# DONNYBROOK DHS

#### We CARE

# EV Challenge 2022

On the last Saturday in October, Mr Strother took two teams of students from Donnybrook District High School to Perth to compete in the 2022 WA Electric Vehicle Challenge. This year's Championships were held at The Wanneroo International Kartway.

The cars that we raced this year are the 'Pink Lady' and the 'Big Boar'. The Drivers were Ethan Anderson and Will Riley. The construction team was Beau McBeath, Daniel Vitali, Will Rutter, Jesse Sunderland, Tay Proctor and Hunter Wray.

On a wet and cold day, our cars did not have the same zip that we normally have, and both of the cars finished outside of the placings, 8th & 10th. I think that the competition is getting better! We will be bringing our 'A' game next year!

A big thank you to Michael Anderson who came up to help out and support our teams. Without your help, Michael, it wouldn't be possible to compete.





## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT James Milne



Welcome back to the last term of the 2022 school year. Term 4 is always very busy for students, staff and parents and carers, and I have no doubt this year will be no different. Our calendar has been updated and highlights what is ahead in these final weeks of the year. Please take note of the events that are relevant to you and your child/ren and mark these in your diary. Also keep an eye out on our Facebook Group for the 'Weekly Reminders', as events are continually added and updated.

This term we have enrolled a number of new students. Importantly they have settled in well to their new classes and are being made to feel very welcomed by our caring students. I look forward to supporting them in their transition and ensuring they quickly become focused on their learning.

On that note I am urging all students to commit to their learning and make a conscious effort throughout the remaining weeks to make certain they are achieving at their full potential. The students need to make their class work a priority when at school, and if required complete any homework and assignments that are given. Parents and carers please reinforce this message at home and importantly work in partnership with the teachers to make certain your child/ren are striving to improve. Term 4 is a crucial period of schooling as concepts need to be consolidated in preparation for the following year.

I would also ask that parents and carers are mindful of the time their child/ren are absent from school. Attendance of 90% and above is required to minimise disruption to learning. Thank you in anticipation of your support in this area.

#### 2023 Structure and Programs

Planning around next year is continuing and further information on class structures and programs will be made available to parents and carers in our next newsletter. I am aware that this is always eagerly awaited, so as soon as this is finalised, we will disseminate this information to the school community.

The school's 2023-2027 Business Plan, 'Your child: Our Focus' is playing a key part in influencing the decisions made in relation to our structure and program as we aim to meet the needs of each and every student.

If you would like to meet with a member of the Leadership Team to discuss 2022, you are more than welcome to call and arrange a mutually convenient time. We also work closely with the School Board to ensure we are effectively capturing the expectations of our school and broader community.

#### End of Year Events

Our end of year events are now set in place and we look forward to having a large number of parents, carers and community members in attendance. These events are always highly anticipated and a fantastic way to conclude the school year.

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I would like to acknowledge the wonderful support that continues to be pledged to Donnybrook District High School to support the awards presented at the end of year Presentation Assembly and Year 10 Graduation.

If there are families or local businesses who would like to make a donation towards an award, please contact the school to discuss this further.

#### Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs

These academic, arts and languages programs are available at select public secondary schools. Options include:

- a fully selective academic school, Perth Modern School
- an arts college, John Curtin College of the Arts
- 2 regional schools, Albany Senior High School and Bunbury Senior High School
- boarding at City Beach Residential College while studying in Perth
- boarding at Albany Residential College while studying at Albany Senior High School
- the online program for regional WA students living outside of Albany or Bunbury, where students continue to study at their local regional public school.

Applications are open to students in Year 5 in 2022 who enter Year 7 in 2024. Limited places may also be available for students who enter Years 9, 10 and 11 in 2024.

Further information can be found at education.wa.edu.au/giftedandtalented

# THANK YOU



They have done a fabulous job distributing the mulch to the garden beds.

Thank you.



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Ms Rachel Seton Gardener

# Focus: "We Actively Participate"

# JUNIOR CAMPUS NEWS Amanda Biddlestone Deputy Principal



Term 4 is racing by! With many exciting events and opportunities for students to finish the year on a positive note.

#### Assembly 1JA/CJ

Thank you to Mrs Atherton and Mrs Jones Yr 1 class for our entertaining and informative lesson on emotions, showing us how to recognise and identify our emotions through colour and learning how to identify the seperate emotions so they can be untangled and managed, being mindful of our feelings.

#### AdventureWorks

Our AdventureWorks journey continued this term with an in-school incursion. Students worked with group leaders on understanding and creating a sense of belonging, developing community, collaboration with others, and communication skills. The students enjoyed completing communication exercises and teambuilding games.

#### **Restaurant Night**

Our Pre-Primary students were treated to a dinner service by Mrs Walker, Mrs Jacobs and Mrs Gardiner with the help of some students. Veggie starters and homemade pizzas made to order on the menu. The classroom transformed into a restaurant and dance floor. What a fun night!

#### Bandanna Day

What a fantastic result for our Bandanna Day in Memory of Connor Walker, an incredible \$2809 going to Canteen to help young people impacted by cancer get access to programs, counselling and peer support.

