

DONNYBROOK DHS

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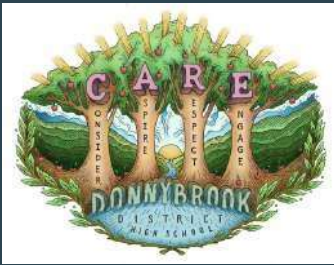
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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT James Milne



The 2023 school year is off and running. In the initial weeks of Term 1, we have already provided some truly unique opportunities for our students. At the top of that list is the AdventureWorks Camps attended by our Year 5/6 and Year 7/8 students.

A very warm welcome to our new families for 2023. We have 38 Kindergarten students commencing their first year of schooling and 25 new Primary and Secondary students enrolled at Donnybrook DHS this year. This has pushed our combined number to 450, highlighting the confidence our school community has put in our staff and programs. I trust all our new students from K-10, will be well supported as they transition into this wonderful learning environment, we have established across two sites.

It is so fantastic to see all of our students again and I look forward to them demonstrating CARE as they engage with their schooling throughout the year. Thank you to both the staff, students and parents and carers for a smooth start to the first few weeks back.

This year we launch into the implementation of our new Business Plan, Your Child; Our Focus. Over 2023-2027 will focus on;

- High Performance in Literacy and Numeracy
- Targeted Intervention to Support All Students
- Supportive and Inclusive Environment in Which Students Thrive
- One School Working in Partnership With Its Community

We are confident that we can make a difference through providing a quality education and importantly supporting students' wellbeing. A copy of our new Business Plan can be found on our school website.

Welcome to Our New Staff

Holly Carter – Primary Deputy Principal

Teagan Kirk – PP/Health

Melinda Ward – Year 2/3

Michelle Jones – Year 4

Megan Kremer – Year 5/6

Caroline Foster – Year 1-6 Critical and Creative Thinking

Jennifer Townsend – Secondary Science

Elicia McKenna – Secondary HASS

Ally Walker – Secondary Home Economics

Jodie Henning – Education Assistant

Savannah Garlick – Education Assistant

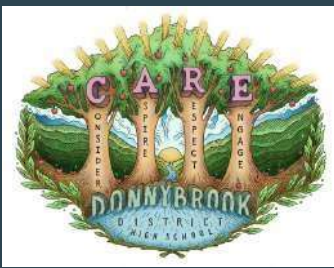
Rebekah Brady – Education Assistant

Leanne Oliver – Education Assistant

Chantelle O'Keefe – Education Assistant

Alison (Ali) Edmands – School Psychologist

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

James Milne



A successful recruitment process towards the end of 2022 and throughout the holiday period, secured our school community these staff. Staffing is a significant issue facing schools throughout WA and unfortunately, we haven't escaped the challenges. We still have one secondary position to be filled, however I'm pleased that we are getting close to having this finalised.

Parent Meetings

Parents and Carers are encouraged to make contact with teachers and request meetings to support the development of a strong partnership that is focused on supporting your child's achievement and progress. Year 7 Parents and Carers are encouraged to attend their upcoming meeting on March 3, to enhance the partnership between school and home and importantly support the transition into Secondary school.

The Leadership Team are also available to meet at any time, should you need to make contact to discuss the academic, behavioural and social and emotional needs of your child. It is important that we all work together throughout 2023.

REMEMBER: to Update your Contact Details

Now is a good time to think about the contact details that the school has for you and your family. If any of your information has changed, please remember to update those details with the school office.

Term Calendar

Our calendar has been updated and parents and carers are asked to please make note of the upcoming events. Term 1 is a very busy term, with a number of significant events coming up.

SECONDARY ASSISTANCE SCHEME

YEARS 7 TO 10
YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UP TO:

\$350

towards school expenses

DO YOU HOLD A: ● CENTRELINK HEALTH CARE CARD
(OR) ● CENTRELINK PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD
(OR) ● VETERANS' AFFAIRS PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

Applications Close
Thursday 6 April 2023

Ask School Reception for More Information



It's been a busy start to the school year, with welcoming many new students and staff at our Junior Campus. I have had the privilege of visiting all classrooms over the past 3 weeks and have enjoyed the warm welcome from the community.

