Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians,

SAY Project
A big WELL DONE to our Secondary students who came home with 7th place in the SAY Project finals. Our school was up against some very big District High and Senior High Schools from the metro region and was the only remote school amongst the 10 finalists. Again well done to all students and staff involved for such a fantastic result. If you haven’t yet seen the entry you can still view it on YouTube.

WASO
WASO will be with us from the 3rd of Dec. The dates have been slightly adjusted due to a request from the Shire for the children to perform at the Christmas Carols on the 6th. WASO will be co-ordinating the students and will be sending notes home.

Year 6 and 7 Graduation Dinner
Our Year 6 and 7 Graduation dinner was held recently at Nikki’s restaurant. The night was to wish all our students the best with their future education in the Secondary setting.

Jackie Barry
Principal
Onslow School

Jackie Barry racing the children on camp. Doesn’t she make a good crab?
High School Karijini Camp

In week 2, High School went to Karijini for our Secondary Reward Camp. Everyone had an amazing time. It was excellent fun and allowed us to bond as a group, get away from technology and social media, and push ourselves to develop our courage and self-confidence. Karijini is an amazing place and we gained many memories that will stay with us for a long time to come.

On day one of camp we had a long five and a half hour drive to Karijini but made a quick stop over in Paraburdoo, where we had some lunch. We then went to Tom Price for some last minute shopping, then it was back on the road again for the last stretch of the trip. When we reached our camp ground in Karijini, we set up and immediately walked down to the magnificent Fortescue Falls for a swim, which was very refreshing after the long drive.

On day two of the camp we had a nice early start to the day and got ourselves ready in our Bush Rangers uniforms. We wore these whilst doing conservation work at Circular Pool, cleaning the graffiti that people had left behind. We then went on a trek through the canyons to Fortescue Falls. After our long morning of adventuring and conservation work, we had a bit of down time at camp and then went for a little trip to the visitors' centre, where we learned about the significance of Karijini to Aboriginal people and the history of the area.

Day three of the camp was a big day for the team. We went on an amazing adventure tour with West OZ Active Tours, where we experienced rock climbing, ab-sailing, traversing, and climbing down waterfalls. We explored the “Centre of the Earth” which is the deepest point in Karijini. It was an amazing experience for everyone and we all had a fantastic time.

We loved our time in Karijini and by the end of the trip everyone was exhausted. Whilst we were there, we learned a great deal about the land and what it means to people. We also learned more about ourselves and what we are able to achieve. We enjoyed it so much and can’t wait to do it all again next year.

By Ashton, Amber and Taylor.
During week 2, the Primary School students participated in a colouring competition for Water Week. The pictures from the Water Corporation website contained important messages about keeping our water ways clean, not littering, drinking water daily and ways to save water.

The winners for the colouring competition were voted by the students in Upper Primary 1.

The winners were:

- Kindy - Sienna Handley
- Pre-Primary/1 - Lily May
- EC1 - Lyla Tyndall
- EC2 - Amanda Coughlan
- UP1 - Sienna Hogg
- UP2 - Teneka Clark

We had six chicks hatch and all are doing well! The students are already noticing their personalities and picking favourites—it’s beautiful to see them nurturing them already. A couple of the chicks were born with problems with their legs/feet, but with some tender loving care and expert attention from Marie-Pierre Dessault, our local wildlife carer, their legs/feet appear to be normal and they are running around like there was never anything wrong! A very big THANK YOU Marie from Onslow School.

We are taking them in their boxes down to the chook run in the garden during school hours and then they get housed indoors at night until they are a bit bigger. We have made the chook nice and secure and are currently adding more security measures (including an alarm system!) to make the chickens as safe as possible. Happy gardening, cooking and nurturing everyone,

Denise Wright
Onslow Kids Kitchen Garden program coordinator
Congratulations to Onslow Secondary Students for SAY Project Success!

In Week 6 the high school students travelled to Perth with Mr Trimble and Ms Munday to attend the 2014 State Finals for the SAY Project.

The SAY Project is a State-wide competition held by the Western Australian Police Force that calls for students to create videos that spread an anti-drug message to their fellow teenagers. The winner of the competition receives $1000 and is flown to Canberra to present their winning entry in person to the Prime Minister.

