

Donnybrook District High School Newsletter

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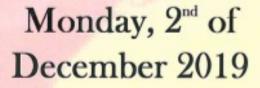
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Music At Donnybrook Art Spectacular

Presenting-



Concert 5.15 – 7.00 pm Food and Drink Available BBQ 5.00pm – 7.00pm Major Kitchen Raffle Prizes Gold Coin Donation Entry Concert Interval for Refreshments

Art Show 3.00 - 7.00

Open Daily 9.00 - 3.00 until

6th December

All Happening at Donnybrook District High School

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - James Milne

2020 Structure and Programs

I am pleased to be able to provide the following information on our Kindergarten to Year 10 class structure, teaching appointments and programs for 2020. A number of changes are taking place which have been carefully thought through and are designed to support the academic, behavioural and social and emotional needs of our students. As always you are most welcome to meet with Renee or I to discuss these further.



Administration

Principal Associate Principal Deputy Principals

Jamie Milne **Renee Reid** Lauren Jones and Amanda Biddlestone

Primary

Kindergarten 1	Sara Williams
Kindergarten 2	Wendy Cain
Pre-Primary	Heidi Walker & Christina Jones (Wed)
Year 1	Jodi Place
Year 1	Julie Atherton (Mon-Wed) & Christina Jones (Thurs & Fri)
Year 2	Michelle Fernley (Mon-Wed) & Mandy Thompson (Thurs & Fri)
Year 2	Kate Suckling (Mon-Thurs) & Sue Turnbull (Fri)
Year 3	Sara Davies
Year 3	Appointment to Be Confirmed(Tues-Fri) & Mike Armstrong (Mon)
Year 4/5	Wendy Mountford
Year 4/5	Oonagh Smith
Year 5	Marg Howlett
Year 6	Tamara Feltham & Leonie Pearce (Extension Mon, Wed and Fri)

Digital Technologies Performing Arts Physical Education Languages (Indonesian) Science

Nigel Edwards Elke Edwards Mike Armstrong

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Katrina Taaffe At the Junior Campus, we have enrolled a large number of Kindergarten students, meaning we will be commencing the year with two classes at or near capacity. Following the independent audit of our Kindergarten Program that put it within the Top 5 in Western Australia, we know this cohort of students will be given an exemplary start to their schooling.

We have been able to add an additional class into the Year 1-6 structure, which will support our ability to target the progress of each student in Literacy and Numeracy. Our whole school programs and assessment practices are currently being reviewed and evaluated and where necessary, modified to ensure we are using evidence based 'Best Practice' in all classes every day.

Our Year 6 students will benefit immensely from the placement of two teachers to this cohort for three days a week. Remediation and Extension in Literacy, Numeracy and Science, will be a priority to further prepare these students for the rigours and expectations of Secondary schooling.

The Specialist Programs remain the same, however these teachers will be required to support aspects of our whole school Literacy and Numeracy plans.

Secondary

English	Samantha Wright
Literacy/Numeracy Support	Jonelle McLoughlin & <i>Appointment to Be Confirmed</i>
Mathematics	Roscoe Carsten & Nigel Edwards
Science	James Duncan
Humanities and Social Sciences	s Neil Robertson
Health	Denise Duncan
Physical Education	Denise Duncan and additional Secondary Teachers
Arts	Leanne Robertson
Home Economics & Textiles	Leanne Robertson & <i>Appointment to Be Confirmed</i>
Wood & Metal	Len Strother
Digital Technologies and STEM	Nigel Edwards and Kim Shepherd
Library	Kim Shepherd
Certificate 1 Business	Amanda Biddlestone
Certificate 1 Hospitality	Leanne Robertson
Certificate 1 Sport and Recreati	on Denise Duncan
STEM & Electric Vehicle	Len Strother

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Phil Luke & Nick Vane

PRINCIPALS REPORT continued

At the Senior Campus, we will again be running the Literacy and Numeracy Support class for our 7/8s and starting to use even more integrated cross-curricular programs. Literacy and Numeracy will be taught within areas such as *The Arts* and *Design and Technology*. Concepts such as calculating and estimating, multiplication, fractions, along with reading comprehension and writing for different audiences, are all taught through hands on, practical activities.

We also plan to roll out some concepts from the Creative Schools program run in 2019 into other subject areas and year groups. HASS will be a further focus for 2020.

