WELCOME TO TERM 2
It was a smooth start to Term 2 with students excited to catch-up with their friends and settling back into the school routine very quickly. A copy of the Term Planner is attached to this newsletter with the activities known at this time. Parents will be advised of additional activities such as excursions and sporting events as they are confirmed.

STAFFING UPDATE
Our thoughts and condolences are with Mrs Peirce who has extended her leave for Term 2 to support her family during a difficult time. We are delighted that Mr Hounsell has been reappointed to Year 4 Room 13 during her absence. Welcome to Deanne Percher and Jacinta Martino who have joined us as education assistants for a few weeks. Welcome also to pre-service teachers, Michael Egan and Bianca Franklin, supporting Room 5 and Room 6 this term. Our registrar, Debra Ansell, is currently enjoying two well deserved weeks of long service leave (LSL) and Cindy Spight, one of our valuable education assistants, is also on LSL this week.

SCHOOL PHOTOS
School photos have been distributed today. If you find that there are any products missing from your order, please check with your classroom teacher in the first place to ensure that they have not been left in the classroom. All other queries or concerns should be made directly to Kapture Photography on 9240 1714. The team at Kapture aim to please their clientele so please do not hesitate to contact them.

NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE
The new North Perth Primary School Website will be going ‘live’ next Monday 27 April. We are encouraging feedback from you over the next four weeks to help us tweak any changes to best meet your needs. Please have a look after Monday and tell us what you think. The address will be the same as the old website - http://www.northperthprimary.edu.au/
All existing primary parent contacts will be added to the new subscription list. We would like to encourage all members of our parent body and their extended families who are interested in subscribing to our new website to do so by clicking the link located on every page of the new site.

ANZAC DAWN SERVICE
This Friday morning North Perth Primary School will conduct a Dawn Service to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the Gallipoli landings in 1915. The service will be held on the front steps of the school and we ask people to gather in the front courtyard. All students, parents and extended families are invited but students attending will need to be accompanied by an adult. The North Perth P&C will be supplying a free breakfast after the service.
Date: Friday, 24 April 2015
Service begins: 6.15am
Breakfast: 6.45am to 7.30am

ANZAC DAY SERVICE - MOUNT HAWTHORN
The community is invited to attend the Centenary ANZAC DAY Service to be held on Saturday 25 April at Axford Park on the corner of Scarborough Beach Road and Oxford Street. This year to pay homage to our veterans on the 100th anniversary of the ANZAC landing in Gallipoli, the RSL Mount Hawthorn Sub-Branch will be leading a march along Oxford Street from Anzac Road to the ANZAC Memorial at Axford Park. The community is invited to line the streets to honour our service men and women and/or family representatives.
To register for the march or for further information on the service please contact 9273 6557, events@vincent.wa.gov.au or www.vincent.wa.gov.au/ANZAC
Date: Saturday, 25 April 2015
March begins: 10.40am
Service begins: 11.00am
Refreshments: 12.00pm

The Principal and two student representatives will be attending this commemorative service.

KEY DATES
Tuesday 21 April  Year 6 Intern Swimming
Thursday 23 April  Canteen open for Friday orders
Friday 24 April  Anzac Dawn Service
                  Canteen open
Monday 27 April  Anzac Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 28 April  View Street Crossing Meeting
Wednesday 29 April  Assembly—Year 3 Room 1
Thursday 30 April  Canteen Meeting 9.15am
Tuesday 5 May  P & C Meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 7 May  Uniform Shop 2.30pm—3.00pm
Friday 8 May  Prospective Parent Tour of School #3 9.30am
                  Uni-Active Program (Term 2) commences
Monday 11 May  NAPLAN Assessment Week—Year 3 and 5
                  School Council Meeting 3.15pm
PESTO PASTA TASTING DAY
In the final week of Term 1 the students enjoyed Pesto Pasta. The pesto was made by some of our senior students using basil from our garden and then mixed with pasta for a fresh tasting experience. The students were invited to taste and then vote on the question, ‘Should Pesto Pasta be added to the canteen menu?’ with the following results:

Yes—95 (55%)  No—79 (45%)

The pasta was very popular with some students queuing for a second (and even third) helping!

