Primary School

Dear Parents and Community Members

It is very pleasing to see all students actively participating in the concert practice that is the main focus of the school for the next two weeks. The concert itself, Thursday 9th December, promises to be very entertaining and well worth attending. The annual class awards assembly takes place immediately after the concert. This ‘concert’ has grown over the years and I encourage all community members to attend if possible. The children really do appreciate performing for their family and friends.

In 2011 we will be having 19 classes as opposed to the 18 this year. However, our current enrolments (existing and new for 2011) could mean a rearrangement of what is planned. At this stage we have nearly all classes as single years but things can change with increased/decreased enrolments. Please do not ask what class a child will be in next year as the classes will be posted by the 1st February 2011 – this way we can make arrangements for any unexpected change.

I would like to thank Room G1 and Room 9 for their great work in setting up, running and performing at last week’s Christmas assembly – a fun and friendly assembly was had by all.

Over the past few weeks concerned residents in the immediate vicinity of the school have lodged several complaints with both the school and Rockingham police about excessive speeding and careless driving around the school during the ‘busy’ times of before and after school. This is a reminder that between 7.30am - 9.00am and 2.30pm – 4.00pm the speed limit around all school grounds is 40kph. If caught in excess of this speed, heavy fines are issued.

With the approaching hot weather it is important that all students are wearing a decent hat (broad brim hats are preferred) and have a suitable refillable water bottle for everyday use when at school and even weekends. Sunburn and dehydration can “sneak up on you” and ill health can result.

Looking forward to the End-of-Year Concert, Book Award Assembly, Incidental and Year 7 Graduation – seems like only yesterday we were celebrating the end of 2009!

Continue to work hard and enjoy the benefits

Alan Hansen - Principal

Education Support Centre

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Well done to all our students on their dedication with their Concert practice throughout the past few weeks. I see and hear children across the School, in various undercover areas, practising in the mornings and then again in the afternoons and it looks and sounds better and better all the time! I can’t wait for the Concert on the 9th December. I hope everyone is able to come along and join us for this and the Book Awards after recess time.

Our water skiing day was a blast! It was great to see so many parents come along and join us – I hope they all enjoyed their time. It was really hot but we had plenty of sunscreen, water and shade so we made it through the day without sunburn or dehydration. My personal thanks go to all of the Endeavour staff who did a fantastic job on the day – you are all legends!

Once again next year we will run four classes plus the Early Intervention group. Classes are not yet finalised due to new enrolments and new staff but will there will probably be a Year 1/2 class, a Year 2/3 class, a Year 4/5 class and a Year 5/6/7 class due to the number of children in each of the year levels.

In terms of staffing we have a new permanent teacher starting with us next year – Kate Marsden from Karratha ESC. We have also been fortunate enough to be able to appoint Kerri-Anne Davey as our Early Intervention teacher. We welcome them both to Endeavour for 2011 along with our other permanent staff members; Mrs Dawson, Ms Lockwood, Miss Savell, Mrs O’Shaughnessy and Mr Pestell. 2011 looks like being a fantastic year already!

Cheers for now.

Jayne Gorbould - Principal

Wooldridge’s stationery order forms for 2011 must be returned to the school front office by this Friday.

Don’t forget that by ordering through Wooldridge’s you are helping to raise funds for the school community and you also go into the draw to win your requirements for free.
The Pre-Primary students have had a fantastic year. Thank you to all those people who made it possible!

We wish you a Happy Christmas and a fun and safe school holidays.
**MUSIC NEWS**

**McNAMARA LODGE**
Well done to the Junior Choir and Year 6/7 Instrumentalists for singing and playing for the elderly people at McNamara Lodge in Meadow Springs. Also a big THANK YOU to the children who made the lovely Christmas decorations that the choir will be delivering tomorrow. All your efforts will certainly lift the spirits of the residents and staff.

**PURPLE HAZE**
Purple Haze, a local Rock and Roll band, will be playing dance music for our Year 6 and 7 students to jive and bop along to on the last day of school. The students will be able to use the dance steps they have learnt with Star Ballroom to have a great time with the band.

At 11.45 to 12.45 the band will run a concert for Pre-Primary to Year 5 students. The concert will include some dancing and the band members will also show the children how the instruments work.

We are very fortunate that the concerts will be free.