Our involvement with STEM activities and curriculum will be innovative in 2020. Year 7s and 8s will get to experience tailor made electives focused around critical thinking. Our two-year Engineering Certificate will no longer run, but instead will be replaced by a one-year STEM Engineering course which not only incorporates the EV challenge but looks to integrate core subjects with technological development, and also ensure problem solving, creativity and critical analysis are at the core.

NB: Minor changes may occur in the event that personal circumstances with staff change over the holiday period.

PRIMARY DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - Lauren Jones

PBS

As we move into the final four weeks of the year it is important that students are demonstrating our Term 4 PBS focuses of keeping ourselves and others safe, and follow the school dress code. As the weather warms up it is important that all students are wearing their hats while in the playground at all times. If your child does not have a hat, the uniform shop is open on Thursday afternoons at the junior campus.

Reports

The teachers are busy assessing the student's understanding of the concepts taught this year. At this busy time of year, it is important that students are attending school regularly. Please ensure that your child is coming to school after a good night sleep and with enough food to sustain them for the day. It is also important that students are completing all work to the best of their ability. Teachers may be requesting a meeting with you to discuss the progress of your child.

Attendance

This is the time of year everyone is getting a little tired and run down. Due to this, students are prone to illness. Please make sure you are keeping in regular contact with the classroom teachers.

Transition for 2020

Students will be participating in transition activities throughout the remainder of the term. This applies to our Kindy, Pre Primary and Year 6 students as they move into a different area of the school. If you have any concerns regarding your child and their transition for 2020 please make an appointment to see either myself, Jamie or Renee.

ONLY TWO POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR 2020 - ENROL NOW!

Donnybrook District High School, like all Public Schools, is now taking Kindergarten enrolments for 2020. Enrolments are for children turning

four by 30 June 2020. Places are limited and therefore parents and carers are urged to enrol their child/ren ASAP to secure a placement for next year.

An Application of Enrolment can be collected from either the Junior or Senior Campuses, or alternatively can be mailed home by phoning the school on 9732 4400.





SENIOR CAMPUS ADMINISTRATION TEAM REPORT ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL - Renee Reid DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - Amanda Biddlestone RELIEF DEPUTY PRINCIPAL - Jonelle McLoughlin



We are now heading into the busiest time of year, but we do ask students to keep working hard and learning new things. Teachers are currently busy marking final assessments. We contacted parents earlier this term to let them know about the students we had concerns about. Students still have the time and opportunity to improve these results with a focused approach.

We have an exciting few weeks ahead with the Senior Campus Assembly, MAD As showcase, Year 10 celebrations and end-of-year presentations.

Creative Schools

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MAD-AS

Sounds at Sunset has been re-named MAD-AS, due to the change of time and the inclusion of the showcasing of not only music, but also other projects produced in Art and Design and Technology over the course of the year. We invite all parents and caregivers to come and see the work produced by our talented students. Viewing starts from 4pm Monday 2nd December.

Breakfast Club

We are lucky enough to have the Bunbury Food Bank providing delicious food for our students at the Senior Campus to have for breakfast every morning from 8am. It is a chance for students to come along and have something to eat and have a chat with other students, community volunteers and library staff. A big thank you to Mrs Kim Shepherd for getting this amazing program up and running and supporting the students at Donnybrook DHS. Thank you to the volunteers from the community and the library staff for also helping out in the mornings and supporting the program. This is a really good example of the broader school community working together to ensure our students have the best opportunity to learn.

Iluka Visions 2019 Art Exhibition

Showcasing the creativity of South West High School Students, the Bunbury Regional Art Gallery (BRAG) held its annual art exhibition, highlighting the quality and imagination of students. Our students entered some amazing pieces, thank you to Art teacher Sue McKee for her tireless work with the students preparing and entering these masterpieces!

SENIOR CAMPUS ADMINISTRATION TEAM REPORT continued

Mobile Phone Policy

Last month the State Government announced the new mobile policy for public schools, requiring all public schools to implement a ban on the use of mobile phones for all students from the time they arrive at school to the end of the school day, with exception for medical requirements or teacher direction. We will be working on getting our students in to this new habit with Phone Free Fridays Week 8-10. We are looking to encourage the kids to make social connections without a mobile device.

Year 10 Graduation and Adventure World Excursion

A reminder to our Year 10 students to get their notes back to the office, indicating whether they will be joining in on the end of year activities organised, and a timely reminder that they need to be on Good Standing to attend. This means regularly attending school, being in uniform, following teacher instructions and being engaged.

