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# DONNYBROOK DHS

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We CARE

## The Spring Beautiful Restaurant

On Wednesday the 9th of September, the Pre-Primary students attended the annual Restaurant Night held in the Pre-Primary classrooms.

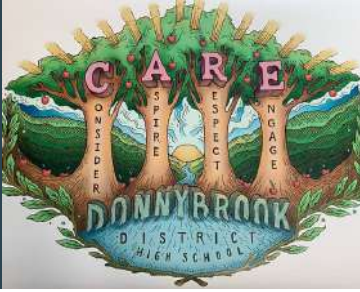
The night was enchanting, with the children returning to school in the evening wearing their very best clothing and being waited upon by their teachers, education assistants and junior wait staff (children of the teachers and EAs). This year the children named the restaurant, 'The Spring Beautiful Restaurant' and the celebration of Spring, colour and beauty were reflected in the venue's embellishments and atmosphere.

There was an abundance of excitement on arrival and this carried on throughout the night. The children enjoyed a three course meal of healthy snacks as entrée, a choice of mains (homemade pizza, lasagne or fried rice) and ice-cream surprise for dessert.

The restaurant transformed into a disco that had everyone up and dancing. The children came with their best manners, a smile, good appetites and an abundance of energy.

A good time was had by all.





# PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## James Milne



As we begin to wind down for a well-earned two week break and reflect on Term 3, I am confident that we have continued to pay close attention to our new Business Plan 'Your Child; Our Focus' and are implementing key strategies associated around the 5 priorities.

Our priorities are as follows:

- High Performance in Literacy and Numeracy
- Targeted intervention to support all students
- Strong staff performance and development
- Supportive and inclusive environment in which students thrive
- One school working in partnership with its community

The 2020-2022 Business Plan includes both academic and non-academic milestones that the school is seeking to achieve throughout the 3 years. These milestones and our progress in relation to them are continually assessed, with regular feedback shared with the School Board each semester.

Earlier this year we were preparing for our School Review that occurs every 3 years.

This was put on hold due to Covid-19, however we are anticipating this may now occur towards the end of Term 4. School Reviews are designed to support a school's self-assessment processes, with an external team validating the judgements you make in relation to strengths and areas of need. Importantly, they provide reassurance to a school community that their school is meeting the expectations placed upon it.

I have always looked forward to a School Review as it provides an opportunity to celebrate a school's achievements as well as re-set and re-focus on identified areas.

Thank you to the teachers, education assistants and support staff for their honest commitment to the education of the students of Donnybrook District High School throughout Term 3. Collectively they continue to make a difference and have a big impact around our school priorities.

Parents and carers are reminded that Term 4 commences on Tuesday 13 October. There is a School Development Day at the beginning of the term. We are instead having a School Development Day (Pupil Free Day) on Monday 12 October.

### **Cyber Safety**

Parents and carers are encouraged to be vigilant in monitoring their child's use of social media platforms such as Facebook, Tik Tok, Instagram and Snapchat.

Importantly all parents and carers should;

- Engage in their child's online activities – ask what apps, sites and games they're using and make sure they're age appropriate.
- Use parental controls on devices to help limit what your child is exposed to.
- Help them report and block upsetting content they see on social media sites or apps.
- Let them know they can come to you about anything upsetting they see online.

Additional information and support around this can be found within the eSafety Commissioner's website. The attached link will take you directly to this resource.

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

### 2021 Structure and Programs

Planning for 2021 is continuing, with the school's Business Plan influencing our thinking. The Leadership team will look to implement a Primary and Secondary structure and introduce programs that support the school to address our 5 priority areas. As expected, the students will be at the forefront of our decision making. Parents and carers are most welcome to meet with Renee or I to discuss plans for 2021.

