

Grace Notices

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Proverbs 3 : 5 NLT

“ Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.”

Coming up

WEEK 8

Monday, 13 June

- * Parent Prayer Group 9am
- * Year 5 Fremantle Excursion

Tuesday, 14 June

- * Little Library 9am
- * PR Excursion
- * KI Health Screening
- * Red Cross Visit

Thursday, 16 June

- * KI Health Screening

Friday, 17 June

- * Year 6 Bike Ed
- * Cadets Winter Camp 17-19 Jun

WEEK 7

Monday, 20 June

- * Parent Prayer Group 9am
- * Year 4-6 Civics Incursion
- * KI Health Screening

Tuesday, 21 June

- * Little Library 9am
- * Year 12 ATAR English Student Conference ECU

Wednesday, 22 June

- * YR10 Waratah Science Incursion

Thursday, 23 June

- * Kindy Tour 9.30am
- * GHGT Assembly 1.30pm

Friday, 24 June

- * PR/YR3/YR6 Dental Assessments
- * Piano Recitals 12.10pm
- * Year 12 Geography Excursion 7am
- * Last Day Term 2

Uniform Shop Open Times

Monday and Friday

8.15am—9.00am

Wednesday and Thursday

3.00pm—3.45pm

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Skoolbag— Grace Christian School

From the Principal's Desk

Advice for parents

(from the Principal' Digests Vol. 13 No.18)

Exhausted, stressed and depressed children. Frantic parents desperate to make their children succeed. This is a worrying aspect of modern parental anxiety about children and over-identification with children's performance. These harried children are more likely to suffer from profound feelings of insecurity and anxiety in later life, no matter how successful the after-school tutoring, fish oil tablets, baroque music and homework done by parents have made them. When does normal parent help and support become a takeover, with the underlying message to children that they are not clever enough to stand on their own two feet and do things themselves? Experts offer some advice which may come as a relief to parents as well as children.

- **Appreciate your children** as they are. Keep your ego and feeling of anxiety to yourself.
- **Basic warmth** between a parent and a child—hugs, kisses, listening, words of empathy, laughter—is the first pillar of parenting.
- **Stand back** a step. Support, applaud, assist, but don't hover anxiously like a 'helicopter' parent. Parents don't need to become over-involved to the point of obsession in their children's academic or sporting performance. Never be tempted into doing their schoolwork yourself.
- **Keep your expectations high** but realistic. Good behaviour and manners, a positive attitude and conscientious work habits will help most children do well at school and in life.
- **Reassure** your children that they can't be good at everything. Then give them the space to discover and develop their own strengths. Admire the achievements of other people's children without trying to make your children emulate them—or feel inadequate if they can't.
- **Avoid living vicariously** through your children. Be proud of them but resist the temptation to boast or to pull strings. Let your children be themselves, not the perfect child you wish you had

been yourself. You can't relive your life through them.

- **Discipline is vital** but doesn't just mean punishment. Be consistent—that helps children develop self-control. Live according to the values you preach to them.
- **Don't waste** time and energy trying to create the perfect child.
- **Don't damage** their self-esteem by criticising their efforts too often. Insecure adults, however successful, often had parents who were controlling, competitive and judgemental.
- **Respect** their individuality, especially those characteristics that make your children different from you. Don't reject them—that feeds self-hatred.
- **Spend time** together. Eat your evening meal together as often as possible. Involve your children in as many activities as possible—worship, sports, visits to grandparents, birthday celebrations, family get-togethers.

You are the bows from which your children, as living arrows, are sent forth.

Hugo de Ridder
Principal

Notices

Camp Australia Holiday Care Program

Holiday Care is available during the first week of the holiday from 27 June to 1 July at Grace Christian School. There will also be holiday care available at St. Josephs Catholic Primary during the second and third week of the school holidays from 4–15 July. Please contact Camp Australia as soon as possible to secure a spot for your child if required on telephone 1300 665 257 or email info@campaustralia.com.au

Apprenticeships & Traineeships Forum

When: Wednesday, 22 June
Where: BRITC—Eaton Community College, Recreation Drive Eaton
Time: 5.30pm–8.00pm with free supper provided.

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Proverbs 3 : 6 NLT “ Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take.”

Notices continued.....

All interested High School students are invited to attend this Forum with their parents.

The “Making It Work” Apprenticeship & Traineeship Forum aims to better inform students and their parents about Vocational Education and Training (VET) pathways, traineeships and apprenticeships.

The event is FREE and includes a one hour information session followed by a light supper while you browse the exhibitors' tables. Hear from training organisations, large employers, successful Apprentices and Trainees, relevant agencies and business organisations.

Talk to people who can help explain the processes and the options involved in these career pathways.

Please register by 16th June: Email or text (with code BUNB A&T) your name and the number of people in your group to Marina Johns. Email: Marina.Johns@education.wa.edu.au or text: 0419 987 858

Semester Reports

Semester reports will be issued on Friday, 24 June for all students in Pre-Primary to Year 12. Please note: Reports are not mailed out. Reports will be held at Student Services, and can be collected at the start of Term 3 should a student be absent on the last day of term.

