

Term 3 Dates
29th July - 26th September

Parent Information Session

-Class 1 Tuesday 10th
September from 6.00pm
-Wayfarers Tuesday 10th
Sept 7.00pm to 8.30pm

School Photographs

****DATE CHANGE****

-24th September 2013

PWS Orchestral

Performance

-5th September

WHIM Festival Mt Helena

27th October 2013
10.00am – 3.00pm

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Wednesday 4th September 2013

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Silver Leaves

News for the Silver Tree
Steiner School Community

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If a child is absent please ensure a note is delivered to the teacher or an email is sent to the school explaining the absence.

Dear Parents,

The art and gift of giving to others is such a valuable and valued experience for children. This week at Silver Tree the children have an opportunity to contribute to the education of children in remote parts of Australia by participating in the bring-and-buy a book day on Wednesday. The gold coins that Silver Tree children use to buy a donated book with will all go towards the Indigenous Literacy Foundation.

Our children will also receive a gift this week, in the form of a beautiful orchestral performance presented by the Perth Waldorf School students, including some ex-Silver Tree students. All parents are invited to attend this performance at 1.30pm in the Parkerville Hall on Thursday. The children will be transported back to school for collection and the market will be on as per a usual Thursday afternoon.

Further extending this week's theme of giving, I encourage you to read the article about a Waldorf school in the Philippines which we have included in this week's edition of Silver Leaves.

Blessings,

Donna Bieundurry

CALENDAR OF THE SOUL

*The silent strength of starlight's gleam;
Is filling my soul with new heavenly might.
In darkness of winter, I woke from a dream
Like a child from sleep in the middle of night.
Now new hope is drawing – strong and supreme,
And declaring, "Go forth out of darkness to light!!"*



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NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOM

EARLY CHILDHOOD CHATTER

Many thanks to all the children bringing in lovely spring flowers! The kindergartens look magnificent this week.

For all the signs of Spring we have had some wintery days too, so please continue to keep up with the supplies of spare clothes and if you know a hot day is on its way put the hat back in the bag too!

Irksome though it is, please keep waging that war on the head lice. If you have treated your child, remember a second treatment is needed a week to ten days afterwards to make sure no new hatchlings have time to breed. We really appreciate your support.



Bush walks will continue until the end of this term. We walk on Thursdays and parents are always welcome to come and make the best of the last few.

WAYFARERS NEWS

The Wayfarers are currently in the midst of another fractions main lesson. This topic has shown itself to be a lesson that requires slower progress than I had expected. The concepts appear to be quite confronting for some of the children as they are required to look at the numbers in a whole new way....."What? How can a 9 be smaller than a 5?" "Not a 9 and a 5, a ninth and a fifth". Just when they have their head around one thing, there is something new to grasp. One child actually said "Oh, this hurts my head today". Bewilderment is commonplace at present, but the children are working really well to soldier on, think and practice their way through. The "oh, now I get it" comments are growing stronger. (.....and I discretely wipe my brow. I don't have the heart to bring decimal fractions to them quite yet!!)



Previous to fractions, we took a journey into Ancient India where we learned of the mighty Himalayas, the climate, the gods, traditions (including learning to draw some beautiful and complex kolam forms) and music. We finished with a visit to the Annalakshmi Restaurant in the city where we experienced Indian fashion in the form of bindis and henna painting as well as learning dance, hearing and watching a very talented drummer from the Temple of Fine Arts and tasting the culinary delights of this ancient and colorful culture. The boys made wonderful impressions of great, fat Indian men while the girls gracefully carried their water flasks upon their heads to be filled at the river. On the way home, we stopped off at Garvey Park on the Swan River for a chance to run off the delicious lunch and spent time playing on the playground equipment, throwing the frisbee and kicking the football in the lovely unseasonal warmth of the late winter sun.

Thanks to the driving/Frisbee throwing/football kicking mums (Kim, Julie W and Terina) for helping to make the day a wonderful success.

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL

SCHOOL PHOTOS – DATE CHANGE

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Please be advised that the date has changed from Tuesday 10th
September to Tuesday 24th September.

School Photos will take place on Tuesday 24th September for Playgroup to Class 7, if your child doesn't normally attend on the day and you would like to take part, feel free to come in. Please be mindful that if your child isn't present that they won't appear in the group shots. Order forms will go home with your child next week for you to place your orders; these will need to be returned to the office as soon as possible.

FEES

Thank you to the families who have paid their fees for Term 3. Unpaid fees are now OVERDUE. If you are yet to pay your Term 3 fees please make arrangements to do so promptly. Thank you.

