Dear parents and carers, staff, students and community members,

Welcome back to Term 4

It has been a great start to the term. This term will be very busy with end of year events such as Year 6 graduation and transition, student reports, Interschool Athletics as well as getting ready for 2016. Remember that students have a pupil free day on Friday 13 November for the Albany Show - whilst staff participate in Professional Development.

Classes for 2016
We are currently planning 2016 classes based on our available resources. Class structures will depend upon confirmation of enrolments for next year. Teachers will be assigned to classes at a later date.

If you have a request for your child / children to be placed in a certain class due to educational reasons, I must receive a written request stating the reason by Monday 9 Nov 2015. All written requests should be addressed to:

Mr Darryn Martin - Principal
Little Grove Primary School
Gordon Street
Little Grove WA 6330

All written requests will be considered, whilst taking into account academic, non academic and behavioural considerations. Please note: most, if not all, our classes in 2016 may be multi-age due to the size of our school and available financial and human resources.

Make an Appointment
We would like to remind all parents that although the teachers and administration staff love to talk to you about your children, it is best to make an appointment. A teacher's day is very busy and most require the time before school to organise. It is also not appropriate to have discussions in the company of other parents and students. We all have days after school or special time slots during the day that we can make ourselves available for you. Please don't be offended when we say no to impromptu requests for a quick chat. If urgent, write a quick note and deliver it to your classroom teacher.

Junior Block Upgrade
Over the holidays we were able to replace the carpet in Rooms 1,2,3 and common prac space. This has given these classrooms a fresh new look to brighten up our students learning environment. This has been possible with school funding as a result of our very supportive P&C who have provided funding for other projects in the school therefore releasing school funds to be spent in this area.

Junior Block Bike Path.
Over the holidays we were fortunate to have our bike path roundabout and crosswalk brick paving completed in the junior play area. A huge thank you to Little Grove Brick Paving and Reece Plumbing who made this possible. Thanks to Mrs Marshall for organising this on behalf of the P&C. Soon we will be completing the line marking to finish our bike path.

Have a great fortnight.

Darryn Martin
Principal

Jeff Scott
Associate Principal
A huge thank you to Matt Nagle and his team from Little Grove Brick Paving for the fantastic job they did installing the bike roundabout in the junior play area.

A big thank you to Reece Plumbing Supplies for donating the concrete needed to complete the job.

Your generous donations have helped us achieve this goal for our students to enjoy and it is greatly appreciated by the school community.

If you wish to contact or advise the school via email please use this address:
littlegrove.ps@education.wa.edu.au

This address delivers your message to numerous staff, which enables your information to be actioned, if an individual member of staff is absent.

Information has been missed or not received in time when messages are sent to individual email addresses and that person is absent due to illness or professional development. As some staff hold different roles within the school, emails are not always checked on a daily basis.

To ensure that your message is received please use the littlegrove.ps@education.wa.edu.au address and your message will always be received, actioned or forwarded to the relevant area.
Remember that the new Summer Menu has commenced this Term!

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Friday 23 Sept: Nicole T
Wednesday 28 Sept: Marley S
Friday 30 Sept: Justine P
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THERE IS NO APP TO REPLACE YOUR LAP!
PLEASE READ TO YOUR CHILDREN.

Enrolments for VacSwim December/January school holiday swimming programs are now open.

It is important for every child to learn to swim properly and develop essential water safety skills. VacSwim's December/January school holiday swimming programs are conducted by qualified instructors who teach children the skills to be confident swimmers and safe in the water.

This year there has been a small price increase from $10.00 per enrolment to $12.50 per enrolment (family enrolment for three or more children living at the same address is now $34.50).

For further information or program locations and to enrol visit education.wa.edu.au/swimming.

Lost Property

We have two HUGE baskets of lost property in the school.

Please check if any of the items are yours.

Any items not collected by Friday 30 November 2015 will given to the uniform shop as second hand donations or given to charity.

Please ensure that you label all your children’s belongings!

CANTEEN NEWS

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Moving Schools/Locations in 2016?

As we move towards the end of the year it is important that we have an accurate picture of school numbers for the new school year. It is crucial that you inform the school of any intention to move from Little Grove Primary in 2016. Our funding and the way we organise classes is dependent on a clear understanding of student numbers in each year level across the school. From here on in and for the remainder of the year, notifying us if your child will not be here in 2016 will assist greatly when it comes to planning for the new school year.

Thank you for your co-operation.

HONOUR CERTIFICATES
These students were awarded with an Honour Certificate at the assembly held on 25 September 2015

Room 1 Torie Fynn
Room 2 Joanna Thomas
Room 3 Charlie James
Room 5 Riley Bella
Room 6 Mena Brodie
Room 7 Falen Josh D
Room 8 Ella Josh P

Little Grove P&C
Cake Stall - Camp Quaranup Open Day
Saturday 31st October - 10am to 3pm
Camp Quaranup - Quaranup Rd, Big Grove

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

to bake a cake, cupcakes, biscuits or a slice to assist your P&C raise money to help LGPS provide a great learning environment for our children.
If you don’t fancy yourself as a cook but are able to help out at the Cake Stall - please put your name on the P&C Helper list at the School Office.

Cakes can be dropped off near the canteen on Friday 30th October before and after school or at the stall at Camp Quaranup on the day.

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New Carpet in the Junior Block

Students in the junior block took great delight in farewelling their old carpet with chalk tributes on the last day of term 3. They returned after the holidays to the smell of fresh new carpet and the whole block now looks and feels very inviting.

Room 1 Visit the Albany Waste Site

Room 1 students, parents and teaching staff all enjoyed their excursion to the Albany waste and recycling plant last term.

The Albany Waste and Resource Education Centre, or AWARE centre aims to teach kids of all ages what can be recycled, how our waste affects the world we live in and what we need to do if we want to make a difference.

The children were very enthusiastic about all that they saw and learned on their outing. When they returned to school, Room 1 students compiled some marvellous pieces of writing, describing their experiences.