Dear Parents

I would like to welcome everyone to the 2016 school year at Success Primary School, an Independent Public School (IPS). It has been a wonderful start with all students having a great first day. It was wonderful to see everyone in school uniform at assembly and so excited to be back. I look forward to working with the School Board and our community to ensure that we have set a clear and purposeful direction to achieve a high standard of educational outcomes for our students.

The staff have been hard at work preparing their classrooms and participating in Professional Learning about working with students with Trauma and implementing Restorative Practices to build capacity in students ability to self-regulate behaviour. In addition a large focus of discussion has been on our new “STARS” behaviour expectations across the school and also how teachers need to build high expectations of academic effort in their students.

There have been some changes to our programs due to a drop in enrolment numbers. We have reduced our mainstream classes by one Kindy group, one primary class and our education support classes by one class. Also programs have been selected based on current staff expertise and those on leave. The major change has been to our Physical Education program which is being delivered by the classroom teachers and not a specialist. The staff have formed a committee to take leadership and responsibility for this learning area and I am confident that we will continue to do great things in our PE program.

At the end of 2015 we did say farewell to several teachers and Education Assistants who made a great contribution to the school. This year we have a late replacement education support teacher for Ms Cattanach who has moved to central office. We wish her good luck in her new role. We would like to welcome Ms Ashwini Sivanantham to Success PS.

As an IPS school the staff are always reviewing and planning changes to operational matters to allow the best opportunities for planning collaboration, literacy and numeracy learning blocks, specialist lessons and meeting industrial requirements. As a result the school timetable has been revised to ensure that we can offer all our students maximum access to the curriculum in all year levels. Some research was done to investigate how other schools have been structuring their day to make sure students get the best from the day. One of these models was providing the lunch break earlier in the day and introducing an afternoon recess break. Research has shown that a substantial meal earlier in the day is beneficial to concentration and learning ability.

Another enhancement we have made to our break times is a definitive in-class lunch eating time at desks for our Year 1 – 6 students. The first day of this went very well and I know our Gardner was impressed by the lack of rubbish blowing around the school. Also prior to the afternoon recess break all classes will have an in-class Crunch and Sip break for continuity across the school. A copy of the new timetable is included in the newsletter along with the link to our website and to our parent handbook for further information. I would like to thank the School Board and the P&C for their support in introducing these changes.

I am very proud to acknowledge the fantastic staff we have at Success PS and all their endeavours to make school an inviting, safe and engaging experience for all our students. Please take the time to read the parent handbook as it contains extensive information about school life. If you prefer to have this document in hard copy please contact the school on 9414 3444 and ask for a printed copy to be sent home with your child.

I wish everyone an exciting and successful 2016.

Sue Knight
Link to our website for Success School information and the 2016 Parent information handbook.
http://successprimary.wa.edu.au/

2016 Term Dates

Term 1 - Monday 1 February – Friday 8 April
Term 2 - Tuesday 26 April – Friday 1 July
Term 3 – Monday 18 July – Friday 23 September
Term 4 – Monday 10 October – Thursday 15 December

Hats for Students

Please be diligent in reminding your child to bring their hat to school, it is a compulsory requirement to wear a hat for outdoor play and activities. Students are required to wear the Success Primary School broad brimmed or legionnaire hat or a plain navy blue equivalent.

Personal Owned Device for Students (Year 2-6)

Thank you for your continued support of the iPad/Tablet Personal Owned Device (POD) program that has been running at Success since 2013. We would like to invite parents to be involved in the POD program this year. All students participating in the program in 2016 will need to return a signed copy of the policy, and where possible, have the required apps installed on their device.

The 2016 POD Policy and App list will be sent home by the end of the week. These documents will also be available on the school website by Friday.

If you have any questions, please contact or email the ICT Deputy Principal, Natalie McRobb.

Email: Natalie.McRobb@education.wa.edu.au

In Term Swimming Lessons 2016

Swimming lessons have started successfully today, thank you to parents for having children organized and ready with their gear, so students can be on time for the bus, keeping to the schedule helps everything run smoothly with minimal interruptions to classes.
Success Dental Therapy Centre

Success Dental Therapy Centre wishes to welcome everyone back and hope they had a lovely holiday break.
We wish to let the families and students know that we are now open 4 days a week from Tuesday to Friday inclusive.
Have a great first term and keep up the cleaning!
Clare and Hillary.

