

South Newman Primary School

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Term 3 | August

What's Happening?

| Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Sat/Sun |
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| Week 4 | 6/8 Year 6 Transition Parent Info night - NSHS | 7/8 | 8/8 | 9/8 | 10/8 Assembly Room 13 | 11/ 12 |
| Week 5 | 13/8 ←----- | 14/8 ----- | 15/8 --- Science Week --- ECE Carnival | 16/8 -----→ | 17/8 Staff Development Day | 18/ 19 Fortescue Festival |
| Week 6 | 20/8 Fortescue Day | 21/8 | 22/8 Jumps & Throws Daytime Twilight Carnival 4:30 – 7:00pm | 23/8 Late student start 10:00am | 24/8 Assembly Room 14 Cancer Council Daffodil Day Newsletter | 25/ 26 |

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to Term 3. This term looks to be as full of learning and fun as Term 1 and 2. Already we are planning our athletics carnival, Literacy week, dress up days, visiting artists and excursions.

Last week we had Media professionals from Awesome Art come and work with Room 2 and Room 101 students on creating hand puppets which were used by the students in learning about film production. The students were taught lighting and sound techniques needed to produce a short documentary. The students applied their new skills along with their puppets to conduct interviews with various people. It was a great week of learning with the artists and the students enjoyed it very much.

This week saw our newest teacher join us. His name is Cyril Boelema and he will be teaching Science to our Year 1-6 students. Last week, we had Miss Elle Kroeber start her career with us teaching Digital Technologies and one day in Pre-Primary. Mrs Lynne Wilkes started with us at the beginning of term and will be teaching one day in Pre-Primary along with full time relief teaching. We welcome all three new teachers and hope they enjoy teaching at South Newman.

As we enter the second half of our school year we have other new faces take up positions with us. Many of our School Board members came to the end of their tenure in June and July of this year. As a result we asked for nominations and began the election and selection process. I would like to thank Mrs Gillian MacDonald, Mrs Lynda Langlands and Mrs Monette Paewhenua for their valuable contributions to our school board. Our new school board is now Jennifer Dickinson, Sonia Hammond, Rebecca Armstrong, Brooke Donaldson, Georgie McInerney, Jerry Parsons, Jo McGowan, Marian Chibaya, Ginny McMaster, Nicola Lake, Tom Miller, Dan Allen and Graeme Airton. Our School Board Chair, Rowena Purdy and I welcome you and are looking forward to working with you.

A big congratulations must go to Amarliah Rangi in Year 3 for winning this years Bloody Slow Cup T-Shirt design. Thank you to Senior Sergeant Fleskens for attending our assembly last week and presenting the winning prize to Amarliah.

Finally, I would sincerely like to thank our School P&C who work quietly behind the scenes raising funds for our school and for providing the great services to our students such as the canteen and uniforms. Late last term the P&C organised our annual Lapathon. Mrs Alex Oliver, P&C member did an incredible job making our Superhero Lapathon such a success. Over \$5,400.00 was raised from the Lapathon and will contribute towards our Nature Playground. Thank you to everyone who sponsored our students and helped with the Lapathon.

Hope you all enjoy the weekend and the rest of the term.

Katie Wallace
Principal



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GIFTED AND TALENTED

Secondary Selective Entrance Programs

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST FOR PROGRAMS IN 2020

Your child can discover a world of opportunities in Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs.

Offered at 19 select public secondary schools, including a fully selective academic school, an arts college, the new Inner City College (planning name - opening in 2020), a regional school and an online program. Your child will study with other gifted students and follow a curriculum designed specifically for their needs. They will enjoy a rich learning environment that is challenging and stimulating.

You can apply for these programs no matter where you live in Western Australia and successful country applicants may be eligible to board at City Beach Residential College.

Students will:

- study an enriched curriculum
- have access and links with universities and industry bodies
- have contact with leading industry professionals
- take part in competitions at national and international levels
- have access to mentoring programs.

Entrance to academic programs is determined by the results of the Academic Selective Entrance Test (ASET).

Programs in arts and languages may also require auditions, interviews and the submission of school reports.

Applications for Year 5 students currently in 2017, who are going into Year 7 in 2019 have now closed.

If you have an older child wishing to apply for Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs, additional entry points are available in Years 9, 10 and 11. The same application process and timing applies.

Parent information evenings for the 2019 intake cycle are now complete. You can view the information presented at these evenings online. Information evenings for the 2020 intake cycle will commence in October 2018.

Visit <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/gifted-and-talented> for more information.

Bloody Slow T-Shirt Order

This year the Newman Police have requested the pre-orders of Bloody Slow Cup T-Shirts are placed. They will most likely only be ordering the number of pre-ordered t-shirts received. If you would like to order a t-shirt for your child/ren there is a pre-order sign up sheet available in the front office.

The cost of the shirts this year is \$35.00. Pre-orders do not require pre-payment, however, if you do wish to pre-pay we can accept cash and Eftpos at the front office.

Congratulations to Amarliah Rangi in Year 3 for being South Newman Primary Schools winning design this year.



