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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What a sensational day we had last Friday running the Athletics Carnival. It was a bit chilly with some morning rain but that didn't seem to deter the students on the day. Canning was the overall winning faction with 412 points, followed by Woodlupine with 344 points and then very closely behind with 343 points was Murdock. Our junior girl runner up was Jessica with Mankirat our champion. The junior boy's runner up was Nait and Parrth our champion, intermediate girls' runner up in equal place Preetinder and Zoya and our champion Gurnoor, with our intermediate boy's runner up Djanana and champion Malik and our senior girl's runner up Summer and champion girl Aaliyah and senior boy's runner up Denzel and Linken was our champion. Congratulations to all our winners but more importantly everyone who competed on the day. The children were amazing.

### Speak Up

Congratulations to Senolee who is our first student to ever make it through to the Speak Up Finals. Senolee will deliver her speech for the finals this coming Friday. We wish her every success and look forward to hearing her speech.

### Safety around our school

Parents have brought concerns to me regarding parents stopping in the middle of the road and dropping off their children. I know it's frustrating around the school at drop off and pick up times and you may need a few extra minutes waiting for a car space, but this is worth it rather than your child being hit by a car. Stopping on the road is extremely dangerous for your child. Please consider your children and keep them safe.

### Parking around the school

We continue to have parents block the driveway at Sister Kate's and use this area as a turning point. This is private property; do not park, block or turn your vehicles around in this area.

The **KISS and DROP Zone** is on Treasure Road only. In all other areas around the school the parents must park. As the mornings are a little warmer and the sun is shining, this is a great time to get out the bikes, scooters and skateboards for the children to make their way to school independently. Most families live close to the school; it's time to get our children active on the way to school. It's great for their health.

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### Healthy Eating

As parents we are time poor, but it's very important we still pack our children healthy lunches and snacks. Healthy eating is good for developing our children's brains. which then supports academic development.

You could pack **popcorn, cheese and crackers, veggies and hummus, puffed rice cakes, muffins, trail mix, yogurt, fruit, hard boiled eggs, nuts, energy bites, dried fruit, sushi, vegetable sticks, sandwiches, noodles, mini quiches.**

Things to avoid- **chips with added salt and flavours, Doritos (corn chips with flavouring), twisties, chocolate, pizza, high processed foods, sausages, crackers, take away meals, sweet biscuits, fruit bars.**

### Parent input into classes for 2025

We are currently in the process of setting up classes for 2025. During this process we seek input from staff and students, and this year we would like input for parents. We use a computer program to set up classes based on this information. We are asking for one area of input from parents, which I believe will be further refined in the future. This input is on academic achievement. If you have had concerns about your child's achievement and have met with your child's class teacher to discuss your concerns more than 3 times this year, this may be taken into consideration when placing your child. I have attached the link to the survey which will be closed next Friday.

<https://forms.office.com/r/BK6jQDCMYb>

### Staff Leaving QPPS

Sadly, we are farewelling two of our Education Assistants at the end of this term. Ms Linda Vojkovic has supported students in the classroom and has also been a part of the BeARS Program. Ms Vojkovic is starting a new job and we wish her well with her future endeavours.

Ms Susan Paton is retiring from our school after many years of dedicated service and support to our early childhood students. Her welcoming and nurturing personality will be greatly missed by both staff and students. Thank you, Ms Susan, for your amazing contribution to Queens Park Primary School. We hope you find the time to relax!

This is the final newsletter for the term. Next Friday is Reward Day and our final assembly. We are all looking forward to Term 4, especially our Art Exhibition followed by our community event. As usual, Term 4 will be a busy one. Stay safe and enjoy your time with your children and families over the break.

*Quote of the week: "I was always looking outside myself for strength and confidence, but it comes from within. It is there all the time." Anna Freud (1895- 1982)*

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## FROM THE DEPUTY'S DESK

As we wind down the term it's great to see a significant drop in the number of detentions we've had. This means that more students will be eligible for Reward Day next week. Look out on Thursday for your child's invite if they've got 90% attendance (or medical certificates to 90% or more) and no more than 2 detentions. It's going to be a lot of fun!