NIT ALERT

There has been an outbreak of nits in a number of the classrooms. Would you please check your child's hair and if you discover nits or nit eggs, please keep your child at home until the appropriate treatment is carried out. If the child has siblings that attend the school, please check their hair also.

SCHOOL ORCHESTRAL PERFORMANCE BY PERTH WALDORF SCHOOL

The Perth Waldorf School Orchestral Performance will take place this Thursday 5th September at the Parkerville Hall for the performance. Parents are welcome to meet us at the Parkerville Hall to enjoy the concert. Please support us in collecting your child from school and not directly from the hall. We're busy practicing for our visit. This week we took a 'press photo' - very exciting.



WEBPAGE HELP

Are you a whizz with Wordpress or web development? The school needs someone to take over our website updates from 2014. Could you be this person? This would cover your PPS hours for the year. If you would like more information, please contact Hayley on community@silvertree.wa.edu.au.

SILVER TREE GARDENING AND ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NEWS

Bush Tucker Garden - A very special thank you to the GEMS members and other members of our school community who gave up their mid-term break on Monday to build a Wagul garden bed for the school's bush tucker garden. Fabulous teamwork and creativity from all. More information will follow as to what, why and how, as we are still completing our project...if you would like to help finish our design, please meet Bronwyn and Charles on Friday morning after school drop off. In appreciation, Bronwyn Scallan.



SILVER BLOSSOMS

OPEN: Mon - Fri 8:30am - 9:30am & Thurs 2.00pm - 3.00pm

CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER!!

Congratulations to Sara Glasgow, the winner of our Fathers Day Raffle!! And thank you to everyone who bought tickets – your support of our shop and school is much appreciated. The raffle was so much fun that we thought we would build on that and give the kids a turn! We have filled a large glass jar with small balls of our beautiful pure wool – so now all we need is for the children to pop into the shop with a \$1 coin to take a guess at how many balls are in there. The correct guess will win the whole jar of wool. The jar will also be out for guesses on Thursday at markets.

ADVENT CALENDARS

This year's Advent Catalogue has finally arrived - order forms are now available in the shop for you to take a look and choose which calendar fits best with you and your family. We have also included the large Posters that the printing company offers as they are fantastic value. Many families bought them last year and then had them professionally framed. Makes a very special gift in your child's bedroom. For those who haven't made it into the shop in the past week, there are beautiful new crystals on display for purchase, with lots of quartz pendants and crystal angels already flying out the door.

PPS HOURS

If you've been looking for a fun way to do your PPS hours – then please – pop your name down on the shop roster located on the door of the shop. It has never been easier! For those who are not 'regulars' – there is a brand new coffee machine which is a breeze to use – so a shift in the shop is not scary at all. And besides, there is so much training and always someone to hold your hand (and did I mention there's a free cuppa for working a shift). COME ON – COME HAVE SOME FUN!

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SCHOOL SHOP / CAFE

Café contact is Sandra Pickering for more information call 0417 180 263 or email sandpickering@gmail.com. The Shop contact is Donna Legge on donnalegge@gmail.com

MUNDARING SWAP MEET 17th November 2013

The P&F are excited to add this fundraising event to our calendar. We will collect money on entry to the event, we will be advertising it locally AND have a second hand items stall. Please don't throw out your old things just yet - clothes and household items, all that (sellable) junk from the shed - please donate to the P&F to sell on 17th November. There'll be a collection box on Silver Blossoms Verandah. Many thanks.

WHAT YOU HAVE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR – A BAKING EXCUSE!

At last we can ask the Silver Tree community to do what they do (among other things) so well and enthusiastically Bake a cake! **27th October, please put it in your dairy.** We will have a cake stall at the WHIM festival - a chance to make millions due to our locally-famous baking skills AND (as yet) no-one else at the event will be selling cakes! Also Kite Making - please add your name to the roster on notice board if you can help our Kite Making stall at the WHIM Festival. See The Kite Professionals Kindy dads Dion or Charles if you can help by emailing reverendjohn333@gmail.com

CRAFT GROUP

10 September - Felting - Community made play mat for school raffle

Again - **Lots of people needed!** Not just felting involved to create this masterpiece, come along and find out more. Skill Level – Easy, Cost - gold coin donation

