Dear Parents and Community Members
Welcome to Week Seven

P&C Meeting
The P&C will hold its Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 28th March at 2:00pm in the Art room. It will be great to see as many of you there as possible.

School Board
One vacancy has arisen for a parent representative on the school board. If any parent wishes to nominate for this position please contact Christine.richards@education.wa.edu.au for a nomination form. Nominations need to be returned to school by Thursday 29th March 2018. As Councillor McLean, Chair of the Board said in a previous newsletter:

"We meet four times a year and our main role is governance. Good governance ensures that:

- School resources, including money and time, are used efficiently.
- Rules and policies that are relevant to the context and situation of the school are created and enforced.
- The school has mutually agreed priorities that are about achieving great outcomes for students, and steps are taken to bring these about.
- Relationships with external parties, such as local businesses and organisations, are shaped to best effect.

Ultimately, good school governance makes sure the school is delivering positive outcomes for students."

If there are a number of parents nominating for the position we will hold elections early in Term 2.

Teacher Development School, Innovation and Partnership, Digital Technologies
This year, as part of the Ocean Reef Education Network, we successfully applied to be part of a two year Innovation and Partnership in Digital Technologies. On Friday, Mrs Cochran and myself attended a professional learning day along with colleagues from other schools in the network. It is an exciting time and we will develop new resources not only for our school/network but also for schools throughout the state. It is also a recognition of the excellent work we have done so far. I will keep you informed.

Business Plan 2018-2020
I welcome your feedback.

Annual Report 2017
The Annual Report for 2017 is now available on Schools Online and the school website. https://www.det.wa.edu.au/schoolonline/annual_report.do
schoolID=5717&pageID=AD08

David Womersley, Principal
**From the Associates**

**Sun Smart**
Even though we are technically in autumn, the temperature and UV is still high, please ensure that your child/ren have a sunsmart hat on and sunscreen. The school isn’t able to provide generic sunscreen due to allergies.

**Crunch and Sip**
Connolly is a Crunch and Sip school, teachers embrace Crunch and Sip at different times of the day and with different guidelines, however the food students are allowed to bring in include: fresh vegetables, fresh fruit, dried fruit - these should be limited due to the high sugar content. The only drink students can have inside the class is water. Foods not allowed include: fruit products such as fruit straps, roll ups fruit bars or the like; fruit jams, canned fruit in syrup, dips, chips / crisps. If you are struggling for ideas as to what to pack, have a look at the Crunch and Sip website. [http://www.crunchandsip.com.au/crunchsip-in-action/parents/](http://www.crunchandsip.com.au/crunchsip-in-action/parents/)

**Harmony Week**
Harmony Week is from the 15th March to 21st March, this is a week to celebrate Cultural Diversity. This year at Connolly the teachers, will be exploring the concepts of Harmony Week in their classes, and on Friday 16th March we are encouraging all students to wear an orange t-shirt and the teachers will be giving out a Harmony Award rather than merit certificates.

**Lost Property**
Our lost property bin is close to being full again. If your children is missing something, I'm fairly certain you will find it in the lost property bin located outside the office.

*Trudy Jones & Brooke Coyle, Associate Principals*

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**CONTACT DETAILS**
Have you changed your contact details recently????
Please advise the office of any change of contact details so that we can contact you.
Email christine.richards@education.wa.edu.au

Did you know you can bring your used batteries into the school office to recycle batteries and keep them out of landfill?? There is a battery bin in the school office.

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**Kindy Applications for 2019**
If your child was born between 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015, you may apply for enrolment at the School Office. Birth Certificate, Immunisation Records, and where applicable, passport and visa details need to be sighted.

Application forms can also be found at: [http://www.connollyps.wa.edu.au/assets/Parent-Information/General-Enrol-2016.pdf](http://www.connollyps.wa.edu.au/assets/Parent-Information/General-Enrol-2016.pdf)
NIHONGO NEWS
Konnichiwa (Hello). This month as part of the celebrations for Harmony Week (March 15th - 21st), Sensei will be holding a special Nihongo Club on Tuesday March 20th. There will be many fun activities to celebrate Harmony Day's message of everyone belongs. Places are limited for some of the activities and you can sign up beforehand in Nihongo class.

Connolly Primary School is also participating in the Primary School Calligraphy Contest run by JLTAWA (Japanese Language Teachers’ Association of WA). The kanji for 2018 is KITA (North). Prizes include calligraphy pens and $20.00 App gift cards. See Sensei in Nihongo Club to take part in the competition.