#### **Emergency Services visit**

Our Pre-Primary and Kindy students were visited this week by our local emergency services. Our Local Police officers and Fire Officers came to meet and greet the students and talk about what they do.

#### Important Dates

2023 Kindy Parent Meeting - Wednesday 9th November Basketball carnival Friday 18th November Book Fair Week 7 Swimming Lessons Week 7 and 8 Focus: "We respect property"



## **SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS**

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#### Talison Lithium Year 10 STEM Scholarship

We are proud to announce that in partnership with Talison Lithium Donnybrook District High School is able to offer our Graduating Year 10 students the chance to apply for a STEM scholarship to support their senior schooling. This scholarship is one of the ways Talison contributes to community development through their STEM Outreach Program.

The scholarship is open to current Donnybrook District High School students who graduate Year 10 and are entering Year 11/12 or TAFE in 2023. Students entering a STEM pathway are encouraged to apply, with the following criteria being utilised to assess the applications;

- Enrolment in a STEM pathway
- Attitude towards study in STEM subjects
- References from current staff and outside agencies/businesses
- Attendance
- Behaviour
- Academic progress and achievement in STEM subjects.

#### AdventureWorks

On Monday 24 October and Tuesday 25 October students had the opportunity to once again work with AdventureWorks. Year 7 students joined Year 5 and 6 students at the Junior Campus to participate in mixed year level groups which saw them working together to complete a range of activities. Year 8 to 10 students worked in cohort groups with an AdventureWorks facilitator and staff member. These students also completed a range of activities and discussed the values that are needed when working cooperatively within their groups.

















Focus: "We actively participate"



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#### Year 10 First Aid Certificate

Over the last 2 weeks, Year 10 students got the opportunity to receive their Provide First Aid Certificate through the St John's Donnybrook Sub Centre. This course combines a theory component where students complete online learning and practical component where students put their learning into practice. The students who participated had a fantastic time at the course and we would like to thank St John Donnybrook for modifying the course and subsidising the cost of the course to make it accessible to our students.



#### Year 9 TAFE Visit

Today all Year 9 students will visit South Regional TAFE. In this visit, students will have a tour around the campus, see the TAFE facilities and learn about the variety of TAFE courses that can be offered to them after Year 10. The purpose of the visit is to provide our students will an understanding of the variety of opportunities and courses that are available to them and tailored around their interests and future pathways.

Term 4 is set to be a busy term, please keep an eye out on the Term Planner and Facebook Reminders for the upcoming events at the Senior Campus.

#### Year 6 Mindful Education

Our Year 6 classes have joined in the Mindful Education lessons down at the Senior Campus on Wednesday afternoon. Having some fun in collaboration and teamwork excercises, and learning new ways to communicate and engage with others.



## **BANDANNA DAY**

On Friday, 28th October, we participated in National Bandanna Day! Students were invited to wear red and bring a gold coin donation. We wore red in honour of Connor Walker as it was his favourite colour and it also represents how we ASPIRE within our school community. Thanks to Mrs Edward's grant from Lottery West, students at the Junior Campus were given a free hot dog at lunch time. The total donated to Canteen.org was over \$2800.00! What an amazing effort.

Mandy Thompson





THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING

BANDANNA DAY WE RAISED \$2809

DONATED IN LOVING MEMORYOF CONNOR WALKER



## **KINDERGARTEN WHEELATHON**

Recently, all 3 Kindergarten classes participated in a Wheelathon.

The task was set to ride around the bike track and cumulatively attempt to complete 100 laps. It was their first introduction to faction groups, and the children rode as teams completing 10 laps at a time.

Thursday saw Kindy 1 and 3 compete, whilst Kindy 2 rode on Friday. We even had younger siblings participate.

The children all rode and scootered with great enthusiasm and determination and completed ......100 laps. Fittingly, all participants completed the 100th lap!

The children were awarded a badge of participation before enjoying a picnic morning tea with parents/carers and visitors.

It was a wonderful activity where many of our CARE attributes were on display. The children showed perseverance, patience and most of all had fun exercising and working towards a goal. The children were able to put their knowledge of bike/road safety into action.



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# COUNTRY FAMILIES @ NGALA

Support to families with children from birth to 8 years living in regional, rural and remote Western Australia



Ngala have partnered with WA Country Health Service (WACHS) to provide free child health parenting information and support to families living in regional, rural or remote WA.

#### **Facebook Group**

Join a community of other country families to access parenting information, resources & program updates. Search: CountryFamilies@Ngala.

#### **Tutorials and Facebook Live Sessions**

See recorded and live videos with information for parents with children aged 0 – 8 years.

#### **Online 'Live Chat'**

Chat with a Ngala Child Health Nurse via Facebook. Please check website for session times.



#### Individual Consultations

30 minute video or phone consults with a Ngala Child Health Nurse for child development information and parenting support.

### Country Dads' SMS Service

Receive information and resources via SMS or Email.

Call: 9368 9342 Email: CountryFamilies@ngala.com.au

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To find out more visit www.ngala.com.au/program/country-services

# **2022 CALENDAR TERM 4**