### Focus:

'We celebrate success with the community'

### JUNIOR CAMPUS

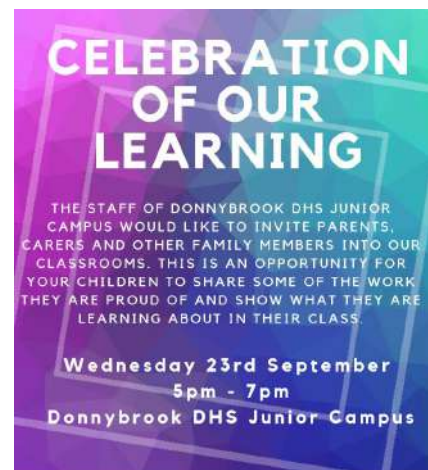
Lauren Jones  
Deputy Principal



It has been a busy 3 weeks at the Junior Campus with students all engaged in their learning programs. Mrs Smith's Year 4/5 class have been busy working on their HaSS projects where they research a chosen country or landmark in South America. While Mrs Mountford's and Miss Hinkley's Year 4/5 class began their study of South America by completing an art project where the students were tasked with drawing a sloth. On Tuesday, Mrs Walker's Pre-Primary students completed a reading and writing activity about chickens. The students then had fun making their own individual chickens from paper plates and feathers. The Year 1 students in Miss Place, Mrs Atherton and Ms Jones's classes put on a fantastic assembly yesterday for our school community. Thank you for putting together an amazing assembly. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

### Celebration of Our Learning

Next Wednesday, the 23rd September we welcome parents and carers into the classrooms to celebrate the achievements of our students. Between 5 pm and 7 pm all classrooms from Kindergarten to Year 6, and the library will be open for your children to show you the amazing work they have been completing. This year has brought many challenges and as a school community, I believe that we have used this as an opportunity to build on our strengths. This needs to be celebrated and the Celebration of Our Learning provides the perfect opportunity.



Thank you to the P&C who will be selling sausage sizzle, cool drinks, coffee and milo. These will be available to purchase from the undercover area near the staff room. I look forward to seeing you all next Wednesday.



### PBS Update

The PBS focus on the junior campus is 'We celebrate success with the community'. In class students have been focusing on how to celebrating the successes of others and identifying strengths of their peers. Many students are reaping the benefits of demonstrating their positive behaviour with the faction token acknowledgements. So far this year we have acknowledged 64 students for receiving 50 faction tokens, 24 students for receiving 75 faction tokens, 9 students receiving 100 faction tokens and 2 students for receiving 150 faction tokens. Congratulations to all factions for reaching their first milestone of 750 tokens. All students will receive an extra 20 minutes play time at recess or lunch to congratulate them. Gold, green and blue factions have also received their second milestone of 1000 faction tokens. These students will be rewarded with an ice cream and a free dress day. Dates for these will be announced soon.

### Attendance

Developing the habit of going to school everyday is vital so children do not miss out on important ideas and skills they need for future learning. Missing half a day of school each week equates to one month of missed learning each year. If children miss half a day of school each week between Pre Primary and Year 10, they miss almost one full year of schooling. Attendance habits set when a child first starts school, continue through their school life. If your child is unwell or unable to go to school, please let us know straight away by telephone, email or via text message. Learning is cumulative - if children miss a day, it is harder for them to catch up.



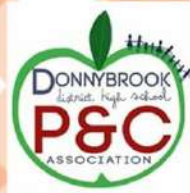
## Celebration of Learning Junior Campus

**Sausage Sizzle \$2**

**Cold Drinks \$2**

**Hot Drink- Tea,  
Coffee, Milo- \$2**

**Hot Drink and  
Biscuit Combo \$3**



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# KINDERGARTEN

## Police visit to Kindy 2



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## Kindy 1



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# KINDERGARTEN

Last week both Kindergarten classes were involved in a bush walk. Our task was to work in pairs and collect 6 items from the forest floor: honkey nut, gum leaf, some bark, a small stone, a casuarina nut and a jarrah tree seed pod. We also got to see all the lovely wildflowers just over our fence!

We saw cowslips, spider orchids, donkey orchids, wattle and kangaroo paws just to name a few.

When we returned to class we used seed pods, nuts and leaves to create patterns. We also used the items in our sandpit play.



# JUNIOR CAMPUS HIP HOP DANCE INCURSION



The excitement is building as the date nears and what a great way to celebrate the end of term.

Get your dancing shoes on and pumped up as the Years 3 to 6's will have the privileged of being visited for the second year in a row by the hip hop crew The Society.



