



Ellen Stirling Primary School

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Within the spirit of excellence and mutual respect, Ellen Stirling Primary School is a safe and supportive environment with a clear focus on values, literacy and numeracy.

As they progress through their primary learning, all students are encouraged to reach their full potential as confident, independent and responsible contributors to society.

A sense of community and collaborative partnerships enhance our school's effectiveness.

From the Principal

Welcome staff, students, parents and community members to the 2017 school year. A special welcome to the new staff and families joining our school and community. We look forward to getting to know you as you become involved with our school. Our doors have opened in 2017 with 805 students and we continue to have new enrolling students each day. Numbers will be confirmed in readiness for the Department of Education Census at the end of Week 3 and we will then decide on any restructure of classrooms if needed.



THE CURRENT CLASS STRUCTURE AT ESPS FOR 2017

Principal	Dr Goldspink				
Associate Principals	Mrs Jones	Mr Pinkard	Mrs Ashworth		
Kindergarten	Ms Black	Miss Woodward	Mrs Harrowfield		
Pre-primary	Mr Bissett	Mrs Herbert	Miss Pamham	Mrs Stone	
Year 1	Miss Wheeler	Miss Church	Miss Hannah	Mrs Sainsbury	
Year 1/2	Miss Boag				
Year 2	Mrs Patten	Mrs Conley/Mrs Conduit	Mrs Gemser/Ms Blee	Miss Salomon	Miss Stone
Year 2/3	Mrs Conti				
Year 3	Mrs Burgess	Mrs Griffiths	Miss Lee	Miss Warner	
Year 4	Mrs Free	Mrs Carton	Miss Janmaat		
Year 4/5	Mrs Jacques				
Year 5	Mrs Southee/Mr Eversden	Mrs Seymour/Mr Eversden			
Year 5/6	Mrs Abbott				
Year 6	Miss Jacovic	Miss Johnson			

PARKING/TRAFFIC CONCERNS

Parking is often congested, particularly before and after school around larger schools. We need to consider alternatives to limit the congestion. As a community, we should consider other options; including walking, cycling or parking nearby and walking the short distance to school. A reminder that it is a traffic offence to park over footpaths, block driveways, park in 'no parking' or 'no stopping' areas, double park, park on a verge without the owners' consent or park your vehicle facing the wrong way.

NEW PRIMARY SCHOOLS FOR 2019 FOR PERTH IN 2019

We have recently been advised by Education Minister Peter Collier that, in response to increasing housing and student enrolments, a new primary school for students in Aveley will open in 2019. Minister Collier advised that, 'in addition, temporary facilities will open next year for Kindergarten and Pre-primary students ahead of the completion of each school's permanent buildings, so that young children can start their education in these new schools.'

The new school in Aveley North, on the corner of Egerton Drive and Strinesdale Boulevard, will be built for 540 students at cost of \$17.3 million and will ease enrolment pressure on Aveley Primary School and Ellen Stirling Primary School.

ESPS SCHOOL BOARD

The ESPS School Board is still looking for a keen community member to join the group of parents and teachers already working hard for the school. If you would like to nominate someone or nominate yourself, please email the Principal on dean.goldspink@education.wa.edu.au

Dr Dean Goldspink
PRINCIPAL

New School App- tiqbiz



All parents **PLEASE** download this app to your phone or personal computer www.tiqbiz.com! This app can be used for advising us of your child's absences, you can receive reminders from the app of events occurring at school; Newsletter links, Website link and P & C information!

Connect App



By now you've probably heard others in our school community talking about the introduction of the online environment called Connect.

Connect is a secure online environment developed 'in-house' by the Department of Education for staff, students and parents in public schools. It will give our teachers a tool to deliver content to the students via an online classroom. This means your children will be able to share with you what they are learning about, submit assignments and discuss issues together online anywhere, anytime – in fact easy access to information relevant about your child's classes and learning such as assessments, teacher feedback and attendance data.

Check out the short video clip on Connect at <https://vimeo.com/connectwa/welcome>

To become registered to use Connect you will need to complete the Connect Conditions for Use for Parents and the Parent Registration Form. Both of these have been sent home with your child.

PE Corner

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back everyone for 2017! The PE SUPER Team of Ms Wass, Mr B, Mr E and Mr Scott are super excited for an actioned packed sporting year ahead and we can't wait to get started! It has been an awesome first week with the students coming fully prepared with school hats, appropriate footwear and water bottles ready for PE. We hit the ground running this term with our juniors doing fundamental movement skills and yoga, while our seniors our learning about cricket. Years 3 – 6 will be swimming later this term before selected seniors get to take part in the inaugural EISA Summer Sports Carnival! Throw in Purple Haze, hockey visits and rugby sessions, what a term!

