



Newsletter Week 5 2024

Dear Everyone

Time moves so quickly! Hard to believe we have arrived halfway through Term 4 already.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Jaxton in ECE 3, dad Brent and sisters Aria and Kayla as they mourn the loss of their beautiful mum and wife. Jenelle was a well-respected and a very much-loved wife, mum, friend, daughter, and times like this are hard to comprehend. The Holland Street School community are here to support them in every way we can.

Reporting Semester 2

The Department has provided clarification of the requirements for end-of-semester reports. In light of this information, we have reviewed our school's assessment and reporting plan.

- Written sections will be as **succinct as possible**. Teachers will reduce the amount that is written.
- The amount of 'characters' allowed in comment boxes has been reduced.
- No expectations to have 3 photos in every learning area.
- Reports will be emailed home Wednesday 11 December.
- Reports will be digital with electronic signatures (unless families request a paper copy by Friday 6 December) Parents/carers who want a paper copy of the report must notify the office in person, via text or phone the office on 99236950 by Friday 6 December.

Variety Christmas Party – this is a special event that many of our families attend. If you are needing more information, please email midwest@varietywa.org.au.

Chaplain – Miss Bev is at HSS every Monday, Thursday, and Friday. Families (parents and carers) are more than welcome to catch up with Bev for a chat, support, or advice on these days. Just pop in and see her.

Our **AIEO Miss Shana** works Mondays in this capacity, and she is also available to support families.

Communication: Have you 'liked' our **Holland Street School Face book page**? Do you know there is now a **Holland Street School P&C** Face book page? Have you had a look at our **webpage**?

<https://www.hollandstreetschool.wa.edu.au/>

These are additional ways that we want to keep you up to date with what happens at our school. Jump on and have a look!

School Council – the School Council is an active group of parents, teachers and community members who meet at least once a term. **Monday 18 November is our AGM (4-4.15pm) and Open General Meeting following this (4.15-5.30).** If you would like to know more about the School Council and its operations, please call or pop in to ask us. We welcome the opportunity to involve other parents. As a parent you are welcome to sit in on our Open meeting to see what goes on!

For 2025 the School Council is seeking a new Chairperson. This person needs to know how to conduct meetings and have compassion for disability. This person does not need to be a parent or direct school community contact. If you know of someone who would be brilliant in working with us (commitment is one meeting per term and close consultation with the Principal in supporting strategic directions of the school), then please get in contact with Rachel.

TRANSITION

Over the next few weeks, we will support our students with changes for next year. We slowly introduce students to other classrooms, to different play spaces in case there are moves on the horizon. This is done in a systematic and ordered way to support the needs for all students. Class structures and placements will not be published until the last week of this term as it takes a lot of time to consider placements. If you have any specific questions or concerns, please make an appointment to see Nikki Dyer or Rachel Rutter.

Year 12

It is the final run for our Year 12 students. The Year 12 graduation will be at Holland Street School on Thursday 5 December, starting at 5.30pm. If you have worked with our Year 12s over the years, please feel welcome to attend this special occasion.

Goodbye & Hello

Miss Steph departs Holland Street School for Maternity Leave on Wednesday 13 November. We wish her all the best and look forward to seeing her when she returns. We welcome Miss Reg to our front office for this period. Please say hi and introduce yourself!



Kind regards,

Rachel Rutter

Principal



A celebration of the International Day of People with Disability
Wednesday 20 November 2024 | 3.30pm – 6.30pm
QEI Seniors and Community Centre and Queens Park

FREE ENTRY

Karaoke | Animal Experience | Photo booth | Story and Scoot | Pickle Ball
messy plays, FREE ice cream plus more fun activities!