Students will once again learn from the best as they push their abilities and challenge themselves mastering some urban and break dancing hip hop moves.

When: 21st September 2020 during usual Dance class time

Where: Undercover area at the Junior Campus

What: Hip Hop Dance Incursion

Who: Dance instructors from The Society

Why: To push your ability and learn new moves

## JUNIOR CAMPUS DANCING POEMS

Our fabulous students using their creative brains to work together to choreograph dances to poems. It was exciting to see the students talking through their ideas which lead them to explore how they could move their bodies together to bring the words of the poem to life through their group dances.



The younger years created dances around the theme of ocean shapes.



# JUNIOR CAMPUS 2020

## INTERSCHOOL WINTER CARNIVAL

Being able to train regularly ensured that the squads for this year's Winter Carnival were well prepared and raring to go as we headed once again to Leschenault Leisure Centre to compete in the Forrest Division Interschool. Our two Netball teams, two football teams and soccer team all did our school proud with their efforts, everyone showing great determination, enthusiasm, skill, stamina, behaviour and, most importantly, sportsmanship.

The Netball team coached by Mrs Scott won their competition with the other team not far behind. The footy team coached by Mr Smith managed to win five of their six games to narrowly miss out on winning that competition. And our Soccer team managed two wins and two draws out of their seven games.

A huge thank you to all team members and to all those who tried out but didn't quite make it this time. Remember, never give in. To our parent coaches Mr Swiggs, Mrs Scott and Mr Smith, your generous and knowledgeable help is truly appreciated as are all the efforts of Mrs Busson and Mrs Howlett as well as our Admin staff who provide such solid support. To our Year 6 sportspeople, thank you for your wonderful contributions over the years and all the very best for your future pursuits.

Keep doing your best and you'll reach those goals.  
Mr A.



## JUNIOR CLUSTER SAND-PIT

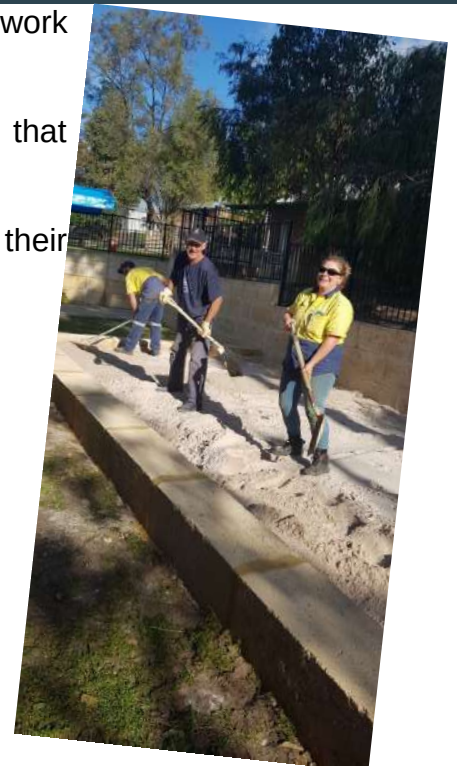
Thank you to JRM Earthworks for their wonderful work on the Junior Cluster sand-pit.

Jason and Rebekka Spencer are fantastic locals that are always contributing to our school.

They have a daughter in Year 2 and next year their son will be joining our Kindergarten.



**A local business supporting their local school.**





# JUNIOR CAMPUS LIBRARY NEWS



**IT'S BACK!** It is with great pleasure I can let the school community know that our annual Book Week Dress Up Day will be held on Wednesday 21st October.

It was touch and go as to whether we would be able to go ahead, but the Children's Book Council of Australia re-scheduled Book Week for Wk2 in Term 4, so we are good to go.

It is a wonderful theme this year for Book Week 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds' – there is a little of that in all of us I'm sure! This year the shortlist selection is truly wonderful, one of the best we have seen for a few years. I am in the process of reading the picture book shortlist books to all classes and there has been some great feedback from students.

I have attached a link to the shortlisted books for you to look through, I'm sure you will be impressed at the quality of this year's selection. If you would like to see the books for yourself, you are most welcome to come into the library Wednesday 23rd September on our Celebration of Learning evening. I will be in the library from 5pm to 7pm.

