Dear Parents,

Semester 1 Mid-Year Reports

The Western Australian Curriculum achievement standards describe the expected achievement for students who have been taught the curriculum content for a full year of schooling. Therefore, in mid-year reports, teachers will make a professional judgement regarding the level of student achievement that the student is demonstrating relative to the achievement standard, taking into account the curriculum that has been taught and assessed to this particular point in time. Parents who may wish to discuss their child’s report are welcome to make an appointment with the class teacher. Student Reports will be sent home to parents and caregivers in a sealed envelope on Wednesday 29th June 2016.

Philip Pendal Award

Congratulations to Alec Jorgensen who won the Philip Pendal Young Heritage Photographic and Writers Competition last Thursday evening at Heritage House. Como Primary was well represented, having ten of the twelve finalists. Each finalist received a certificate and $25 from the Pendal family. Alec was amazed and most appreciative to receive $500. Mr McGrath also gave Alec a book and presented Mrs Herne with ten wonderful new books for our school library. The students’ work has been framed and is on display at Heritage House for the next month for the public to view. A fantastic effort.

Well done, talented writers!

School Leaders’ Visit to Parliament House

On Wednesday, 22nd June our school prefects realised just how fortunate they are to be student leaders during our Centenary year. Along with Mr Malcolm, Mrs Herne, The Chair of our Board, Mrs McDougall and current and past P&C Presidents Mr Jorgensen and Mrs Schurmann, the Prefects were kindly invited to join our local MP, John McGrath, for lunch at Parliament House, followed by an invitation to sit in the Lower House Chamber during question time. Deputy Premier and Minister for Police, Liza Harvey interrupted question time to welcome the Como students and adults to Parliament, as part of Como’s Centenary celebrations. It was a very special and memorable experience.

Honour Awards

At our last assembly, Honour Certificates were presented to the following children:

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Assembly

Due to our morning swimming lessons, this week’s and next week’s Friday assembly will be held at 2:30pm in the school hall. Both assemblies will be presented by the prefects.
Virtues
Understanding

What is Understanding?
Understanding is thinking clearly. It is using your mind so that you can see the truth about things. It is paying careful attention and thinking about things in order to see their meaning. Understanding is also having empathy and showing compassion. Understanding gives us the power to think and learn and also to care.

Centenary

Did you Know?
Our Hall
When the Deputy Premier and Minister for Education (Mr. A.F. Watts) visited the school in the week prior to the official opening, The West Australian reported that “he expressed amazement at the fine edifice (of the hall) which had been erected by the men of the district for the use of the children”, and “as an example of community effort it was outstanding”.
The building was described as being 100ft. by 40ft., divided into an assembly hall, dressing rooms, stage, kitchen etc. Much controversy was said to have been evoked over the hall, critics maintaining that the provision of lunch rooms and assembly halls was the duty of the Education Department. In reply, it was contended that the Government “had so much to do for education and only so little with which to work that only community organising would ensure the present generation of children obtaining such amenities”.

It is estimated that, during construction of the P&C hall, 101 men worked for approximately 3200 man-hours. In addition, work of a special nature was donated by city firms. The hall was estimated at the time to be worth 2500 pounds, and noted to be ‘free of debt’.
The official opening of the P&C Hall was held on 25 October 1947, upon which The West Australian newspaper reported that it had been “…built by members of the Como Parents and Citizens’ Association for the use of the children of the Como State School and local organisations, (the) school hall was officially opened by the Minister for Education (Mr. A. F. Watts)... The ceremony was performed at a public dinner and dance held in the building and attended by nearly 400 persons. Mr. Watts expressed admiration for the association’s work in providing the hall.”

Sports Update
On Wednesday last week all the children from Years 3 to 6 gathered down on the oval to participate in the Como Primary Cross Country event. The Year 3s set off first and made their houses proud. Then it was the Year 4s turn to show us what they are made of followed by the Year 5s and the Year 6s. All the training the children had done in their physical education lessons paid off and we saw some fine performances. Congratulations to all those who took part.

The Final Placings were:

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Special congratulations to the following children for being awarded Champion or Runner up:

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<td>Regan G &amp; Alec J</td>
<td>Maeve M &amp; Nicholas B</td>
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Thank you very much to Mr McDonald for the time he took showing me the ropes for running a great Cross Country afternoon. Thanks also to the Parents and Friends who came along to support the children. The Interschool Cross Country will be held on Friday 29th July at McDougall Park from 12.30pm 'til 2.45pm.

Mary Casey  Physical Education Teacher

S.M.P.S.S.A. Netball Carnival
Last Friday the Como Interschool Netball Teams participated in the SMPSSA Netball Interschool Carnival at Manning Primary School. Our A and B Teams jumped, passed and shot their way to glory and were awarded the Meritorious Shield! The Meritorious Shield is awarded to the most successful small school in the competition. I would like to thank Michelle Otway for her wonderful coaching of the girls in her “spare time”, we couldn’t have been as successful without her! I would also like to thank A Bassett, our Prac Student from Room 9, for umpiring on Como’s behalf for the day. She did a fantastic job!

Final Results:

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Meritorious Shield awarded to Como Primary.
Congratulations girls! Mary Casey Physical Education Teacher
WALKING SCHOOL BUS!!

Please join us tomorrow, Friday 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.

**Join us tomorrow** 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 email Sam Edwards samantha.edwards@education.wa.edu.au ANY HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!!

**PMP Help**

As you know we require Parent help to run equipment sessions in the hall on a Monday morning each week. Several parents have left the school and are no longer available to help, so it would be fabulous if we could get a few more volunteers on our roster list. If you think you could spare a couple of hours on a Monday morning once or twice a term, please let the school know.

