



AGM

Annual General Meeting

DDHS P&C AGM

Monday 20th February
3:20pm

Year 1/2 Central Area
All Welcome

**Please consider volunteering your
time to help our school**

General Meeting will follow AGM



Donnybrook
District High School



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PRINCIPAL' S REPORT

James Milne



Welcome back to the start of a new school year and one that will see the School Community embark on a new journey, largely directed by a carefully constructed Business Plan that will be designed to address both current and future needs. Throughout Term 1, I will be working closely with staff, parents and School Board to develop a plan that will embed our strengths and guide our improvement. As an Independent Public School, the level of accountability around this will be high, with three years set aside to meet our targets and milestones.

I am genuinely excited about the 2017 school year and what lies ahead in Semester 1 and 2. The decisions that were made late last year and the changes that have been put in place will undoubtedly be positive for Donnybrook District High School. Staff have returned refreshed, energised and committed and I feel very fortunate to have their support. This support will certainly be crucial to addressing our school priorities.

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JNR CAMPUS – JUMPS & THROWS TIMETABLE

I would like to welcome Michelle Murray to Donnybrook District High School. Michelle is appointed to the Year 7 English position, together with the support role that allows the Year 7 students to be grouped in Mathematics, Science and Humanities and Social Science classes.

I would also like to welcome Ross Woolf to Donnybrook District High School. Ross has been appointed to the Year 7-10 Mathematics position for Term 1, in the absence of Helen Gamble.

It is pleasing to report that the students have returned from their break ready to commit to their learning and gain the most from what is being provided in Term 1. All year groups have made a pleasing start and are to be congratulated for their effort throughout the first

two weeks. Our expectations must be high and I look forward to seeing the students aiming to meet these expectations along with personal goals they set for themselves throughout the year.

On behalf of the Donnybrook School Community I would like to welcome our new students and families and wish them the very best for the 2017 school year. I have no doubt the year will be rewarding for them all and they will gain immensely from the direction the school is heading.

Teachers from the Junior Campus will be holding parent meetings in these initial weeks. These will provide parents with a perfect opportunity to gain more of an insight into the year ahead and clarify any queries they may have surrounding their child's schooling.

Secondary teachers plan on holding parent meetings towards the end of Term 1 to coincide with the release of the Term 1 Interim Reports. Jeff Brown will also be holding interviews with all Year 7 parents this term and he asks that they contact the Front Office to arrange a mutually convenient time.

I urge all parents to work closely with the teachers throughout the year and if you have any concerns over your child's education, then take the time to discuss these with the teachers at your earliest convenience. Alternatively you may contact either myself or Jeff Brown and Garry Davis. It is important that we work together to ensure the year is positive for everyone.

2017 Structure and Programs

Principal	Jamie Milne
Associate Principal (Secondary)	Jeff Brown
Deputy Principal (Primary)	Garry Davis
Kindergarten 1	Sara Williams
Kindergarten 2	Wendy Cain
Pre-Primary	Julie Atherton & Michelle Fernley (Tues)
Pre-Primary	Christina Jones (Mon-Wed) & Michelle Fernley (Wed-Fri)
Year 1	Oonagh Smith
Year 1	Heidi Walker
Year 2	Wendy Mountford (Mon-Wed) & Penny Hearman (Thur/Fri)

Year 2	Sara Davies
Year 3	Leonie Pearce
Year 3	Mike Armstrong
Year 4	Denise Gibbs (Mon-Wed) & Elke Edwards (Thur/Fri)
Year 4	Jeanette Hutchison & Kate Pember (Fri)
Year 5/6	Geoff Little
Year 5/6	Marg Howlett & Kate Pember (Thur)
Year 5/6	Tamara Feltham
Information Technology & STEM	John Roberts
Performing Arts	Deb Cann
Health & Physical Education	Rob Horton

The school is pleased to be able to provide the above structure and programs to the Primary students in 2017. In addition to this, the Middle and Upper Primary students will benefit from the opportunity to work with Secondary specialists in 'state of the art' High School facilities. Secondary teachers will deliver Art, Woodwork/Metalwork, Information Technology and Food/Textiles to Year 5/6 students and Art to Year 4 students. The Year 5/6 students will also be advantaged by the timetabling of the Secondary Science teacher, James Duncan to co-teach with Kate Pember.