Our Year 5 and 6 students, their teachers and education assistants attended the Adventure Works camp on Monday and Tuesday of Week 2. The camp was a great success with students reporting, they had a wonderful time participating in fun, cooperative activities.

On Wednesday of Week 3, Miss Gibson's Year 4 class wowed us with their assembly item about the Learning Pit while showing off their basketball skills.

In Week 3, the Junior Campus welcomed 6 chooks who are living in our community garden. We were lucky enough to get a few eggs!

We are in for a very busy term ahead with NAPLAN for Years 3 and 5 in Weeks 7 and 8. Students will undertake writing, reading, conventions and numeracy tests over the 8-day testing period. Best of luck to all our Year 3 and 5 students, we know you will try your best.



YEAR 5/6 ADVENTUREWORKS CAMP

On the 7th and the 8th of February 2023, the Year 5 and 6 students were offered a wonderful opportunity to go on a school camp, which was run by the AdventureWorks team. It was in Busselton, right on the beach. The AdventureWorks camp was based on team building and character bonding. The bus was set to leave at 7:30 am.

As the bus set off, we were filled with excitement and joy. The students got situated in an undercover area when we arrived at the AdventureWorks camp. We all put our bags down and set off to the welcoming ceremony. Here, we were involved in a series of fun and exciting events such as beach explorations. One of our favourite activities from the camp was the raft race, where we had to race an inflatable raft through the clear blue ocean using paddles. Another favourite was the beach clean-up. Everyone really enjoyed the dance party and the beat boxing. As far as food goes, everyone had a packed lunch for the first day, but for dinner there were burgers. Breakfast the next day was a range of cereals from Wheat-Bix to Cornflakes and canned peaches. For our final meal, before we left, we had a sausage sizzle. Some of the groups went night walking to check the constellations. We set up our tents in groups of two and three and that's where we slept the night. There was a lot of chit chat and laughing throughout the night.

Overall, the AdventureWorks crew did an amazing job to give us fun activities and everyone really enjoyed the experience. We are excited for the AdventureWorks crew to organise future events. We would like to give a huge shoutout to the Teachers and Parent/Carer helpers who went on the camp. Thankyou Mr Milne for organising the whole camp.

Written by the Student Leaders



"We strive to do our best"



Jonelle McLoughlin
Acting Deputy
Principal

SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS



Lauren Brown
Associate Principal

Welcome to 2023. It has been a very busy start at the Senior Campus, however, the students have settled back into classrooms for the new school year. Mrs Brown and Miss McLoughlin would like to welcome our new staff, Ms Elicia McKenna teaching HaSS and Drama, Mrs Jen Townsend teaching Science and YES, Rebekah Brady teaching Macqlit and Mrs Leanne Oliver assisting in the Year 9 class this term.

Mindful Education

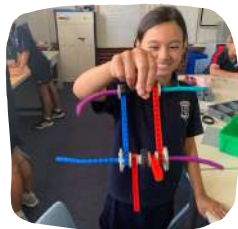
All secondary students have one period a week scheduled to participate in a Mindful Education lesson. Students have this opportunity to work with a consistent teacher to create a safe and supportive environment where curriculum is not the focus. The main focus is on supporting the student's Social



and Emotional learning. In these lessons, teachers work together to plan a meaningful lesson based around topics that students have asked to discuss. Being a very student-centred learning model, our students have the capability to build trust and respect in an environment in which they can share thoughts and feelings without judgement. It is also a space for students who are generally reserved or quiet to have a voice and to be heard by others. We know that a child can not learn without their emotional needs being met first and we believe through these lessons, alongside our AdventureWorks program, we are building the capacity of our students to become more comfortable in sharing and communicate issues, struggles or positives that are happening in their lives. In the first few weeks our students and teachers have been focusing on connection, feelings and curiosity.

Year 6 Options

The Year 6 students have made a great start in their options classes on Wednesday afternoons at the Senior Campus. They are involved in Home Economics, Art, Digital Technologies and D & T.



Year 10 Meetings

Miss McLoughlin is currently conducting parent/carer meetings with all Year 10 parents/carers to discuss their progress so far and how we can plan for students' future beyond DDHS including work experience and their plan for further education or work pathways in 2024.