Parent Portal

Parents are encouraged to log in to the Parent Portal, which can be accessed from our school website homepage, www.grace.wa.edu.au. Details such as timetables, reports, school notices, homework, upcoming assessments, results and feedback are available for parents to view and keep up to date with relevant information about their child's school work.

Please contact Mrs Mary Kent in Student Services should you need your password reset.

School Fees

A friendly reminder that all tuition fees should be paid on time. If you are experiencing difficulty in paying your fees or would like to set up a direct debit, please contact the Bursar Mrs Fiona de Ridder on 9726 4200.

For parents paying termly, please note tuition accounts will be emailed out before the end of term, and will be due on 29 July.

Lost Property

Our lost property bin is overflowing with jackets, jumpers, etc. If you are missing any uniform or other items, please check the bin located in Student Services. Unmarked items not collected before the end of term will be recycled via the second hand rack in the uniform shop or disposed of.

Dreambuilders Kids— ‘Wild Things’ Winter Camp

Get ready to have the best three days ever at our incredible adventure camp, filled with amazing music, guest speakers, fun games, tribe challenges, and much more.

When: 15 July—17 July

Where: Kerem Adventure Park, Kirby Rod, Bullsbrook

Cost: \$150 incl. transport, meals, accommodation

For more information and to register, please contact Hayley Mordaunt at Dreambuilders Church on 9726 4201 or email hayley@dreambuilders.church

Registration forms are also available at Student Services.

Holiday Revision and Study Programs

ATAR Advantage - held at BCGS in the July holidays. More information: Tel 9486 1377 or visit their website: www.ataradvantage.com.au

Academic Task Force - ATAR revision courses held in Perth during the July holidays. More information: visit their website www.academictaskforce.com.au

2016 TERM DATES

- Term 2:** Ends Friday, 24 June
- Term 3:** 19 July to 23 September
Student Free day—Monday, 22 Aug
- Term 4:** 11 October to 15 December

2017 TERM DATES

- Term 1:** 1 February to 7 April
- Term 2:** 26 April to 23 June
- Term 3:** 18 July to 22 September
Student Free day—Monday, 21 Aug
- Term 4:** 10 October to 14 December

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Friday Evening | 7pm

Sixoh Youth from 5.30pm
Family Service starts at 7pm
Crèche and Kids Program available

More Info: Tel. 9726 4201 or email bunbury@dreambuilders.church

Sunday Morning | 10am

Family Service starts at 10am
Crèche and Kids Program available

Calendar of Events

Please check the calendar regularly for updates.



2 Corinthians 4:8 "We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed. We are perplexed but not driven to despair."

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 8 13 * Parent Prayer 9am (Boardroom) * Year 5 Excursion to Fremantle Prison	14 * Little Library 9am * PR Excursion * Red Cross Visit * KI Health Screening	15	16 * KI Health Screening	17 * Year 6 Bike Ed * Cadets Winter Camp 17-19 June * 17-19 June Dreambuilders Advance Conference
Week 9 20 * Parent Prayer 9am (Boardroom) * Year 4-6 Civics Incursion * KI Health Screening	21 * Little Library 9am * Year 12 ATAR English Conference ECU	22 * Secondary Science Waratah Incursion	23 * Kindy Tour 9.30am * Grace Has Got Talent 1.30pm—3.05pm	24 * Dental Assessments PP, Year 3 and Year 6 * Piano Recitals (Mrs Newhouse) 12.10pm * Year 12 Geog. Excursion * Last day Term 2 ☺
Semester Break 25 June—18 July				
Week 1 18 * Semester Break * Year 10 Work Experience	19 * Term 3 Commences * Little Library 9am * Elevate Education Study Skills Workshop—Year 12 * Year 10 Work Experience	20 * Year 10 Work Experience	21 * School Tour 10am * Year 10 Work Experience	22 * Year 10 Work Experience
Week 2 25 * Parent Prayer 9am (Boardroom)	26 * Little Library 9am	27 * Secondary Assembly 2.20pm	28 * Year 4—6 Interschool Cross Country (BCGS) * Australian Maths Comp. * Parent Teacher Interviews	29 * Year 10 P.A.R.T.Y Program * Year 12 Geography Excursion Perth CBD 31Jul-2Aug
Week 3 1 Aug * Parent Prayer 9am (Boardroom) * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC)	2 * Little Library 9am * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC) * Parent Teacher Interviews	3 * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC)	4 * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC) * Kindy Tour 9.30am	5 * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC) * Junior Assembly 2.20pm
Week 4 8 * Parent Prayer 9am (Boardroom) * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC)	9 * Little Library 9am * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC)	10 * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC) * Young Writers Day BCGS—Year 9 & 10	11 * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC) * Young Writers Day BCGS—Year 7 & 8	12 * Year 1—6 In-Term Swimming (SWSC) * Middle Assembly 2.20pm
Week 5 15 * Parent Prayer 9am (Boardroom)	16 * Little Library 9am * School Board Meeting	17 * Secondary Assembly 2.20pm	18 * School Tour 10am	19