

## Donnybrook District High School Newsletter

### Junior Campus

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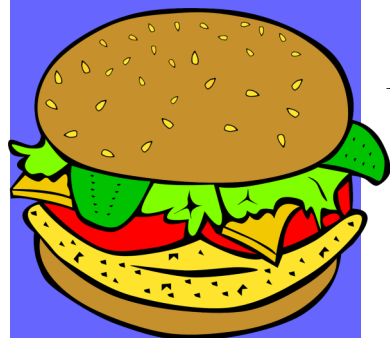
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**Bouncy Castles, Bungee Run, Dunking Machine  
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Drinks  
All available on the day for students**



Merry  
Christmas

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - James Milne

As the school year draws to a close, we are busy finalising arrangements for the Year 10 Graduation and Dinner, Year 6 Graduation Lunch and the Year 1-9 Presentation Assembly and Family Picnic. These events will be exciting conclusions to Term 4 and a wonderful way to end the school year on a positive note.



I look forward to seeing all parents and carers of our Graduating Year 10's on Monday 10 December, with the Graduation Ceremony set to commence at 5.00pm. Following this, the students will enjoy a wonderful dinner in Bunbury.

The Year 6 Graduating students will enjoy a lunch on Tuesday 11 December. This is being held at the Recreation Centre, commencing at 12.30pm. Our Year 6 students will receive their Graduation certificates at the Presentation Assembly in front of the Year 1-9 students.

I hope that the majority of families can be represented at the Presentation Assembly on Wednesday 12 December. This is being held at the Recreation Centre, commencing at 10.00am sharp. The School Concert Band and Junior Campus Choir will be entertaining everyone throughout the Presentation Assembly. A program for this event will be placed on Facebook your reference.

At the conclusion of the Presentation Assembly, all students will take part in a Family Picnic at the Junior Campus. The P and C are arranging for food and drinks to be made available to everyone throughout the afternoon. Brad Johnson from Donnybrook IGA is kindly supplying this for the school community, which is wonderfully generous. Once again there will be inflatables for all ages to entertain the students for the afternoon. Parents and carers of Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students are reminded that they are invited to attend the picnic with their child/ren. Many thanks to Melinda Ward for her tireless work in supporting the school to pull this together.

I sincerely hope the School Community has a wonderful holiday over December and January and you get the opportunity to take a well-earned break and catch up with family and friends. All staff will be back at work on Thursday 31 January. **Students are due back on Monday 4 February.**

### 2019 Structure and Programs

I am pleased to be able to provide the following information on our class structure, teaching appointments and programs for 2019. A number of changes are taking place which have been carefully thought through and are designed to support the direction of the school. I am genuinely excited about what lies ahead and look forward to supporting staff in the roles they have been assigned to.

#### Administration

Principal	Jamie Milne
Associate Principal (Secondary)	Renee Reid
Deputy Principals	Garry Davis and Oonagh Smith

#### Primary

Kindergarten	Sara Williams
Pre-Primary	Christina Jones (Mon-Wed) & Wendy Cain (Wed-Fri)
Pre-Primary	Heidi Walker (Mon-Thurs) & Julie Atherton (Fri)
Year 1	Julie Atherton (Mon-Wed) & Jodi Place (Thurs & Fri)
Year 1/2	Sara Davies
Year 2	Kate Suckling
Year 2/3	Leonie Pearce
Year 3	Jeanette Hutchison (Tues-Fri) & Mike Armstrong (Mon)
Year 4	Wendy Mountford
Year 4/5	Oonagh Smith (Mon-Wed) & Denise Gibbs (Thurs & Fri)
Year 5/6	Marg Howlett
Year 6	Tamara Feltham

Digital Technologies	Nigel Edwards
Performing Arts (Drama/Music)	Elke Edwards
Physical Education	Mike Armstrong
Language (Indonesian)	Iswari Rose
Science	Katrina Taaffe

