face-to-face.
- Do not take or share photos of others (including friends) without their permission.
- Tell a parent or another trusted adult if anything makes you feel uncomfortable, or if a stranger contacts you online.
- Do not purchase or download an app or game without talking to a parent first—especially as these often have minimum age requirements.

#### Use technology tools to help set the boundaries to keep your child safe

Use parental controls to help manage your child's device and the types of content they can access. Most devices come with parental controls and offer a range of features:

- iPhone: Go to Settings > General > Restrictions. Here you can disable apps or features, prevent access to explicit content and specific webpages.
- Android (Google Play): Go to Play Store > Settings > Parental controls. Most Android phones use Google Play as the digital marketplace for purchasing apps and accessing content. Through Google Play you can restrict the content your child can download or purchase from Google Play.
- Google's Family Link is an app for parents to help manage their child's device and account and offers additional layers of protection. It enables parents to set screen time limits, review app permissions (such as their camera, location, contacts), block apps and approve downloads, block sites and filter content.
- You can also check with your mobile service provider if they offer any parental control tools.

Activate any privacy settings and safety features available on the device, in web browsers and apps. In some cases you can do this through parental controls or when installing apps on their phone. Carefully consider permissions and whether apps really need to access your child's location, contact list, messages and other features.

Help your child set up a pin or password to lock their phone. In addition to protecting their personal information, this will ensure that no one else can use their phone.

Help your child set up strong and unique passwords for their apps and websites. Even if the phone is locked, apps and websites can be accessed from other devices.

#### Communicate openly with your child, establish and maintain trust

Most importantly, communicate openly with your child about their phone and online use. It's not possible to supervise your child 24/7 and no technology tool is 100 percent effective in protecting them from online risks. So it's really important to establish and maintain trust.

- Talk openly and regularly with your child about their online activities. Show them that you are interested in how they connect with friends, who they talk with and the type of sites they visit.
- If you are using parental controls, be upfront about this and get them on board. Let them know that these can be reviewed and changed as they get older and they continue to demonstrate responsible behaviour.
- Talk about positive online behaviour and about respecting others online. Encourage your child to think carefully before they post, text or share comments or photos so they don't hurt or upset others. Remind them there is a real person at the end of the screen.
- Encourage your child to come to you (or another trusted adult) if they are upset because of an online experience, even if they think they are to blame.

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## MINDARIE KEYS EARLY LEARNING SCHOOL

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Please join us at the  
**NEW**

### **Mindarie Playgroup**

A Playgroup for children aged 0-4 and their families.

**Where:** Mindarie Primary School, in the undercover area

**When:** Fridays from 8:30am – 10:30 am  
(excluding school holidays)

*Please bring a hat & a piece of fruit to be shared.*

**At Playgroup ...**

- You can have fun playing with your child
- You can meet other parents
- Your child can become familiar with the school environment ready for future years

For more information, please call Karyn Anderson on 0414 865 043.







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*Do you have children aged between 4 and 12? Do they like to exercise and keep active?*

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**Mondays and Tuesdays at 4pm**

*Each class runs for 35 minutes and the best bit is that you don't even have to stay!*

*If you'd like to get your own workout in or pop to the shops for dinner, your children will be having too much fun to notice that you're not there.*

**Term 4 commencing 15<sup>th</sup> October**

*Book at Reception now*



Please note:  
Enclosed shoes must be worn.  
Kids must be signed in and out by a guardian  
A registration form must be completed prior to commencement of the first class



**27 OCTOBER 2018, 10:30 am**

Jumping Castle

Amusement rides

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Pancake

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**PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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