Parent Contact and Communication

Parents/Carers are encouraged to use Connect as a source of information regarding class outlines, assessments and general notices from teachers. If you are unsure how to use this, please come to the office and we can help you set up an account. Please contact the school at any time if you would like an update on your child's progress. Teachers are available to have meetings any time of the year, please ring the office and schedule a time.

YEAR 7/8 ADVENTUREWORKS CAMP

To support our Mindful Education lessons, the Year 7 and 8 students participated in their first AdventureWorks camp. For some students, this was their first time setting up tents, cooking for themselves and washing up using camping facilities. Students were challenged both physically and mentally when they had to complete a variety of activities throughout the 3 days and reflect on their problem solving, teamwork, values and personal attributes.

Year 7 Camp

Camp began with students completing a series of team building activities that focused on their communication and problem solving skills. Throughout each activity students were given the opportunity to debrief with their group and facilitator to improve their designs. Day 2 saw the students design and build their own rafts. Although the rafts had very different success rates, it was amazing to watch the development and improvement in the communication skills between the students. A highlight for the students was the high ropes activity which saw students both physically and mentally challenged to complete a range of different high ropes courses.



Year 8 Camp

Camp began a similar way for the Year 8 student. The first activity for the boys was mountain biking, while the girls were tasked with rafting. Despite finding it challenging and out of their comfort zone, students engaged in the activities and the debrief that followed. Once the physical challenges were over for the day, students were tasked with setting up their own tents. Students faced both a physical and mental challenge on Day 2 when tasked with rock climbing and abseiling. Each group developed their own set of values in which they were going to live by for the camp. Once students bought into the values, they received a buff to symbolise their common goals.



GENERAL INFORMATION



Scholastic are proud to be the official publishing partner for NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME 2023.

National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) is a wonderful initiative supporting reading and children's literacy.

NSS is celebrated annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA) and the Library and Information Association of New Zealand Aotearoa (LIANZA). Every year a picture book is selected by ALIA and is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places across Australia and New Zealand.

The official storytime book for 2023 is *The Speedy Sloth* written by award-winning picture book author Rebecca Young and illustrated by award-winning children's book illustrator Heath McKenzie.

A note from Rebecca:

*"I am thrilled that *The Speedy Sloth* has been chosen as the National Simultaneous Storytime book for 2023! It's a huge honour to be part of such an incredible event that gets millions of kids reading ... and I hope the speedy sloth inspires them to keep on going!"*

NSS is a vital campaign that aims to engage children of all ages to read and enjoy books while teaching them the value of literacy. *The Speedy Sloth* is a delightful story of courage and tenacity, participation, and a celebration of all winners! Spike is proud to run her own race!

**JOIN US and run your own ALIA National Simultaneous Storytime Event on Wednesday,
24 May 2023 at 11am AEST/1pm NZST.**

Get ready to read together across two nations.

Register your event at: alia.org.au/nss

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www.alia.org.au/nss #NSS2023

24 May 2023



GENERAL INFORMATION

My name is Alex McLennan and I am the Tour Leader for the State Schoolboys 12 Years & Under AFL Team. I am writing to you to inform you of our trials for this year's State Team which will take place during the April School holidays. I would very much appreciate this information being passed onto any student born in 2011 or 2012 (Yr5, 6 or 7) that you believe may be interested in trialling for the state schoolboys AFL team. Please note that only players turning 11 and 12 years of age in 2023 are eligible to nominate.

Please be aware that WA also has a State Schoolgirls 12 Years & Under team that attends the same National Championships. Details in relation to these trials can be found on the same website.

This year's championship will be in Lavington, NSW from August 5 – 11. The trial dates can be found on the School Sport WA website (**Boys 12s – SSWA** (schoolsportwa.com.au)). All relevant details can be found on this webpage. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate in making contact with me or the School Sport WA office (6318 5711).

In order to nominate for the trials please direct your student(s) to the following School Sport WA website link **AFL Boys 12s Interstate Nomination Form – SSWA** (schoolsportwa.com.au).

Please also be aware that School Sport WA sends teams interstate for other sports as well. To nominate students simply follow the same process as above. Below is a list of sports and their travel dates. Nomination details can be found on the same website (**Interstate – SSWA** (schoolsportwa.com.au)).

