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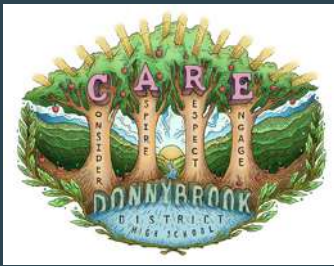
We CARE

Senior Campus

Classroom Furniture

Friday 20 October two very large removal trucks spent the day at the Senior Campus delivering our new furniture to our renovated classrooms. They look amazing and our students have been making the most of the new learning spaces.





PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

James Milne



Welcome back to Term 4, a traditionally very busy period for staff, students and parents and carers. I was fortunate to be able to take a few weeks of Long Service Leave at the end of Term 3 and in the beginning of Term 4, but am genuinely glad to be back and be involved in wrapping up what has been an excellent school year, whilst also preparing for 2024.

My sincere thanks to Fiona Hunter for fulfilling the principal role during my leave. I appreciated her commitment and professionalism and dedication to our school community. It was wonderful to be able to step away and know the school would be well lead, and then step back in with everything on track and as it should be. Fiona was well supported by Jonelle McLoughlin, Holly Carter and Alex Gibson, together they combined magnificently to support students, staff and families.

In the next few weeks we will finalise our planning for 2024 and in doing this we encourage any parents and carers who want to discuss next year to reach out to either Fiona or myself. We are there to support you and your child/ren as they transition into next year.

Please familiarise yourself with our Term Calendar and the exciting events coming up. We certainly look forward to seeing our school community at end of year assemblies and graduation events.

Donnybrook District High School – 2021 School Captain



Congratulations to Monique Delaporte who won the Manea Senior College, Health and Medical Specialist Program Award and the very prestigious Dux of Vocational Education and Training (VET) Award.

Monique achieved a Cert III in Health Services Assistant and a Cert IV in Preparation for Health and Nursing studies and has been offered a place at Curtin University in Exercise and Sport Science.

Monique consistently showed commitment to her studies and work placement, with her outstanding results a genuine reflection of her efforts.

Donnybrook District High School congratulates Monique on her achievements and wishes her all the best for her future endeavours.

Focus: "We share and use school equipment appropriately. We return equipment."

JUNIOR CAMPUS NEWS

Holly Carter
Deputy Principal



This term is off to a busy start! It's been great to see our students following our CARE expectations particularly our current focus:

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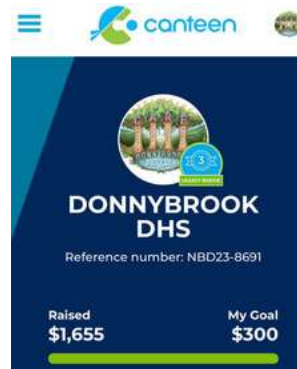
Well done to 1JA/SW for their fabulous assembly item on Wednesday 25 October.

World Teacher's Day

Friday 27 October was World Teacher's Day. Our amazing staff were treated to morning tea as a thank you for all of the wonderful work they do with and for our students! Donnybrook District High School is very lucky to have such caring, dedicated educators.

Bandanna Day

Bandanna Day was held on Friday 27 October where students raised \$1655 by buying and wearing bandannas. Thank you to our wonderful staff, students and the community for supporting such a great cause.



Pop Up Parliament

On Wednesday 25 October, our Year 5 and 6 students participated in Pop Up Parliament. Our students were able to experience what it is like to sit in Parliament House and the process of passing a bill. Thank you to Miss Gibson for organising this fantastic event.



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Adventure Works

On Monday 16 October, our Year 5 and 6 students participated in their last Adventure Works workshop for the year. The Year 5s participated in team building activities in the morning, with the Year 6s participating in the afternoon. Students engaged with the workshops beautifully and are excited to continue in 2024.



Focus:

'We show care for grounds, buildings & property.'