P&F continue

CRAFT GROUP

17 Sept - Storytelling dolls

Technique - Hand and machine sewing dry needle felting

Skill Level – Medium

Material - Felt squares and cotton

Bring - nothing

Cost - \$10

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

ARTY CARDS

See letter / form in this SL

CRAFT GROUP

Tuesday morning after drop off

Contact Debbie Targett for more information – debbietargett@gmail.com

HILLS GREEN OPEN DOORS

20th October (GEMS)

WHIM FESTIVAL

27th October

MUNDARING SWAP MEET

17th November

QUIZ/AUCTION NIGHT

6th December

ARTY CARDS

Your children's art work will be printed on to **cards** for this very special fundraiser. The paintings we have collected so far are **stunning** and will make beautiful greeting cards. Fill out your order forms for Arty Cards now so you don't miss out. These cards make stunning gifts at Christmas time. If you would like to have one of your own superb pictures / paintings printed up too, leave it with your name on the back, for Robyn to collect from the office. It must be A4 size. ArtyCards are excellent quality and very affordable at only \$12 per set. Each set comprises of 8 x A6 cards printed on 100% recycled card with 8 self-seal envelopes. The cards are blank inside for you to personalise your message.

Please help make our fundraising project a success and raise important fundraising dollars for the school by placing your orders. Complete the form below and return it to the school by **20th September 2013** along with the payment (cash, cheque or money order) made payable to **Silver Tree Steiner School P&F**. You can also do a bank transfer direct into the P&F account (details available on request). PLEASE ensure when doing a bank transfer that you put ARTYCARDS and your surname as a reference. **If paying in cash, please have correct money** to leave with the office.

Delivery of your cards will occur in Term 4. Remember to check if the grandparents, wider family, or friends would like to order a pack too. Please drop forms & payment off into the P&F folder in the office for us to collect. Please contact Zoe on zmhemsted@aapt.net.au or Robyn Smith if you have any questions.

Order form – please use a separate order form for each child please

Your child's name

Your child's age

	Cost per set	Number of sets	Total cost
ArtyCards card set (8 personalised cards & 8 envelopes)	\$12.00		

Please return your order and payment by **20th September 2013** to the office. Your purchase will help raise important funds for your child's school!

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Please email Emma Ritchie your favourite recipes for publication in Silver Leaves at emmymoore77@hotmail.com

Sweet Potato Soup

Ingredients

1 tbl olive oil
2 leeks, halved, washed & sliced
1 tsp cumin
1/2 tsp ground cinnamon
1 long red chilli deseeded, chopped (optional)
800g sweet potato
600g carrots chopped
5 cups vegie stock
1/3 cup coriander leaves
1/3 cup thickened cream (optional)

Method:

Heat oil in large pan over medium heat. Add leek & cook stirring for 2 - 3 minutes or until soft. Add cumin, cinnamon & chilli. Cook stirring for 30 seconds or until aromatic.

Add potato, carrot & coriander, stir in stock & bring to the boil. Reduce heat to med / low & simmer for 20 mins or until vegies are tender. Remove from heat & blend / process until smooth. Serve into bowls & drizzle with cream. Serve with crusty bread.

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WARMTH SEMINAR

This is the last EC Seminar in a series of seven and the theme is Warmth in all its manifestations, from the big picture of warmth in the social organism to the daily practices of warmth in the spaces and circles that the EC teacher creates, as well as the way child observation is undertaken. Storytelling as an art of warmth will be a strong focus. Full or part time attendance is possible. 8th – 12th October with John Stuble, Judith Schipkie, Horst Kornberger, Paddy Frere, Patrica Dougall, Fiona McVey. Ph: 9331 1880 or Enrol now at www.rudolfsteinercollege.com.au

THE LIFE MAP

In 2014 the Rudolf Steiner College will be presenting a course called The Life Map. In this course we will explore the maps of Goethe and Steiner and develop a compassionate ecology by learning new ways of seeing. The maps of polarity, the laws of metamorphosis, of three-fold observation, of earth, water, air and fire as modes of perception and the seven life processes will provide the starting points for a new ecoliteracy. (More information available at www.rudolfsteinercollege.com.au)

The Silver Tree Steiner School is pleased to be able to offer the opportunity for members of our school community to enroll to study this course right here at Silver Tree. The course requires a commitment to attending all components of the course throughout the year. Tutors Jennifer and Horst Kornberger will be presenting an information session to interested participants at Silver Tree on Tuesday 10th September 2013 at 5pm.

Please register your interest in attending this information session by emailing welcome@silvertree.wa.edu.au by 5th September 2013.

MEN OF THE TREES

Men of the Trees presents Festival of the Trees

Saturday 7th September 10.00am – 2.00pm

Fun for all the family – face painting, children's corner, staff holders, cuddly animals and more. All native seedlings discounted, parking available on site with a cold coin donation.