The format will be the same as other years:

- Children meet in their classrooms for role
- Make their way up to the undercover area for a reading of one of the fabulous Children's Book Council Australia shortlisted book
- Whole school parade class by class, to show off their Curious Creature Costumes

Favourite book characters are always a great theme, but costumes big and small, simple and fancy are welcome. I have a couple of boxes of dress up clothes in the library for anyone who may not get their costume done in time.

All are welcome to attend the parade – see you there!

<https://www.cbca.org.au/shortlist-2020>

# Focus:

'Treat others  
as we would  
like to be  
treated'

## SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS



Renee Reid  
Associate Principal



Amanda Biddlestone  
Deputy Principal



Erin Cartledge  
Deputy Principal

### Parent Forum

Thanks to the parents and students who turned up to the Parent Forum on Tuesday night. Miss Cartledge made an amazing display of student work that can now be seen in our front office and around the school. The Principals of both Manea College and Bunbury SHS attended the meeting to discuss the relationship we have established with both schools to ensure our students all have a pathway to success for the future.

Unfortunately, we didn't get as many people attend as we would have liked but feel free to make an appointment to discuss what we do at the Senior Campus that you might not be aware of.

#### Did you know that:

- Our Year 7 attendance is better than SW average (and attendance is one indicator of student success)
- We have a Literacy and Numeracy support class in lower school where students have been showing progress of 12 months in a 6 month period
- We have ATAR extension class and that every student in this class in Year 10 this year got into the school of their choice for year 11 based on these results?
- We are the only regional school in the state to run the Creative Schools program using creativity to create engagement and improve student results and that schools like Scotch College and Bob Hawke College use the same program?
- We are introducing a Critical and Creative Thinking class in Year 7 in 2021
- We are running a Cadet-style Youth Emergency Services program for 9/10s next year that will involve community groups such as DFES, WA Police, Fire and Rescue, just to name a few!
- That our Year 9s perform at or above expected levels in NAPLAN in Reading, Writing, Numeracy and Spelling and that the progress they make from Year 7 to Year 9 is above expectations in Writing and Numeracy!

### Year 9 and 10 Exams

Last week the Year 9's and 10's completed their exams for English, Mathematics, Science and HASS. All students gave the exams their best effort and have been receiving pleasing results. All students should be congratulated for their excellent behaviour during the exam period. If students have missed exams, they will be completed on their return to school.

### Week 9 Assembly

Friday the 18 September will see the Senior Campus have their first Celebration of Learning assembly since Term 1. The SRC have been working hard behind the scene to prepare all the items for this special morning. we would like to invite parents and carers to come and celebrate with us at 9am in the under cover area.



## Donnybrook District High School's Got Talent

Next Thursday, 24 September the Senior Campus will hold the very first DDHS's Got Talent competition. The auditions took place in week 6 and 7 with some talented students coming forward! we can wait for the big event next week.

## Garden Update

Year 7/8 class have been busy over the last 3 weeks since the delivery of our soil. The class has managed to move 17 cubic meters of soil into our 15 garden beds. A massive effort as it was not easy going. The students showed determination and perseverance to complete the mammoth task. This week Mr Mark Dhu, from Grumpy Gnome Garden Supplies, volunteered some time of his day off to impart some of his extensive knowledge to the class and plant some native plants, which were kindly donated to the school by Leschenault Community Nursery. The class has now completed a range of research about companion and combative planting in order to get the best results! We are excited to order our plants which will be paid for through our \$2000 P&C grant. Stay tuned for what we are growing!



Mr Mark Dhu sharing his knowledge with the students



Jesse, Billy and Zoe planting our new natives



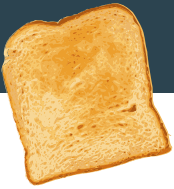
Jesse, Clay and Hunter filling the last garden bed



## Year 10 - Congratulations!

Congratulations to our students who have been accepted into Manea, SEDA, Bunbury SHS and BRCC. If you applied for more than one school (eg Manea and Bunbury), and had a letter accepting you into your school of choice, now is the time to let EACH school know where you will be attending. All schools need to know who is going to attend their school whilst planning for next year and they need to know as early as possible. Thanks for your help with this.