In this week’s Nihongo club we folded origami and made fans to keep us cool. Arigatou (Thank you) to parent helper Shimohara Sensei and our student mini senseis for their support during Nihongo Club. See you in Nihongo Club every Tuesday lunch in Karri 3.

Don’t forget to be a mini sensei and teach someone or something (pets can be included!) Nihongo Japanese we have studied in class. Sayounara.

Jorgensen Sensei, Japanese Teacher

Assembly

The staff and students of Year 6 will host the School Assembly on Friday 16 March in the Undercover area. We extend an invitation to all members of the school community to join us for this event.

Learning • Respect • Inclusion • Relationships • Independence
Have you paid your voluntary contributions yet??

**VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Please support our school by paying the 2018 Voluntary Contributions. These contributions help us maintain the programs we already run and support any new initiatives.

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### 2018 Voluntary Contribution Payment Slip

If you have not yet paid the 2018 Voluntary Contribution, please attach this slip to an envelope with payment and complete the details below.

*By paying the Voluntary Contribution you will be in the running to win some great prizes including an overnight stay at Sorrento Beach Resort and a High Tea at the Joondalup Resort.*

- ☐ Preferred payment at Connolly Primary School can be done through the Qkr app. Alternatively, please return the completed form below and provide payment by EFTPOS, online transfer to Connolly Primary School, BSB: 066-040, Account: 199 03645, Ref: child’s surname, first name and reason.

**Voluntary Contributions 2018**
- Per child - $60
- Contributions to Chaplaincy Fund (per child) - $5
- Contributions to Library Fund (per child) - $10
- P&C Contribution - $30

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**Name of eldest child:** …………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

**Room:** ………………………………………

**Name of parent/guardian:** …………………………………………………………………………………………………

**Date:** ………………………………………

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All classes will soon be starting their Design and Technology projects. In preparation I require a variety of construction materials such as cereal boxes, margarine containers, empty cardboard food containers, rolls from plastic wrap etc. If you can help it would be greatly appreciated. I will leave a box outside the STEM room for any donations.

Many thanks.

*Sara Munro, STEM Teacher*

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**Virtues**

- **Unity** - Combining separate things to make one:
  - Consistency among individuals.
Sports News

Runners Club - Tuesdays 8:00am
Well done to all of the students, parents and teachers who participated on the first runners club session for the year. As a school the students ran 107kms, this is an outstanding effort.
Well done to the Year 2s in W1 for running 12.5kms as a class, the Year 4s in J1 for running 15kms and the Year 3s in J3 for running 14kms. Pre primary students in M2 also made a fantastic effort in running 6.5kms and the Year 1 students in B1 ran 9.5kms.
Keep up the great effort!

Tennis Hot Shots
The Hot Shots Tennis Clinics commenced last week during PE sessions. The students have enjoyed developing their tennis skills. These sessions will run until the end of this week.

Girls Champions Cup Soccer - Regionals
The girls from Year 5 and 6 will be representing Connolly PS at the Girls Champions Cup Soccer this Friday the 16th March.
The competition is held at Kingsway Reserve, Landsdale and this year we are taking two teams.
The competition will commence roughly around 9:30am and finishes at 2:30pm. The girls will be wearing our brand new Connolly soccer uniforms. Good luck girls!

HBF Run for a Reason - Sunday 27th May 2018
This year we would love to have a Connolly Primary School running team as we believe its a fantastic cause and encourages active participation in our physical education program. We will be representing our school community by wearing our school uniform and running for a reason.
Students, parents and teachers who wish to participate are encouraged to train with our runners club each Tuesday morning at 8:00am.
We will endeavour to walk/run the 4km and we require parent supervision for this event. Please register your interest at the next runners club.

Tracy Hughes, Sports Specialist

Drum Lessons at Connolly Primary School
Gordon Jansen

Drum set & hand drumming lessons
* All ages  * All styles  * Group / Individual  * Mobile lessons
0421 713 182

KEYBOARD LESSONS AT CPS
There are vacancies for students from Pre-Primary to Year Six for Term One. Please contact Margot on 0414 077 643 with any queries about the Keyboard Program.
**Ocean Ridge Junior Football Club**

The Ocean Ridge Junior Football Club will be hosting an AFLW clinic for girls from Year 3 to Year 6.

**Where:** Connolly Primary School

**When:** Tuesday, 13th of March

**From:** 3.15pm to 4.15pm

If you currently play, would like to play or just want to give AFLW a go, then come along and join the fun!