## Secondary

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English	Dani Hewton ( <i>Samantha Wright Maternity Leave</i> )
Literacy Support	Jonelle McLoughlin
Mathematics	Andrew Fyfe & Nigel Edwards
Numeracy Support	Sandra Cheema ( <i>To Be Confirmed</i> )
Science	James Duncan
Humanities and Social Sciences	Neil Robertson & Sandi Cheema ( <i>To Be Confirmed</i> )

Health	Denise Duncan
Physical Education	Denise Duncan and additional Secondary Teachers
Arts	Susan McKee ( <i>Sue Jessop on Leave</i> )
Home Economics & Textiles	Leanne Robertson
Wood & Metal	Len Strother
Digital Technologies	Nigel Edwards and Neil Robertson
Agriculture	Andrew Fyfe & Jonelle McLoughlin
Library	Esme Kidd

Certificate 1 Business	Jonelle McLoughlin
Certificate 1 Hospitality	Leanne Robertson
Certificate 1 Engineering	Len Strother
Certificate 1 Sport and Recreation	Denise Duncan

Music	Phil Luke, Wendy Armstrong & Michelle Bracken-Perks
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*NB: Minor changes may occur in the event that personal circumstances with staff change over the holiday period.*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their ongoing support and commitment to the school and wish them the very best for the upcoming holiday period. A special thanks and farewell to Dave Hutchison who has been a brilliant teacher and member of our school community over a long period of time. He will be missed!

## Semester 2 Reports

Pre-Primary to Year 10 Semester 2 Reports will be emailed to parents and carers commencing Monday 10 December. As each year group is finalised, they will be emailed immediately, allowing parents the ability to read their child's report on their computer, tablet or phone and save an electronic copy for future reference. Parents and carers who still require a paper copy, may telephone the Junior or Senior Campus Front Office and request a copy of their child's report to be sent home. Parents who have not provided an email address will be provided with a paper copy on Thursday 13 December.

Please take the time to discuss the report with your child and if necessary arrange a time to discuss your child's progress with the teachers in Term 1 2019.

## ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - - Renee Reid

### Farewells

It is with great sadness that we farewell one of our favourite teachers this year; Mr Hutchison. Mr Hutchison is a softly spoken, humble and well-respected teacher, who has a really caring nature; which our kids love. He has been recently teaching Year 7 Maths and Digital Technologies but I believe he could teach anything that he turned his hand to. He has a great sense of humour and shares a laugh with our students and his Year 7 classroom is one of the most engaged classes I have seen. This year, he has also produced probably the best Gilliana that Donnybrook DHS has ever seen. I know that he has spent countless hours working on it (along with some of our 9/10 students). It looks amazing, so make sure you thank him when you see it! We wish you all the best in the future "Mr Hutch". We hope you enjoy your well-deserved rest.

We sadly farewell our lovely Miss Dal Busco. She is moving back to Perth to be closer to her family but she will be sorely missed, particularly by our Year 7 students. Thank you for your smiles every day, Miss Dal Busco, and for making Donnybrook DHS a happy place to be.



We also temporarily farewell our outstanding English teacher, Ms Wright. She has done a wonderful job this year supporting students and improving their literacy; it's great to have such a knowledgeable specialist on our team. Ms Wright is off to experience the joys of motherhood again! We wish you and your family all the best but we will miss you, so hurry back, Ms Wright!

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### What's new in 2019?

We have a new core class structure next year. We are hoping to provide more focus on literacy and numeracy in the lower years and a push to extend our ATAR-bound students in Year 9 and 10. The classes are below and then I have provided a little more information about each underneath. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about these but students will be given a letter home this week, if they have been selected for the program.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 7</li> <li>• Year 7/8 Literacy and Numeracy Support (small group size)</li> <li>• Year 8</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 9</li> <li>• Year 9/10 Extension (small group size)</li> <li>• Year 10</li> </ul>
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### Lit and Numeracy Focus class – Years 7 and 8

In 2019, we will have a very small focus class who will have extra English and Maths classes to try to get them back up to their current year level. They will focus on improving functional literacy and numeracy skills and the other elements of the curriculum will be woven through.