Everyone is welcome. N. Cartwright-Worrall PMP teacher.

**Applications for enrolling students for 2017**

If your child is starting kindergarten, pre-primary at Como Primary School, 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 16th July inclusive. If possible, apply for a place at school by the end of term (Friday 1st July).

**Shoes and Shorts for Cambodia**

It’s time for Notre Dame University to do their annual trip to Cambodia to help out local villages in a variety of ways. This year they will once again need shoes for adults and children. **Sports shoes** are preferable as heels and other formal shoes aren’t really suitable. They are also in need of **sports shorts for adults**, (not children). If you are able to donate either of these items there will be a box in the foyer of the front office to deposit them into. This year the collection period will only be for 3-4 weeks. Please try to donate if you have any used or near new shoes or shorts in reasonable condition. **Mrs Stals**

**Como Cookout News**

**Warm Breakfast**: Next **Wednesday and Friday**, Hot Chocolate ($1) and warm, freshly baked Pikelets ($0.50) will be available before school at the morning window!

**The Canteen and Swimming Lessons**: A reminder that due to lesson scheduling, the following order restrictions apply.

**Recess**: Hot recess items unavailable to PP2, Room 7 and Room 8.

**Lunch**: Hot lunch orders unavailable to Room 2, Room 10 and Room 11. (Sandwiches; Sushi on Fridays). Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

With great thanks to our most recent helpers: Tess Harris, Chantelle Ranuaro, Ingrid Meyer, Jenny Ramshaw, Chandi Rae and Leanne Pool.

The National Celebrate Canteen Week is from 8 - 12 August, 2016. From next week, we will be running a range of competitions to celebrate. More details to follow!

The next Canteen Committee meeting will be on Friday, 1st July at 1.30pm. All are welcome.

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**School Banking Day is Friday**

Congratulations to the students who received Dollarmites Achievement Certificates; well done! Friday is School Banking day and I look forward to seeing you all tomorrow at 8.15 outside the uniform shop.  
*Lydia H*

**Community Notices**

**Junior Handball Competition**

Waterford Plaza Shopping Centre  
Wednesday 13th July  
2.30pm to 3.30pm,  
Girls & boys, aged 2-15, with prizes to be won.  
The event will feature appearances from West Coast Eagles and Fremantle Dockers stars who will sign autographs and pose for photos!

**School Holiday Program**

City of South Perth & Skateboarding WA will be hosting a free all ages skateboarding clinic at Manning Skate Park.  
Date: Saturday 18th June  
Time: 11:00am - 1:00pm  
Location: Manning Skate Park, behind the George Burnett Leisure Centre in Karawara.  
Cost: FREE  
Skateboards, safety gear and helmets are all provided. This clinic is for all ages and all skill levels are welcome. For more information, a registration form or to see a clinic video visit: www.skateboardingwa.com.au

**Clay Creations**

A pottery play art class for children aged between 7 and 12 years. During the class children will get the opportunity to design, create and decorate their own clay fish mobile and bowl. Classes will be taught by an experienced art tutor.  
Date: Friday’s 29th July to 16th September  
Time: 4.00pm – 5.30pm  
Cost: $80 Term Fee (8 weeks)

**Basketball**

Interested in playing basketball or learning some great skills in a social, fun and safe environment? If so, enrol your child into the exciting Junior Basketball Program during Term 3. Taught by experienced coaches, the program is a great way to develop and master the fundamentals of the game.  
Date: Wednesdays commencing 27 July 2016  
Time: 4.00pm - 4.30pm ages 5 - 7 years  
4.30pm - 5.15pm ages 8 - 10 years  
Cost: $16 for an 8 week term

**Chess Club Term 3**

The chess club meets in the art room at lunch time on Mondays. The club will welcome new members in term 3. Chess will recommence in term 3 on the second Monday back at school.  
I look forward to seeing the current and new members next term

NAME ____________________ YR ___ SIGNED _________________________  
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Please put form and payment $80 ($70 each if more than 1 child, (cheques made payable to Mr L South) in envelope marked chess club with child’s name. Payment to be handed in to the office please and handed in before the first club day. (The cost is based on an 8 week term, with weeks 9/ 10 free of charge but those two weeks will also cover any sick days etc that I or students may need to take.)  
Thank you for your ongoing support. Leo South, Ph 0431881281. Email jacksouth@iinet.net.au
BLAST VACATION CARE
4th July - 15th July 2016
Ages 4-12
For more information call 9313 1600 or go to www.lifestreamers.com.au
Lifestyleers Childcare

HOLIDAY
BEGINNERS TO ADVANCED
BOYS & GIRLS - GRDE 3 - YEAR 10
ALL WELCOME - YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A FMC MEMBER
$120 FOR 9 HOURS OF COACHING BY INTERNATIONAL & PREMIER GRDE
PLAYERS. HEAD COACH BY QUALIFIED TEACHER HEATHER BATTEN.

HOCKEY
PLAYERS OF ALL ABILITIES ARE WELCOME TO ROCK ONTO THIS TERENCE 5-9.
PLAYER WILL BE ASSESSED AND SPLIT INTO GROUPS ACCORDING TO AGE AND
ABILITY.

ACADEMY
KEY FUNDAMENTALS
CORE SKILLS
DYNAMIC FOOTWORK
ADVANCED TECHNIQUES
early registration incurs discount
download application form at www.uwa.edu.au/kids-sport
UWA Sport
Stevens Reserve
Swanbourne Street
Fremantle
to enrol or for more information go to sport.uwa.edu.au/kids-sport or call 6488 2286