Form Teachers

Year 7	James Duncan & Michelle Murray
Year 8	Neil Robertson & Sue Jessop
Year 9 (Academic Extension)	Esme Kidd & Anthea Horton
Year 9/10	Nigel Edwards & Ross Woolf
Year 10 (Academic Extension)	Denise Duncan & Len Strother
Student Representative Council	Jonelle McLoughlin

Subject Teachers

English (7)	Michelle Murray
English (8-10)	Anthea Horton
Mathematics	Ross Woolf (Term 1)
Science	James Duncan
Humanities and Social Sciences	Neil Robertson
Year 7 Support Teacher	Michelle Murray
Year 8 Support Teacher	Jonelle McLoughlin

Health	Denise Duncan
Physical Education	Denise Duncan & additional Secondary Teachers
Arts	Sue Jessop
Technology & Enterprise	Leanne Robertson & Len Strother
Information Technology	Nigel Edwards
STEM	Nigel Edwards
Library/Digital Literacy	Esme Kidd

Certificate 1 Horticulture	Rachel Seton
Certificate 1 Hospitality	Leanne Robertson
Certificate 1 Business	Leanne Robertson
Certificate 1 Metals	Len Strother
Pathway to Certificate 2 Metals	Len Strother
Certificate 1 Sport and Recreation	Denise Duncan

Class/SIM Music Nicholas Vane, Wendy Armstong & Michelle Bracken-Perks

Term Planner

Attached to today's newsletter is a copy of our term planner. The term planner highlights the many wonderful opportunities being offered to the students of Donnybrook District High School throughout Term 1. Please mark these on your calendar and look out for updates in each newsletter.

Attendance

Regular attendance at school is fundamental to your child's learning. Consistent attendance and participation are essential for your child's social and academic learning. It is important to assist your child's achievement and learning by making regular school attendance a priority in your child's life. Please aim to minimise the time your child is away from school. For students who fall below 90% (approx. 5 days per term), they are at risk of not reaching their potential. I look forward to your support in this crucial area.

Voluntary Contributions

Voluntary contributions support the school in meeting our needs and priorities. The funds are used to enhance our programs and to subsidise the cost of many extra curricula activities. With this in mind, I ask that parents and carers please pay their child(ren's) contributions at their earliest convenience. Parents and carers have been sent invoices in the mail.

After School/Vacation Care

Donnybrook District High School is pleased to be able to support the Treehouse Childcare Centre with their After School and Vacation Care program. Jayde Wright and her team have transformed a vacant room at the Senior Campus into a vibrant, safe and welcoming space for students. This is a wonderful initiative for the Donnybrook Community that will fill a much needed void.

JUNIOR CAMPUS DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Garry Davis



Welcome to the 2017 school year. It is a great pleasure to return to the Junior Campus after spending 10 weeks here in 2016. I look forward to meeting all parents and carers to assist in making certain all students have the best start to a positive future. I will miss the Senior Campus, but will stay in touch, and I am sure Mr Brown will enjoy the Senior Campus as much as I did.

Attendance

One of my key roles is to improve attendance by helping to promote the importance of regular attendance and ensuring students do not miss a single day of school unless they are sick or have needs of an urgent nature. Every day missed means that a part of the learning jigsaw begins to have gaps. Having Birthday's off, as an example, is not a valid option. I am available to assist any parent or carer who has difficulty with any issue that impacts on attendance. I will call parents or carers for those who

begin to miss too much time to assist you to maintain regular attendance as best as we can. So far my monitoring sees many classes with a 100% attendance so far in 2017: congratulations for the great start.

Class Visits

I have had extensive visits to all classes across the Junior Campus and find they all have settled in remarkably well. Students are all highly respectful to each other and they have strong positive values where they all get on so well in the classroom. This is also evident in the playground where students get on very well at recess and lunch. Our cubbies again are a highlight where the imagination of students is seen in action: this is a highlight in the digital age: the light shines as they engage with fellow students in building their cubbies, their pretend shop and homes come alive.

