

Equipment donated to Wilson Park students

THE South West sporting community has opened its heart to the kids of Wilson Park Primary School following the suspected arson attack that resulted in the closure of the Collie school.

The fire caused \$2 million damage, destroying six classrooms as well as thousands of dollars worth of teaching resources and equipment.

The South West Academy of Sport, Australian Sports Commission and Department of Sport and Recreation were among the many organisations that rallied over the past week to supply Wilson Park Primary School with much-needed sporting equipment.

Football, hockey sticks and tennis balls were some of the items donated to the students, who are now attending classes at nearby Amaroo Primary School.

South West Academy of Sport chief executive officer Bernice Butlion said the academy wanted to offer support to the students whose school was gutted by fire.

"There are many aspiring young athletes at the school and it is important they can continue their usual activities during this difficult time," Mrs Butlion said.

"Wilson Park Primary School is an important part of the Collie community and we were only too happy to help out."

Australian Sports Commission South West regional manager Natasha Grosse said more equipment was necessary because there wasn't enough equipment for the Wilson Park students to actively participate.



Wilson Park Primary School Year 4 student Dante Kenning and Australian Sports Commission South West regional manager Natasha Grosse with some of the donated items of sports equipment.