From the Principal

As Term 2 draws to a close with reports finalized and going home next week the school remains a very busy place!

Congratulations firstly to all our primary faction cross country participants for their efforts and energy in that recent event and good luck to the team competing this week at Adam Road.

Our recent Student Representative Council (SRC) Leadership Camp was also a great success with our 7-10 student leadership team learning to lead and team under the guidance of Miss McLoughlin and Mr Robertson. We remain committed to supporting our student leaders on both campuses with other activities including a focus on the forthcoming “40 Hour Famine”, which involved a workshop for the SRC and Year 6 Leaders last Friday. Good luck with this challenge. (Mr Robertson oversees the SRC Activities)

Over the past weeks our Music students under the leadership of Wendy Armstrong supported by Gemma Whelan have participated in a range of performances in the Bunbury Eisteddfod. This culminated last weekend with our band (performing with Collie SHS) finishing second in this section behind Cathedral Grammar. Congratulations to all for their participation and engagement which is elaborated on elsewhere in this newsletter.

As I reported in the last newsletter we are supporting several staff dealing with real life personal challenges, and this has consequences to how we manage our programs.

Mrs Cann will not be returning in the short term, and is confronted with challenges that mean she may not return in the longer term. We support her need to take the time to address her issues. In her absence the programs in the Performing Arts will continue under the leadership of Wendy Mountford.

Mrs Jessop similarly is on extended leave as she supports her husband. Her leave necessitates changes in both Art delivery and Home Economics for Semester 2.

The Art program will be taken over by Mrs Leanne Robertson, who is a trained Visual Arts specialist and she will be supported for 1 day per week by Mrs Elke Edwards.

With Mrs Robertson going to Art, Home Economics will be delivered by a specialist team of Mrs Tanya Marshall and Mrs Lyn Fry.

Mr Figliuolo has chosen to take extended leave and we understand he won’t be returning to Donnybrook. We wish him well with his choices and challenges and I will be in a position to advise of his replacement after July 1. Meanwhile Ms Corrine Milton is doing a great job!

Last of the changes announced in this newsletter is the advice to the whole school community that I have chosen to retire. I have advised the School Board and the Director General of my intentions with my last working day at Donnybrook DHS being August 8. I will exit the system after using some of my leave entitlements later in the year.

My thinking here is that “I am ready” for the next set of challenges and the school has the opportunity (after 24 years!) to refresh itself.

Undoubtedly I will have the opportunity to speak to my retirement in other occasions and the remainder of my time here will be supporting this change, and others, to best advantage our school.

PJ Fitzgerald—Principal
Reports will be handed out on the last Friday of term. Please be advised that this year, for the first time, we are reporting against National Standards in English, Mathematics and Science. As you may be aware the National Standards have moved many skills from higher year levels down to lower year levels. For example; the skills expected of a successful Year 1 in writing are those that we once expected in Year 2. While teachers have adjusted their teaching to move our students towards achievement against the National Standards, you may find that your child is not yet experiencing the same successes as in the past. There will be a time of adjustment as this drop-down affect is absorbed into each student’s developmental learning. Students receiving a “C” grade are traveling successfully towards the achievement targets, those receiving a “B” or an “A” are travelling very well. There is an explanation sheet attached to the reports.

Well done to those students who represented Donnybrook DHS in the interschool cross country competition at Adam Road Primary School this week.

Please remember we have our end of term assembly at Mead St on Friday, 4 July, 9am, presented by Yr3/4SE, with a special guest performance by members of the School Band. Everyone is welcome.

**BEING SEEN BEING SAFE**

As per the Bentley St Senior Campus, at our last assembly we were also very pleased to receive a donation of a whole school set of “Vizi-vests” in children’s sizes from the local road safety committee. Our local Road-Safety committee, supported by the local police, the Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup, RAC, Lions Club and Freemasons have been pro-active in pursuing this initiative which will ensure that our children are highly visible on their way to and from school. This is a real bonus for our bike-riders, as well as the walkers and especially in winter when visibility is poor.