Pre Planning

All teachers have put a huge amount of pre-planning in place to ensure that all students gain the best start to the year. Many hours working on the holiday has ensured a very solid start to all. Teachers are testing students across the classes to ensure they have a base line to work from. Where there are areas of need individual education plans are being developed to ensure key areas of need are covered. Parents and carers will be contacted early in March to ensure they know key teaching points designed to catch students up with the curriculum.

Parent/Carer Safer Parking

As we have a shortage of parking at pick-up time and to a lesser degree at drop-off time can we please monitor where we park. **Along the Marmion Street area on the Pre-Primary side please only park on the opposite side of the road.** Already we have had incidents where cars have reversed out while students were riding on the footpath, as well as buses leaving from the bus stand. Last year we had a near-miss of a student on the bike path on the Pre Primary side too. We will endeavor to keep the Mead Street new parking bays free and available for all parents/carers to drop-off safely. **Parking on the corner of Marmion and Mead Street near Kindy also means cars are backing across the bike path. Please park where the car faces the path but well clear of the corner.** Apologies for the inconvenience, but the safety of your children is our priority.

SENIOR CAMPUS ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Jeff Brown



We have had a very positive start to the year at the senior campus. With 99% of students and a 100% of teachers settling well into the routines of teaching and learning. As you will be aware we follow the WA Curriculum K-10 in core areas and options and in addition offer Certificate 1 courses for Year 9 and 10 students in Horticulture, Sports and Recreation, Hospitality and Business and Metals and Engineering.

The Year 7s have settled into secondary school very positively a result I believe, of our successful transition program. Year 7 parents please be on the lookout for a letter that will arrive in the next week or so inviting you and your child(ren) to come and chat with me about your expectations and aspirations for them.

I will also be contacting and interviewing all Year 10 parents during Semester One with the aim of discussing student aspirations for 2018.

Behaviour

As you are aware we began the positive behavior support (PBS) program last year. We will continue to make progress with this during 2017 with a continued focus on responsibility, engagement and empathy. Please remind your children to be well mannered and polite at all times, explain to them what bullying is, how it affects people and why we do not tolerate it. All students have the right to come to school to a safe and enjoyable learning environment. We have retained the Good Standing process and reward excursions will take place at the end of term for those students who retain their good standing. We have also retained the "Buddy class" process, where students who are not able to behave in accordance with the school's code of expected behaviour are removed to another room to write out a reflection sheet and complete their class work. We will invite parent support in the cases of continual poor behavior.

Unique Student Identifier

Any student now enrolling in any Certificate Courses as well as any Accredited First Aid course must have a USI. This applies to all students Australia wide. To enroll in an accredited course students need to apply online for this USI number. It only has to be done once. Every student in Certificate 1 Horticulture, Hospitality & Business studies, Metals & Engineering and Sport & Recreation should already have applied for this. Certificate teachers have been helping

students with this too. The web address is <https://www.usi.gov.au/students> and you need to use a birth certificate or Medicare Card to get the USI. Those students doing Structured Workplace Learning will also be required to obtain a USI and we will help them with that in a timely manner.

Year 10 Work Experience

We anticipate offering a formal structured workplace learning opportunity for all Year 10s in the last week of Term. A few students already have work placements as part of their individual education plans. The key aims of work experience are to engage in the world of work and to give students an opportunity to consider future career options. There are a number of prerequisites students need to complete before entering this program.

P.A.R.T.Y. Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth

Year 10 students will attend the Bunbury SW Health Campus on 17 February to attend the P.A.R.T.Y. risk taking prevention seminar. Students will hear trauma prevention messages from Paramedics, Occupational Therapists, a Drug and Alcohol Counselor, Trauma Doctors as well as taking a tour of the Emergency Department. Parent/carer permission forms need to be returned as soon as possible.

P.A.R.T.Y. targets minimising the 38% of road trauma in Western Australia.