Now that the weather is warming up, remember to wear the full proper uniform—including the correct blue pants / skirt / leggings. Navy blue is not the correct colour. Students should always have a wide-brimmed school hat for sun protection to use when they are outdoors.

Don't forget to let Mrs Banks in the front office know if you're leaving the school at any time before the start of next year. We will soon be working towards 2025 planning and class creation and this information is very important for us to plan with.

Congratulations Room 2 who won the Timeliness Trophy last assembly with only 2 late students in a two-week period! We have significantly less late students now than at the start of the term across the school; keep it up for the final week of term!

With one week to go, keep looking ahead and enjoy the sunshine.

**Mrs Kiera Slade and Mrs Stephanie Hockaday**

Deputy Principals



## School Mobile Phone Policy

If parents require their child to have a mobile phone or other electronic devices brought to school, it is the responsibility of your child to hand the phone in to the front office. Queens Park Primary School for the Department of Education do not take any responsibility to the loss or damage of any equipment brought from home, including electronic devices.



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Merit Awards

ROOM 1	Leon	Suvali
ROOM 2	Elektra	Gregory
ROOM 3	Issaq	Samantha
ROOM 4	Chloe	Tshering
ROOM 5	Gurnoor	Shriya
ROOM 6	Janice	Oliver
ROOM 12	Florencia	Uwais
ROOM 13	Amelia	Ayaan
ROOM 14	Austin	
ROOM 17	Gunreet	Jessica
ROOM 18	Yoshina	
PRE-PRIMARY	Elsie	Killian
SPORT	Iziaha	Simone



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## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Queens Park Primary School Athletics Carnival took place at the end of Week 8 and what a fun day it was! Seeing our students come through the gates in the morning in their faction colours, with coloured hair and accessories was just amazing. The day began early for our staff, so thank you to those that got in to help with set-up. A very special mention to Mr Alec for the work he does on this day to ensure we are set-up and ready to go; you are awesome Mr Alec.

The students have been practicing a lot and have been very determined in training this term, which showed during the carnival, with some outstanding individual and team performances. Well done to everyone that had a go, was part of a team and put in their best effort. I know that the family and friends who came to watch would have been just as proud of your efforts as I was!!

A big big thank you to the parents/carers and family members that came out to cheer us on, in what was a slightly damp day (at least we didn't get the wind). Having your support and the support of our amazing P&C is truly what makes this day special.

At the end of the carnival our three factions were extremely close in overall points with Canning running out the eventual 2024 Champions – Well done Canning. Congratulations to all individual award winners and I look forward to seeing our senior students challenge themselves further in Term 4's Interschool Athletics Carnival

### P and C

The P&C would like to thank all the Members of the P&C, also all staff, parents and students who helped with the lunch orders and the Year 6 cake stall. It was a great day and bring on next years Athletics Carnival!

Any suggestions would be greatly appreciated, or if you would like to help – please come and join our P&C.



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*Strength Through Knowledge*  
**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**



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## Room 3

### Be an eSafe kid

On Monday morning, room 3 joined year 3 and 4 students from over 20 WA schools to participate in a live Virtual Classroom. We learnt about how to spot 'red flags' when we are online.



More information can be found at [www.esafety.gov.au/parents](http://www.esafety.gov.au/parents)



## Room 2—Kitchen Garden News

Room 2 (Year 3) have been busy weeding the vegie patch this week. They were delighted to be able to collect lots of healthy vegies, herbs and fruit for our cooking session.

Well done Room 2; you have magical green thumbs!

Mrs McLeod  
Year 3



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Seeking Parent Volunteers  
who love  
**Performing!**  
We invite you to perform at our  
Variety Night, celebrating the Arts  
at QPPS.