## Breakfast Club - Thank you

Each morning students at the Senior Campus have the opportunity to start their day right with our breakfast club happening over at the library. We are lucky to have the support from Food Bank for items such as bread and milk and donations from local fruit suppliers.

However, breakfast club would not be able to take place without two very special and dedicated volunteers. Our wonderful cleaners, husband and wife team, Gordon and Brenda have been running the breakfast club each morning. Not only are they giving up their time to make toast and milo, Brenda has been treating the students to homemade muffins, bake bean toasties and mini quiches! Mrs Tyler, Mrs Duncan and Mrs Reid have also been busy making muffins. We would also like to thank Orchard Cafe, Donnybrook Butchers, Fruit Barn, Mrs Fields, Miss Cartledge, Mrs Shepherd, Foodbank, Yi Ling and the Mumby Pub for their contributions to our Breakfast Club.

All the students would like to say a big thank you to both Gordon and Brenda for their support of our breakfast club. We think you are AMAZING!!!



Breakfast club goodies!



Students enjoying the freshly made muffins!



# THANK YOU

The wonderful Brenda and Gordon preparing toast.





# MUSIC NEWS

## September 2020

On Sunday 30th August, Donnybrook District High School and Collie Senior High School got together for a workshop/rehearsal in the under covered area at Donnybrook. A second get together with Nannup Senior High School was held on Tuesday 8th September, at the Nannup Recreation Centre.

Both Workshops concluded with a “mini-concert” for family at friends. The events were wonderfully successful and it was great for the band members to catch up with old friends from Collie, and to make new “muso” friends from Nannup.

A big thank you to all the music teachers who were involved in these workshops. Nick Vane, David and Daniel Parkinson, Jo Nordstrom, Chris Scaglioni, and to the students who performed magnificently.

Phil Luke  
Band Director



Brodie and Arnica



Micheal aka "Ringo"



Amy, Mia and Megan

## Junior Badminton

For anyone interested in learning and playing Badminton, Commonwealth Games Representative Liliana Wright is holding sessions for

7 – 11 year olds  
at the Rec Centre on  
Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:30.

The only cost is the \$4.50 admission. This is a great opportunity to learn a fantastic racquet sport from an expert. For more information, either head to the Rec Centre or call Lil on 0412 880 233.



**BUNBURY REGIONAL ART GALLERY**  
WILGER MIA

# iluka Visions

**AWARDS NIGHT**  
Friday 16 October  
6pm

**EXHIBITION RUNS**  
26 September –  
15 November



**A GROUP OF INTERGENERATIONAL VOLUNTEERS HELPING STUDENTS THRIVE**

## VOLUNTEERS ROCK!

Our school participates in EdConnect Australia's program that provides us with trained volunteers who help students achieve success - at school and in life.

If you or someone you know is interested in getting involved, contact EdConnect Australia.



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# 2020 CALENDAR

2020							Term Three	
Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun	
9	14 Sept	15 Parent Forum Time TBC	16 Junior Campus Assembly 9.00am <b>EARLY CLOSE</b>	17 	18 Senior Campus Assembly 9.00am	19	20	
10	21 Sept	22	23 9/10 Winter Carnival  Junior Campus Open Night Celebration of our Learning 5 - 7pm <b>EARLY CLOSE</b>	24	25 Students last day  DDHS Concert Band Primary Concert	26	27	
H	28 Sept Queen's Birthday	29	30	1 Oct	2	3	4	
H	5 Oct	6	7	8	9	10	11	

2020							Term Four	
Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun	
1	12 Oct School Development Day	13 Students resume	14 <b>EARLY CLOSE</b>	15	16	17	18	
2	19 Oct  Book Week 	20	21 Book Week Dress Up Day  <b>EARLY CLOSE</b>	22	23 	24 EV CHALLENGE PERTH 	25	
3	26 Oct	27	28 Junior Campus Assembly Year 3 MT 9.00am <b>EARLY CLOSE</b>	29   Board Meeting 4:30pm	30 World Teachers' Day 	31	1 Nov	

Start and End of Term
  Public Holidays
  School Holidays (students)
  School Development Days



**Now Open**  
**2021 Kindergarten**  
**Enrolments**

