



West Morley Primary School

P&C Principal's Report

11th May 2016

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NAPLAN

Students have been well prepared by teachers for NAPLAN testing which they are currently undertaking. Whilst NAPLAN is an opportunity to gain a snapshot comparison of students in relation to their peers across Australia, we remind parents that it is not a holistic representation of your child.

At a school level we also report on other important learning areas such as the Arts, Physical Education and Health, Languages, History and Science as well as social and emotional well-being.

It is also undertaken in a strict testing environment which may not necessarily bring out the best performance of your child on the day.

School Reports will be issued at the end of this term which provides parents with feedback on all the areas mentioned above across a broader range of time.

Please bear this in mind when having conversations regarding NAPLAN; it forms an important element of the child's assessment but should not be seen as the only source of your child's progress.

Fencing

The fencing has been completed around the entire school perimeter and amendments advised to the school community over the past few weeks.

We realise this will cause temporary confusion and adjustments, however it has ensured a much safer environment for students throughout the day. We thank parents for their understanding during this change to procedures.

Shade Sails

Parents will notice the removal of the newly erected shade sails in the coming weeks. As winter approaches it has been recommended by the installers that the sails be removed. This is for the ongoing maintenance of the sails and equipment and forms part of the 2 year arrangement with the installation company for free erection and removal of the sails during the winter and summer months.

After School Sports

Sporting Schools has funded 30 places for students in PP to Year 2 to participate in Auskick after school this term. These sessions will commence in week 4 and are currently near capacity.

After school Running Club is being run by Mr Brody Payne with the assistance of Miss Kizzy Davies on a volunteer basis this term on Wednesdays. The first session was held today with over 40 students in years 3-6 participating in the first session.

QKR App

The school is commencing its trial of the QKR app through the Commonwealth Bank for payment of fees for participation in excursions and sporting events this term.

Further information and assistance will be made available for parents through the school office.

It is hoped the trial will provide constructive feedback to enable the school to provide many opportunities for parents to make payments via a phone application without the need for cash.

Mr Peter Harty
Principal