Dancing   Puppets   Singing   Musicians  
*or something else!*

Email  
**Ian.Banks@education.wa.edu.au**  
Date of performance: 24 October, 6-7pm  
Rehearsal prior to the show.

On Monday September 2 Senolee (Room 4) represented our school at the Preliminary Final of Speak Up, a public speaking competition run by Freemasons WA. Senolee was one of 34 students selected to go through from an initial 111 students in the entire state-wide competition. She gave a terrific rendition of her speech and we are delighted to announce that she has moved on to the Grand Final which is taking place this evening (Friday –13/9), where she will compete against 13 other finalists. We wish her all the best.

**Ian Banks**

Oral Language/Drama Teacher



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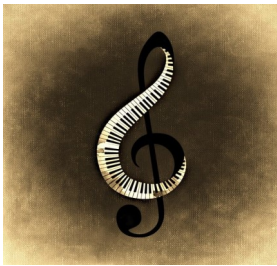


## Music

Every morning and afternoon you've heard the music on the PA to signal the start and end of our school day. We invite you to tell us your favourite songs and music, so we can incorporate choices from our school community into the music selection.

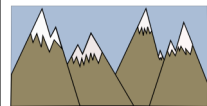
Please scan the QR code and submit a song suggestion, then listen out for the changes! We change our music at the start of every term, and then again in Week 6. You can submit a suggestion at any time, and can submit more than one!

**Kiera Slade**  
Deputy Principal



## Important Dates to Remember

**18th September** Kindy Orientation (9-11am)  
**20th September** Last Day of Term 3  
**8th October** First Day of Term 4



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thr	Fri	Sat	Sun
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

## ASSEMBEY - 20TH September (ROOM 13)

We will be presenting a song related to one of our focus maths theme. Read the clues below and see if you can guess what the song be.

“ABBA had a famous song about it.

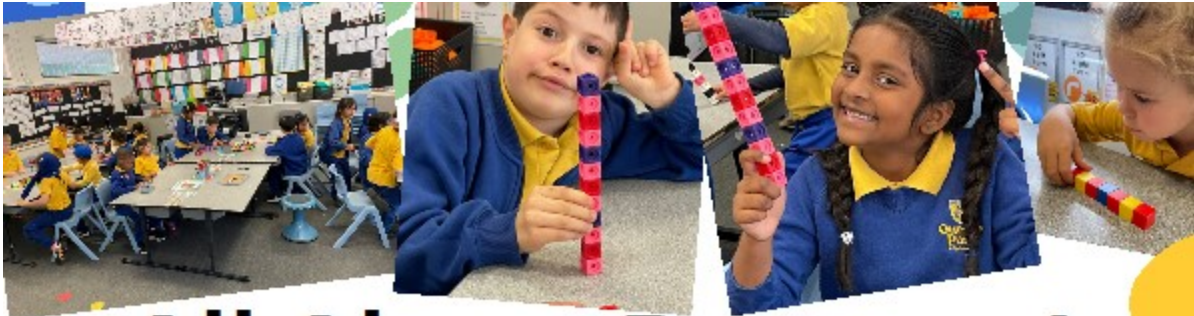
Why do you go to work?

There are many different symbols about it around the world. “



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# All About Patterns!

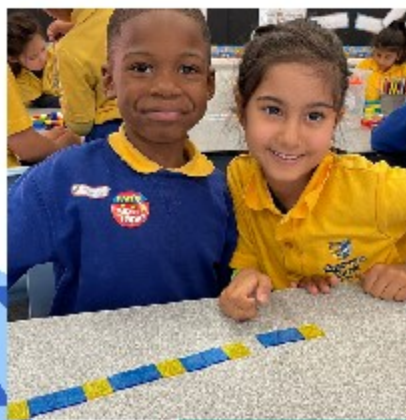


Patterns in the air  
Patterns everywhere!  
Patterns made of shapes  
Patterns made of grapes!  
Patterns on a cheetah  
Patterns on my feetah!



This year we have been learning all about patterns.  
They are everywhere!