Vests will be handed to all Year K-3 students initially, as well as to bike riders and walkers from Years 4 to 6 plus others on request.

The safety benefits of this initiative are huge and I ask parents to encourage their children to wear their vest when travelling to and from school.

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**Skateboarding Australia:** Last Thursday Skateboarding Australia had two representatives come to the school and take Year 7, 8 and 9s through the basics of skateboarding. All students thoroughly enjoyed the day. Well done to Mrs Feltham for getting them here.

**Work Experience:** Year 10T are going out to a week of Work Experience next week. This week block enables them to get a taste for the careers which are out there. The Year 10V go out to work experience every Monday. They have all settled in very well to the reality of workplaces across the district. We would like to pay special thanks to all workplaces that so generously step up and support our students and give them this valuable life experience.

**Bullying:** We have recently had a number of issues where students have been bullied. We are certainly not happy that these incidents have happened but we have made every effort to stamp out any further incidents as far as we possibly can. I have made contact with parents and carers of students who need to be far more respectful, and I have also contacted parents of those who are on the fringes of some incidents who are mostly good students but need to be aware of doing the right thing.

The overall message is that we have a NO TOLERANCE to bullying: Students were asked to step in and prevent any issues: We make it clear that standing silently is not acceptable. We have also, at parent request, and with our support, reported any assault directly to police. Police are also happy to come to school and support us in stamping out any severe bullying, as well as talking to class groups to ensure the message of NO TOLERANCE to bullying is crystal clear.

All staff are being vigilant in minimizing any play ground or class issues. The Health Education staff include strong and consistent messages in preventing bullying, as well as the anti-bullying theme in many other learning areas. As well, our long term commitment to Choose Respect remains a core value at our school: Treat people with Care and Consideration.

We are committed to letting you know about bullying if it does occur. We will not hide the fact when bullying happens. We encourage any parent or carer to let us know of any issue to ensure nothing is hidden. We are committed to stamping it out as fast as is possible.

**Year 10 Exams:** During last week all Year 10s completed a very solid level of testing in Maths, English, Science and studies of Society and Environment. All students put in a great amount of study in the lead up to the tests. Students took it seriously, many gaining the experience, of the pressures needed when facing tests in Year 11 and 12.

**Hi Visibility Road Safety Vests:** We have just been presented with High Visibility Vests as part of a Donnybrook Community Road Safety initiative. The Donnybrook Police have kindly co-ordinated this with the following community organizations donating the Safety Vests: RAC, Donnybrook Freemasons, Donnybrook Lions Club, the Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup who are all acknowledged for their brilliant commitment to Road Safety for ALL our students at Mead Street and Bentley Street.

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We are very excited to inform you that we are now accepting Kindergarten enrolments for 2015. Please call/email or go to our website and download an application for enrolment.

Phone: 9731 1557

Email: donnybrook.dhs@education.wa.edu.au

WEB: www.donnybrook.wa.edu.au
Music Support Group News
The Donnybrook District High School concert band combined with Collie Senior High School band to perform at Eisteddfod 2014. We had a practice together at Nogerup Hall last weekend, to prepare for the Eisteddfod. On Saturday 21 June we performed at the Eisteddfod at BREC. After much waiting in the green room we finally took to the stage at 9.30pm! We were up against two other schools in the level 1.5 section and came away with a second place and a fantastic score of 88%. Bunbury Grammar were awarded first (with 90%) and Australind SHS was given a Highly Commended. We performed “The Year of the Dragon’, ‘The Hobbit’ and ‘Skeleton Dance’. By Elise Cain

We have had other individuals performing at the Eisteddfod with solo and trio instrument performances and dance performances. Aussie Tinker came 3rd in his Trumpet Solo, Gemma Rosman and Sevina Jones 1st in their Flute Duet, Jake Thompson and Claire Delbridge 2nd in their Flute Duet and ‘Rachel Fernley, Belle Hutchinson and Elise Cain Highly Commended in their Flute and Clarinet Trio.

