Dear Parents and Caregivers.

I was very privileged to attend the Camp Out last Saturday night. What a night! It was great to see the wonderful support for the School provided by our parents. The effort that everyone went to by dressing up for the occasion was terrific to see. The weather looked after us as well, not being too cold and the rain holding off. There was a very relaxed atmosphere and the whole evening was extremely well organised. The kids seemed to enjoy cooking marshmallows on the camp fire.

A big thank you goes to Laura Mead and Danielle Murphy, ably supported by the P&C, for organising the event.

I know I really enjoyed being there and loved the opportunity to interact with the parents and students on a different level. My only regret is that I did not get to spend a great deal of time with many who did come to the event. I really appreciated the coffee and breakfast on Sunday morning, what a great idea.

We are in the final weeks of School; it’s hard to believe that there are less than five weeks left. Those weeks will fly as there is so much that has to happen in that short time. We are in the swing of writing reports, organising final assemblies, presentations and graduations. If you see some frazzled teachers over the next few weeks you will know why. Things are not helped when the weather doesn’t seem to know what to do which makes working out the best possible way of holding all of the events a tricky balancing act.

Don’t forget that swimming lessons will happen in the last two weeks of term. Parents can you please ensure the enrolment forms are completed and returned to the classroom teachers along with the correct payment by Wednesday 2nd December.

I would also like to remind parents that we are actively seeking interested parents to join our School Board. The Board meets twice per term in the evenings for about 1 ½ hours each meeting. The Board reviews the School’s policies and acts as a review of the School Business Plan. If you are interested and would like more information please talk to me in person, via email or by phone.

David Sawers
Principal

MISSION STATEMENT

Sawyers Valley Primary School aims to create and foster an environment where students become independent learners, enabling them to take responsible control of their lives and contribute
ROOM 1
Hayley
Ethan
Morgan

ROOM 2
Alexander

ROOM 3
Bella
Flynn

ROOM 4
Tomi
Jacinta
Talen

ROOM 5
Daniella
Molly
Alec

ROOM 6
Bella
Zara
Eboneye

ROOM 7
Ella
Liam
**Walkathon**

Thankyou to everyone who helped organise the free lunch and walkathon and to all the teachers and parents who helped support this event and took part.

Forms and money are to be returned to the Dockers Box in the office by Friday 13th November 2015. Please ensure student’s name, class and ‘Walkathon’ is written on a sealed envelope. Cheques are payable to ‘Sawyers Valley Primary School P&C’. Prizes will be awarded after all pledges have been received.

*Many thanks to The Bay Tree Bakery for the sausage rolls for lunches and Hills Fresh Mundaring for donating the fruit for students during the walkathon. Also many thanks to Bendigo Bank Mundaring, St Johns Ambulance, Woolworths Midland and Kmart Midland for contributing to prize packs.*

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**UNIFORM ORDERS FOR 2016**

Uniform orders can now be placed for 2016; order forms are available on the website, on the red notice-board in the wet area or in this newsletter. Please place orders in the uniform shop tin in the wet area or bring it to the uniform shop on Monday afternoons between 3 – 3.30pm.

Limited stocks are kept of some items so to ensure you can get the items you require for next year you will need to order now.

*Please Note:* Leavers Shirts will be organised for students in year 6 in February next year.

Any queries please come and see us at the uniform shop or email us at svpspandc@hotmail.com.

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**P&C General Meeting**

**Wednesday 18th November at 9am**

in the Staffroom

We invite all parents – new and existing – to attend and become a member.

Financial membership costs $1 per year; you are then entitled to vote on any decisions being made.

*No previous experience is required all you need is a desire to supplement your child’s educational journey.*

Please contact us at anytime by email: svpspandc@hotmail.com

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**DENTAL VAN**

the Dental Van will be moving from Sawyers Valley Primary School to Mt Helena Primary School on Monday 16th November 15.

Our opening hours are Monday, Tuesday and Friday 8am to 4pm. Phone 0429 120 614.

Many thanks

Dental Ladies
CHICKEN PEN BUSY BEE

This Saturday, 14th of November!

Please come if you have some spare time!

Meet at the pen anytime after 9am.

We really need assistance with some finishing off jobs like the installation of the solar door, installing an internal panel, creation of a perch system, loading in fill for the internal pen and placing of slabs around the perimeter of the outer pen.

Metal work skills HIGHLY PRIZED!!! Bring your tools!

Let’s get it all done and move our lovely girls in the very next week!

Any queries – email Danielle.Murphy@education.wa.edu.au
BIG THANKS TO...

