FAREWELL TO FORMER STUDENT
On Goonderup Day, 4 September 2015, we heard the sad news that former student Geoffrey Bolton had passed away. Professor Bolton was a student at our school from 1936 – 1942. He completed his secondary education at Wesley College before going to UWA and overseas to Balliol College, Oxford.

Mr Bolton was a respected historian, author and academic who made a extraordinary contribution to the State during his life. He was a Fellow of Historical Societies in Australia and England. His achievements were significant and included serving as a Professor of Modern History at UWA, Pro Vice Chancellor at Murdoch University and also working at Monash University and the University of London.

Mr Bolton published several books including Daphne Street that recounted a feud between the students at North Perth Primary School and Highgate Primary School.

He was named an Officer of the Order of Australia in 1984 and Western Australia’s Australian of the Year in 2006.

Mr Bolton will live on at our school as we have one of our factions named Bolton, representing the people within our community.

Our sincere condolences are extended to the family, friends and colleagues of this eminent historian who is fondly remembered by his primary school.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
This term, especially the last four weeks, has been very busy and I know many of the students and staff members are looking forward to the break to recharge for Term 4. **Term 3 will conclude on Friday 25 September.** Term 4 will commence for students on Tuesday 13 October 2015.

RESURFACING THE COURTS
Due to concerns with the new bitumen surface, it will be redone during the upcoming school holidays. This means the school site, excluding the oval, will be closed to enable the contractors to complete the job quickly and safely. Parents are requested to reinforce with their children the importance of staying away from the school site during the holiday period.

BIKE EDUCATION
We have been fortunate to secure WestCycle instructors to provide *Be Active Bike Skill* lessons to our Year 3 – 6 in Term 4. This program is fully funded by the school and a generous grant received by the North Perth P & C Association from SGIO (State Government Insurance Office).

The Year 3 students will participate in three 60 minute lessons. This short course will introduce bike safety principles and bike handling skills. These are developed through fun and game based skill sessions with the fully qualified instructors. The Year 4, 5 and 6 students will participate in one 60 minute refresher lesson that will revise the skills taught during the bike education program in 2014.

Information regarding this activity will be sent home next week. It is important that the three forms are returned on the first day of next term.

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**FOOTY COLOURS DAY**

Friday 25 September

Wear your footy colours on the last day of Term 3 to champion your footy team.
MUSIC ASSEMBLY
WEEK 10 — WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2015

We are looking forward to presenting the combined Massed Choir and Junior Choir, singing a small selection of Massed Choir songs from the Winthrop Concert held on 2 September.

The assembly will start with our very talented Ensemble students, playing the repertoire they performed at the WA Schools’ Orchestra Festival at Churchlands Senior High School last month, where they gained an 'Excellent' rating in the String Orchestra Novice Division.

The choir repertoire will follow.

We invite you all to attend and enjoy our musical performances.

Mrs Macpherson, Choir Conductor
Anna Person, Ensemble Director

BEFORE SCHOOL SKILL DEVELOPMENT

UWA is offering a FUN movement program at North Perth PS that encourages maximal participation, increased self-esteem and development of movement skills such as catching, throwing, running & balance.

Term 4 details are as follows:
- Friday mornings before school, 7:45am-8:30am
- Available for Kindy-Year 2 students
- Focusing on the skills: **Striking** (teeball & cricket) & **Hopping**
- 8 week program, cost is $112 per child

All new participants will receive a movement skill assessment.


REMINDER — STRANGER DANGER AND SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN

The City of Vincent would like to issue a reminder to all parents and carers to be vigilant around parks, shops and other public areas following recent reports of suspicious behaviour and individuals approaching children who are walking home from school.

We encourage you to talk to your children and make sure that they are aware of 'stranger danger' principles by telling them the following:

- Never go with a stranger and to keep their distance from strangers and to never ever get in a strangers car
- Strangers may make up stories like, looking for a lost pet, or needing directions; or they might say that they are a friend of your mum or dads, or work for the school, police, etc
- Strangers may offer them lollies or treats which they should never accept, for any reason at all
- If your child walks home from school without an adult, try to organise for them to walk with another child if possible and/or encourage them to stick to busy roads and to never stop and talk with strangers
- Tell your child to let you know if they do have an encounter with a stranger - make sure they aren't scared of telling you and that they know they won't 'get into trouble'
- If ever frightened, tell your child to go into a 'safe place' like a shop, police station or school and to get assistance from staff - make sure they know parents contact numbers

It's important that your child knows that most people are good, safe adults so that you don't frighten them, but that with strangers they can't tell if someone is a 'good' or 'bad' adult.

Please ensure you report all incidents or suspicious behaviour to police on 131444 (or 000 in an emergency only). The City and WA Police are continuing to work to keep our public spaces safe and appreciate your assistance.

Kate Allen
Customer Service Officer
RANGER & COMMUNITY SAFETY SERVICES
City of Vincent
Phone: (08) 9273 6561
Fax: (08) 9273 6099

SCHOOL COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING

Monday 26 October 2015
NPPS Staff Room, 3.15pm
All are welcome to attend.
KIDS HELPLINE - FAST FACTS

