Dear Parents,

Como Primary School Business Plan 2015-2017
One of the Department of Education WA requirements for Independent Public Schools is that we have a Business Plan. The Business Plan describes the key focus areas and strategies that are intended to have maximum impact on overall school performance. The plan has the same time span as our Delivery and Performance Agreement, and is endorsed by the School Board and signed by the Chair of the Board. The purpose of the Business Plan is to describe the ethos and culture of the school. The Business Plan explains what the school stands for, and what makes it distinctive. Our Plan indicates desired achievement for students and for the school, it also highlights areas such as school culture, academic programs, building staff capacity and professional standards, community partnerships, state and national initiatives and student accountability. Each Como Primary School family received a copy of our current Business Plan in 2015. You can also find our Business Plan on our school website at: comoprimaryschool.wa.edu.au/

NAPLAN
The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) was carried out with our Year 3 & 5 students on Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th of May. All schools across Australia must complete the tests on the same days. Our NAPLAN assessments were administered by our classroom teachers and took place in the student's classrooms. The Year 3 & 5 students were assessed in Reading, Writing, Punctuation and Grammar, Spelling and Mathematics. The children will receive their 2016 NAPLAN reports in Term 3 and the school will notify parents when this information becomes available. NAPLAN testing assist teachers in identifying children who are at educational risk and the school results will be considered when we as a staff are planning for the future. Semester One reports will be distributed at the end of this term and will provide an evaluation of a student’s progress in regards to academic and social development.

Voluntary Contributions
Thank you sincerely, parents for your prompt payment of these. So far 68% of families have contributed. Your money is being put to valuable use to enhance your child’s education. As mentioned previously we need all families to contribute. Reminder letters will be sent out to those parents who may have overlooked this. The contribution per child is $60.00.

Reminder for Year 7 enrolments for 2017
If you wish to apply at Como Secondary College in a Specialist Program of Golf, Hockey, EMITS or Music for Year 7 in 2017, please complete and return an application form by Friday, 20th May 2016. The closing date for General Applications for Como Secondary College is Friday, 22nd July 2016.

Assembly
Tomorrow’s Prefect assembly will include a performance by our wonderful Junior Choir. There is no assembly next week nor June 3rd.

Lateness at the Start to the School Day
I would remind all parents that students need to be onsite ready to start the school day promptly at 8.45am. If students are regularly late they are in danger of missing important activities that occur at the beginning of the school day. A student’s late arrival may also cause some disruption to a busy class.
Common sense Media – Every Parents’ Best Friend!
Room 3 and 4 are currently studying Digital Citizenship in Health. We are using a Curriculum created by an organisation called Common Sense Media.
Common Sense is dedicated to helping kids thrive in a world of media and technology. They empower parents, teachers, and policymakers by providing unbiased information, trusted advice, and innovative tools to help you harness the power of media and technology as a positive force in all kids’ lives.
Common Sense Media helps families make smart media choices. They offer the largest, most trusted library of independent age-based and educational ratings and reviews for movies, games, apps, TV shows, websites, books including those on Kindle Fire, and music. They also have recommended apps for children with Learning Differences and a Special Needs Guide. Their Parent Concerns and Parent Blog help families understand and navigate the problems and possibilities of raising children in the digital age.
As a parent I find it extremely hard to keep up with my children in the technological world! I would highly recommend you check out their website at [www.commonsense.org](http://www.commonsense.org) as they will probably have the information you need!
As a great man once said, “Do yourself a favour!”
Mary Casey
Health and Phys Ed Co-ordinator

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**Honour Awards**
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**Cross Country Champs**
The following children are to be congratulated for achieving a NEW “Personal Best”!

The following children gave up their play time to try to achieve a new “PB”:
Jayden S and Sarah C from Room 8 and Maryam N from Room 3.
Well done to everyone! Mrs Casey
Professional Development Day & WA Day Holiday
A reminder, parents, that our school will be closed on Friday 3rd June for a Professional Development Day for Teachers and Monday 6th June for the WA Day holiday. If you require Occasional Care for the Friday 3rd June Jelly Beans will be open on that day from 7.00am to 6.00pm contact Julie on 0434 692 995. Bookings required.