Thank you to Mrs Horton for organising this excursion.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sarah Bible – Manager Corporate Services

Welcome to 2017

If you qualify for the Secondary Assistant Scheme you need to come to the school with a current Centrelink Health Care Card/ Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card or Blue Veterans' Affair Pensioner Card before the end of Term 1 to complete an application form.

If you would like your clothing allowance to be directly deposited to your bank account you will need these details when completing the application.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 7th April 2017

HORTICULTURE CLASS

Rachel Seton

We are going to be growing vegetable and flower seedlings for sale at the Station Street Markets.

Our first stall will be on **Saturday March 18th**. We will also have succulents and other plants available for purchase.

Look forward to seeing you there.
Rachel Seton and the Horticulture students 2017.

MUSIC REPORT

Nick Vane

To all school band members, practice is on at 7:30am Thursday mornings this year. We would love to see lots of enthusiastic faces there!

Senior students please check the music room door for your instrumental music lesson times.

SCHOOL CANTEEN WORKER - GRADE 2 or 3 CASUAL 12hrs/Wk Wed-Fri

Donnybrook District High School Parents and Citizens Association operate a not for profit two-site canteen business that strives to provide and promote healthy food and drink choices at both the primary and senior campuses.

The Committee requires a reliable and enthusiastic Canteen Worker to work in coordination with a Grade 3 or 4 worker to assist in the planning, organising, control and delivery of the day to day operations of the canteen.

The successful applicant will be employed on a temporary basis up to and including the final day of Term 2 2017 with a possibility of extension.

The following essential criteria will form the basis of the selection process:

- C class drivers licence;
- a reliable vehicle;
- willing to consent to a Working with Children and Criminal Record Check;
- strong verbal communication skills;
- friendly and approachable;
- ability to work as a team, including with volunteers
- ability to follow policy and procedures

Preferably the applicant will also have experience in:

- the customer service and hospitality sectors
- operating a till
- preparation and service of food

Remuneration is in accordance with the Restaurant, Tearoom & Catering Workers Award, Level 2 or 3 (\$23.81 - \$24.45/hr) depending upon experience.

Applications including CV and two referees should be marked Private and Confidential and forwarded to:

P&C President
Donnybrook District High School P&C Association
P.O Box 152
Donnybrook 6239

By Email to:
Attn: President
donnybrookdhs.p.c@gmail.com

Job Description forms are available by email from the P&C Secretary, donnybrookdhs.p.c@gmail.com, or in person from the administration office at Donnybrook District High School, Bentley or Mead St Campus.

Applications close Thursday 23rd February 2017



Donnybrook District High School Parents & Citizens

Hello and welcome to a new year!

The P&C kicks off the year with its AGM to be held at **3:20pm, Monday 20th February in the Year 1/2 common room area.** ALL positions are declared vacant and everyone is encouraged to nominate for a position on the executive committee (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer or Executive committee member). A description of the roles and responsibilities for each position can be obtained by emailing donnybrookdhs.p.c@gmail.com. Nomination and membership forms are available at the front office or you can simply fill one out at the meeting.

We also have a casual position available at our canteen:

Grade 2/3 (\$23.81 - \$24.45/hr), 12hrs/Wk, Wed-Fri on a temporary basis up to and including the final day of Term 2, 2017 with a possibility of extension. Criteria and job description are available by email from the P&C Secretary, donnybrookdhs.p.c@gmail.com, or in person from the administration office at Donnybrook District High School, Bentley or Mead St Campus. Applications close Thursday 23 February 2017.

The 3 objectives of the P&C are to:

1. Generate cooperation between parents, teachers, students and community;
2. Assist with providing resources, facilities and amenities; and
3. Foster community interest in educational matters.

The P&C is responsible for the purchase and sale of school uniforms, the operation of the canteen and fundraising as well as representation on the School Board.

We are always looking for new members to contribute fresh ideas or volunteers that can spare an hour or two a term. Please consider volunteering your time to help our school; your presence, opinions, input, and support are very valuable.

Kind Regards

Katya Tripp
President

Junior Campus Faction Athletics Carnival

This year's Faction Athletics Carnival for the Primary students is to be held over two days during Week 7.

