TONIGHT’S THE NIGHT
Please join the celebration of another great year of learning by attending our end-of-year Open Night which will showcase class art projects and our music program. All classrooms will be open.

Date: Friday 11 December 2015
Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm
[Children to assemble prior to this time – see below]

Timetable:
5.15pm Pre-primary to Year 6 students to assemble in their classrooms
      Choir members to assemble in the hall
      Kindergarten children to remain with their parents
      Note: Ensemble to assemble at 4.45pm in music room
5.25pm Classes move to the undercover area
5.30pm Assembly – includes presentations and performances
6.00pm Assembly concludes, classrooms open, time to enjoy a picnic
7.00pm Classes close
7.30pm End of open night

Come along and enjoy a family picnic on the grass. The canteen will be selling drinks and icy poles on the night.

Key information:
- Programs will be distributed tonight.
- Kindergarten children remain with their parents – they are not required to assemble in their classrooms or the undercover area.
- Free dress night for most students.
- Ensemble members to wear their performance outfits and assemble in the music room at 4.45pm.
- Choir members to assemble in the school hall at 5.15pm wearing navy blue uniform bottoms and the choir shirt provided.
- This is an alcohol free event.
- Due to the large number of people on the site, parents are requested to supervise their children during this event.
- The Secret Playground will be open for K – Year 2 students between 6.00 – 7.30pm. The oval will be out of bounds during this event for safety reasons.
- Toilets in the undercover area, on the verandah between Rooms 16 & 18 and in the reception area will be open for this event.

KEY DATES: 2015
Friday 11 December                      PEAC Induction Day
Monday 14 December                     Night of Celebration 5.30pm
Wednesday 16 December                 Last canteen day
Thursday 17 December                   Graduation Ceremony
                                      Year 6 Excursion and Lunch
Friday 18 December                     Final Assembly 8.45am
                                      Final school day for students

KEY DATES: 2016
Friday 22 January                      Kindy Catch-up 10.00am
Monday 25 January                      Office re-opens 8.30am
Tuesday 26 January                     Australia Day Public Holiday
Thursday 28 January                    Education staff commence
Friday 29 January                      Uniform Shop open 10.00am-12.00pm
Monday 1 February                      Students commence school today
FAREWELL TO DEPARTING STAFF
During 2015 we had several teachers and education assistants appointed to fixed term (not permanent) positions due to permanent staff attached to the school taking approved leave, working in other positions with the Department of Education or temporarily reducing their hours. These temporary contracts conclude at the end of the school year and the staff members are waiting to hear where they will be appointed for 2016. As the staffing process is continuing, it is possible that some may be reappointed. We do thank each of them sincerely for their hard work, dedication to their role and collegiality this year.

I hope many of you will spend a few moments during the next few days to wish them well.

Teaching Staff
• Clare Monaghan - K/PP Teacher
• Lauren Geraghty - Year 2 Teacher
• Sinead Holland - Year 4 Teacher, has gained a Year 1 teaching position at Collier PS for 2016
• Amelia Theodosiadis - French Teacher

Education Assistants
• Shannon Caporn
• Peta Marjoram
• Keryn Scanlon
• Stacey Tulloch

Our Year 5 teacher, Natalie Hedington, will also be leaving us to take up a position at Lockridge Primary School. We wish her all the best at her new school.

I am delighted to advise that the following staff members who held fixed-term positions this year have been re-appointed for the commencement of 2016.
• Kim Hogan—returning as a Year 1 teacher in 2016.
• Brian Hounsell—returning to teach the Year 4/5 class in Term 1.
• George Naumovski—appointed to a permanent full-time position at our school.
• Linda Scott - continuing in the Kindergarten position while Ms Bahn is on Parental Leave.
• Debbie Smith—returning part-time to an early childhood position for Semester 1.

CLASS STRUCTURE
The school has planned to commence the 2016 school year with the class structure outlined below. The structure has been developed by considering a number of factors, including the current school enrolment, confirmed new enrolments, information from families that have advised their children will not be returning in 2016, maximum class sizes and school programs.

If the actual enrolment is lower or higher than expected we may need to adjust the class structure in the first few weeks of the school year. It is important that the school is advised of all students leaving the school to minimise the likelihood of a restructure of classes.

Please email Corrina.Cook@education.wa.edu.au to advise if your child will not be returning for 2016.

• Kindergarten Class—includes two Kindergarten groups
• Combined Kindergarten & Pre-primary (includes 2 K groups)
• Pre-primary - Two classes
• Year 1 - 3 classes
• Year 2 - 2 classes
• Year 3 - 2 classes
• Combined Year 3 & 4 - 1 class
• Year 4 - 1 class
• Combined Year 4 & 5 - 1 class
• Year 5 - 1 class
• Year 6 - 1 class

CLASS LISTS 2016
The Class Lists will be published on the school’s website late in the afternoon on Friday 29 January.