### 9/10 extension class

Selected Year 9 and students will be part of an extension class for core subjects. They will have the opportunity to study with other high achieving students and follow a curriculum designed specifically for their needs. They will enjoy a rich learning environment that is challenging and stimulating. This class will be for students who are intending to go on and study ATAR subjects in Year 11 and 12.

### Form

We are reintroducing Form class in 2019. We think it's really important to provide a teacher, at the start of the day, who students can seek out for pastoral care and support. Form teachers will also contact home about attendance and uniform. They will discuss behavioural expectations with students in this time also. Forms will have students from Years 7-10 and, where possible, will each have an SRC member in them to provide leadership and support for students. Form teachers will provide activities, hand out consent forms and excursion information and explicitly teach our Positive Behaviour Matrix – WE CARE- to all students. If parents are unsure about who to contact at school to discuss any concerns they may have, their child's Form teacher would be a good place to start.

### Reminder

We believe that our school is the heart of community but, unfortunately, we have had some damage to property and reports of anti-social behaviour on school grounds on weekends. Please remind students that if they are seen here on weekends when damage occurs, they may be assumed to be part of the problem. We have asked police to patrol the school on weekends and now we ask you, as parents, to discourage students from being here after hours. Thanks for your support in this.

I hope all staff and students have a wonderful break and keep safe over the holidays. See you in 2019!

## Congratulations

### Semester 1 2019 Junior Campus Student Leaders



Zac Farley  
Matilda Kraut  
Jazmine Ratcliffe  
Annabelle Behan  
Imogen Smith  
Tara Gidgup

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - Garry Davis



The final newsletter arrives all too quickly. In summing up the year I have had the privilege of reading all of the Junior Campus reports. This has shown me just how solidly the majority of our students have progressed over the year.

The Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students have all progressed so well whether at the Kindergarten or in the Pre-Primary cluster. Every visit sees all students busy at their tables from the first entry into the classroom surrounded by parents and carers. The outstanding level of literacy and numeracy is there for all to see. As well, the common message is that all students have adapted very well and mix so positively with each other. For those going on to Pre-Primary and Year 1 we know they will all perform well and with confidence and skills they have all gained this year.

The Year 1HW class was privileged to see the Qube Truck Safety visit on Monday 26 November. The students were given extremely valuable safety messages about the larger trucks travelling through our town. We would like to sincerely thank Qube, who transport the Talison Lithium Greenbushes product, for organising another visit to ensure the better safety of our students in Donnybrook.

The Indonesian classes this year have been a solid success. Students have loved learning Indonesian and are becoming very fluent speakers. The highlight of the year was the Indonesian Restaurant day held on Wednesday 28 November. With the valued assistance of parent helpers the Restaurant day was a strong way to celebrate the Indonesian culture. Congratulations to Mrs Rose on her highly professional introduction to Indonesian in 2018.

The Year 5/6 students had the pleasure of an incursion from Dylan Parker who workshoped children on the skills of creating paper planes.

Dylan was the inspiration behind the movie *Paper Planes*. The students workshoped the science of making paper planes and challenged each other to fly their paper planes as far as they could. As we have seen from Matilda Kraut's Australian winning flight this is an area of design where anyone can take on the world!

The Year 9 and Year 10 students have been given a challenging task of being the \$20.00 Boss in Mr Robertson's HaSS class. They had a start-up capital of \$20.00 and had to create a business plan to ensure they had made the correct decisions in terms of finance, time, as well as the valued advertising campaign which would drive the project. I saw the passion the students had through the pancake morning last Friday which went off extremely well with many customers at the Senior Campus. Then on Tuesday November 27 the Popcorn with a Passion arrived at the Junior Campus. The team had a huge number of Primary customers and were able to handle the stresses of being their own boss very well. This excellent endeavour certainly gave all students a taste of how to succeed in business.

I would like to thank all students, parents and carers who have assisted me in my role this year.

The students on both sites have all been amazing to work with. As well, the parent and carer support behind the scenes to ensure the best outcomes for each child has been very much appreciated. Lastly, a strong thank you to all staff on both sites who have made 2018 very enjoyable from my point of view.