**BEST OF ENDEAVOUR’S GOT TALENT**
The Best of Endeavour’s Got Talent will be held from 1.30 to 12.45pm on 16 December. Parents are invited to come along and join the fun.

**DVD’s**
People will be able to order DVD’s of the Celebrations Concert and Awards Assembly. Order forms will be available soon.

Kerry Nurse
Music Specialist

**NEWSLETTER COMPETITION**
As there will be no more assemblies this year we won’t have another Newsletter competition but thank you to those who have entered the various competitions over the year. We have had many happy winners and lots of class discussions about whether 50% is really the same as 1/2.

This year in Maths we have purchased a lot of equipment, had grids and number lines painted around the school and made some super progress in our reports, NAPLAN and Australian Mathematics Competitions.

In English the school has purchased lots of home and classroom reading books and developed our Reading Detective programme to help us make good progress in Reading as well. We’ve been able to provide Reading and Mathematics support to teachers and students due to our Partnership Schools funding and we hope to develop more innovations to benefit our students next year.

Have a great holiday and we’ll be ready for 2011!!

Alison Taljaard and Dale Vlahov

**Book Club News**
A huge thanks to all the families that have supported Book Club this year. The school has received many free books and bonuses through your orders.

**Defence Force Families**
Good luck to those families who are being posted. We hope you have enjoyed your experiences at Endeavour Schools.

The Defence children will be having a little party on Monday 29th November at lunchtime. All treats will be provided.

I wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you all back next year.

Sharon Lamont
Defence Schools Transition Aide &

**ENDEAVOUR DENTAL CLINIC NEWS**
The school year is quickly coming to an end and we would like to inform all parents and students that the Endeavour Dental Clinic will be closed from 20 December, 2010 until 25 January, 2011.

If an emergency should arise over the school holidays, students can visit:
Mount Henry Dental Clinic
43 Mount Henry Road
Como
Phone: 9313 0555
Hours: 8.15am - 4.30pm
Monday to Friday (excluding public holidays)

The Dental Clinic would also like to advise parents that Year 7 students will continue to be eligible for checkups at the clinic until Year 11 of high school.

We hope you have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and look forward to seeing everyone in 2011.

**Award Recipients - 25 November 2010**

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**LOTE Award**
Rooms 8 and 24

**Library Award**
Rooms 13 and 24

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**Drama Production!**
Come along and see Endeavour Schools’ performance of **Aladdin Under the Sea!!**

Students from the Years 4-7 Drama Club have been rehearsing really hard all semester and would love for any parents, family or community members to come and watch their performance.

**When:** Tuesday 7th December
**Time:** Seniors—11.05 am
Juniors and Community—1.20pm
**Cost:** Gold coin donation for any parents or family members (pay at the performance)

We hope to see lots of parents and family members there!

If you have any questions, come and see Mrs Vlahov and Room 23.
As the end of the year approaches, we look back on a successful 2010 for the Endeavour Schools P&C. On behalf of the P&C I would like to thank all of the parents, students and school staff for all your wonderful support; without you our projects would not have come to fruition. As a result of our fundraising efforts we were able to achieve all of our goals for 2010.

Thank you also to all our hardworking P&C Committee and Executive Committee members—you know who you are! Without you we would not function.

We look forward to a wonderful 2011.

Merry Christmas everyone.

Nadine Instone
President
Endeavour Schools P&C

School Concert & Awards Ceremony canteen order forms MUST be handed back to the canteen by Friday, 3rd December. If you require another form, they are available at the front office.

REMINDER - the canteen WILL NOT be open for lunches on the last day of school - Thursday 16th December.

Thank you for supporting the Uniform shop over the last year we hope you have a fabulous festive season.

BOOK PICK UP DAY
Thursday, 27th of January 2011 is the pre-ordered book order pick up day. We will also be having a second hand uniform stall open - everything for $3.00 unless marked otherwise.

Don’t forget to get your copy of the Endeavour Schools “Family Favourites Cookbook”. Cookbooks are available at the school front office for only $10.00 and would make a great Christmas present for your families.

Experience the Ashes of the next decade when you watch England and WA battle it out at Lark Hill, the home of the Rockingham Mandurah Cricket Club.

Date:  One dayer  Friday 3rd of December 2010
Test  7th - 10th December 2010
Times  10.30am commencement.
Enjoy  The open bar and good food

For further detail contact: Wayne McKay 0439 993 725, or Steve Sherwin 0403 022 634

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