- Kids Helpline is Australia’s ONLY free, private and confidential, 24-hour telephone and online counselling service specifically for young people aged between 5 - 25.
- Australia has more than 5.5 million people aged between 5 and 25 years. Estimates say that 10% are experiencing abuse or neglect, one in seven have mental health issues, and almost 30% are concerned about family conflict.
- During 2008, Kids Helpline answered almost 300,000 telephone, web and email contacts from children and young people across Australia.
- Children and young people can choose to speak with either a male or female counsellor and are able to continue to speak with the same counsellor to work through their issues.
- Families matter most to kids - Family relationships have remained the top concern for children and young people since Kids Helpline began in 1991.
- Support is vital to country kids - Children and young people living in regional and remote areas account for just under half of all contacts to Kids Helpline while only a third of the population lives in these areas.
- One-in-four counselling sessions are with children and young people receiving either ongoing counselling or intensive support with a case management plan.
- Mental health issues are on the rise - contacts about mental health issues have doubled since 2002.
- Bullying is still a concern for kids - bullying contacts predominantly from children under 15.
- Risky level drug and alcohol use is on the rise - Kids Helpline has seen an increase in the proportion of young people reporting drug and alcohol use at high levels.
- Kids Helpline officially opened on March 25, 1991 and 3,272 young people called the first day. More than 120,000 calls were made to the service in the first 17 days.
- Kids Helpline has an extensive referral database of more than 7,000 support services such as suicide prevention, self help resources and mental health information, as well as a variety of programs specific to the needs of local communities.

1800 55 1800
Kids Helpline—anytime and for any reason
CANTEEN NEWS

Spring is here and we are now at the end of Term 3, how fast time has gone!
The canteen will be open on the last day of term, so I look forward to seeing everyone at
the canteen on the last Thursday to put your orders in. North Perth pesto pasta day was a
great success with over 145 orders - hope everyone liked their surprise.
As we are moving into Term 4 the menu will change, so look out for this next term. We will
be adding more green items such as, focaccia pizza (bbq chicken, veggie, and supreme.)
Also avocado will be available as a add on or as a dip in our new snack lunch plate - this is
veggie sticks, crackers, cheese slices and fruit wedges. Lastly, we will be trying a new milk based ice cream, called Moosies
in 5 flavours. For recess we have now deleted the seasoned wedges as they are classified as red and not allowed in school
canteens. For a healthier option, we are offering cheesy and pizza potato skins which are green and chicken strips as well
as all our other healthy offerings at recess.
I wish everyone a relaxing break.
Jennifer Fagerstrom and the Canteen Committee

A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY: GOONDERUP OVAL

When the school was built there were also two blocks on Albert Street set aside for future expansion. In 1943, the older students
created the school oval by leveling the ground by carrying dirt from the east to the west side on sheets of corrugated iron. The
students also planted trees to honour early pioneers of Western Australia. Every student enrolled at the school was required
to bring a bit of couch grass from home to plant to create the playing field.
The oval was named Goonderup, an Aboriginal word, said to mean ‘a meeting place’ by James Moore, the Headmaster at the time.
Although, we have grown so much over the years that we now hold our annual athletics carnival at Charles Veryard Reserve, we still
retain the name of our carnival as Goonderup Day.

WARNING: ASBESTOS IN CRAYONS

The school has been advised that Consumer Protection and WorkSafe have issued a warning after traces of asbestos were
found in the following imported crayons:
- Dora the Explorer personalised 32 pack crayons
- Dora the Explorer jumbo crayons
- Arti Crafti 16 piece crayons
- Peppa Pig 8 wax crayons
- Disney “Frozen” jumbo crayons
- Disney “Mickey Mouse and Friends” crayons

The notice advised that the fibres of the asbestos are fully bound in the crayon wax so they would not be released during
normal use, however, they do not pass the acceptable quality test under the Australian Consumer Law.

Acting Commissioner for Consumer Protection Gary Newcombe stated, “However, we do not want to take any chances,
so as a precaution we are urging consumers, especially parents and teachers, to check the brand of any crayons in their
home or school and to dispose of crayons that appear on the alert list. Alternatively, consumers can return the crayons to
the store where they were purchased and receive a refund or a replacement with an asbestos-free product.”

Teachers will be checking each classroom and disposing of any of the imported crayons located in accordance with
environmental protection laws which prohibits the use of standard garbage collection services.

Further information is available:
ASEA alert on this issue can be found here:

Enquiries can be made with Consumer Protection on 1300 304054 or consumer@commerce.wa.gov.au or WorkSafe on
1300 307 877. General information on asbestos is available at:

The nearest asbestos disposal facility can be located with the online tool on the Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency
On the 10th of June our class in Room 15 performed our assembly. It was all about “RESPECT” and people read out about what respect meant to them. All our class really enjoyed our performance and I think the audience did as well. (By Libby)

Earlier this year some of us picked basil for the new pesto pasta meal at the canteen. Three lucky people were chosen by Mr Streeton to make it with him in the canteen! People who ordered the pesto pasta found it was very delicious. (By Cherry)

In Term 2 we studied History and the Yr 6s dressed up to match a decade in the 20th Century and the Yr 5s dressed up as Australian explorers. We all did research and everyone delivered lots of information dressed up in great costumes. This is me dressed up as William Burke. (By Seb)

Our class was lucky enough to have an interesting, engaging and informative speech presented to us about “Cyber Safety.” Robyn visited us and tackled hard topics in a way that everyone could understand. It was a serious but entertaining presentation, which made us more aware about what is really happening behind the computer screen. (By Alison)

On the 2nd of July we had our school disco for Years 1-6. The senior disco stared at 6:45 until 8:45pm. There were prizes, cool songs, dancing and much more! During the disco each year level went into the staff room for a drink and a snack. I think everyone enjoyed the disco and had heaps of fun! (By Kady)

Every Thursday morning at 10am in Term 1 we did Edu-Dance. We were learning the dance so that we could perform it in front of the whole school. The song we danced to was called “Crazy Frog!” We worked really hard to get all the moves right. We really enjoyed Edu-Dance! (By Taheer)