News from the School Coordinator

I recently attended a Steiner Education Australia delegates’ meeting and many delegates reported that their schools were experiencing strong growth again after a period of stagnation. This seems to be happening in our school as well. As you are no doubt aware, Council has seen this as the sign that the school is ready to start single streaming and over the next four years we hope to have separate classes through to and including Class 7. This is a very big commitment for the school because it also requires us to jump through the high school hoops to retain our Class 7’s. It is possibly the biggest step the school has taken since moving onto the Scotsdale Rd site. I have talked to a lot of parents who are excited about the next few years and note that things like the establishment of the FPS scheme and the Kwoorabup markets mean that many parents in our community are appreciating the direction the school is taking.

Of course, this is just the beginning. Until we have seven classes with at least 15 students in each class, the job is not complete. To get there will require another kindergarten room, finding more excellent teachers, expanding the playgroup, exploring out-of-school care options and most important of all the building of a fantastic community of parents, teachers and students. There are lots of areas where parents can become involved in building something for the future.

The school has relatively few opportunities to market itself unless it spends a lot of money on advertising. One of those opportunities is its annual Open Day which is happening on Saturday, 14th September. We know that Saturday is a very busy day for most families especially those with sport commitments. There is simply no other day when we can expect parents in the wider community to have enough time to visit our school. We also know that our students are our best advertisement and that is why we try and involve them regularly. At this Open Day each of the classes will be doing an activity which the visitors will be watching. We ask therefore that every child possible attends school on this day. The last day of this term is a pupil free day and is being used as compensation for the students coming in on a Saturday.
This weekend there is a Busy Bee here and this is a major opportunity to clean and tidy and prepare the school before the Open Day. Please come along if you are able. Mark Jones would appreciate a phone call from you if you are wondering about bringing any tools. Thank you everyone who is working so hard to make sure this open day is well advertised, the school looks smart and the students happy to be involved in showcasing their school.

Robert Gillman

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**Calendar of the Soul—Week 48**

Let the certainty of cosmic thinking appear in the Light
That longs to flow forcefully into my soul:
Solving riddles of the soul,
Focusing the force of its rays,
Awakening love in human hearts.

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**Kwoorabup Markets**

The markets keep growing and growing, with loads of new stalls with items for sale, ranging from live turkeys to organic cotton baby wear, and all things local and handmade in between. Seasonally it seems the hens are busy and happy and the citrus trees are laden - I was thinking it must be the time of year to make flourless orange and almond cake, which uses loads of both ingredients!

I get a lot of feedback from people about how great it is for the school to host this awesome community initiative, how it reflects many of our school’s values and how lovely the children are to deal with - full of wonder and confidence. Also some are saying that now they know there is a market they will plant extras when they do their spring plantings.

I am still taking orders for MacDougal fruit trees - Apple, Loquat, White Sapote, Macadamia and Cork! Some of these can be planted into pots or espaliered if space is an issue. These can be picked-up on the next market, when Neal will be giving a mini-workshop on planting fruit trees.

**For the next markets, we are pleased to announce that we will provide child care for kids aged 6 years old or under. The parents have to sign them in and out at Peppermint Cottage.** Clare Jones will be there from 2:30 to 4:30pm. They need to have food, drink, hat, please let Clare know about any medical issue and be aware that they have to stay within the Peppermint Cottage boundaries.

Thanks to the Kindy families who organized the tea. It was a huge level of participation.

I look forward to seeing you all at the last market for Term 3, Friday 13 September.

Cheers, Simone

Markets Coordinator - ph.9848 1942 simonecoleman@westnet.com.au.

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**Busy Bee**

The BUSY BEE is on again this Saturday (September, 7th), from 9am to 12am.

There is a mountain of work to do to get the school shipshape for the upcoming Open Day and Spring Festival, so come along with the usual tools, elbow grease, good humour and tasty morning tea snack to share.

There was a terrific turnout for the last Busy Bee. Let’s make this one even more fun and productive. And remember, it all counts towards your Family Participation Scheme hours. If you can make it, please call Mark to confirm on 0409 439 071.
News from the Office

We would like to share the job advertisements from our school for the next term and next year. They are also published in the local newspapers, Steiner training centres and online agencies. Please feel free to ask me for further information.

