



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education is a vital part of our school program and all the children are expected to participate in P.E. programs. Children may be withdrawn if unwell but a note to that effect must be sent to the teacher, otherwise the child will be included. Typical activities include daily fitness, athletics, cross country,

sport, dance sport and interschool sport, e.g. swimming, basketball, volleyball, tennis...etc.

It is important that students are suitably dressed for physical activity e.g.

No jeans, high heeled shoes or thongs.



PRE-PRIMARY

South Perth Primary will operate two full-time programs for children turning 5 years of age before 1 July 2009. Details of the Pre-Primary program are outlined in the Pre-Primary Handbook for your reference.

2009 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Labour Day	Monday	02 March
Good Friday	Friday	10 April
Easter Monday	Monday	13 April
ANZAC Day	Wed.	27 April
Foundation Day	Monday	01 June
Queen's Birthday	Monday	28 September

SAER

South Perth Primary School has comprehensive Students At Educational Risk (SAER) policy and procedures. Support for students includes: in-class support, cluster PEAC and *Getting It Right* programs. Please contact the school if you require further information.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

This decision-making group consists of the Principal, 5 elected parent/community representatives and 3 staff members, (elected from the teaching staff and the principal). Agenda items for discussion should be put through the P&C Assoc. to the parent representatives, or direct to the Principal. South Perth Primary School (SPPS) Council meets at least once a term. Elections for these positions are held at the end of Term 1 of each year.

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS 2009 (Pupil Free)

There are 5 school development days allocated during the year to allow for professional development and whole-school planning. School Development Days:

- Thursday 29 January & Friday 30 January
- Tues 28 April, Monday 20 July & Monday 12 October

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The SPPS Council provides broad direction for the SDP and reviews its progress. The School Development Plan will focus heavily on the implementation of the Curriculum Framework and the Student Outcomes and Standards Framework. A copy of the SDP is available from the office.

SCHOOL PREMISES AFTER HOURS

The school is not open to the public out of school hours unless prior arrangements have been made in accordance with Community Use of School Facilities Policy. Children are not permitted on the premises unless they are under the control of a teacher or other adult who has the authority to be there. The School Hall is available for hire through the P&C - please ring the school office for the contact details.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

A school psychologist visits our school regularly. Any parents with concerns over any aspects of their child's development can make an appointment through the Principal or Deputy Principal to discuss the situation with the psychologist.

STUDENT REPORTING

Formal reports - Year 1-7 are issued at the end Term 2 and 4 as per DET policy. The other forms of reporting, e.g. interviews, will be clarified by staff and School Council early in 2009.

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

South Perth Primary School	9367 2652	Fax 9367 7407
South Perth Community Kindy	9367 1086	
SPOSCI	9368 2059	
Canning District Education Office	9311 0500	
Department of Education & Training	9264 4111	

TERM DATES 2009

- Term 1** Monday 02 February - Thursday 9 April
- Term 2** Wednesday 29 April - Friday 03 July
- Term 3** Tuesday 21 July - Friday 25 September
- Term 4** Tues 13 October - Thurs 17 December



VALUES

The South Perth Primary School Core Values set a basis for an effective school community. A separate document on Core Values, which includes the 'Spirit of South Perth Primary School', is available from the office.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Sections 99, 100 and 108 of the School Education Act 1999 require schools to notify parents of all costs associated with their children's education. School fees and charges are comprised of:

- 1(a) Voluntary Contributions to the school (Section 99)
- 1(b) P&C Association Contribution (Section 99)
- 2 Extra Costs (optional) (Section 100)
- 3 Personal Use items (student stationery list) (Section 108)
- 4 Other items non-educational

A schedule of all school contributions and charges is included in a 'School Contributions and Charges' brochure which has been approved by the SPPS Council.



South Perth Primary School



INFORMATION BROCHURE 2009



This brochure has been produced for your easy reference, detailing the operations of the school in alphabetical order. Additional information is also provided in our fortnightly newsletter and term planner which are issued to the oldest student in each family. We look forward to your support and involvement at South Perth Primary.

WELCOME TO SOUTH PERTH

South Perth Primary School boasts a very proud history in Western Australian education since 1898. This excellence in education is evidenced by outstanding Literacy and Numeracy performances, a strong Arts focus featuring school bands, choirs and specialist Drama/Dance. In addition South Perth Primary School boasts an outstanding Physical Education and Sport program, specialist

language and Science teaching, a whole school environmental focus and outstanding pastoral care program.

Our student population reflects a cosmopolitan and diverse community characterised by a variety of cultural backgrounds and has a clear purpose in providing a caring and supportive environment in which children can maximise their physical, emotional, social and intellectual growth. Our task is to provide a firm foundation of skills and attitudes for further years of schooling and for life beyond.

A visit to our website www.southperthps.det.wa.edu.au will provide you with an overview of South Perth Primary School.

ATTENDANCE

Daily attendance of students is compulsory as laid down by the Education Act. Acceptable reasons for absence from school are illness, or medical and dental appointments which cannot be arranged outside of school hours. All absences need to be explained, in writing, to the child's teacher.

CHILDREN CHANGING SCHOOLS

When children have to move to a new school, parents should notify their child's teacher and the Principal, at least one week beforehand to give them time to collect records and complete an Interim Report for the new school. Parents can also assist by making sure that all school property has been returned. In particular please check outstanding library books.

COMPLAINTS MANAGEMENT

The School has a complaints management policy which is detailed on the South Perth Primary School website. Please refer to these procedures if you need to make a formal complaint.

