Dear Parents/Guardians

Thank you to Miss Scott’s Year 2/3 class who ran last week’s assembly. The poem they recited about being a ‘crayon in a box’ was very entertaining and the message was very pertinent to our children. Congratulations to all the students who received certificates.

**Bullying Policy**
The school is currently in the process of refining our Bullying Policy and it will be available for parents perusal when the Draft is completed. There is still some misconceptions among some students and parents about what actually constitutes bullying. It is not a one off incident that many people believe. It is when there is a wilful and conscious desire to hurt or threaten another person and is ongoing.

The school has been running the PATHS program for the last two years which has components of anti-bullying. All children in the school are participating in this program.

The school believes that the working environment for staff, students and parents should be safe and free from violence, harassment and bullying of any kind. However it is very hard to deal with any issues that may arrive if it is not reported straight away.

**Repeated Reading Helpers**
The school runs *The Repeated Reading* program and has some fabulous mums and community members who help out. We have a lot of students who unfortunately do not get to do their home reading so this is where they can receive extra help. If you would like to volunteer and give a couple of mornings a week for a good cause please see either Bridget Annels in Room 3 or Helen Sloan in Room 10. The more help we have, the more students we can help!

**P&C AGM**
This is on next Monday at 6.30pm in the School Staffroom. Please come along and support this wonderful group of parents who work so hard to provide many facilities in our school. They are responsible for the running of the Canteen and the Uniform Shop. Without your help these two services may be disrupted.

**CRABFEST**
Several classes were involved in making crabs for the upcoming Crab Fest this weekend. The City of Mandurah has put photos of them on their website as they were so impressed with them.

**New Development - School Hours Policy**
We have been contacted by management of the new businesses regarding students visiting during school hours. Their policy is that they do not serve students unless accompanied by a parent and have an early release pass. Authorities will be contacted if students enter these premises during school hours.

Thank you
Deborah Bloor
Principal

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**BookClub - Issue 2 orders are due Tomorrow**
**Friday 13th March**
Orders from Issue 1 are on there way. Sorry for any inconvenience.
Thank you - BookClub Co-ordinator
Young Leader's Conference

On Friday 6th March, eight Year 6 Student Councillors attended the Young Leader's Conference in Perth.

It was a fantastic day spent listening to successful people in our society. The students enjoyed getting books signed and meeting famous author Andy Griffiths.

Other speakers included Nat Medhurst, Mike Martin, Josh Richards and their favourite Lorin Nicholson. Lorin shared many lessons on how to treat others and how to overcome difficulty and adversity.

Our students represented Riverside well with excellent behaviour and a high level of engagement in the day.

Certificate Winners

| Jemma B | Madison L | Harrison M | Shubham S |
| Shayla B | Ethan T | Amy C | Tyreese M |
| Megan E | Khyesha E | Courtney R | |
| Tahlia R | Oshen E | Lily F | |
| Michael N | Benjamin O | Iris L | |
| Alyssa G | Chloe C | Xander D | |
| Rohan M | Tessa M | Peter H | |
| Ryan N | Kyran B | Judd F | |
| Kiara J | Amber M | Aaron A | |

Honour Certificates

- Jemma B
- Shayla B
- Megan E
- Tahlia R
- Michael N
- Alyssa G
- Rohan M
- Ryan N
- Kiara J
- Madison L
- Ethan T
- Khyesha E
- Oshen E
- Benjamin O
- Chloe C
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- Aaron A
- Shubham S
- Tyreese M

Library Award

Room 24, Y PP/1

Music Awards

Room 24 Year 4

Tahlia K

Torin B

You are invited!!!

All parents, grandparents and carers are invited to attend the Riverside Schools P&C Annual General Meeting / Social Event

Monday 16th March @ 6.30pm
Riverside Schools Staff Room
(drinks & nibbles afterwards)

► Meet other parents and volunteers
► Find out what events are planned for the schools for the upcoming year
► Be a part of creative solutions to fundraising

Time poor or don’t think you have the right skills? From putting Easter Baskets together, to manning Mothers Day Stalls, to being part of the committee ... There is something everyone can get involved with whether you only have an hour a year or an hour a day!

So come along, our existing committee and volunteers would love to meet you. Even though we only meet once a month during school terms we manage to get so much achieved and have a lot of laughs in the process.

(Oh, and at the last AGM there was the yummiest food ... it’s not to be missed!)

The P&C is operated by volunteers. All profits are donated to the school to benefit all of the children, so please support your P&C

Fresh Fruit Friday Family Fun Day

Parents/grandparents of Year 1 students are invited to join their children in a Fresh Fruit Friday Family Fun Day on Friday 20th March after the Assembly (at approximately 9:50am).

The children will participate in outdoor games followed by eating their Fresh Fruit Friday recess. Parents/grandparents are invited to spectate or participate in the games and then join their children/grandchildren in eating a healthy recess. Please bring along a picnic rug and some fruit to eat with your children/grandchildren.

Parents/grandparents of Year 1 students who attend will receive a free raffle ticket in the fruit platter draw.

Normal classes will resume after recess.

Mandurah Poppies Project

Riverside Primary School will be participating in the Mandurah Poppies Project to create a field of poppies on the Mandurah foreshore and a display at the War Memorial to help commemorate this year’s special ANZAC Day.

The poppies will be on display for the week around ANZAC Day.

Thank you to those families who have already collected sauce bottles and black bottle tops for the project. We still need lots more so please keep bringing in these items to the Library.

Wacky Hair Day

On Thursday 19th March we will be raising money for the Leukaemia Foundation at school.

Children are asked not to cut but to style their hair. Permanent hair colour is not allowed.

We look forward to seeing lots of braids, curls and creativity.

Children are asked to bring a gold coin donation on the day to be handed to their class teacher.