Everyone that came along to support the very first SVPS Halloween Movie Night and Camp out!

This event was made possible by

Bendigo Bank Mundaring Branch!

Ryan and Tarryn from

for the supply of the movie screen and equipment!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR RAFFLE WINNERS – we hope you enjoy your fabulous prizes!

Thank you to the organisers, Laura Mead (playgroup president) playgroup committee members, especially Alison Grassick and P&C members Lee Stohr, Anne Baer and Amy Metaxas!

Thanks also to Sally Daniels, Cathy Herbert and Sandra Warmington.

What fun we had! Shall we do it all again next year?
Silent Auction
Bidding Sheets are in Wet Area—on Fridge!

BIDDING CLOSES: FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER - 9AM

Signed Fremantle Dockers Jersey
Donated by Maslow & Co
Thanks to Rachael Neylon

Art-Deco Mirror
Donated by Guests Fine Framing, Osborne Park.
Thanks to Melissa & Greg Guest.

Steel Garden Bed, Herbs & Signed Permaculture Books
Donated by Water Installations Pty Ltd & Dr Ross Mars
Thanks to Dr Ross Mars.
A Parenting Tune Up for Fathers – Tuesday 20th October x 8 weeks at 22 Southport Street, West Leederville. This course covers: Why Dads Matter To Kids; Developing a Healthy Parenting Style; Improving Family Communication and Closeness; Steering Your Children Through Stressful Stages; Disciplining the Kids Without Losing It; Balancing Life, Work and Family; Working as a Team (Partner’s Evening); Identifying and Implementing Change. For further information and to enrol please phone 6164 0200 or click here.

Fathering after Separation – Wednesday 21st October 6.30-9 at Lotteries House, Joondalup. It’s important for fathers to distinguish between their parenting role and the relationship break-up. This seminar, held in a male-only environment, suggests ways in which fathers can keep in touch with children, even if hindered by formal access arrangements. For further information and to enrol please phone 6164 0200 or click here.

Making Stepfamilies Work – Wednesday 28th October x 6 weeks at 22 Southport Street, West Leederville. Couples with children from previous relationships may need strategies. Strategies on communication, agreement on discipline – who spells out the rules and what the rules are – and on handling competing demands. It is just as important for couples to ensure that in a busy week there is time just for each other. For further information and to enrol please phone 6164 0200 or click here.

Virtues Parenting Program – Wednesday 28th October x 6 weeks at 22 Southport Street, West Leederville. What is the Virtues Program? This six-week course is for parents, teachers and anyone else with responsibility for children. Language shapes character. The Family Virtues Guide contains fifty-two of the universal virtues which help parents bring out the best in their children and in themselves. It creates a climate of caring and character. Picture a community in which everyone, from parents to police has the will and skill to teach respect, foster kindness and model virtues such as caring, compassion, courage, forgiveness, friendliness, honesty, love, self-discipline, thankfulness and truthfulness – just to name a few. For further information and to enrol please phone 6164 0200 or click here.

Mums Raising Boys – up to the age of 12 – Wednesday 4th November at Lotteries House, Joondalup. However well-prepared mothers are logically, the emotional response to having a boy is often still, ‘Wow! This is unknown territory.’ It is true that for many mothers, the idea of raising a son carries its own set of worries. As the primary female role model in a boy’s life, mothers play an important role in the development of their son’s
AIA Vitality MiniRoos Summer Clinic for 4 – 9 year olds

Learn the basics, or improve your skills!

When: November 6, 13, 20 and 27  
Time: 5:30pm - 6:00pm Each Friday  
Cost: $10

Each player receives a bag, ball and drink bottle

Designed for kids of all abilities, aged 4 – 9 years, the nation-wide initiative uses short, game-based sessions to introduce the sport of football to women in an inclusive way. It focuses on learning new skills, being active, making lifelong friends, and, potentially, unraveling the next generation of Premiership MidiRoos.

Benefits of MiniRoos:
- Fun, football game-based sessions that build fundamental motor skills;
- Activities are for improving confidence and self-esteem;
- Positive role model by coaching girls in greater individual engagement;
- Increased touches of the ball and more goal scoring opportunities;
- Make new friends and develop fundamental social skills;
- Develop values of teamwork, cooperation, fair play, and respect for others;
- Develop a child’s ability to make quick decisions and improve reaction time;
- Keep healthy by getting active;

Limited places available. To secure a place for your child or for more information please call Jenny 0412 548 252, Penny 0413 077 755 or email swanuntfc@hotmail.com.

Swan United FC is the only accredited Mini Roos provider in the eastern corridor of Perth.