Cheers, Sandra

Maternity Leave Position
Vacant
Office Manager – full time
Closing date for applications: Thursday 12th September 2013

Applications are invited for a suitably qualified person to run a busy school office. Duties include reception, DTP, database entry, handling petty cash and helping students and parents. Applicants must have a Working with Children’s Check card. Applicants should be computer literate, be passionate about working with children and their parents, be confidential, have experience and/or commitment to the principles of Steiner Education and have a demonstrated history of working co-operatively. The position will run from around the 21st October 2013 until June 2014, with a three week stand down over Christmas.

An employment package, including job description and salary remuneration is available on enquiry from the school office. Phone (08) 9848 1811 or email office@goldenhill.wa.edu.au.

Full-time Class Teacher
Vacancy
Applications Close: Friday 20th September, 2013

The Golden Hill Steiner School has decided to single stream its classrooms starting next year. Therefore we wish to employ two teachers to start their class teaching journey in either Class 1, 2 or 3. The requirements for the two teachers are:

- eligibility for teacher registration in Western Australia
- Steiner teacher training and/or classroom experience
- enthusiasm for teaching
- a deep interest in Anthroposophy and personal development
- interpersonal skills with colleagues, parents and students.

A more detailed position description is available on request from the school office (ph. (08) 9848 1811 or email office@goldenhill.wa.edu.au). Interested applicants should send their CV, a covering letter and the names and contact details of two professional referees to the School Coordinator, 222 Scotsdale Road, Denmark WA 6333 or email: scoordinator@goldenhill.wa.edu.au.

Part-time Teacher
Vacancy
(job sharing will be considered)
Closing date for applications: Thursday 12th September 2013

Applications are invited for a teacher to support the learning needs of students from Yr. 1 to 7 and teaching another subject. This position can be job shared.

Applicants must be registered (or eligible for registration) with the TRBWA and have a Working with Children check. They must be open to the principles of Steiner Education.

The remedial position is 4.5hrs/week and duties include 1 on 1 tuition, small group literacy and numeracy work, assessment of learning needs and liaison with relevant authorities. The successful applicant must be familiar with SPELD or similar teaching methods.

An extra 7.5hrs is available for a teacher who is able to fit into the needs of the school. Currently, 3 of those hours are used for teaching Japanese. The position will commence on the 14th October 2013.

An employment package, including job description and salary remuneration is available on enquiry from the school office. Phone (08) 9848 1811 or email office@goldenhill.wa.edu.au.

WANTED

We are trying to get some juggling materials for the Kwoorabup Market circus activities to teach the kids some juggling skills. Please, if you have any pieces of chiffon, chiffon scarves or handkerchiefs that you do not use anymore, just drop them at the office.

Thank you.
Kindy families are being invited to fundraise for their classes during our Open Day. We will be baking and selling yummy goods (no chocolate, please) to raise funds for the Kindy playground improvement. Parents will be baking at the GHSS hall on Friday, September 13, or baking at home and bringing the goods on Saturday, whatever suits you best.

We are asking parents to put your names down in pairs for the Open Day sales on Saturday. This will be your only job during the Open Day. The chart is on the Karri Kindergarten notice board. It all counts towards your FPS hours. Any questions, please call Gillian on 0438 965 425. Thank you very much.
News from Playgroup

Come little butterfly, come close to me,
your beautiful wings I should like to see.
You fly like a bird, you zip like a bee,
but you really are a flower that the wind set free!

We have enjoyed lovely winter activities like painting, making necklaces, squeezing oranges and baking at playgroup. The baby group parents have been busy knitting toy horses in amongst conversations and songs. A warm welcome to the new families that have joined us towards the end of last term and this term. Now spring is in the air and, when the weather is sunny, the children are enjoying playing inside and out.

We have also aligned ourselves with the rest of the school by offering discounts in term fees to parents with siblings at the school. If you have an older child attending the school full-time, you receive 25% off the playgroup fees. If you have two or more children at the school, the discount is 50%. This only applies to the full term fees, not the casual rate. The $10 yearly insurance fee is also not part of the discount.

Tuesday group is now getting full, but places remain in the Wednesday baby group (up to 1 year) and the Thursday playgroup (up to 4 years). If you’re already part of the school community and thought about joining in the fun with your younger child, why don’t you pop in - Tuesday or Thursday mornings, 9.15am to 11.15am for Playgroup and Wednesday mornings 10am to 12pm for the Parent and Baby group.

With thanks, Silvia, Clare, and Theda

News from Silver Birch Kindergarten

The weather is getting warmer and sunny. We would like to ask you to make sure your children have hats for safe and fun outdoor play. Thank you.