Fiona Hunter
Associate Principal

SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS

Jonelle McLoughlin
Deputy Principal



Welcome back to Term 4 we have had a very busy start at the Senior Campus. Our Year 7 students worked with AdventureWorks, Mrs Ferguson and Mr Jones down at the memorial park focusing on communication and teamwork skills. They were lucky to use the new bikes to take a leisurely ride along the river while taking opportunities to discuss relevant topics while promoting social and emotional growth. The Year 8's worked on the school oval with AdventureWorks, Mrs Duncan and Mrs Townsend working through problem solving, turning a negative mindset into a positive mindset, and looking at future goals for 2024 and beyond. The Year 8's also discussed topics relating to reducing stress and anxiety and how to use strategies to improve their focus and attention span. Self-care was also a strong focus with the Year 8 students continuing to build their social and emotional capabilities.

Year 9 - Koombana Bay

Our Year 9's attended a day at Koombana Bay in Bunbury accompanied by Mr Karsten and Mrs Reynolds. Students focused on activities that promoted a growth mindset, re-framing negative thoughts and looking at a smart goal for the new year. Students also had the opportunity to take part in the Tangaroa Blue Beach Clean Up, encouraging students to become more aware of sustainability and developing their awareness of their own impact on the environment and what community service involves.

Year 10 Camp

Our Year 10's spent the second week of term on camp along the southwest coast between Hamelin Bay and Contos Beach. Students had the fantastic opportunity to unplug from the digital world and get back to nature with their peers, teachers and the AdventureWork facilitators. They hiked, swam, cooked, sang, abseiled, caved, mountain biked, shared, talked, connected, enjoyed nature, ate and challenged themselves out of their comfort zone, some more than others. It was a fantastic camp. Below are some quotes from the Year 10's that attended.

Something I have learnt about myself after going on camp is...

"What I want to do when I'm older and how I'm going to approach adulthood."

"We get along more without our phones."

"I have to help my family out more."

"Bravery, kindness and selflessness."

"That I am a good leader and enjoy helping others out."



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Year 6 Transition

Reminder that Year 6 students will be attending the Transition Day at the Senior Campus, Wednesday 15 November. Students will be transported up to the Senior Campus after the Junior Campus Assembly. Students will spend some time with MESH subject teachers, Mrs Hunter and Ms McLoughlin to get to know the Senior Campus. Students will attend option classes as normal in the afternoon and will depart from the Senior Campus at the end of the day. Parents and carers are invited to attend the parent information evening Wednesday 15 November at the Senior Campus in the Maths room from 3pm-4pm. We encourage everyone to come along if your child is transitioning into Year 7 in 2024.

Year 10 Talison Lithium STEM Scholarship

Year 10 students have an opportunity to apply for the Talison Lithium STEM Scholarship. The successful applicant can receive up to \$3000 to help with future education costs. The first stage of the application is due 10 November. If any Year 10 is interested, please use the QR code below to put in an application by November 10.



Year 9 SALT Incursion

We were lucky to have the amazing ladies from SALT come in Wednesday 18 October to share their knowledge about being a female tradesperson. The aims of the program are:

- Providing support and mentoring to tradeswomen in Australia including apprentices and women seeking to work in the trades.
- Providing avenues for women to meet other tradeswomen, apprentices, and others to share experiences.
- Promoting women in the trades to the public and industry.
- Advocating for change to attitudes to women working in the trades.
- Campaigning for changes which enable women to train and work in the trades.
- Promoting diversity and acceptance for all people in the trades.

Our students spent the day learning about trades and also got to experience working with the physical tools and materials of the trades.



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Youth Centre & Grants

Over the course of 2023, a group of Year 10 students – Khloe Watson, Rylan Moss, Elijah Delaporte, Jesse Sunderland, Jamie Vinci, and Darcy Walker. All joined the Southwest Innovation Academy, a program through Manea Senior College, the Education Department of WA, the Dolphin Discovery Centre, Southwest schools, and community. We worked in groups with the Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup to address the problem of limited experiences the youth have in Donnybrook. We organized plans, buildings, websites, social media pages, a Youth Group and applied for grants.