SPORT	CHAMPIONSHIP DATES	LOCATION
Basketball	19 - 25 Aug	Perth, WA
Cross Country	25 - 28 Aug	Canberra, ACT
Diving	21 - 27 Aug	Sydney, NSW
Football (Soccer)	14 - 20 Oct	Thornbury, Vic
Golf	12 – 16 Nov	Perth, WA
Hockey	31 July - 4 Aug	Hobart, Tasmania
Netball	9 - 15 Sept	Perth, WA
Rugby League	29 Jul - 6 Aug	Townsville, Qld
Swimming	18 - 22 Aug	Sydney, NSW
Tennis	21 - 28 Oct	Brisbane, Qld
Touch Football	13 - 18 Aug	Darwin, NT

By all means make contact with me if you have any queries. Thank you for your support.

Kind regards

Alex McLennan

Tour Leader

State Schoolboys AFL 12 Years & Under Team

School Sport WA

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FREE “Tuning Into Your Child” 6- week parenting program

Would you like to learn how to:

- Communicate with your child more effectively?
- Help prevent behaviour issues with your child ?
- Help your child develop coping skills, resilience and emotional intelligence?
- Learn how to emotion coach your child through anger and anxiety?
- Guide your child around problem solving and managing conflict

Suitable for parents and carers of children aged between 2 to 16

(Dads encouraged 😊)

Attendance at all six sessions is strongly recommended

To register:

Call Kerry on 0438 542 152 (leave a message)
or email kezzah09@gmail.com

When: Beginning
Tuesday
28th Feb to April 4th
Donnybrook Library
6pm to 8.30pm

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INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Monday, 20 March 2023

9:30 am to 4:00 pm

Near the Community Resource Ctr, South Western Hwy

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For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice

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2023 CALENDAR TERM 1

2023

Term One

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
H	23 Jan	24	25	26 Australia Day	27	28	29
1	30 Jan Teachers Return School Development Day	31 School Development Day	1 Feb Students resume EARLY CLOSE	2	3	4	5
2	6 Feb Yr 5/6 AdventureWorks Busselton Camp	7 Yr 5/6 AdventureWorks Busselton Camp	8 EARLY CLOSE	9	10	11	12
3	13 Feb	14	15 Assembly 4AG EARLY CLOSE	16 Year 10 Girls PPEP Talk 9:00am P&C AGM 2:00pm - Junior Cluster	17	18	19
4	20 Feb Yr 7/8 AdventureWorks Nanga Camp Future Innovators Talk - Year 10 - 1:30	21 Yr 7/8 AdventureWorks Nanga Camp	22 Yr 7/8 AdventureWorks Nanga Camp EARLY CLOSE	23 	24	25	26
5	27 Feb	28 Yr 10 - Stage 1 Future Innovators	1 March EARLY CLOSE	2 School Photos Jnr Campus Board Meeting 4:30pm	3 School Photos Snr Campus	4	5
6	6 March Labour Day	7 Adventure Works Leadership Day	8 Assembly 5/6BH Year 7 Immunisations EARLY CLOSE	9 Year 9 AdventureWorks Workshop	10 Year 10 AdventureWorks Workshop	11	12
7	13 March Yr 10 - Stage 2 Future Innovators	14 Yr 5/6 Solar Car Challenge 8:30am - 12:20pm	15 NAPLAN EARLY CLOSE	16 NAPLAN PEP Talk - Yr 10 Girls - 9:00-10:00	17 NAPLAN	18	19
8	20 March NAPLAN	21 NAPLAN HARMONY DAY	22 NAPLAN EARLY CLOSE	23 NAPLAN 	24 NAPLAN Assembly - Snr Campus 9:00am	25	26
9	27 March NAPLAN Manea Year 12 Health W/ehope Yr 9 11:15 - 12:15	28 Junior Campus Faction Throws and Jumps	29 Assembly 2MT/ST EARLY CLOSE	30 Year 9 and 10 Vaping Information Session - 9:00 Board Meeting 4:30pm	31 Junior Campus Faction Track and Team Games Yr 10 - Stage 3 Future Innovators	1 April	2
10	3 April	4	5 Athletics Carnival SNR Campus EARLY CLOSE	6 Students last day	7 Good Friday	8	9
H	10 April Easter Monday	11	12	13	14	15	16
H	17 April	18	19	20	21	22	23

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