Regards, Christine and Sophia

News from Karri Kindergarten

When the daffodils dance in the sun and the rain
Then we know that the springtime is coming again
Tra la la la la la, tra la la la la la
Then we know that the springtime is coming again!

First, a big thanks to all the kindergarten parents who assisted with our hosting of the Kwoorabup market last Friday, by cooking delicious goodies, setting up, serving and packing away. It was a very successful fund-raising effort and we raised more than $300. Thanks also to Simone Coleman who invited kindergarten to host this time and works so hard to ensure the markets are a successful venture. It's wonderful to see how popular they are becoming with not only our school community, but also the wider Denmark Community. It also gives people a little glimpse into what our school is all about. The funds raised will be put towards new outside equipment and structures, including a wonderful shelter which Chris Robins will begin building in a couple of weeks.

Warm wishes, Denise
On Friday we were lucky to have Joe Williams come and tell us a story in the sunshine about his tribe, who come from Bular Mial (Bluff Knoll). As Joe was telling us the story he painted a beautiful landscape. Joe also told us about the Noongar six seasons, while we looked at his six seasons artwork (having six seasons makes so much sense). I love how much I am learning about the local history as I am bringing this main lesson to the children. I look forward to finding out more about the six seasons this week.

Warm wishes, Chrystal

News from Class 1/2

On Friday we were lucky to have Joe Williams come and tell us a story in the sunshine about his tribe, who come from Bular Mial (Bluff Knoll). As Joe was telling us the story he painted a beautiful landscape. Joe also told us about the Noongar six seasons, while we looked at his six seasons artwork (having six seasons makes so much sense). I love how much I am learning about the local history as I am bringing this main lesson to the children. I look forward to finding out more about the six seasons this week.

Warm wishes, Chrystal

News from Class 3/4

A huge thank you to Anna and Eliza for joining us for our much awaited classroom sleepover, it was brilliant to have you there with us. The wind didn't quite agree with the plan to cook out (maybe next year it will) so we had lots of fun with our indoor picnic and games.

In class we are finishing up our History of Writing main lesson and looking forward to the Spring festival - hope to see you there!

Warm regards, Ingrid

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**DENTAL NEWS**

As you may have heard or seen, the School Dental Van is now back in Action at Denmark Primary School. The van is located in the school’s Quadrangle, and will be parked there for the following 12 months.

Some of you may have received enrolment forms if you are new to the area, but if NOT, please phone us so we can enrol your child into the FREE service. The School Dental Service is available to all school children aged 5-16 and can provide both preventive and restorative treatment.

It MUST be noted that there are a few changes this year.

WE are REQUESTING that a parent/guardian attend your child’s first dental appointment, generally being their check-up, so that consent can be obtained for any further treatment.

OUR opening hours this year will be 9:00am - 3:15pm.

We will be slowly rolling out our first lot of check-ups over the coming weeks. If the time advised is unsuitable, please contact us to change it, but please don’t miss it.

We are happy to answer any questions, so feel free to call us on 0437 486 143.

This term we will only be open on WED-FRI.

Kind regards, The Tooth Fairies

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**Class Representatives**

Thank you for all parents who kindly give their time to represent classes in our school. Here is the list of the class representatives for Term 3. Please, contact them for any information regarding volunteer work.

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Joe painting with Class 1/2
News from Class 5/6/7

It is all go as we prepare for our play in Class 5/6/7. The children are doing a fabulous job and it is coming along nicely. They have really matured over the last year and I think this has led to a greater understanding and appreciation of how difficult it really is to act. The art of conveying subtle emotion simply through facial expressions and body language without resorting to mock punch-ups is a tricky one, we have discovered! During rehearsals, a child will occasionally exclaim in frustration, "But I can't do it like that - it's just not me!". Indeed acting and drama can often allow us to explore our 'hidden depths' or bring out aspects of our character we didn't know existed. In the words of Paul Newman, "Acting is a question of absorbing other people's personalities and adding some of your own experience."

During play rehearsals, there is a fair bit of downtime for children with smaller parts, so I have been attempting to use this time for the children to get some Maths practise work done, although it has been a struggle with all the distraction about - of course they would much rather watch the action on stage!

The seasons seem to be changing and the classroom is not nearly as cold in the mornings as it was a couple of weeks ago. Along with the seasons, the dynamics and friendship circles between the children seem to also be undergoing a few shifts and minor changes, as is normal with them getting older. Horse fever has really hit hard in Class 5/6/7, with about 8 children wanting to talk about nothing else but horses - spending recesses staring longingly at Justin's horses in the paddock.