Tuesday, 14 March: Jumping and Throwing events - School

800m - VC Mitchell Park

Year	1	2	3	4	5	6
9:20 - 10:00	Long Jump	Vortex Throw	Long Jump		Vortex Throw	Shotput
10:00 - 10:40	Vortex Throw	Long Jump		Triple Jump	Shotput	Vortex Throw
10:40 - 11:00	Recess					
11:00 - 11:40			Vortex Throw	Vortex Throw	Long Jump	Triple Jump
11:40 - 12:20				Long Jump	High Jump	Long Jump
12:20 - 1:00	Lunch					
1:00 - 1:50				Shotput	Triple Jump	High Jump
1:55 - 2:10	Walk to VC Mitchell Park					
2:10 - 2:50				800m	800m	800m

Students will compete in Division A or B. This is determined through training sessions and distances achieved. All students will earn faction points, while only students in Division A will receive year level championship points. Based on trials, selected students will compete in high jump and 800m events.

Friday, 17 March: Running and Team games - VC Mitchell Park, 9:30 am start

All students will be in at least 1 running race and as many team games as possible. A program for these events will be distributed closer to the date.

Parent helpers are needed for judging and handing out of ribbons. If you can help then please contact the school on 9731 1557.



Tuning into Teens

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting A six session parenting program for parents of teens aged 10-16

Would you like to learn how to:

- Communicate with your teen more effectively?
- Be better at understanding your teen?
- Help your teen manage those difficult emotions?
- Help to prevent behaviour problems in you teen?
- Teach you teen how to make friends and deal with conflict?

Tuning into Teens shows you how to help your adolescent develop emotional intelligence.

Research has shown that adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:

- Have greater success with making and keeping friends
- Have better concentration at school
- Are more able to cope when upset or angry
- Have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- Have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults.

When

Wednesdays 5.30pm to 8.00pm
Commencing 1st March 2017
Six week course (must attend all sessions)

Where

headspace Bunbury
1/82 Blair Street, Bunbury

Contact

Marie on 9729 6800 or email
info@headspacebunbury.org.au



Emotional intelligence maybe a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health under the Youth Mental Health Initiative

2017 CALENDAR - TERM 1

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
3	13 Year 1 Parent Meetings 2.30pm	14 Year 3LP and Year 4JH Parent Meetings 3.10pm	15 NEWSLETTER Jnr Campus 3LP Assembly 9.00am <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	16 SRC Surf Excursion	17 Yr 10 P.A.R.T.Y Program	18	19
4	20 Primary Interschool Tennis Bunbury P&C AGM 3:15PM	21	22 <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	23 Year 4GE Parent Meeting 3:30-4:15pm School Board 4.30pm	24	25	26
5	27	28	1-Mar <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	2 Kindy 1 Parent Meeting 2:00-3.00pm	3 Kindy 2 Parent Meeting 2:00-3.00pm	4	5
6	6 Labour Day	7 Year 10 OLNA 7-24 March	8 NEWSLETTER Jnr Campus 5/6GL Assembly 9.00am Secondary Faction Swimming Carnival <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	9 Year 1 Excursion - Bunbury	10 Snr Campus Assembly 9.00am	11	12
7	13	14 Primary Faction Athletics Carnival	15 YEAR 8 VACCINATIONS <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	16	17 Primary Faction Athletics Carnival	18	19
8	22 P and C Meeting 3.15pm	21 Whole School Harmony Day Assembly, Junior Campus 9:00am	22 <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	23 Year 4DE Parent Meeting 3.10pm School Board 4.30pm	24	25	26
9	27 Secondary Faction Athletics Carnival	28	29 NEWSLETTER Jnr Campus 5/6TF Assembly 9.00am <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	30	31 Primary Dance Off	1	2
10	3 Yr 10 Work Experience	4 Primary Interschool Athletics Carnival	5 Yrs 7-10 Interim Reports & Parent Meetings <i>JC 2:35 Early Close SC 2:45 Early Close</i>	6 GOOD STANDING EXCURSION	7 Snr Campus Assembly 9:00am	8	9
H	10	11	12	13	14 Good Friday	15	16

Start and End of Term

Public Holidays

School Holidays (students)

School Development Days