OLNA

Year 9 Parents - Coming home this week with your students is an informational letter in regards to the OLNA testing for 2020. It explains what OLNA is, and why students will be sitting it. Additional information about when the OLNA tests will be completed will come out next year and more can be found on the website http://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/assessment/olna.

Dr YES

Today our Senior Campus will have a visit from Dr YES (Youth Education Sessions). This is a program run by the Australian Medical Association (WA) where medical students deliver harm minimisation sessions to high school students in metropolitan and rural schools. The Dr YES volunteers have open and engaging communications with High School students about the big issues young people face.

Year 6 Transition Day

We welcomed our Year 6 students down from the Junior Campus today, to have a their first day being a High School student! The students will attend information sessions and then join the teachers in classes for the day, visiting each different learning area.



Assembly

The final in-school assembly will be held at the Senior Campus Friday 29th November at 9am. This will be an opportunity to see our SRC work together for the last time this year helping us to celebrate the amazing achievements of our students and school community. Please come along and enjoy a Christmas-themed celebration.

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





Junior Campus News

On Friday 15 November, eight students from 4WM represented Donnybrook District High School at the Western Power Circuit Breaker Science Fair at Scitech in Perth. This was the culmination of an eight week program in which all 4WM students engaged in coding using Micro:bits which Mrs Taaffe was successful in aquiring through a grant from Western Power. A big thank you to Mrs Taaffe for giving up her time every Friday to help the students design and create Micr:brook, a renewable energy powered network of the future.



Junior Campus News

Beeswax Wraps

Last week the Year 3 and Year 6 classes made their very own beeswax wraps. These reusable beeswax wraps are an excellent alternative to plastic cling wrap and zip lock bags. You can wrap up cut up fruit and veggies, sandwiches and rolls, and cover plates and bowls. We would like to thank our helpers Mrs Aldridge, Mrs Davy, Mrs Willis and Mr Swiggs. We were also very fortunate to have fabric donated by Mrs Davis, Mrs Simmonds, Ms Verheyen, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Jacobs and Mrs Watson. We're sure these wraps will be used for many years to come and save plastic going into landfill.







Villers-Bretonneux Visit

Geoff Box and Julie King visited Mrs Hutchison's class last Friday to talk about their visit to Victoria School in Villers-Bretonneux. They very kindly delivered a book to the school that we had signed to be placed in their school library. Julie and Geoff bought a book back called Two Pennies which tells the story of the fundraising effort from an Australian viewpoint. The students at the school enjoyed receiving the letters we sent and chatting to Geoff and Julie about Australia. We hope to continue this link between our two schools. Thank you to Geoff and Julie for sharing their experiences with us.







Library News

2019 is fast drawing to a close, and it's been another wonderful one in our library...

This year was the year the collection at both campuses had a very welcome top up of new books, Graphic Novels in particular have proven very popular across both sites, so part of our focus was satisfying demand in that area. Senior Campus students were catered for with a range of content appropriate books, while the Junior Campus enjoyed the selection added to the collection. Quite a few reluctant readers across both sites have been persuaded to pick up a book and enjoy getting lost in another world for a few hours.

The big news for Term 4 is of course, our much loved annual Book Week Dress Up day! This year the big day will be held on Friday the 29th to enable the Kindergarten children to participate. I can't wait to see the little ones dressed up!

Our Book Fair is running that same week, just to add another level of fabulous to an already busy week. The fair will run at the following times:

Monday 25th: 8am to 8.30am 10.30am to 10.50am 12.30pm to 1.10pm 3.10pm to 3.45pm

Tuesday 26th : as above

Wednesday 27th: as above (Wednesday early close Fair will be open until 3.45pm as normal)

Thursday 28th: as per Monday, with the exception Fair will close at 1.10pm.

Some students are getting into the swing early!

Week 8 is the last week for borrowing at the Junior Campus, that gives all students a chance to return everything before the end of term – if by chance your childs items don't find their way back to the library, you are very welcome to return them to the Senior Campus library at any time over the holidays.

Mrs Kay



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P&C Newsletter - November 2019

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Welcome

Welcome to our second newsletter for Term 4. We have had a very busy start to the term with preparations for the Colour Family Fun Day which was held on Saturday 9th November. Congratulations to our Fundraising Coordinator Kiri Errey who organised such a fabulous event. Thank you to our P&C Members and the School/Donnybrook community for helping to make this event such a success. This newsletter is dedicated to everyone who volunteered their time to help out, either prior to the event or on the day!