The Youth Centre will be located at 3 Reserve Street Donnybrook WA 6239 or The Pump Track building.

The Youth Centre will be auspiced by the Donnybrook District High School P & C.

We have been working together to apply for grants from Rio Tinto and Donnybrook Bendigo Bank to gain funding for the furnishing and continuity of the Youth Centre.

From these grants we gained \$6000, \$4000 from Rio Tinto and \$2000 from Bendigo Bank. Our next step is to start furnishing the space and prepare for the new elective next year for Year 9 and 10 students, who will run the Youth Centre and space. If you would like more information regarding the Youth Centre, please follow the Donnybrook Youth Group on Facebook or Instagram.

by Khloe Watson



World Teacher's Day

Thank you to the SRC and Miss Cartledge for putting on a delicious morning tea for the staff at the Senior Campus. The staff work very hard, and it was lovely to enjoy a morning tea that was planned by the students. The little gifts, flowers and beautifully decorated room was a very thoughtful way to spend recess time. Thank you!

COLLIE/DONNYBROOK/NEWTON MOORE COMBINED BAND

FESTIVAL CAMP 6 - 8 SEPTEMBER 2023

On Wednesday students from Donnybrook District High School, Newton Moore Senior High School and Collie Senior High School were collected on the coach on route for our annual Music Camp to perform at the ABODA Junior Band festival. Arriving at Ern Halliday camp school, students had a delicious dinner then proceeded to set up and rehearse with the combined band. This was the first time that many students had played in such a large group there were 54 musicians in the group.

On Thursday morning, the students were up bright and early to have an extended rehearsal, from breakfast until lunchtime. All members of the group are to be commended on how hard they worked in the morning. The improvement in the sound of the ensemble between Wednesday night and Friday was massive.

For lunch, students travelled to Rosemount Bowl. This excursion was very popular with students, they received an excellent lunch and 2 games of bowling. We then travelled to the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts (WAAPA) for a tour with Renee Strauss. Students were entertained by WAAPA contemporary music students in the Edith Theatre. They also had a tour of the main theatre, including a visit backstage. After WAAPA, students travelled to LazerBlaze where they had the opportunity to shoot their new friends with laser guns. After LazerBlaze we travelled to Whitfords City for dinner and shopping.



On Friday morning we had one last rehearsal with the full band then set back off again to participate in a huge regional workshop at Churchland Senior High School. There were 130 students in attendance at this event from the Geraldton, Collie, Donnybrook and Busselton areas. It was a chance for students to meet like-minded musicians from other schools and to workshop concert band music with Dale Pointon (IMSS), Lee Stanley (President of ABODA) and the guest adjudicator from the United States, Jeff Spenner. We played two pieces with the other groups, and the students learnt the value of actively listening across the ensemble, and subdividing rhythms in music.

After the workshop students stayed at Churchlands Senior High School to perform at the Band Festival. This performance was the culmination of many months of work. The Collie, Donnybrook, Newton Moore Combined Band played exceptionally well, under the direction of Dave Parkinson and Mackenzie King. Receiving an 'Outstanding' award. This is the highest possible award that can be offered at the Band Festival and is only offered to a handful of ensembles each year. The Outstanding award was well deserved for all the hard work that the students had put into learning their parts and rehearsing the music. After a BBQ dinner we left Churchlands Senior High School weary, but happy with a great trip and a job well done.

Thank you to the students and the staff in attendance; Sarah Krajnc (Collie Senior High School), Jess Moore (Newton Moore), Mackenzie King (Collie and Donnybrook) and Jordan King (Trailer driver extraordinaire), Ian and Karen (bus drivers) for making it such a fun and memorable trip.

Dave Parkinson
Music Teacher

COLLIE/DONNYBROOK/NEWTON MOORE COMBINED BAND FESTIVAL CAMP 6 - 8 SEPTEMBER 2023



*Donnybrook and
Newton Moore*

NOONGAR CULTURAL DESIGN PROJECT

Our Junior Cluster students have been immersed in a wonderful Noongar cultural design project.