## Junior Campus News



### A NEW USE FOR YOUR OLD PENCILS

**PENCILS COMMUNITY** is a registered Australian Charity and social enterprise that takes your new, used and discarded pencils, re-bundles them and gives them to children in need in Australia and around the globe. Our ethos is to help children colour their world. We support Education, Sustainability and Humanitarian issues. We especially love collaborating with other small charities working at the grass-roots levels to make even greater change. If you'd like to donate pencils please send them to Mrs Hutchison's class. Visit the Pencils Community website for more information. <https://www.pencilscommunity.com/>





## Junior Campus News

To the students, staff, family and community members of Donnybrook District High School, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for having me this year. I have been overwhelmed by the amount of support, generosity and kindness that the school and community have shown, making me feel very welcomed and privileged to be teaching here in 2018. Although it was an extremely hard decision, I have chosen to follow my secondary teaching pathway and have accepted a full-time Health and Physical Education teaching job in Perth at an Education Support School.

I would like to extend my thank you particularly to the students of DDHS. I have learnt so much from each of you and more importantly have had so much fun being your Physical Education Teacher. These are memories that I will carry with me for my whole career and more!

I will miss everyone greatly but I am sure I will see you all again soon.

"Hakuna Matata!" (Many students know this is my favourite saying)

THANK YOU!  
Miss Heard



### Junior Campus School Concert

On Thursday 29 November, the Donnybrook District High School Concert Band performed a concert for the primary school. The new members from Year 5 joined the band for the event and did a wonderful job. As well as listening to the enchanting sounds of the ensemble, the Year 3 class participated in the "Limbo Challenge" and the Kindy to Year 2 students partook of a "Dance Off" to the music



of Surfing' USA. Much to the delight of the students, Mr Armstrong took control of the Baton for the piece, "Bunyip Blues" with some very unforgettable results. Following the performance, all students were treated to a Pizza lunch in the high school music room, thanks to the work of the Music Parent Committee.

Mr Luke

### I.G.A. Visit

The Year 4's from Mrs Hutch's room visited I.G.A. This visit incorporated our focus on decimals, using money to 'buy' groceries by making up a menu. Also on sustainability where we looked at what groceries were

available to buy that didn't come in plastic. We were lucky enough to have a tour of I.G.A to see the butchers, cool room, storage facilities and how they are using sustainable practices with their waste. Thank you also for the polony and toffees.

Thank you, to Daniel Wiseman and his staff for their helpfulness and allowing us to visit. We learnt a **lot!**





## Senior Campus News

### 2018 EV Challenge

On Saturday the 28 October, two teams of students from Donnybrook District High School, accompanied by their Design & Technology Teacher - Len Strother, ventured to Perth to compete in the WA Electric Vehicle Challenge. The students are all part of the schools Engineering program which incorporates the EV Challenge in their course work.

Donnybrook Bravos was a steady performer, running smoothly throughout the race and finished in 4th place. The Bravos team members were Callum Gray, Shaun Butterly, Jakob Fawcett, Orion Forsyth and Jake Thompson.

The Green Machine ran beautifully and was up with the leaders for most of the race, the car was coming home strongly but with five minutes to go, had a battery failure and stopped dead on the track. The car dropped back and finished in an unlucky 6th place.

The Green Machine team members were Mac Fleay, Cosi Dimasi, Jase Sayers & Tyler Lange. Green Machine also won an Engineering award for Design Excellence.

A great day was enjoyed by all.

Special thanks go to Jodie & Mark Longbottom, Joanne Fawcett and Patrick Butterly who transported our cars and supported us on the day. Mr Strother



### Agri-foods Certificate.

As this Certificate course comes to an end for 2018, it is important to acknowledge the hard work of the students, and to congratulate them for participating in the diverse range of experiences and work that goes into completing these courses. Well done.