In-term Swimming Lessons
Thank you to all the families that have returned the swimming forms to date. We would appreciate all forms and money to be returned for these important lessons by Thursday June 2nd. Our school swimming lessons will be held in the final two weeks of Term 2, from June 20th-July 1st 2016. All students from PP-Year 6 will be expected to attend these very important lessons. As in 2015, the lessons will be held indoors at the Melville Aquatic Centre. The pool will be heated and we will be asking students to bring a warm dressing gown or similar to wear in the bus before and after the lessons as well as their usual towel.
P.Herne: Swimming Coordinator

School Centenary 2016
Did You Know?
WWII caused a reduction in numbers and teaching staff because children were evacuated to the country. The new classroom was not proceeded with until December 1943 and by this time the situation was again critical (in terms of student numbers), with an enrolment of 205. With the storage of first aid and air raid equipment in classrooms, there was barely room to move. The new room was completed in December 1943 at a cost of 832 pounds, 13 shillings and sixpence, with the Principal at the time being Mr George Williamson, relieving Walter Crossing who was on War Service duty.

Room 3 Survey
This week students from Room 3 have been visiting all classes to survey how you come to school each day. Our goal is to increase the number of students who come to school in active ways - whether by walking, cycling, scootering and even on our WALKING SCHOOL BUS. The class who has the most number of healthy, active methods of transport will win a special trophy and prize each week at assembly.
Who will win? It’s up to you! Be healthy and safe and come to school in an active way!

Community Garden
Our community garden outside of the Early Childhood Area is thriving!
We even have our first lemons ready to pick.
Parents, please feel free to help yourself to the mint, basil, rosemary, lemons, lavender and more. Enjoy!

Applications for Enrolling Students for 2017
If your child is starting Kindergarten, Pre-Primary, or High School, or if they’re changing schools, make sure you submit your application for enrolment by Friday, 22nd July 2016. Please remember that school holidays are from Saturday 2nd July to Monday 18th July. If possible, apply for a place at school by the end of term.
Please be aware of the selection criteria;
In all local-intake schools, if the number of applications is greater than the number of places available enrolment is prioritised as follows:
1. Children living in the intake area of the local-intake school, who will have a sibling enrolled at the school, and who live nearest the school.
2. Children living in the intake area of the local-intake school, who will not have a sibling enrolled at the school, and who live nearest the school.
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Applicants on particular visa numbers may not be prioritised until all other applicants have been placed. Please contact the school if you have any queries regarding visa numbers.
Virtues
Consideration

What is Consideration
Consideration is being thoughtful about other people
and their feelings. It is thinking about how your
actions affect them and caring about how they feel.
It is paying attention to what other people like and
don't like, and doing things that give them
happiness.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS!!
This Friday, 20th May 2016, please join us at the
following points and paths. Parents are able to drop
their children off at the following times and
intersections, and our Walking School Bus will be
there to pick them up. Please make sure you can see
the Walking School Bus before leaving your child at
the stop. Our parent volunteers will then walk with
them to Como.

South Bound
We will start at 8.15am: Gardner Street + Coode
Street Intersection.
The bus will leave at 8.20am: Coode Street + Comer
Street Intersection.
The bus will leave at 8.25am: Coode Street + Preston
Street Intersection.

North Bound
8.10am: Parents can drop their children off at the
corner of Henley Street and Canning Highway near
Cafeli’s Café (there is a safe no through road with
less traffic). The bus will then walk to the
intersection of Robert Street and Henley Street.
8.15am: Robert Street + Cale Street Intersection.
8.20am: Robert Street + Saunders Street
Intersection.
8.22am: Saunders Street + Labouchere Road
Intersection.
8.25am: Labouchere Road + Greenock Avenue
Intersection.

