Principal's Address
Dear Parents and Caregivers

Book fair and National Simultaneous Storytime
Library and Information Week was held last week which included the Book Fair and National Simultaneous Storytime. Our special guest readers of the hilarious *The Brothers Quibble* by Aaron Blabey included Mayor Peter Long and Daphne Trevurza from the Smith Family. A huge thank you to Mrs Ashlen Taylor for organising this event. The book fair takings were close to $4,000 and the commission was close to $1,000. Thank you to everyone who took advantage of this opportunity.

Fun run and National Walk Safely to School Day
The P&C Fun Run fundraiser coincided with National Walk Safely to School Day on Friday 22 May. There was a great turn out of parents and friends. A huge thank you to Mr Stuart Dale, in particular, for the P&C’s support of this fundraiser. The total raised is close to $10,000 and will go directly to supporting students.

Cross-County postponement
Due to waterlogged Pindan and possible showers, the decision was made to postpone the cross-country event until this Friday 5 June. While it was disappointing to have to postpone, in the interests of health and safety, it was a necessary one. I appreciate everyone’s understanding and look forward to seeing you out supporting your children on Friday.

Above: The fabulous Room 6 after performing their assembly item.

Staff changes
Our SAER program for Year 3-6 students led by Miss Megan Graham is already having success with students reading and numeracy understandings improving. John Balfour has joined the team in the role of education assistant and has already built valuable relationships with the students. We are looking at ways to expand this program across the school to include our K-2 students.

On behalf of the school community, I would like to bid a fond farewell to Mrs Briony Aston as she embarks on a new adventure with her family in the Northern Territory. Briony has been a valuable ambassador of our school through her work on the P&C, School Council and in Early Childhood. We welcome Mrs Annamarie Oosthuizen to Kindy while a staffing process is run.

Mrs Karen Hemmings blesses us with her presence for the last time this Friday. Karen has been an integral part of our school for eleven years as the first point of contact for new students, parents and teachers and the go to person from then on. Through many changes, she has remained a stable font of knowledge of all things Tambrey. Her vibrant spark will be missed by all. We welcome Mrs Jen Hill to the front office while a staffing process is run.

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Left: We were very fortunate to have two members of the Kookaburras’ Men’s National Hockey Team visit recently.
Principal's Report continued

Annual Report
The 2014 Tambrey Primary School Annual Report has recently been published and will be available on our school's website. The following excerpt relates to Literacy.

Major Achievements
The school continued its drive towards improved literacy performance with a Literacy Specialist coordinating links with the Fremantle Language Development Centre, Improving Literacy and Numeracy National Partnership and Network initiatives around the Australian Curriculum.

Aspirations
Further improvements remain to be made. The cessation of the financial benefit of the ILNNP will need to be managed with a greater reliance on the collective skills and knowledge of the staff at school and within the network. Based on the data below, Writing will need to be a focus for 2015.

Results
Reading – Longitudinal Summary

This data indicates that all year levels are slightly below Like Schools. Significant gains have been made in the Year Three area since 2013 while slight dips mirror like schools in Year Five and Seven.

Comparative Performance in Reading

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This data indicates improvement in the middle 60% though an underrepresentation of students in the top 20% compared to the State. With only 14% in the bottom 20%, the Year Seven results were particularly pleasing.

Troy Withers
Principal

Merit Certificates

Congratulations to the following students who received a merit certificate at the assembly held on Thursday, 28 May:

ECC1  Patrick Brown, Ishmam Yasser
ECC2  Harry Campman-Withers, Jade Hill
Room 1  Crix Johnston, Iraia Wineera-Tewhaiti
Room 3  Joey Chuma, Renass Nasraldin
Room 5  Keliah Stevens, Asiah Smirke
Room 6  Zachary Brocas, Malcom Watkins
Room 7  Jordi Perry, Kayla Lyndon
Room 8  Harrison Snow, Krisaleah Wingo
Room 9  Madison Eades, Ava Steyn
Room 11  Kane Paranahi, Jade Nike, Igor DeBot
Room 12  Madison Pritchard, Zara Callanan
Room 15  Caitlin Woodward, Max Beeson
Room 16  Nikki Cuperus, Aleesha Herring
Room 17  Ethan Daubin, Jelena Fallon
Room 18  Monique Herring, Jai Massey, Sophia Cayabyab
"Race Around The World"
Tambrey Primary School is about to embark on an exciting and innovative learning opportunity for all of our students. We are one of 17 schools across the state to participate in a whale shark tracking experience. Other schools in our area that are also joining this program are Baynton West, Wickham, Karratha Senior High School and Roebourne District High.

Students will have the opportunity to learn about whale sharks – the largest fish in the ocean and also the State marine emblem. They will be involved in live tracking of the whale shark assigned to our school at the beginning of third term but will have prior experience using data previously recorded. They will be able to ask questions of the research team and interact with other schools involved. There is an accompanying Art program that teachers might want to use. Obviously there will be many times when they will be using Mathematics, English and Science skills as the program unfolds.