Mr Turnbull





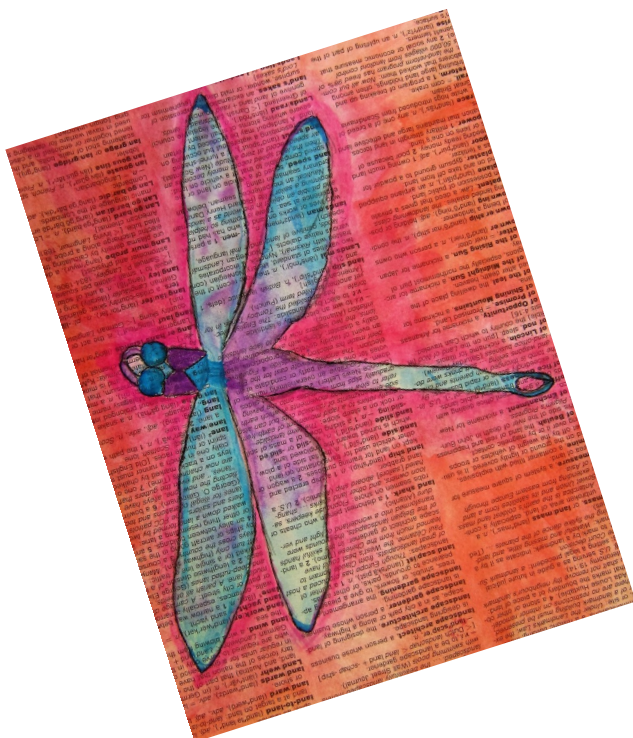
# ART



Photos:

Some of the fabulously creative colour wheel guitars by the Year 6 students. Great job Romana, Sally, Joely and Laynii.

Lovely insect art by the Year 8's who were experimenting using different media including water paint and pastels. Well done Kyle, Brianna, Faith, Elysia and Emma.





## General News

### DDHS P&C News

What an amazing year it has been for everyone at Donnybrook DHS! On behalf of the P&C we would like to thank all the amazing volunteers that have helped throughout the year with raffles, cake stalls, the colour fun run and much more. We would also like to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated their time, fruit or food to our lovely canteen, we truly appreciate all your help through the year.

**The DDHS P&C Association with the help of parents, carers and the school have raised an outstanding \$18,000 over the last 18 months and put this back into the school in the following areas:**

- \* Reading Eggs Subscription 2017/2018
- \* Loose Parts Storage
- \* Junior Campus Sound System (50% of total costs)
- \* School Hats for every Kindy Student 2017/2018
- \* Harmony Day Contributions
- \* Graphic Novels
- \* Year 6 Graduation Lunch Contribution
- \* Education Perfect Subscription
- \* Walk to School Breakfast 2017/2018
- \* ECE Paper Cutters
- \* Family Picnic Day Entertainment
- \* Interschool Sports Shirts
- \* Senior Campus Art Project
- \* Year 6 Astronomy Night
- \* Assembly Area Mural

**If you would like to have your say about what we spend next years fundraising dollars on we are always looking for new members!** Each of our meetings are open to all parents, carers and citizens with everyone welcome to have their say however if you would like to have voting privileges all you need to pay is the very low membership fee of \$1. We would love to see you at our next meeting on Monday, 18 February 2019 at 3:15pm in the Year 1 & 2 Block!

**The P&C Association would like to make 2019 our best year yet and to do that we need you!**

At our AGM in March, all executive positions will be deemed open and we are currently looking for some amazing Mums, Dads & Carers to volunteer their time to help us achieve our goal. We are a firm believer of

"Many hands make light work" so please consider lending your hand!

### Positions that need filling in 2019

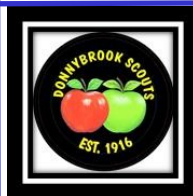
President  
Vice President  
Treasurer  
Fundraising Co-ordinator  
Canteen Co-ordinator  
School Board Rep  
Committee Members

If you are interested or even if you and a friend would like to share one of these roles please contact Katya on 0439 923 214 or Jess via

[donnybrookp.c@gmail.com](mailto:donnybrookp.c@gmail.com) for more information.