CROSSWALK ATTENDANT

Our crosswalk attendant is on duty from 8:00 - 9:00am and between 2:45pm - 3:45pm at the corner of Forrest Street and Angelo Street. Parents are asked to emphasize to their children the need to use this point if they cross either road and to obey the crosswalk attendant.

DOGS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

Dogs are not permitted in the school buildings, on school premises or on school ovals due to health and safety reasons.

DRESS CODE

The School Dress Code has been approved by the School Council which supports the wearing of our school uniform i.e.

- School shirts with school logo for boys/girls
- Royal blue windcheaters or school rugby tops
- Blue tartan dresses, blue sport skirts or shorts
- Navy shorts, long trousers or track pants
- Navy shorts will be required for all interschool teams for boys
- Wide brimmed or legionnaire-style plain blue hat

The School Council supports the NO HAT NO PLAY policy.

All students are to be in full school uniform for excursions and interschool events. Suitable footwear includes sandals or shoes, not thongs or high heeled shoes. Photographs of all uniform items are kept in a folder at the administration office.

EXCURSION / EDUCATIONAL VISITS

All classes are encouraged to undertake excursions during the year as part of the educational program planned by the class teacher. Children use the knowledge gained in further lessons at school. The school supports the local area by encouraging classes to undertake at least one excursion in South Perth per year. A permission note is to be received by the school for a child to attend an excursion. The annual estimated cost for these activities is detailed in the scheduled fees and charges and is approved by the school council.

FOUR YEAR OLD KINDY

The four-year old program is held at South Perth Community Kindergarten on Labouchere Road. Further information can be obtained from the centre on telephone 9367 1086.



above A special breakfast at school for "Walk/Ride to School" day



HOURS OF INSTRUCTION (Pre-Primary - Year 7)

8:45am	School commences
10:30 to 10:50am	Morning Recess
12:15 to 12:55pm	Lunch
1:00 to 3:00pm	Afternoon Session

NB: Children are not to arrive at school before 8:30am as adequate supervision cannot be guaranteed before this time.

ILLNESS AND ACCIDENTS

Please ensure that the school's Admission Card has up-to-date information. **Current address and telephone numbers are essential** because the school has very limited facilities for supervising sick children. Minor accidents will be treated at school but parents will be contacted about more serious cases. If the accident is very serious, and/or parents cannot be contacted, the child will be taken for emergency treatment and the parents informed as soon as possible. Your co-operation in not sending sick children to school is appreciated.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The following diseases may require exclusion from school:

Chicken Pox	Conjunctivitis	Diphtheria	Mumps
German Measles	Glandular Fever	Head Lice	Impetigo
Poliomyelitis	Ringworm	Scarlet Fever	Scabies
Measles	Trachoma	Dysentery	Herpes
Hepatitis	Whooping Cough		

Check with the Principal for length of exclusion in each case. If in doubt check with a doctor, who could provide a Medical Certificate allowing readmittance.

IN-TERM SWIMMING

Children in Pre-Primary to Year 7 have ten lessons during the school year. Parents are required to pay pool admission and transport costs. Qualified instructors teach children in all levels from Beginner to Senior Certificate. Years 2 to 7 have swimming lessons in Term 1 of each year and Pre-Primary and Year 1s in Term 4.

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH

All Year 3-7 students at South Perth Primary learn Japanese. This supports the Department of Education's Language Other Than English policies (one of the eight Learning Areas).

LOST PROPERTY

Any articles of clothing etc. which are left around the school are put in the Lost Property area between Rooms 4 and 5. Items not claimed after a reasonable time are donated to the uniform shop or a charity.

Please ensure that you have all items of clothing clearly labelled.

MANAGING STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

Behaviour Management in School (BMIS) is a joint staff, parent and student concern. The students and staff have a right to a supportive learning environment based upon mutual respect and co-operation. The school has a whole school Behavior Management policy that focuses on the rights and responsibilities of students, staff and parents. Each year the teachers communicate this policy to the parents of their respective students. A review of the BMIS policy is carried out every three years and our current policy was reviewed in 2007. Please visit the school website for a copy. Information about student behaviour (overall performance) is detailed in the annual report.

MT HENRY DENTAL CLINIC

There is a Dental Clinic located on Mt Henry Street Como. After

children enrol at the school their parents are sent forms to complete to allow free dental work to be conducted on the children if required.

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE

Attached to our school is the South Perth Out of School Care facility (SPOSCI). This facility is managed by Angela Needham, who can be contacted on 9368 2059.

PARENT CONTACTS

- School newsletters to parents are sent home fortnightly (every Thursday) with the oldest in each family.
- Notes concerning absences and minor classroom matters should be sent to the classroom teacher. Sign out/sign in forms are used for students who arrive or leave during the school day.
- Brief/minor matters can be discussed informally with a teacher at a mutually convenient time.
- An appointment for a parent interview can be made either directly with a teacher or through the office or the Principal/Deputy Principal if they are to be involved. Interviews can then be arranged during the teacher's non-contact time or after school.
- Keeping student records updated is very important - please notify the office of any changes, especially to telephone numbers.

PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

Meetings are conducted on Tuesday of Week 3 and Wednesday of Week 7 in each term. All parents are urged to take an active part in our association. Specific dates, location and times are published in the school/P&C newsletters. Meetings commence at 7:30pm.

PARKING

Please observe the 40 km/h zones and parking restrictions. Parking is always at a premium so please take extra care when collecting and delivering students. We also encourage parents to use the bus bays on Forrest Street as a 'Kiss and Wave' zone where people are discouraged to park and leave their vehicles. There is no parking for the public on school premises.