



# Creaney

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## Important Dates

- 30<sup>th</sup> November – End of Year Concert (PP-6) 6 pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> December – Creaney ESC Graduation Ceremony (9:15 am)
- 12<sup>th</sup> December – Bunnings workshop (free)
- 14<sup>th</sup> December – Students' last day (Santa's visit)

## Indian Dance Performance



C2's journey around the world has continued with this week's destination being India. As part of the learning about Indian culture, food and traditions, the students were treated to a traditional dance performance. The whole school joined in with many of our students particularly impressed that men could be dancers and wear interesting costumes.



*Obviously inspired by Vesh, Matthew, Rhianna and Mitchell don costumes and try their own moves.*



## Disco



Thanks go to Mr Mac and his band of helpers for organising another successful school disco. It was great to see so many families enjoying the opportunity to socialise with each other and their children.

As usual, Ms Sanders did a wonderful job as D.J. and dance starter.

*Ms Sanders' outfit definitely fitted the rainbow theme!*

*Blake got into the swing of thing and looked like a hip dj himself.*



## School Bus Services

Parents of students in Year 6 who may be interested in applying for a school bus service in 2018 should apply online via the link <https://www.schoolbuses.wa.gov.au/> . If you would like any information about what bus services are available you can contact School Bus Services on 9326 2136.

Families that are already receiving transport assistance do not need to reapply if there will be no changes to their circumstances in 2018.

## City of Joondalup Access and Inclusion Workshops

The City of Joondalup is preparing the City's Access and Inclusion Plan 2018-2021 and is looking for input from the community. Workshops are being held on:

Monday 20 November (1-3 pm) at Burns Beach;

Wednesday 22 November (9-11 am) at Connolly Community Centre

Tuesday 28 November (5:30-7:30 pm) at Fleur Freame Pavilion, Padbury.

To register for a workshop phone 9400 4226 or email [Erika.everitt@joondalup.wa.gov.au](mailto:Erika.everitt@joondalup.wa.gov.au) .

Families that are unable to attend a workshop can contribute to a survey distributed via classes this week.



## End of Year Concert

Preparations are well underway for our Annual End of Year Concert.

This year's theme is Around the World and students have been busily practising each Thursday. I am sure parents are going to be impressed by their performances. The concert is always a wonderful night and well attended by families and friends. Doors will open at 5:45 pm on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November ready for a 6 pm start.

*Orlando, Sadie and Kallen give us a sneak preview of Spain.*

## Meet the Board



My name is Joy Glass and my husband David and I have three children, Chloe 13, Harrison 11 and Rowan 9. Christmas 2014 we relocated the family from Darwin to Perth so that Harrison could come to this fabulous Education Support Centre. You may have noticed us riding to school on our tandem bike or enjoying some early morning tennis. We are loving it here in Perth, getting into the Baseball, Cricket, Soccer, Nippers, Tennis and all the other fantastic adventures we have around Perth. I have enjoyed being on the School Board as it gives me an understanding of all the great work that is taking place behind the scenes at Creaney ESC.

## School Board Report

The School Board held its annual public board meeting earlier this week. Following the meeting, Rona Dean, our community representative gave a fascinating presentation on Rocky Bay. We were all very impressed by the services Rocky Bay offers and the innovative way it is encompassing new technologies to support people with disabilities. Milo, the therapy robot, was particularly interesting, especially as Kerry was able to share how successful his program had been for her daughter, Jade.

Tabbatha, School Board Chair, presented a short report on the activities of the Board this year:

- 2018 has been a big year, as we made the transition from school council to board as part of our new IPS status.
- Elections provided increased member diversity which has enriched the knowledge and experience base of the Board.
- Board members have completed online training modules to support their work.
- Terms of Reference and a Code of Conduct were developed.
- A parent reflection workshop contributed to School Vision and Values.
- Board members worked with parents and staff to contribute to the 2017-2019 Business Plan.
- Board profile was lifted by featuring members in the school newsletter and incorporating representatives in school events such as assemblies and graduations.
- Thank you to board members, staff, parents and community. We look forward to a successful 2018.



## More New Equipment

Carter enjoyed trying out a new rocker board in the playground. The board can be used in a number of different ways depending on the surface of the ground. Students are now able to enjoy a variety of different rockers, spinners and scooter boards which all operate in different ways and provide different vestibular stimulation.

## Festival of Magic

We still have a number of free tickets to the 6:30 pm session of the Festival of Magic show, 11 December at the Perth Convention Centre. These tickets have been kindly donated by the Rotary Club of West Perth. If you are interested, give Brooke a call in the front office.

## New Changing Place facility

The City of Joondalup has asked us to let parents know about the new secure, clean changing facility for people with disability. It is located at the Sorrento Beach toilet block.

## Technology at Creaney ESC

From 2018, Digital Technologies will be a compulsory learning area in the West Australian Curriculum. Digital Technologies focuses on engaging students with the 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills needed for computing, coding and robotics. Creaney ESC is well on track with all students already introduced to the fundamentals of coding through simple activities which link directional language and sequencing to a range of different digital resources.



Don't forget the  
End of Year  
Concert on  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>  
November  
We hope to see all  
of our families  
there. It will be a  
great night.

Kind regards,  
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