The Class 5 'spellers' group took home some work in their workbooks. I was greeted by a mob of indignant, noisy children, all pointing to their workbooks and yelling excitedly. Once they calmed down, I eventually figured out there had been a mistake on the part of the publishers and one of the questions was wrong. We will use the opportunity to write a letter of complaint with suggestions to the publishers next week.

The Class 5 group have been busy with a reed weaving project with Jayd, which will continue and may involve a short walking excursion.

Regards, Eliza

Poem from the course Rites of Passage

I have come to the frightening conclusion that I am the decisive element.
It is my personal approach that creates the climate.
It is my daily mood that makes the weather.
I possess tremendous power to make life miserable or joyous.
I can be a tool of torture or an instrument of inspiration.
I can humiliate or humour, hurt or heal.
In all situations, it is my response that decides whether a crisis
Will be escalated or de-escalated, and a person humanized or dehumanized.
If we treat people as they are, we make them worse.
If we treat people as they ought to be, we help them become what they are capable of becoming.

Haim G. Ginott
Saturday September 7
Conversation Cafe at the CRC behind the Library 10am - 12 FREE

Friday September 6 & 13
Your Creative Lens. Abstract photography workshops with Meleah Farrell using in-camera adjustments. BYO camera that can be adjusted to manual settings. 9.30am -12.30pm both dates. $60 for both sessions. Contact Green Skills 9848 3310 to register.

Saturday September 14
Noongar Language: Bush Food and Medicine Walk. A walk and talk with Larry Blight: identifying, collecting and even taste testing local bush food and medicines. 10am-12noon. $25 or $65 for a family (2A/2C). Contact Green Skills 9848 3310 to register.

Sunday September 22
Easy Herbal Remedies. Join Lucy Greenwood for an introduction to using garden plants and weeds for making simple herbal remedies. Make your own jar of ointment to take home. 10am-1pm. $15. Contact Green Skills 9848 3310 to register.

Tuesday September 24
Environmental talks @ Denmark Environment Centre 7-9pm FREE

Saturday September 28
Get Clicking! Introduction to digital photos and emailing for over 60’s. 10am - 12pm. Start of a 2 week course: 28/09, 05/10. FREE @ Denmark CRC! Registration is essential, phone 9848 2842.
Get Clicking! Introduction to Microsoft Word for over 60’s. 12.30pm- 2.30pm. Start of a 2 week course: 28/09, 05/10. FREE @ Denmark CRC! Registration is essential, phone 9848 2842.
Simple Tips: Small Engines. Phil Brenton demonstrates how to maintain small engines like your mower, chainsaw or whipper snipper. 1pm-4pm. $30 @ Tip Shop. Contact Green Skills 9848 3310 to register.

Advertisements

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Hello, live music lovers!
Welcome to September. Here are a few September gigs you may be interested in coming along to.

♫ Sun 8th Sept.. Jude Iddison and Steve Scanlon.. White Star Hotel.. 5-8pm
♫ Fri 13th Sept.. Heartstrings Jazz/Tango Trio.. Liberté.. 8.30-10.30 pm
♫ Sun 22nd Sept.. Jude and Steve.. Earl of Spencer—Albany...5-8pm

Good things to you all. Jude Iddison

FOR SALE
Childs Tandem Bike Wee-Rider Co-Pilot Excellent Cond $50
Ph Simone 9848 1942

Swimming and water safety skills are just part of what your child will gain with Albany Leisure and Aquatic Centre's Swimming Lessons.

Timetables for Term 4, 2013 swimming lessons are now available.

Re-enrolments (for students currently enrolled in our term 3 program) begin on Saturday, 14 September 2013. Enrolments for past and new students will commence on Monday, 30 September 2013.

Further details and information can be obtained by contacting our Swim School Manager, Nola Osborne, directly on telephone number 9844 2274 or email nolao@albany.wa.gov.au

DENMARK CRICKET CLUB
JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS
The Club is a registered Kidsport Club
SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST 2013 –
McLEAN PARK 9AM – 12 NOON
SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2013 –
DENMARK IGA 9AM – 12NOON
SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2013 –
DENMARK RECREATION CENTRE
2.30PM – 4.30PM
For more information please call Andrew Milne on 0407 667 010
MILO – YEAR 2 & UNDER
UNDER 10’S – YEAR 3 & 4
UNDER 12’S – YEAR 5 & 6
UNDER 14’S – YEAR 7 & 8
UNDER 17’S – YEAR 9 – 11