The students were asked to brainstorm the animals they see around our school and were then taught by Miss T, our AIEO, the Noongar name for each animal and their cultural significance. They were all so excited to begin their designs which formed the artwork for their class's cultural tables.

Once the tables had been completed, the official unveiling took place. The cluster gathered around the tables and discussed how they should treat them with respect and care to ensure their hard work would last.

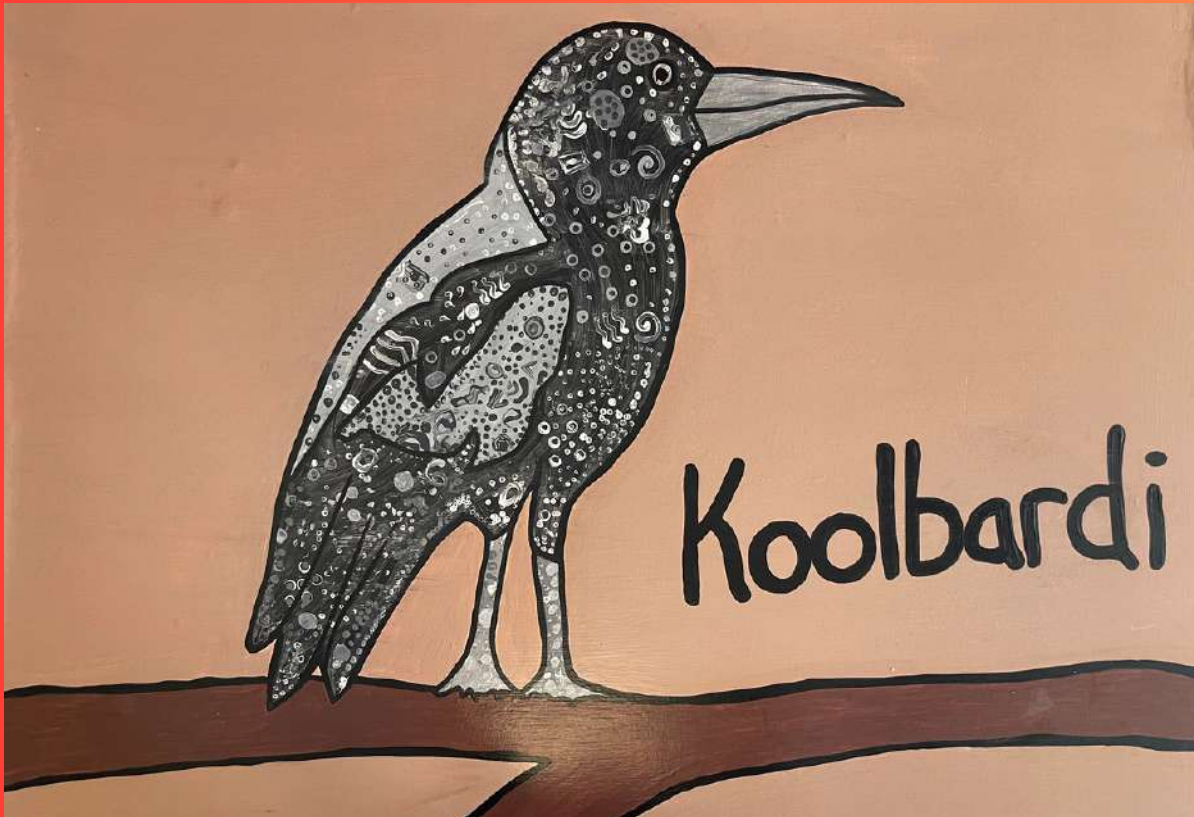
The students have already loved using them for their recess and they are very proud of their efforts.

Four animals were chosen from the brainstorming, one animal for each classroom.