Framing the Shire of East Pilbara

We would like to congratulate the following students who have been successfully nominated to be exhibited. The top 20 have now been selected for exhibition at the Martumili Gallery.

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| Ashton Airton | Relaxing in the tree's shade |
| Jobe Bakes | Outback vision |
| Tamzyn Calder | Newman Outback |
| Olivia Hughes | Dreaming |
| Spencer Jones | Outback Hills |
| Jett Lockyer | Outback view |
| Beni Malins | Red Dust |
| Makenzy Russell | Outback Contortion |
| Shannen Walker-Johns | Bush Rock |

The successful photographs will be sent off to be professionally printed and framed. The Exhibition will form part of the Outback Fusion Festival and the official opening will be held on Friday 31 August at 5.30pm. More information to come with official invitation.



Awesome Art Visit

Room 12 Assembly

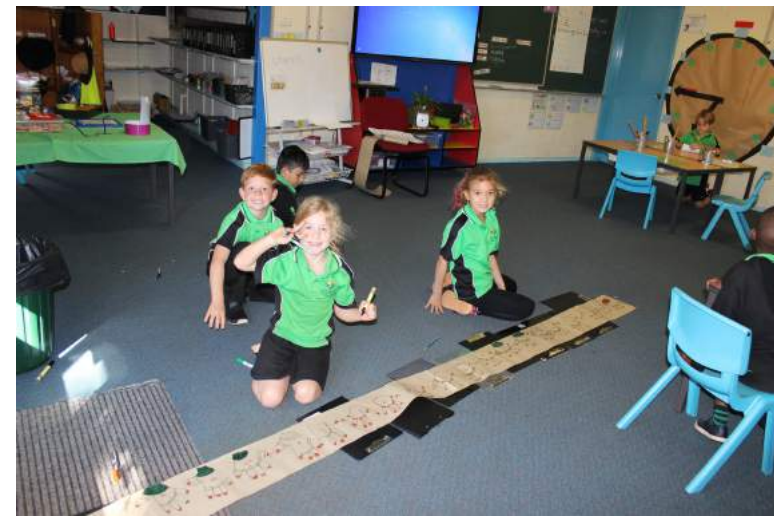


Merits

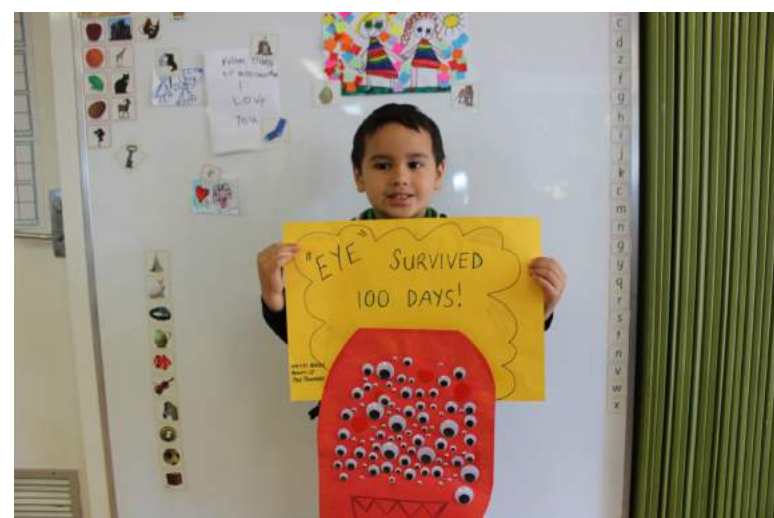
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| Room 1 | Zoe Mitchell | Oscar West |
| Room 2 | Lateesha Barber | Kaylee Hamilton |
| Room 3 | Malik Gordon | Jada Lockyer |
| Room 4 | Fong-Chee Tan | Maria-Lee Walker-Johns |
| Room 5 | Chloe Gormlie | Ethan Rawlinson |
| Room 7 | Wandile Ngwenya | Isaac Nicholson |
| Room 8 | Lucas Matheson | Ava Pensio |
| Room 9 | Ariya Anthony | Kobe Miles-Woodland |
| Room 10 | Brodi Snowden | Amelia Tuohey |
| Room 11 | Catherine Hughes | Jaxon Manson |
| Room 12 | Blake Forsyth | Mason Tiraa |
| Room 13 | Molly Bain | Brody Manson |
| Room 14 | Carson Parker | Emma Southwell |
| Room 17 | River Bonney | Darcy Campbell |
| Room 18 | Ruby Jayne Egan | James Hoyer |
| Room 101 | Ella Airton | Portipher Chibwe |