MORNING FITNESS

Wow! Morning fitness is the place to be at ESPS on a Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday! The PE Team can't thank our awesome staff enough for getting behind this new initiative. Our classroom teachers have an awful lot of content and areas to cover in a relatively short time and for all of them to recognise and support the inclusion of morning fitness is inspiring! Seeing every class out in the morning with all the students active and engaged is what it's all about, we are confident that the benefits will flow on into renewed focus and attention during class time. Thanks also to all the parents/caregivers for getting your student to class on time with their hat on and ready to go. All classes will have a timetable and map attached to their door for any latecomers.

FITNESS CLUB

Fitness Club is back again for 2017. Notes will have gone home to Year 3 – 6 students earlier this week. At ESPS we have a strong history of our students engaging in before and after school sports programs and we look forward to a bumper turnout for our first session this Thursday, 9 February. Look out for the new fluoro coloured shirts the teachers will be wearing!

SCORCHERS BUS VISIT

How good were the Scorchers this summer! Runners-up in the WBBL and Champions in the BBL! Well next Tuesday the Perth Scorchers bus is coming to ESPS full of giveaways, prizes, Milo and games! So come on down to the school oval after school on Tuesday, 14 February, all ages are welcome. Staff will also be on hand to provide info about the upcoming Milo In2 Cricket program available for Years Pre-primary – Year 2 students starting on Wednesday, 22 February 2017.

MILO IN2 CRICKET



PERTH SCORCHERS ELLENBROOK MILO T20 BLAST CENTRE:
VENUE: District Open Space, Maffina Parade, Ellenbrook **FIRST SESSION:** February 20th is a FREE Come & Try
DAY & TIME: Mondays 5pm-6.30pm **AGES:** 7-12 **DATES:** February 20th-March 30th
For more information, contact Adam Bunce on 0426 227 494 or adam.bunce@cricket.com.au

P & C Update

Contact us via email: espspandcgeneral@gmail.com or
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ESPSPandC>

The P&C AGM is on this Monday, 13 February at 7:00 pm in the staffroom.

The P & C will be holding elections for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Committee members, Fundraising Committee and Canteen Committee.

We welcome new members and would like to encourage anyone to join us for only a \$1-00 membership fee. The P & C meets twice a term. Come along for a cup of tea and a biscuit, meet the Principal, bring ideas and enthusiasm. With a full committee a little help goes a long way to help the school.

COMMITTEE ROLES

President: The President is the meeting Chairperson, the public face of the P & C and can be a link between parents and school administration. The President is also a signatory to the bank accounts, needs to ensure other Office Bearers fulfil their duties, handles media and all external enquiries, observes legal formalities and is an ex officio member of all sub-committees.

Vice President: The Vice President is the understudy for the President to undertake the Presidents duties if they unable to do so, including chairing meetings when the President is absent or has a conflict of interest. The Vice President can represent the President on sub committees and is a signatory to the bank accounts.

Secretary: The Secretary maintains the Association's records. They post notice of meetings, assists Chairperson in drawing up agenda, records minutes, deals with correspondence, maintains membership records, is a signatory to the bank accounts, and observes legal formalities.

Treasurer: The Treasurer maintains the Association's financial records, establishes and maintains procedures for handling the Association's money and coordinates banking all money received. It is the responsibility of the Treasurer to prepare and present a written report for every General Meeting, including an up-to-date bank reconciliation, a copy of the most recent bank statement and a statement of receipts and payments. Other responsibilities include preparing the books for audit, management of all the P & C's accounts including overseeing all sub-committees, completion of tax and superannuation related documents as necessary.

CANTEEN

- A big thank you to the volunteers who have already contacted the canteen about helping out this year. What a fantastic start to the year. We will be contacting everyone shortly to organise availability. If you have some spare time and would like to help in the canteen, please contact the canteen through our Facebook page or call 6296 7567.
- Online Ordering. We would love to get as many orders as we can through our online ordering system. This makes it easier for canteen staff as we don't need to count money or rewrite orders onto lunch bags. Please keep in mind that there are no recess orders for Kindy or Pre-primary students.

How to use Our Online Canteen – go to www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au, create an account, add credit, load your child's profile and order by **8:30am**. There is also an app available for your phone. **No online orders accepted after 8.30 am!**
Don't forget to update your child's class and teacher details.

MOONLIGHT MARKETS

The ESPS Moonlight Markets are back this year on **Saturday, 25 March 4:00 – 7:00 pm**. We are currently looking for stallholders. If you would like more information and a booking form please email espspandcfundraising@gmail.com. Stall allocations will be made first to those applicants who provide completed booking forms and payment in full.

The P & C would like to send a **very big thank** you to our proud Moonlight Market Sponsors.



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Ellenbrook Essential Therapies. 37 Mornington Parkway Ellenbrook ☎ 6296 3726

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