Canteen News

We hope everyone has been enjoying the new spring/summer menu. If you have any feedback about the menu, please contact Marcia & Lisa.





Uniform News "# # K You can now order optional hair accessories in school uniform colours and faction coloured accessories for sports day with 20-25% of sales coming back to

Mark your diaries the Uniform Shop will be open on Thursday 30th January from 10am to 2pm at the Senior Campus (Library Meeting Room). Senior & Junior Campus Uniforms will be available. If you cannot make this time, please contact Belinda to make alternative arrangements.



P&C Committee

Have you been considering joining the committee? We need you! Some of our volunteers are unable to re-nominate for their positions next year, so now is the perfect time to consider joining the committee and having your say on the direction of the P&C in 2020.

Your support is vital to ensure the ongoing success of the P&C.

All positions are declared vacant at the AGM, and nominations are welcome for any position. The current known vacancies are:

- President
- Vice President
- Footy Tipping Co-ordinator
- General Committee Members

Please consider volunteering your time to support the re-nominating committee members to continue their valuable work for our school.

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Fundraising Events

Following months of planning by our Fundraising Coordinator Kiri Errey, and her willing assistant Morgan Bugg, our Colour Family Fun Day was held on Saturday 9th November. Volunteers worked on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning to create a wonderful setting for the day.

The day began with market stalls, carnivals games and face painting followed by the colour run which was enjoyed as much by the 'big' kids as it was by the little ones. It was clear from the huge smiles on everyone's faces that a fabulous time was had by all, which is a credit to Kiri & all those who helped to make this day such a success!

We would like to thank the following volunteers for giving up their time to help with the event:

Kiri, Nat, Payton & Piper Errey, Jimmy, Morgan, Scarlett & Clara Bugg, Don McNab, Katie Ridden, Ian Clarke, Melinda Ward, Flerida Gorman, Tanya Fyfe, Belinda King, Jeanette Hutchison, Belinda Watson, Iswari, Isaac & Logan Rose, Jan Clarke, Gwendoline Nidd, Raelene Reid, Sam & Chloe Rich, Catherine Simmonds, Fiona Jarvis, Marg Howlett, Lauren Robinson, Katrina Taafe, Michelle Fernley, Heidi Walker (who was also best dressed on the day!), Lisa Read, Penny Priest, Kellie Tucker, Brenda Hogarth, Jodi Thomas, Miranda & Seb Harrison, Mark Smith, Paula du Plessis plus any other parents/carers/community members manning colour and water stations. [Our sincere apologies if we missed anyone, thank you to you all.]

A special thank you to the emergency service volunteers from Donnybrook St John Ambulance, Donnybrook Police, and Lowden & Argyle Bush Fire Brigades for providing the fire trucks and for joining in the fun by manning the colour/water stations.Our final profit figure for the day was \$2259! Thank you to everyone for your support and contributions.

Event Sponsors

A huge thank you to the following sponsors & supporters our event:



	Term Calendar - Term 4 2019									
Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun			
6	18 Nov	19 Positive Parenting Seminar 9:30am – 11:30am 2020 Kindy 1 Orienta- tion Day 10.30am	20 Junior Campus Assembly 9.00am –1/2SD EARLY CLOSE	21 Year 6 Transition Day Dr Yes - Years 7-10 1:30pm 2020 Kindy 2 Orienta- tion Day 10.30am	22 Primary Basketball Carnival	23	24			
7	25 Nov Book Week	26	27 EARLY CLOSE	28 Board Meeting 4:30pm	29 Senior Campus Assembly 9:00am Book Week Dress Up Day	30	1 Dec			
8	2 Dec MAD AS 5.30 – 7pm	3	4 EARLY CLOSE	5 Music BBQ Breakfast/ Senior Campus	6 Primary Parent Volunteer Morning Tea	7	8			
9	9 Dec	10	11 Pre-Primary Parent Afternoon Tea 1.00 - 2.30pm	12 Newsletter	13 Kindy Christmas Slideshow/ Songs 2.00pm	14	15			
1 0	16 Dec Adventure World Yr 10 Year 6 Graduation Lunch 12.00pm	17	18 Year 1-10 Presentation Assembly 10.00am Family Picnic Year 10 Graduation 5.00pm EARLY CLOSE	19 Students last day	20 Teachers last day School Development Day	21	22			
Η	23 Dec	24	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29			
Η	30 Dec	31	1 Jan 2020 New Year's Day	2	3	4	5			