Thank you!

**Thank you again to everyone who has helped through the year, on behalf of the DDHS P&C Association we would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!**



### New Leaders for Scout Section - means a call out for new members

Donnybrook Scout section have been able to secure 2 new leaders for the section. Both Paul and Christine Hillis have agreed to become Scout Leaders and will begin their training next year. Both Paul and Christine have been involved with the group for several years and will bring a new and fresh approach to the Scout section.

For the group this means we can continue to operate the Scout section for youth aged between 11 to 14. So we are recruiting new members for the Scout section. The section is open to boys and girls who will turn 11 before the term commences in Feb next year. Scouts offer a chance to be adventurous in the great outdoors, learn life skills become an active member of the community and create friendships that are long lasting. Regrettably we have been unsuccessful so far in securing a Cub Leader to run the Cub pack for youth aged from 8 years. But we are still remaining hopeful that we will get someone in the New Year.

Any enquiries can be directed to Debbie Bourke on 97312152 or by email to [gl.donnybrook@scoutswa.com.au](mailto:gl.donnybrook@scoutswa.com.au)

### Convenient Payment Options Available

**Cheques & Money Orders:** Posted to 58 Mead St, Donnybrook WA 6239

**Electronic Transfer:** BSB: 633 000      Account: 121097182      Bank: Bendigo Bank  
**Please use student name as reference**

#### **Credit/Debit Card:**

Credit/Debit card payments can be made in person at the Senior or Junior Campuses between 8am - 4pm Monday to Friday

#### **EFTPOS:**

Payments can be made in person at the Senior or Junior Campuses between 8am - 4pm Monday to Friday

**Personal Payment Plan:** Please contact the Manager Corporate Services on (08) 9732 4400 or email [sarah.bible@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:sarah.bible@education.wa.edu.au)

## Term Calendar - Term 4 2018

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
<b>9</b>	3 Dec	4	5 <b>EARLY CLOSE</b> Newsletter Year 6 Assembly 9.00am PP1, KP2 and K3 Parent Afternoon Tea 1.00-2.30pm	6 Xtreme Bounce Primary Sport  Parent Morning Tea 10:30am	7 Proposed Yr10 Adventure World Excursion K1 Presentations from 2:00pm  Junior Cluster Art Exhibition 5.30pm	8	9
<b>10</b>	10 Dec Yr 10 Graduation & Graduation Dinner 5.00pm Yr 5/6 Escape The Cape Excursion Reports Sent Home	11 Yr 6 Graduation Lunch 12.30pm	12 Presentation Assembly Yr 1-9 10.00am Family Picnic 12 – 2.30pm <b>EARLY CLOSE</b>	13 Students last day	14 Teachers last day  School Development Day	15	16
<b>H</b>	17 Dec	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>H</b>	24 Dec	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30

## Term Calendar - Term 1 2019

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
<b>1</b>	4 Feb Students resume	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>2</b>	11 Feb	12	13	14	15	16	17
<b>3</b>	18 Feb	19	20	21	22	23	24

Start and End of Term

Public Holidays

School Holidays (students)

School Development Days

### Dental Van Update

Please be advised the Dental Van currently located at Donnybrook Primary school,  
**Will be closed from:**

**3:15pm Tuesday 18 December 2018 to  
8:45am Monday the 4 February 2019.**

For any emergencies:

**18 December - 24 December** please call:

South Bunbury Dental therapy centre 9721 1497 (Monday to Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm)

**24 December to 3 January** please contact your

local Private Dentist/ if you have a valid Centrelink Concession card 1800 098 818

**3 January until 25 January** please call Dental health services 9313 0555 for emergency clinic

Information Monday to Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm,

after hours emergency:

local private Dentist/ if you have a valid Centrelink Concession card 1800 098 818

Closed Australia day **28 January** Emergency:

Local Private Dentist

**29 January until 1 February** emergency South Bunbury Dental therapy centre:

9721 1497 Monday to Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very merry Christmas

Bridgetown Dental Van

Kind Regards,

**Bridgetown Mobile DTC**

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