Lot 2 Stirling Cres Hazelmere, Ph: 9250 1888 or website: www.menofthetrees.com.au

Relationships Australia "Raising Teenage Girls- a workshop for Dads" Wednesday 19th September at 1 Ord Street, Fremantle. 6.30-9 Cost: \$25.00. The father-daughter relationship is particularly important during the teenage years to help girls navigate this difficult time. Find out how you can build a more rewarding relationship with your teenage daughter. For further information please phone 9489 6322 or visit our website www.wa.relationships.com.au

Growing into Colour - A Painting Workshop with Jennifer Kornberger

Saturday October 26, 9.00am – 1.00pm

at Silver Tree Steiner School.

Cost \$49.50 all materials supplied.

Only 10 places left!

We are very excited to welcome Jennifer to Silver Tree Steiner School for this intriguing adult workshop. We will be able to experience some of the processes our children go through when painting and have a chance to ask questions and touch on the ideologies behind the Steiner Curriculum.

Contact Robyn Smith smithrobyn@hotmail.com
to book a place.

A SILVER TREE P&F ADULT EDUCATION INITIATIVE

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YOGA CLASS Sunday morning yoga class in Morangup. Nurturing vinyasa/flow, beginners are always welcome. Contact Bonnie 0477 076 235 Yindiyoga@gmail.com or facebook 'Indigo Yoga Perth Hills'.

FREE RABBITS looking for a caring home, 2 months old, well handled and very adorable. FREE to good home. Please contact Anne-Marie on 0434 668 855.

EASY LISTENING ACOUSTIC MUSIC by Desert Child available to purchase on website www.desertchild.net (Guy Ghouse and Damian Watkiss).

MUNDARING LITTLE ATHLETICS train on Mondays after school, with meets on Saturday mornings. The season starts on Saturday 19th October. Registration is at the recreation ground, Weir Road, Mundaring on Saturday 7th September or call Megan 9295 3289 for more information. The children are coached on three different events each week: a throw, a run and a jump.

HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES A carefully prepared lunchbox is far more than just a healthy lunch. When children are away from home, a lovingly prepared 'parcel' of food provides a reassuring and powerful reminder of family love. No packaged food can achieve the same.

So 'The Clever Packed lunch', a book written by Hazel Key, a Steiner mum who ran the organic tuckshop at Samford Valley Steiner School, will doubtless be a useful resource to help take the stress out of making lunches. And this full-colour book has been edited and approved by a qualified Nutritionist so that you can be sure the advice is sound.

The Clever Packed Lunch features mouth-watering, colourful images of the recipes. It includes some down-to-earth nutritional advice, a two week photographed menu, lots of time-saving ideas and tools to get you organised and all the recipes you need; in fact a complete system for preparing healthy lunch box food, whether you love to cook or not. The Clever Packed Lunch is available as a printed or e-book from: <http://lunchideasforschool.com/store/>

GIDGEGANNUP BASKETBALL CLUB – 2013/14 SEASON Season starts mid October 2013. Teams are available for Men, Women, Girls and Boys. New and old players welcome. Registration day is Wednesday 11th September 2013, 3.30pm-6pm, at Percy Cullen Rec Centre (Toodyay Road, Gidgegannup) or you can download a registration form from. For more details go to webpage <http://www.gidgegannup.info/sports/basketball.htm> or phone Judy on 0403 210 985.

THINKING OF BUILDING ON YOUR LAND OR DEVELOPING YOUR LAND? You may need the services of a local licensed land surveyor and active supporter of the Silver Tree Steiner School. Please call Peter of Naturaliste Land Surveys on 041 145 0784 or email pag@westnet.com.au to discuss.

LOLIVERS TENNIS COACHING Book now for Our OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINIC! Tennis fun for children, age 6 to 16 years of all abilities. 2-4pm or 4-6pm every afternoon for the week 7 - 11 October (week 2 of the holidays). Heaps of games, prizes and fun, small classes, fully qualified coaches and great tennis! For more information, contact Lee or Lu on 9252 0209 or email lolivers@bigpond.com or visit www.loliverstennis.com.au

GUITAR LESSONS Graham Ralins has been working as a fulltime guitar tutor in the hills area for 25 years specializing in developing the love of music through music reading skills and strong technique. Lessons can begin from the age of six. Please call Graham Rawlins A.Mus.A anytime for further information. 0419 341 251 or email graham@effectiveguitar.com

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