TERM 4 2015 concludes for students on Thursday 17 December
TERM 1 2016 commences for students on Monday 1 February 2016.
GRADUATION MOSAIC ARTWORK
The mosaic being created by the Year 6 students is progressing well.
We would like to thank Laurie Hart at Tiling and Stone Services in Osborne Park for his generous support of the following: tiles, adhesive, grout, backing sheets, use of the tile cutter and lots of very helpful advice.

GIFTED AND TALENTED SECONDARY SELECTIVE ENTRANCE PROGRAMS
Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs provide a unique and challenging curriculum designed to bring out the very best in gifted students. These programs offer students the opportunity to study a selective academic, language or arts curriculum at one of 17 public secondary schools or online.

Applications are now open to all Year 5 students for entry in Year 7 in 2017.

An information flyer has been distributed to all Year 5 students.

Applications close Monday 8 February 2016.

Parents can find more information and apply online at education.wa.edu.au/gifted and talented or they can contact the Gifted and Talented Selection Unit on 9264 4307 or at gtsu@education.wa.edu.au.

APPLY NOW to AVOID MISSING THE CLOSING DATE AT THE START OF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

SCHOOL BANKING
It has been great to see so many students banking regularly on Wednesdays this year. Please note that there will be no banking next week.

Pre-Kindy CATCH UP
Meet and greet some other 2016 North Perth Kindy families before school starts… and introduce your child to their playground.

WHEN: Friday 22 January 2016, 10.00am
WHERE: Early Childhood Playground
North Perth Primary School

BYO drinks and a plate to share!

TERM DATES FOR STUDENTS 2016
Term 1:
Monday 1 February - Friday 8 April
Term 2:
Wednesday 27 April - Friday 1 July
Term 3:
Wednesday 20 July - Friday 23 September
Term 4:
Tuesday 11 October - Thursday 15 December
**UNI-ACTIVE: DEVELOPING HEALTHY KIDS**

The University of Western Australia will be continuing its partnership with North Perth Primary School to implement Uni-Active, a fun physical activity program for the Pre-primary, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 students in 2016.

It is a common myth that children acquire skills such as catching, throwing and kicking naturally. These skills need to be taught, practiced and reinforced with research indicating that each skill requires between 240 and 600 minutes of instruction before the average student becomes proficient. Skills such as hopping, jumping, catching, throwing and kicking are the basic building blocks of movement and children who are proficient at these skills are more likely to be physically active, fit, healthy and enjoy sport.

The skills learned in Uni-Active are important for many types of sport and physical activity.

The Uni-Active program is tailored to the individual skill level of each child. Prior to the first session, all new participants will be briefly assessed on jumping, throwing, catching and kicking. Based on these results, the children will be grouped with others of similar skill level. A brief report detailing the assessment results will be made available to the parents of the participant and the school.

The Term 1 program will focus on balance and throwing.

The eight week program costs $112 per child. It will be held on the school oval on Fridays from 7.45am – 8.30am. The first lesson will be held on Friday 12 February 2016.

Enrolment and payment can be completed online: http://hpeu.com.au/uniactiveenrolment.

Email further questions regarding this exciting program to uniactive-sseh@uwa.edu.au.

An information sheet with further details regarding the program has been distributed to every current Kindergarten, Pre-primary, Year 1 and Year 2 student.

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Have you noticed that the beautiful old chairs from the school hall are missing?

The chairs were showing their age with the wood splitting, leather cracking and the springs and padding on one were missing. They are currently being restored and will return to the stage in the hall at the start of the new school year.

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**Merit Certificate Recipients**

Evie P  
Luca N  
LilyK  
Siaan L  
Pablo G  
Thomas V  
Casper S  
Aaki O  
Jazzy K  
Tim J  
Ava M  
Calyn R  
J’aime F  
Liam S  
Mateo A  
Taheer K  
Linus W  
Daisy M

**Music Award** - Year 6 Room 4

**Sport Award** - Year 5/6 Room 15

**Office/Manners Award:** Mary R, Izzi W, Cooper Z, Ruby W and Olivia B

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DENTAL THERAPY CENTRE

The Mt Lawley Dental Therapy Centre will close on Thursday 17 December and re-open on Monday 1 February 2016.

Emergency only dental treatment will be available when the Clinic is closed.

**Monday 21 December 2015 until Thursday 21 January 2016**
Emergency treatment only
Telephone: 9313 0555 between the hours of 8.15am and 4.30pm Monday—Friday, excluding public holidays

**Friday 22 January 2016 until Friday 29 January 2016**
Emergency treatment only
Telephone: 9342 4657

The School Dental Service does not provide after-hours emergency treatment.
Please contact your local private dental practitioner or, if eligible, the after-hours emergency service on
Telephone: 9325 3452

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YEAR 6 CAMP

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