CONGRATULATIONS TRYATHLETES
Congratulations to the following 16 students from North Perth Primary School who took part in the Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon at Langley Park, Perth on the 29th of March 2015:

Maddy B  Louis B  Allegra C  Sam D  Georgie D  Daniel D
Oliver D  Mia F  Jasmine H  Amy H  Jack H  Charlie L
Tia M  Hugo M  Fallon O  Oscar W

The Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon will be returning in 2016 and we hope to see many more of our students participating in this event.

AUSTRALIAN EARLY DEVELOPMENT CENSUS (AEDC)
A snapshot of children in our community
A nation-wide program called the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) will take place again in May, June and July 2015. The AEDC looks at how young children are developing in the years before they begin school.

In 2009 and 2012, the AEDC was completed nationally collecting information on over 500,000 children in their first year of full-time school. The AEDC takes place every three years.

In Western Australia information will be collected on Pre-primary children. Pre-primary teachers will complete the AEDC Instrument (like a questionnaire) for each child in their class and enter information into a secure web-based data entry system that protects the privacy of all children. Information entered is based on the teacher’s knowledge and observations of their students and children are not required to be present while data is entered.

The AEDC results are reported back to the community based on the suburb or locality where children live, so individual children cannot be identified. The results help communities understand how their children are developing and where improvements can be made to give children the best start in life.

Parents of Pre-primary students will receive a letter about our schools involvement in the coming weeks.

You can find out more at www.aedc.gov.au

ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
The school will be closed on Monday 27 April due to the ANZAC Day public holiday.
CANTEEN NEWS TERM 2
Hi and welcome back to Term 2, we hope everyone had a great break. We are now using the winter menu. On Monday we will be offering yummy pasta dishes from Golden Ravioli and introducing homemade chicken fried rice and also a vegetarian option! Back again by popular demand, we have Vegetarian Nachos on Friday which is also the first day the canteen will be open this term. Hope to see everyone on Thursday ordering for Friday.

Please notice that we only carry Nudie juices now and we have caramel milk as well. Also, please make sure to note what items are available on Monday or the Friday Specials. We are still in need of volunteers for this term so please have a look at Volunteer Spot and put your name down for a shift. We have two – an early 9:00am to 11:15am and a late one 10:30am to 1:00pm for your convenience. See this link http://vols.pt/KyAGa1 We are also in need of a volunteer on Fridays to pick up our Sushi—this usually takes no more than one hour at the most. Please come see us at the canteen to let us know if you can assist.
Jennifer Fagerstrom and the Canteen Committee

WASTE WISE SCHOOLS PROGRAM
We were recently advised that the school had met the requirements for the Waste Wise Schools Program for 2015 and a sticker confirming our continued accreditation has been placed on the Waste Wise sign near reception. Thank you to Ms Fort for coordinating this program and congratulations to everyone for their support.

UNI-ACTIVE PROGRAM
The assessments for students registered for Uni-Active for the first time will be conducted during the school day this Friday. The Term 2 program will commence in Week 3 on Friday 8 May at 7.45am.
In Term 1 we discovered Fractured Fairy Tales. Our favourite stories were ‘The Stinky Cheese Man’ and ‘The True Story of the Three Little Pigs’.

We loved performing our assembly item ‘The Stinky Cheese Man’.

Some of our favourite parts were:

“When the Stinky Cheese Man fell into the river!” – Jacob B

“I liked how the Stinky Cheese man kept on running around!” – Saskia

“My favourite part was when the foxes hid behind the tree.” - Rory

We have just planted some vegetable seedlings in our class vegetable patch. We hope to use them for a soup day later in the term.

In Term 2 we will be learning about the different types of farming in Australia.

We will even be getting weekly updates from a working farm!