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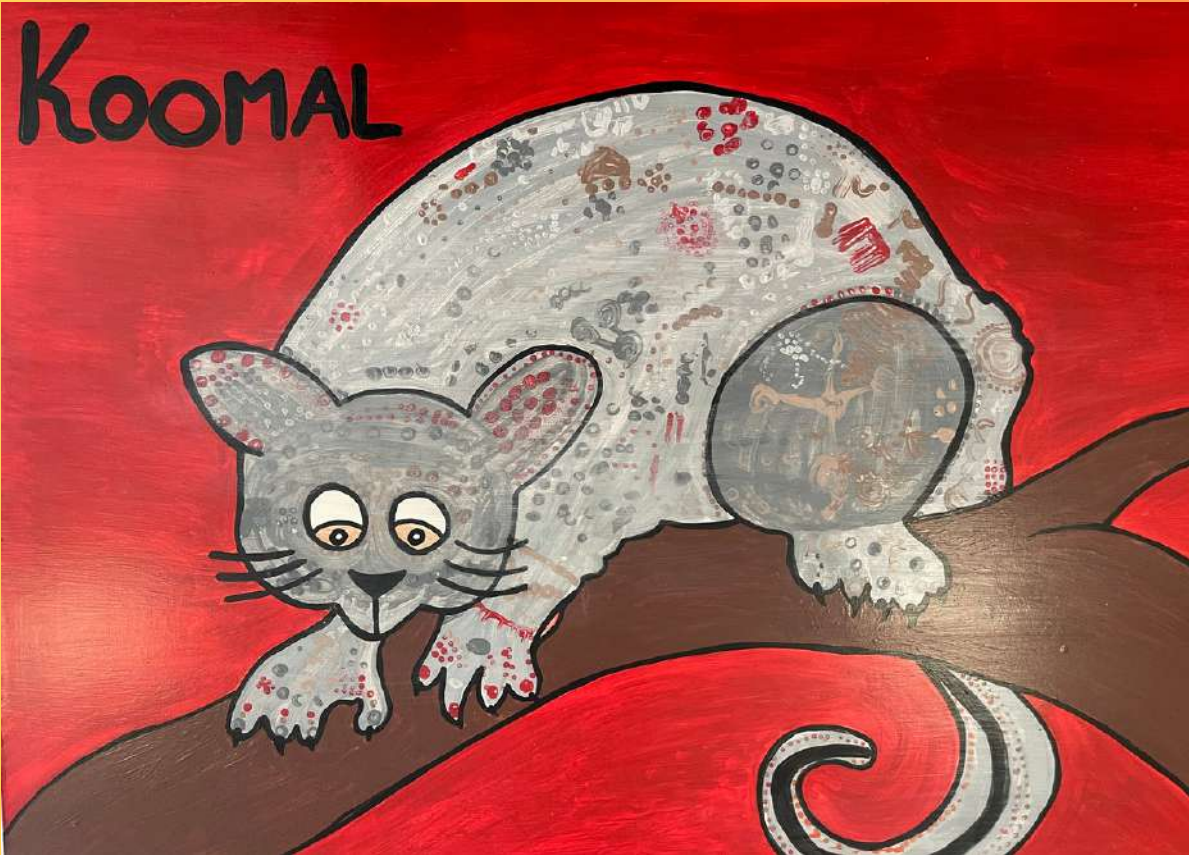
Koolbardi (magpie) 1JA/SW



Yongka (kangaroo) 1/2AC



Koomal (possum) 2MT/ST



Waalitj (eagle) 2/3MW



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Some comments from the students to acknowledge Miss T and Mrs Mountford's help:

"Thank you for helping us paint the tables and thank you for coming into our class to teach us" – Hudson Clifford

"Thank you for helping us with everything, you are a fabulous artist" – Asha Wood

"Thank you for working with us to make the tables" – Lachlan Commons

"Thank you for helping put some Aboriginal culture into our school." – Harriet Wittber

"Thank you for helping us paint the tables, we really appreciate it" – Mason Clifford

"Thank you for helping us. They look magnificent" – Brooke Rolfes

"The tables are beautiful and I was really happy that you helped us" – Kai Welham

"Thank you for letting us paint them" – Ivy Bruke

"The tables look so good, we are going to eat on them" – Hunter Khan

Thank you also to the Burke and Clifford families who helped in the initial stages of design and painting.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Please be advised that the School Dental Service mobile will be based at the Bridgetown Primary School for 2024. Due to current staff shortages we will only be open 2 days a week. Wednesday and Thursday.