This year there were over 200 entries and we are very proud to announce that our School entry came 7th in the competition. Well done to Taylor Brett, who represented our school and received the award on behalf of her classmates in front of a very large audience. For their troubles, our students received $250 prize money, a trophy and a plaque for our school. It was also very exciting to see their work featured on the big screen.

As well as allowing us to attend these Awards, the trip also provided a fantastic opportunity for our students to meet face-to-face with their SIDE teachers and to receive some course counselling for 2015.

We wish to express our gratitude to FMG, who stepped in at the last minute to fund our flights and accommodation. The trip would not have happened without them.

Mr Trimble.
Students in EC1 have definitely been busy this Semester! During Literacy, we have begun writing explanations, narratives and poetry. We continue to learn about expressing our opinions and have started writing expositions too. In Science, we are learning how sound travels to a person’s ear and what our major source of light is. We have also looked at shadows and made our own silhouettes to try to guess who our peers are. For Technology we are learning about the Postal Service and practiced writing a letter, using an envelope with a stamp. WASO visited our school in Term Three and built us a new instrument where our class got to play before they left.

Technology: Posting a Letter

We would like to share some of the experiences from the Coral Bay Attendance Camp 2014 with you! Congratulations to all the students that worked hard at their attendance for the 2014 school year. Please enjoy our photos and thoughts from the students.
I think that the best part of camp was the deep sea diving because we went really far out and we saw a lot of the colourful so I think that diving was best. I also think that the sandboarding was very fun because we went down a big big hill but the funniest bit was when everyone fell off.

- Blake Hathaway

We did scuba diving, sandboarding, manta-ray swim, spotlight, kayaking and snorkelling. However this Nana Katie’s last school camp even Munday & Emily they are leaving Onslow Primary School.

- Rahim Hayes

Camp was brilliant because it was one of the best experiences I’ve had in my life! I got to see a manta-ray. - Saxon Dawes

The sight of Coral Bay was amazing! Snorkelling was my favourite part of camp. There are so many kinds of coral. It’s so gorgeous! - Angela Enciso

When we were on the camp I liked when me and Rahim drifted away next to all the sharks and started to paddle really fast and we caught up to Emily and the other guys and jump off the boat and started running in the water to shore. We won. - Erwin Parker

I think camp was so fantastic, sandboarding and swimming and sport light and jumping off the boat and snorkelling. - Syrell Hayes

The best bit about camp for me was scuba diving in the ocean with Munday and Emily! It was an amazing experience! I loved swimming with the manta-rays and jumping off the boat at the end of the day. Thank you for the fun day! - Tara Drummond

I thought camp was fun because it was a first experience for me because it was first time I went to Coral Bay. I loved the part when we went to go on the boat and swimming with the manta-ray. And also snorkelling with fish and with the turtles, and when Leia and I were snorkelling we saw rainbow coral and rainbow fish it was so much fun and so good! - Jordan Quince

I loved going swimming in the blue water. Love playing games at the beach and at camp. I want to go back with the class again. It was my first time going on camp and I think it will be the bestest camp we’ll ever go on. - Tamika Dalgety

I love going swimming with the manta. It was an amazing experience. Thank you for the fun day! - Leia Stratford

Camp was awesome because we did sandboarding because it was fun. I liked camp because every day we went to the beach and Kane was awesome too. - Connor Craig

I like going on the boats.

- Kai James

Camp was fun. I liked snorkelling.

- Kiara Parker

I loved it when we went on the big boat to swim with the manta-rays. It was an amazing experience. Thank you!

- Leah Stratford

I think camp is amazing because you go sand boarding, on boats and you get to see mostly marine life and other things, like how we saw a manta-ray!

- Sienna Hogg

I think camp is amazing because you get to have a look at awesome coral and play games with your friends. You also get to go snorkelling and have a look at fish.

- Jaime Brooks

My favourite things about camp were going sandboarding and going on the big boat. I liked going on the big boat because we saw a manta-ray and a couple of dolphins. I liked sandboarding because when we went down we went really fast and you can feel a weird feeling in your belly.

- Arlen Grainger

Camp was awesome because we learn about marine life.

- Liv Kemp