In these pictures, the Room 14 students were given  
a pattern format (e.g. ABAC pattern) and they had to use  
manipulatives to continue  
the pattern.



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Community Announcements



## BENTLEY ST JAMES STREETSPORT Program

### Welcome to Street sport – Bentley St James

Discover your love of soccer through a fun eight-week term of **FREE** soccer!

The City has partnered with **Football Futures** and **Bentley Primary School** to run this program in Bentley.

Sharpen your football skills, join in some games, make new friends.

**Bentley Primary School Oval**

**Every Thursday**  
**17 October – 5 December 2024**  
3.30pm-5.30pm

Participants will get a free participation pack full of giveaways and will be provided with healthy snacks each week.

Open to all genders. Age 10-15 years.

### How do I register?

Registrations are essential. Email [community@canning.wa.gov.au](mailto:community@canning.wa.gov.au) for a registration form or use the QR code to find out where you can pick up a paper registration form.

### Find us at

Come and meet the Neighbourhood team, ask any questions about the program and get a physical copy of the registration form.

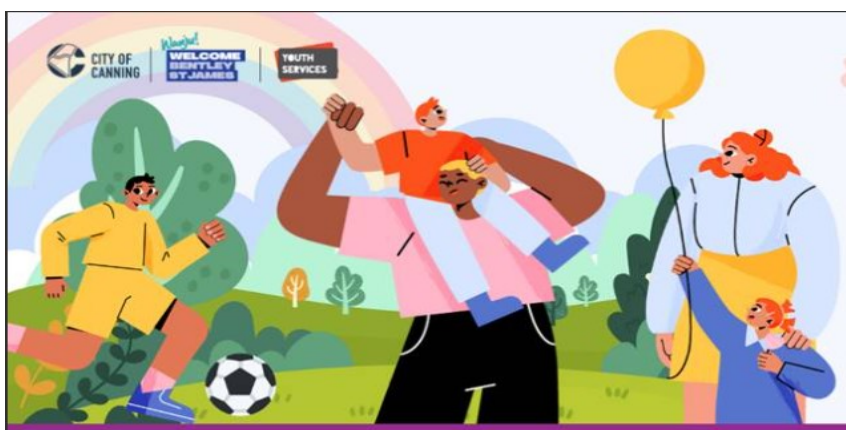
**Drop in Registration Session**

**Thursday 26 September**  
3pm – 5pm  
Hillview Intercultural Community Centre



Scan the QR code to register or visit us at [yoursaycanning.com.au/wanjubentley](https://yoursaycanning.com.au/wanjubentley)

The Youth Fest event will be an opportunity to register for the StreetSport program, flyer attached. The StreetSport program is a free eight week soccer program for ages 10 to 15 for the Bentley/St James neighbourhood.



## STREETSPORT KICKOFF Youth Fest

Friday 20 September, 3pm – 7pm  
Wyong Park, Bentley

Wanju! You are invited to come along to Youth Fest, our city's annual free family friendly event!  
To find out more visit [canning.wa.gov.au/youthfest](https://canning.wa.gov.au/youthfest)

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# Strength Through Knowledge

## Community Announcements



### How can Bridge to Belonging help?

- Case Work and Case Management
- General Settlement Information
- Referrals and Advocacy Support
- Women's Life Skills Program
- Women's Support Groups
- Men's Support Groups
- Community Capacity Building
- Youth Life Skills Program
- Family Safety Support
- Employment and Citizenship Support
- Supported Play Group for CaLD children (0-5 Aged)

### About COMMUNICARE

Communicare was established in 1977 and has developed into a dynamic not-for-profit organisation with an enduring reputation as a community organisation that genuinely cares.

Our aspiration is to create strong, safe and inclusive communities with the purpose of inspiring and empowering people to live a life of their choice.

Our philosophy is to provide hope and opportunity for people and, over the years we have distinguished ourselves as a provider and innovator of services as well as an advocate to enhance social and economic inclusion.