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US THIS FRIDAY for a
healthy and fun way to get to school and reduce the
number of cars driving to and from Como! We will
be looking for the class with the most walkers this
week for a special prize! If any parents would like to
get involved and volunteer a Friday morning, please
e-mail Sam Edwards
samantha.edwards@education.wa.edu.au ANY HELP
IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!!

Parents of Years 4, 5 and 6
students
It’s time to start thinking about your
child’s transition to secondary
school.

Leaders from Como Secondary
College
and
Kent Street Senior High School
will be here in the School Hall
on Friday 20 May at 10.00am
to present their Approved Specialist
Programs
& to answer questions about high
school in general.

Parents are invited to come along
with your child to attend this
important information session.

Please join us!

Como
Battery Recycling

Room 5 are promoting Como Primary School’s Battery Recycling Initiative. If you have any dead household batteries, bring them along to school and put them in the Yellow Recycling Bin. This is located in the Front Office. Each class also has a Battery Box that used batteries can be dropped into. Help save the environment by bringing your old batteries to school and dump them in these bins so they can be recycled and reused!

PMP Roster

Commencing at 8.45 am

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P & C NEWS

Comovers News

The Comovers are proud to announce our Term 2 activity is happening on the afternoon of Saturday 28th May 2016. We’re going to support our local WAFL team the Perth Demons when they crush the West Perth Falcons. The game is on at Lathlain Park at the corner of Bishopsgate and Goddard Streets, Lathlain starting at 2.15pm. Adults are $15 and kids under 16 are free. All fathers, father figures and kids welcome and if you have a football or two please bring them along so we can have a kick on the oval at half time. Other activities include a bouncy castle, ice cream van, face painting, running race and football kicking competition.

We hope to see you and your kids there,
Comovers Jeff Jorgensen, Sean Stevens and Nick Sofield

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

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COMO CANTEEN COMMUNITY NEWS

Hi everyone,
We welcome back our Lunch Bag decorating competition! Bags have been sent home and winners will be selected on Wednesday and Friday by the canteen staff. Kids with online orders are welcome to decorate a bag and drop off to the canteen window. Please ensure names and room numbers are clearly written.

The prize for next week will be a ($2) token. A Canteen Committee meeting will be held next Friday at 1.30pm. All are welcome to attend and get involved! If you are unable to join us but have ideas, concerns or feedback, please contact me Emma Rose 0400 441 655 / como.cookout@gmail.com.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Support Como Primary School and you could be enjoying the best of Bali.

The NEW 2016 | 2017 Perth Entertainment Memberships are here and this year it has so much more to offer. Buy your Perth Memberships and enjoy hundreds of valuable up to 50% OFF and 2-for-1 offers, featuring our NEW Bali Highlights offers section. To celebrate these great new offers, Entertainment™ is giving you the chance to WIN a trip to Bali valued at over $5,000 which includes:

- 5 nights in a Deluxe Suite at Double-Six
- Dinner for two at Mozaic Beach Club
- Garuda Airlines flights (sponsored by Woolworths)
- Family Day Pass at Waterbom Park
- QBE Travel Insurance
- 2 Massage vouchers at Prana Spa Bali

To be in the running, buy a 2016 | 2017 Perth Membership before 1 June 2016. Entertainment™ Memberships are sold exclusively through fundraising organisations, and the funds we raise will go to support our School.

Feel free to contact us for more information about our fundraising or how to get your Entertainment™ Membership.
Kellie McGrath
COMMUNITY NOTICES

Leader in Action Series
Susan McLean
Director of Cyber Safety Solutions

Host a Japanese Student
Only 6 nights –
Wednesday, 27th July to Tuesday, 2nd August 2016
Shoji Australia is looking for host families for a group of high school students visiting Perth from Rotary Interact Clubs near Nagoya, Japan. We are also looking for hosts for two teachers who will be accompanying the group.