2016 New Timetable

Times
8.45am – 8.55am
8.55am – 9.55am
9.55am – 10.55am
10.55am – 11.30am – Lunch Time – 15minutes eating in class then 20minutes play
11.30am – 12.30pm
12.30pm – 1.30pm
1.30pm – 1.55pm – Recess – 5 minutes supervised eating in class then 20minutes play
1.55pm – 2.55pm

Success Primary School works to maintain a learning environment that is safe, respectful, tolerant, inclusive and that promotes intellectual rigour.
At the heart of our whole school approach to behaviour management are our core expectations.
At Success Primary School our students are STARS. This acronym stands for-

Strive for success
Take responsibility
Always Inclusive
Respectful
Stay safe

The acronym is adopted in every class across the whole school and is embedded into every day conversations.
# Success Primary School - Code of Conduct

## Behaviour Expectations

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| **S** | **Strive for Success** | We wear the Success PS uniform with pride.
We always have a go and always do our best.
We complete all tasks to the very best of our ability.
We don’t give up. | We are prepared for all lessons.
We always do our very best.
We have high expectations.
We set challenging goals for our own learning.
We display pride in our work.
We persevere. | We display great sportsmanship. | We arrive at school on time. |
| **T** | **Take Responsibility** | We own our behaviour and the choices we make.
We ensure we arrive at school on time.
We care for and are responsible for our own belongings.
We are always honest.
We manage our feelings and emotions in a positive way. | We help each other.
We are honest.
We have the necessary equipment for each lesson.
We are prepared for learning. | We put all rubbish in the bin.
We pick up any rubbish we see.
We report problems to the duty teacher.
We zip up our bags and store them neatly. | We keep all devices in our bags before and after school.
We keep our personal password private.
We print work only when instructed.
We sit down when using electronic devices.
We are careful when handling devices. | We sit outside the Art Room if we arrive at school before 8:25am in the morning. |
| **A** | **Always Inclusive** | We are aware of people’s needs.
We accept others’ differences.
We encourage each other.
We are caring and sharing.
We use kind words. | We work with everyone in our class.
We include others.
We participate in “buddy class” activities.
We take turns. | We invite others to play/join in.
We share the play equipment with others.
We play fairly.
We help each other pack away play equipment. | We share equipment/devices. | We greet others and help those in need.
We always use respectful language.
We watch out for others.
We are mindful of our surroundings.
We treat everyone with respect. |
| **R** | **Respectful** | We are polite and use our manners.
We use people’s names.
We use appropriate and respectful language.
We keep our hands and feet to ourselves. | We take our hats off inside.
We walk around the school and transition between lessons quickly and quietly.
We respect our own, others and school property. | We agree on game rules before starting.
We keep common areas clean.
We take care of the school environment.
We listen to and follow the duty teacher’s instructions. | We respect all devices and equipment.
We use technology as the teacher instructs.
We use technology appropriately.
We return equipment to where we got it from. | We are friendly, say hello and greet people. |
| **S** | **Stay Safe** | We walk on the paved areas.
We stay on the school grounds. | We walk around our classrooms.
We sit on our chairs correctly. | We wear a Success PS broad brimmed hat.
We walk on paved areas.
We eat our own recess and lunch. | We keep our passwords safe.
We complete safe searches.
We report any inappropriate use of devices. | We stay off the playground equipment before and after school.
We walk our bikes and scooters through the school.
We wear a helmet.
We cross the road with care. |
Join School Banking on an outback adventure!

Every year the School Banking program launches a new savings theme and 8 new exclusive School Banking reward items.

This year’s program is themed the Outback Savers and School Banking is taking students on a wild adventure through the Canyon of Savings, where they’ll learn to master smart savings habits.

There are **8 new reward items for 2016** from the Outback Savers range:

- Flying Snake Tail
- Wildlife Writer Set
- Mud Splat Handball
- Outback Pat Bag Tag
- Backtrack Eraser Pen
- Jump and Skip Rope
- Bush Fly Fan
- Wriggly Glow Worm

**Win a wildlife family adventure holiday to Australia Zoo!**

This year School Banking is giving students the chance to win a family trip for up to two adults and three children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin.

Students who make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 will be automatically entered into the draw. This is another great way to motivate students to save regularly and reach their savings goals.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2016 School Banking program information pack from the school office.

**Getting involved in School Banking is easy!**

You can get involved in the School Banking program by opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at your local branch. All you need to bring is your current identification as well as your child’s birth certificate. If you are an existing Commonwealth Bank customer and have NetBank, you can open an account online.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is **Wednesday**. Each week you need to Bring your deposit book and money to the undercover area in LC1 between 2.45pm and 3.05pm or drop your deposit book and money off in the deposit box in the canteen (stating your class number somewhere on the book so that we can return the book to you each week).

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2016 School Banking program information pack from your school banking coordinators.
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**School Holidays**