Dear Parents

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Forum: Recently, the Premier of Western Australia released “A Science Statement for Western Australian Schools” which emphasised the importance of science for Western Australia’s future prosperity and health. In the context of the introduction of the Australian curriculum and national teacher standards, and a future outlook of unprecedented prosperity, Western Australia is in a unique position to shape its own future in science and innovation. However, to maximise the potential benefits that science and innovation can bring to the State, it is essential to develop and implement a strategy for strengthening Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) education support for early childhood, primary and secondary school students and their teachers. Education will play a critical role in supporting this direction, and public schools will be expected to increase their focus on STEM in their classrooms. I will be attending a two day forum today and tomorrow, along with other Principals and Science teachers looking at the STEM initiatives. I believe we are very well placed at Campbell with many of our current teaching and learning programs covering the STEM learning areas, with a special focus on Science with Science specialists Mrs Raphael and Mrs Light.

Student Councillor Visit to Parliament House: Today the Student Councillors, together with Mr Williams and Miss Gibson are visiting Parliament House as a guest of our local member Mr Peter Abetz. The students will be given a tour of Parliament House, before enjoying lunch in the dining room with Mr Abetz. This is a great initiative, and one which I know the Councillors look forward to each year. Thank you Mr Abetz for inviting our students.

NAPLAN: Congratulations to all Year 3 and 5 students who sat the annual NAPLAN tests last week. Although NAPLAN can be a stressful time for both teachers and students the week went very smoothly. Thank you to all of the staff and students who successfully survived the NAPLAN!

Pupil Free Day and Alternate Closure Dates: A reminder to parents that the Term 2 Professional Development Day for Staff is Friday 29 May 2015. Students do not attend on this day, please make alternative arrangements.

On Wednesday 1 July 2015 the school will have an alternative closure time of 11.30am. This time has been allocated for parent interviews and all staff will be on school site. Parents are asked to make alternative arrangements for their child/ren on this day. Interviews will be once again booked online (more information to come), interviews will be strictly 10 mins, and held at 15 minute intervals.

Kindys’ Boat: The Kindergarten students are enjoying great adventures on their new boat recently installed. Thank you to Mrs Wylie who was able to find the boat and John and Rigo who ensured that it was installed safely. I am sure that the kids will have many hours of creative play travelling the oceans of the world!

Term 3 Commencement: Please be advised that students commence on Monday 20 July 2015.

Walk Safely to School Day: A reminder that TOMORROW is the 16th annual national Walk safely to School Day. All primary school children, along with their parents and carers, are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school.

If you do need to drive to school, maybe park at least 1km from school and walk the rest! Thank you to Mrs Gill who is coordinating Walk Safely to School Day. I look forward to seeing many students, parents and carers walking to school.

Unfortunately I will not be here for the Walk Safely to School Day or LA 12 and LA 13 Assembly on Friday. I know that their assembly will be fabulous so in advance – WELL DONE to LA 12 and LA 13.
National Volunteer Week: Last week was National Volunteer Week; I would like to thank all the parents and community members who volunteer their valuable time at Campbell Primary School. Your assistance no matter how big or small is a valuable asset which helps to provide opportunities and support for our students and staff.

Important Dates at a Glance

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Andy Holmes
PRINCIPAL

Uniform News: A reminder to parents that the uniform shop now stocks Campbell backpacks, these bags have a built in laptop/iPad pocket. They are ideal for all ages especially the Year 5 students who bring their iPads to school. They are available during normal office hours for $42.00 each.

FIRE SALE
Cargo Shorts: Currently there are a limited number of cargo shorts available from the Administration – Size 2 (3), size 6 (10) and 10 (1 only), these are available for $5.00, until sold out.

Pleated Skirts: Limited Stock – size 4 (16) size 12 (9) size 14 (1) and size 16 (1) available for $5.00, until sold out.

Scholastic Bookclub orders, payments and enquiries can be made in the Information Centre from 8.15am next Thursday 28 May 2015. The last day for orders will be Thursday 28 May.

Phys Ed News:

Cross Country Sponsorship Forms: It is cross country time again! For the next 4 weeks our Campbell kids will be training for the cross country in their PE time. Please ensure your child is wearing the appropriate footwear and have a hat and drink bottle at School. School cross country carnival is in Week 8 Friday 12 June 2015.

All students from Pre Primary to Year 6 should have received a cross country sponsorship form. We encourage parents to support their child and the school in raising funds to purchase equipment and resources for the Specialist Learning Areas of the school. All completed forms and funds must be returned to the School Administration by no later than Friday 29 May 2015.

Every student who returns their sponsorship form will go into the draw for an iPad mini or a iPod touch.

Boost Juice: Students will be able to purchase a Boost Juice after their Cross Country run for $6.00. Please send the $6.00 in a clearly named envelope with your child’s selection of flavour – Mango Magic or Berry Bliz to the class teacher on Friday 12 June 2015.

Jessie Gill - Physical Education Specialist
P&C News
Campbell P & C are once again fundraising with Entertainment books. You can either purchase a book or a digital membership. Get your orders in now to receive up to $135 in Early Bird Offers.
To order your membership online go to www.entbook.com.au/8424g0 www.entbook.com.au/8424g0 or complete the attached flyer and return to the office with payment. Please note last orders by Friday 29 May 2015.

Disco NEXT Thursday 28 May 2015 is our first disco of the year. We will have our Junior Disco from 5pm-6.30pm and the Senior Disco from 7pm-8.30pm in the undercover area. Please return permission slips with correct money in an envelope to the front office.
There will be Tea and Coffee available in the Information Centre for a gold coin donation for the parents of the juniors who wish to stay while the disco is taking place.
Disco Volunteers: We are still looking for Volunteers to help with the discos. We are particularly looking for help at the senior disco
If you are available please email campbellpandc@hotmail.com and please ensure you specify which disco you are available for.

Pirate Day Friday is a national fundraising day raising funds and awareness for research into the cure and prevention of Childhood Brain Tumours. Due to cross country Campbell P&C will be holding the school’s annual charity fundraiser on Thursday 11 June 2015, students and staff who wish to participate on this day are asked to bring a gold coin donation.
More information will be in future newsletters.

Bubbler Deals: Enclosed with today’s newsletter is a flyer for Bubbler, which offer deals on products. If you purchase anything through Bubbler nominate our school and we receive 5% as a donation.

Community News
Pickering Brook Primary School is celebrating 100 years in December this year. Prior to the centenary celebrations, their P&C would like to offer past families the opportunity to purchase engraved pavers which will be laid in the school grounds. For more information please contact the school directly on 9293 8256.