The Japanese students will start and end their day at Como Secondary College School and should be dropped off and picked up from school. Families will receive a payment to cover the student’s living expenses. Apart from friendship and the opportunity to participate in family life, host families only need to provide a bed (a mattress is OK) and meals (as normal) for the students. It doesn’t matter how old your children are as this is about a family experience. It is a great opportunity to broaden cultural awareness and hosting can be fun! Shoji Australia act as guardians for the students during their stay and offer bilingual support (including after office hours & 24 hours for emergencies) to students and host families.

Please contact Shoji Australia for more information or go ahead and complete the confidential online application at: https://shojiaustralia.com.au/application-school.html

Phone: 9385 6911 / 0419 901 867
Email: jenni@shojiaustralia.com.au
Support Como Primary School fundraising and put $$$’s in your pocket!

We’re pleased to be offering parents the opportunity to purchase the brand new Perth 2016 |2017 Entertainment™ Book to raise funds for our School. The Books sell for $65, and we keep $13 for each one we sell.

Not only does the Perth Entertainment™ Book give you access to thousands of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for Perth’s best restaurants, cafes, attractions and activities, but now also features over 70 of the best restaurants, attractions and accommodation that Bali has to offer. Plus it has best in market prices for over 2,000 hotels and resorts that you can use whenever you like until 1st June 2017.

And it’s not just the fun stuff... You can also get 5% off on your groceries and petrol all year with WISH eVouchers sent directly to your phone, and 10% off at David Jones!

So you can see what is in the Entertainment™ Book for you and your family, we will be sending one home with your child on 31st May 2016

To pay for your Book or your Digital Membership securely online visit: www.entbook.com.au/833v11

If you can’t purchase online, please complete your details below and we will process your order:

COMO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Eldest Child’s Name: ________________________________ Class: ________________

Email: __________________________________________

Phone Number*: _________________________________ (*Required)

Perth Edition: $65 including GST: # ______ Book(s) # ______ Digital Membership(s)

Payment type: □ CASH □ VISA □ MASTERCARD

Credit Card number: __________/________/________/________ Expiry date: ______/_______ CVV*: ______

*CVV is the 3 digits on the back of your credit card

Cardholder’s Name: ________________________________________________________________________

Signature: ________________________________________________________________________________

If you do not need a Book sent home, please return this form to the Front Office by 23rd May 2016:

□ I am purchasing a Digital Membership. Email: _________________________________________________

□ Please do not send home the Book/OPT OUT:

Youngest Child’s Name: ________________________________ Class/Room: ________________

If you have any queries please contact: Kellie Mcgrath on 0419907429
What is Triple P?

The Triple P—Positive Parenting Program is one of the world’s most effective parenting programs. It is one of the few based on evidence from ongoing scientific research. There have been more than 200 evaluation papers showing that Triple P works for most families in a variety of cultures, countries and family situations.

Triple P works by giving parents the skills to raise confidence, healthy children and teenagers, and to build stronger family relationships. It also helps parents manage misbehaviour and prevent problems occurring in the first place.

But it doesn’t tell people how to parent. Rather it gives parents simple and practical strategies they can adapt to suit their own values, beliefs and needs.

Triple P at Como Primary School

Triple P Seminar Series will be running at Como Primary School in Term 2. Three seminars will cover the topics of The Power of Positive Parenting (Seminar 1), Raising Confident and Competent Children (Seminar 2) and Raising Resilient Children (Seminar 3). The seminars will be presented by Tracey-ann Doe, School Psychologist for Como Primary School.

The Seminars are free and will be from 9-11am on Tuesdays. The dates are 17th May, 31st May and 14th June 2016. They will be held in the hall. A crèche will be available in the childcare facility on site. Children can be dropped off from 8.45am.

If you are interested, please register by completing the slip below and returning to the box in the school office by the Thursday before. This will ensure there are enough handouts for everyone.

Registration for Triple P Seminar Series

Name: ____________________________________________

Ages of child/ren: ____________________________________________

Child/ren needing crèche (names, ages and any special health needs) ____________________________________________

Please register me for

Seminar 1  ○ Seminar 2  ○

Seminar 3  ○