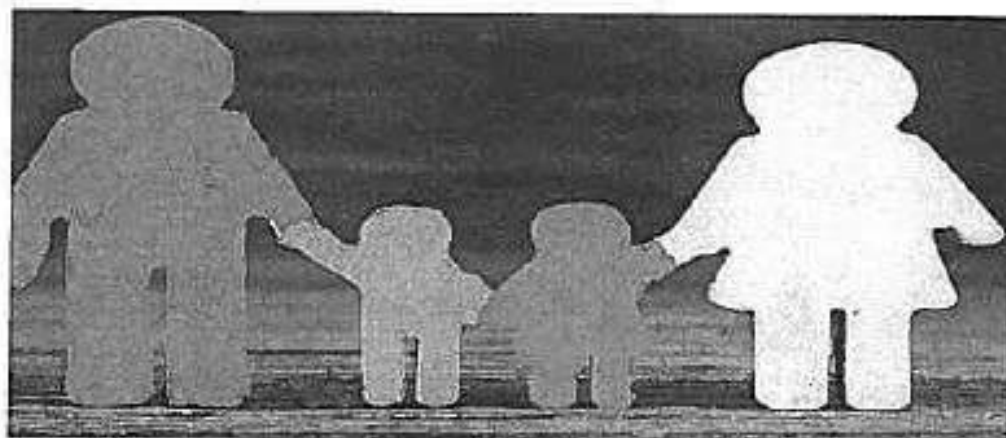
100 DAYS OF SCHOOL



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FREE FAMILY LAW ADVICE

26-29 NOV

Come along and get free legal advice about how family law can help you and your family

There will be a judge and a magistrate from the Family Court available to hear applications. We especially want to hear from grandparents, aunts and uncles who are looking after children.

You can talk to lawyers from:

- Aboriginal Legal Service
- Aboriginal Family Law Services
- Legal Aid WA

This service is specifically for Aboriginal people and is provided as part of the *Djidji Nyitti* (Little Children) project in Newman.

The Family Court of Western Australia acknowledges the Aboriginal owners and custodians of all the lands on which we work. We recognize the spiritual relationship that Aboriginal people have with their country and pay our sincere respect to elders past and present.



Where?

Newman House

When?

~~Monday 20 July 2010~~

~~Friday 3 August 2010~~

From 9.45am to 5pm
each day

No
APPOINTMENTS

No MILLI MILLI
(paperwork)

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insights



Dealing with video game crazes: Fortnite and fanaticism

by Martine Oglethorpe



Working with kids in schools these past weeks, and indeed having five children of my own, has alerted me to the seemingly unprecedented obsession with the new online game Fortnite. Not since Pokémon Go has something seemed to take the world by storm, leaving parents wondering when it will ever stop.

The answer to that last question is probably that it will stop when the next big thing comes along. These fads may well be a modern day version of the Rubik's Cube, elastics or swap cards, though of course the effects of the obsession can be much more pervasive than with my childhood obsession with PacMan.

If Fortnite is the latest craze to hit your household, or you are being nagged and cajoled to let them have the game "that everyone else is playing", then here are a few things you should know:

- It is violent. The aim of the game is to be the last person standing, and in order to do that you must kill all the other players.
- However the violence is portrayed as less real and almost cartoonish. There is no blood and gore as such, and so the violence is not comparable to that portrayed in other games such as Call of Duty or Grand Theft Auto.
- You can work in a team or on your own; working in a team can develop some effective teamwork skills.
- You can chat to team members but also random strangers who make up the remainder of the 100 players who are playing at the time.
- You can turn the chat function off by going to the settings and clicking on Audio options. This limits chatting to a player's friends or team members.
- Kids will be very loud playing this game so there is little chance of them playing it behind your back!
- Each game goes for about 20 minutes so it is an easy one to put time limits on by stipulating the number of games.
- It is frequently described as addictive so it is unlikely they will leave a game midway through.

parenting * ideas

As with any new game, social network or fad, it is crucial that we familiarise ourselves with it. Have a game with them, play around with the app or read about what the possible dangers may be so that you can have the right conversations and put the right boundaries in place.

Whilst there are certainly many areas of video gaming to be concerned about, it is also important to recognise that most video games can build skills and can also have social, emotional and cognitive benefits.

Now of course in order to enjoy these benefits parents need to ensure that gaming remains under control and that the games being played are at an appropriate level for their child.



Five things to keep in mind

1. Discuss any themes or concepts you are concerned about to see if your child has a grasp on the reality (or lack thereof) when it comes to certain games.
2. Monitor how your individual child is coping with a game and the amount of time they are playing. If their mood is changing, they are having a fight to come to the dinner table or they are staying up all night and neglecting other areas of their lives, then you will need to step in and make some changes.
3. Remember it is your house and your rules. But making these rules and boundaries from a place of knowledge and understanding makes them a lot easier to enforce.
4. If a child is struggling with time limits, warnings may help and you may wish to slowly reduce the time being played (rather than go cold turkey). However, some parents have had success with giving their kids a total break from games when things were getting out of hand.
5. Always go to the settings area of any game or network as there you will find ways to make the experience as safe and positive as possible. Minimising the number of people they have the ability to connect with and who can make contact with them is a good place to start.



Remember that every child is different and so the effects that gaming has on each child will be different. The key to enjoying a positive experience with whatever game or craze comes your way is to ensure your child maintains control over their play, that they are playing safely and that they are still leaving plenty of time to do all of the many other things they need to experience on any given day.