Our two pillars of core business – community inclusion and community safety – form the foundations of our diverse service portfolio of Children & Family, Cultural & Settlement, Education, Employment and Family Violence & Intervention Services.

### Head Office

- 📍 28 Cecil Avenue, Cannington WA 6107
- 📧 PO Box 730, Cannington, WA 6987
- ☎ (08) 9251 5777
- ✉ info@communicare.org.au
- 🌐 communicare.org.au

### Contact Bridge to Belonging

- 📍 28 Cecil Avenue, Cannington WA 6107
- ☎ (08) 9251 5777
- ✉ referralsbtb@communicare.org.au

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## BRIDGE TO BELONGING

Settlement Engagement and Transition Support (SETS)



### Bridge to Belonging (BTB) Settlement Engagement and Transition Support (SETS)

Bridge to Belonging (BTB) Program is funded by Department of Home Affairs under the "Refugee and Humanitarian Assistance program" to assist humanitarian entrants, other vulnerable migrants, (individual and families) and their communities, to achieve settlement goals and integrate successfully.

Communicare, in partnership with Centrecare, deliver the BTB Program in the South East and South West metropolitan regions of Perth and Mandurah.

BTB promotes social participation, personal and economic well-being, independence and community connection for refugees and migrants. This involves equipping them with the skills to navigate independently and feel they belong in the Australian social system.

BTB provides capacity building support to small and/or ethno-specific organisations enabling them to better support vulnerable communities and their members.



### Bridge to Belonging eligibility criteria includes

- Humanitarian entrants
- Family stream migrants with low English proficiency
- Selected working and skilled visa holders in rural and regional areas with low English proficiency (dependants only)
- Selected temporary residents (Prospective Marriage, Provisional Partner visa holders and their dependants) in rural and regional areas with low English proficiency
- Selected other stream visas.

### Bridge to Belonging supports the following refugees and migrants

- People who first arrived in Australia less than 5 years ago.
- People requiring assistance and support related to their health and wellbeing or associated with family or domestic violence.
- Individuals who require one-off or short-term support with a significant life change or event.
- Dependents, often women, who have otherwise prioritised the needs of their family and delayed their own engagement with settlement services
- Individuals with prolonged issues of low literacy and English language proficiency
- Individuals with critical settlement needs where there are no other available settlement or mainstream services through which they can receive support for their needs.
- Older migrants or individuals who arrived at a young age and have been in Australia for over 5 years, but have developed issues as they grow older



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# LENS ON BIODIVERSITY COMMUNITY PHOTO COMPETITION

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To celebrate Biodiversity Month, amateur photographers of all ages are invited to showcase the natural beauty of the City of Canning. Whether using a phone or camera, all participants are encouraged to capture our diverse ecosystems and inspire others to protect them. With categories for kids, youth and adults, everyone has a chance to be recognised. Enter before 29 September.

For more information visit scan the QR code  
or visit [www.yoursaycanning.com.au/biodiversityphotoshoot](http://www.yoursaycanning.com.au/biodiversityphotoshoot)

\*Terms and conditions apply, see website link for full terms & conditions of entry.



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Book your wild adventure to visit your favourite furry, feathery and scaly **animal friends**, explore our zoo-per fun playground and listen to **keeper talks** – all for FREE!

- Perth Zoo Free Pass is a new initiative that enables all WA residents the opportunity to visit Perth Zoo for free.
- Simply log into the **ServiceWA app**, book a date and claim your four free tickets in a few clicks. Bookings essential.
- Your Perth Zoo Free Pass tickets include public transport to and from the Zoo on the day of your visit.

**Offer Dates:** Monday 9 September – Saturday 30 November

**Time:** Perth Zoo is open 9am – 5pm every day of the year, with special extended hours for our spring lights exhibition, **Lights Alive**.

**Tickets:** Bookings are essential. Claim your Perth Zoo Free Pass via **ServiceWA** today.

**Download the ServiceWA app today.**

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