Band Camp - Friday August 15 to Sunday August 17 at Woodman Point.

(The children mastering their new monkey bars)

The Kindergarten is the proud owner of a fantastic new set of monkey bars! We conducted a plant bulb fund raiser which was supported wonderfully by our Kindy families, enabling us to purchase our new piece of playground equipment.

Mr Greg Stewart from GJ Freight (who’s girls Sophie and Haylee attend our school, though have long passed Kindy) very kindly picked up our monkey bars from Yangebup and delivered them to our Kindy free of charge. This was a wonderful bonus, which we are truly appreciative of, and we thank him very much.

Already the children are challenging themselves to get across. We have 3 children from each class who have mastered the feat, with many more well on the way. Even Mr Wyllie, our gardener tried them out when he had installed them! Thank you to Mr Wyllie and Big John who took this project on willingly. Swinging across the monkey bars is great for developing upper body strength and stability which is very important for children at this young age. Having strong core muscles and being able to maintain an upright sitting posture helps them master many fine motor skills like cutting, drawing and writing. Also, it is a wonderful source of fun and great for health and well being in general.

DONNYBROOK DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL P&C

Parent Workshop—Our next workshop: Engaging Adolescents, will be a follow on from our Living With Young People information session. It is a two session workshop July 24 & 31 from 6.30pm - 9.00pm at the Seminar Room in the Community Library Centre. We will be sending a flyer home soon, so keep an eye out for it as places are limited. This workshop is aimed at equipping parents and carers with knowledge, skills and tips to assist everyone through the teenage years. It aims to strengthen bonds and find new ways to resolve problems. This is a more interactive evening than the Living with Young People Information Session, so for those parents who wanted something more in-depth, this is for you.

Please call Bentley St on 9731 1060 to register for

Both Sites-Meal Deal—Tue 1 July
Fish & Chips (Oven Baked)
OR
Homemade Chicken/Sweet Corn Soup (with a Bread Roll)
All meals include Juice Box and a Snapper
$6.50 per order
No other orders taken for this day

FUNDRAISER—WOOD RAFFLE
THIS FRIDAY and SATURDAY AT DONNYBROOK SUPA FRESH IGA.

THANK YOU TO TARA & CHRIS STEWART FOR THE WOOD DONATION
More Volunteers still needed to help sell raffle tickets.

2014 FOOTBALL TIPPING COMPETITION
We have passed the half way mark of the season and currently Shane Stewart is sitting in first place on the tipping ladder after pushing Rob Doherty out of the top spot which he had held for the previous 8 weeks! The winning weekly tippers have come from everywhere on the tipping ladder-you don’t need to be on top to get your $70 back.

The perfect 9 from 9 tips have been few and far between this year. The 18 football teams have been making it very hard for tippers! Statistics and strong team line ups don’t always guarantee a win, occasionally it has paid to tip with your heart!

Weekly winners so far....

WK 1  Derryn Kelly
3  Peter Higgins
5  Mike Stubber
7  Alexis Blackledge
9  Elise Cairn
11 Sally Rampant/Ron Ellard
13 Steve Benzie/Stephan Deschamp

WK 2  Jim Pooley
4  Charli Clark
6  Ben Anderson
8  Lyn Sheehan
10 Natasha& Glenn Kirkpatrick
12 Sharni Mifflin

$5,000- That’s what our tipper’s will be dreaming about as they study the form over the second half of the season trying to get to top spot on the tipping ladder at the close of Round 24. Good luck everyone, and thank you for your wonderful support of our fund raiser.
### PRIMARY FACTION CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

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Congratulations to the Interschool Cross country team of years 4-7 who ran at Adam Road PS on Wednesday.

### IMPORTANT DATES

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Every Wednesday Early Closure: Mead Street 2:35 - Bentley Street 2:45