We will be working through the waiting list of Bridgetown, Boyup Brook, Greenbushes and Balingup patients, who have not been seen since before we were last in Donnybrook. We are not expecting to return to the Donnybrook Primary school until 2025 at the earliest.

Please advise the parents the contact information below in your December school newsletter:

The School Dental Service mobile will be based at Bridgetown primary school in 2024 - open Wednesday and Thursday only, we do not expect to return to Donnybrook PS until 2025, at the earliest, at this stage.

For any dental emergencies, please call 0417252536 - if the clinic is unattended there will be a voicemail advising what is the best number to contact for advice. You can also contact your local family dentist for advice - private fees may apply, if you are eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule via Medicare discuss this with them.

Please save our phone number into your mobile 0417252536 so you can contact us quickly in an emergency if needed.

The Dental Team

Bridgetown Mobile Dental Therapy Centre
Dental Health Services
Mental Health, Public Health and Dental Services
C/O Bridgetown Primary School
Roe Street
BRIDGETOWN WA 6255
T: 0417252536
E: bridgetownmobile@health.wa.gov.au
nmhs.health.wa.gov.au



COMMUNITY INFORMATION



Referral to access Foodbank is available through the
Anglican Church, 126 SW Hwy Donnybrook
(Which is an accredited agency of Foodbank)
Referrals are a requirement to use this service.

The Foodbank van is at the
Anglican Church in Donnybrook
every 2nd and 4th TUESDAY of each month
from 9:30 to 10:15 am

Referrals available at the Church during these times, and
every Monday and Thursday morning.

Contacts: Lois Maynard 0411518243

Monika Bredow 0427098136

Rosemary Smith 0400320167

TERM 4 CALENDAR

Term Four		Calendar					2023	
Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun	
4	30 Oct	31	1 Nov	2  YR 10 First Aid	3	4	5	
5	6 Nov	7	8 2024 Kindy Parent Meeting 5:30pm EARLY CLOSE	9 YR 10 First Aid	10 Yr 10 TL Scholarship Applications due	11	12	
6	13 Nov	14 Band Primary Performance 9.50am – 10.30am	15 Assembly 2/3MW 2024 Kindy 1 Orientation Day 1:00-2:30PM Yr 6 Transition Day EARLY CLOSE	16 2024 Kindy 2 Orientation Day 1:00-2:30PM YR 10 First Aid	17 Primary Basketball Carnival Yr 10 TL Scholarship notification	18	19	
7	20 Nov Swimming Lessons	21 Swimming Lessons	22 Swimming Lessons EARLY CLOSE	23 Swimming Lessons Board Meeting 4:30pm	24 Swimming Lessons SNR Campus Assembly 9:00am	25	26	
8	27 Nov Swimming Lessons	28 Swimming Lessons MAD AS 5.30pm - 7.00pm	29 Swimming Lessons EARLY CLOSE	30 Swimming Lessons  Talison STEM Scholarship Presentation	1 Dec Swimming Lessons Leadership Team AdventureWorks Workshop	2	3	
9	4 Dec	5	6 Assembly EARLY CLOSE	7	8 YR 10 End of Year Excursion	9	10	
10	11 Dec Year 6 End of Year Excursion Reports Home	12 Yr 4 – 9 Presentation Assembly 9:30am Yr 10 Graduation and Dinner 5.00pm	13 Year 6 Final Assembly and Graduation Lunch EARLY CLOSE	14 Students last day	15 Teachers last day School Development Day	16	17	
H	18 Dec	19	20	21	22	23	24	
H	25 Dec Xmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30	31	

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