To help cover the $5 000 cost of the whale shark tag, I intend to run a ‘Name the Tambrey Whale Shark’ competition. Students can make a gold coin donation and suggest a name for our allocated shark (which just has a number identification). This will run for two weeks, commencing next Monday (8th June). They can hand their donation and entry form to their class teacher. The forms will be available from the Science room or their classroom.

We are hopeful that our whale shark will still be in the Coral Bay vicinity when our Year 6 students go there on camp next term. The researchers are hoping to learn much more about whale sharks as a result of this tracking program. At present they don't even know where the pups are born or approximately how many whale sharks there are. The "Race Around the World" will occur during the first fortnight of next term during the live tracking time. The shark that covers the most kilometres during that time will be declared the winner. Naturally we are hoping for a Tambrey victory! 

Helen Osborne, Science Specialist

The Last Karen’s Corner!

A shrimp's heart is in its head.

In the course of an average lifetime, you will, whilst sleeping, eat 70 assorted insects and 10 spiders.

Ostriches are often not taken seriously. They can run faster than horses and the males can roar like lions.

Beatles taste like apples, wasps like pine nuts and worms like fried bacon (apparently!)

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KINDERTGARTEN PROGRAM IN 2016
KARRATHA & DAMPIER AREAS
2016 FOUR YEAR OLD APPLICATIONS

Applications for the 2016 school year are now being taken in the above areas for Department of Education Schools.

NOTE: To be eligible to enter a kindergarten (4 year old program) in a Government School in 2016, a child must turn four on or before 30 June 2016.

Karratha and Dampier children will be accommodated at the following locations:
- Dampier Primary School
- Karratha Primary School
- Millars Well Primary School
- Pegs Creek Primary School
- Tambrey Primary School
- Baynton West Primary School

Parents are advised to contact one of the above locations to make an application and to receive further details about the application and enrolment procedures. Child's birth certificate and immunisation records must be presented on application.

An application for a Kindergarten place may be made at ONE SCHOOL ONLY.

DUE DATE FOR APPLICATION
Applications for Kindergarten place are due by Friday, 24 July, 2015 at any of the above locations.

KINDERTGARTEN LOCAL IN-TAKE SCHOOLS

If there are more applications than places available at any particular school, places will be offered in the following priority order:
1. Children living in the intake area of the local-intake school, who will have a sibling enrolled at the school, and who lives nearest the school.
2. Children living in the intake area of the local-intake school, who will not have a sibling enrolled at the school, and who lives nearest the school.
3. Children not living in the intake area of the local-intake school, who will have a sibling enrolled at the school, and who lives nearest the school.
4. Children not living in the intake area of the local-intake school, who will not have a sibling enrolled at the school, and who lives nearest the school.

Parents are asked to make an application for enrolment as soon as possible. Please note that proof of residence will be required, together with immunisation, birth certificate and visa documentation (if applicable). Cut off date for applications for enrolment is Friday, 24 July 2015.
Library Volunteers Needed

Changes are afoot in our little library and the school would like your help to make it all happen.

Shelving / Shelf Reading
Mon-Fri 8:30-10:30am

Shelving Team EOI
The Library is being recarpeted before the end of Term 2 (exact date TBC). Once the new carpet is in place, we will need a small team of parent volunteers to assist with re-organising the shelves over a period of two days.

Scholastic Book Club
Occurs twice per term and includes:
- Distributing & collecting Scholastic catalogues
- Counting & consolidating cash
- Placing online orders
- Distributing packages

If you are interested in helping out in the peace and quiet of the library (as much or as little time as you can spare is appreciated!) please contact Ashlen Taylor below:
- E: ashlen.bega@education.wa.edu.au
- P: 9144 2020
- Avail: Tues, Wed & Friday (8am-4pm)

Term 2 Book Fair Success
Thank you to all those who came down and supported the school during the Book Fair. We sold an impressive $3,815 worth of stock of which the school gets a sizable commission.

Make your own microscopic crystal art

During the International Year of Light 2015, Scientist, Gary Cass illustrates how the sciences can be used creatively. Experience fast growing crystals developing under a microscope before your eyes. Change the crystal's colour by manipulating different properties of light. Photograph and take home your own microscopic crystal art.

Age: All Welcome
Date: Thursday 25 June 2015
Location: Frank Butler Centre, Bungalow
Time: 5.00pm - 7.00pm
Cost: $5 - Nibbles provided
Register: Eventbrite.com.au - search Crystal Art

USE REAL SCIENTIFIC MICROSCOPES

Siblings Presentation

Would you like to learn how to better support siblings living with a brother or sister with a disability?

Kalparrin has surveyed siblings living in Karnatha with our "What Sibs Want" survey. To find out the results and ways to help siblings feel better supported we are offering a free presentation for service providers, health professionals, school staff and anyone working with children.

WHERE: Leisureplex ClubRoom Meeting Room
WHEN: Thursday 25th June
TIME: 10am
RSVP: anita.peiris@health.wa.gov.au

If you are unable to attend the presentation Anita is available to meet on 24th June from 1pm-5pm.