Newsletter Vol. 2. Term 1 2022







Principal's Address

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Thank you for your care and consideration of our students, staff and community. Everyone is assisting with your social distancing, mask wearing and abiding by the no adults other than staff in buildings. Your courtesy is very much appreciated.

On a sadder note, we have many high school students causing issues after school. If your child is collected by an older sibling please explain to them that

- 1. Students in K 2 may be collected from outside the classroom by 1 older sibling.
- 2. Students in 3 6 will need to be collected by 1 older sibling by meeting them on the oval or on the junior basketball courts.

All other high schoolers will be directed off site. Thank you for your assistance!

Staff Development Day

Please note, as per term planner, Friday the 4th of March is a Staff Development Day. There are no students on site on this day. Monday the 7th is Labour Day so our students get an extra, extra long weekend, enjoy!

Big Announcement!!!

We applied and have been successful in selection as a recipient of solar panels. Please see the below announcement for further details.

Congratulations, your school has been selected to be a part of the Minister's recently announced Schools Clean Energy Technology Fund Round 1 to receive solar panel installations.

Just for context, in 2021 the State Government announced a \$44.6 million Schools Clean Energy Technology Fund to deliver new clean energy technologies in public schools across the state including more rooftop solar systems and Virtual Power Plants.

This work aligns with the with the Western Australian Climate Change policy and the Department's Caring for Country together – our sustainability framework by reducing your school's carbon emissions and will assist in reducing your energy costs.

Ashburton Drive Primary School 6 Nullagine Way Gosnells Wa 6110 Phone: 9234 6300 www.AshburtonDrive.PS@education.wa.edu.au

School Hours

Monday – Friday 8.45am – 2.45pm

Recess: 10.55am - 11.15am

Lunch: 1.15pm - 1.45pm

Final Bell: 2.45pm

<u>Dates To Remember</u>

25th February - Assembly Room 16

25th February - Office Display Room 7

25th February - Newsletter Room 8

4th March - Staff PD Day

7th March - Public Holiday Labour Day

11th March - Assembly Room 15

11th March - Office Display Unit 3

11th March - Newsletter Room 9 & 12

Food Sensations

Year 4 are participating in a cooking session with Foodbank on Thursday 3rd of March 2022. We are very grateful for this opportunity and appreciate their generous donation of food and presenters.

Healthy Drinks

Please remember to send your child to school with healthy drinks. Students are not permitted to bring energy drinks or caffeinated milk drinks to school.

Connect

Please ensure your email address is provided to the front office. Our secure communication system is up and running but requires current emails. If you are having any issues connecting to Connect please inform us. This is our primary form of communicating and COVID updates. An update will be issued next week regarding processes within the school for informing of any cases affecting our school community.

Parking/Student Pick Up

Parents are reminded, wherever possible to park/pick their children up on the school side of the road. Avoid asking your child to cross the road unattended, especially between parked cars. Parking on private property or a verge opposite the private property is unlawful unless the property owner has given permission. We ask all our parents to be considerate of the residents who live around our school. Rangers at the City of Gosnells use the City's Parking Local Law 2012 to ensure parking around schools remains safe, lawful and allows traffic to flow. Don't risk a fine for parking illegally – many parking infringements are \$100. If you can't find anywhere around the school, consider parking further away and walk the rest of the distance. Better still, if it's possible, leave the car at home and walk or cycle to school to improve your health and reduce congestion on the roads. Walking students through the staff car park is unnecessary and unsafe. There is a pathway directly alongside the car park on either side.

Positive Behaviour Support Focus Term 1 Week 5 & 6 is "Be Hygienic"

Week five and six of Term 1 the focus of our PBS lessons (Positive Behaviour Support) is to "Be hygienic' and was taken from our focus area of Do Your Best by Djiti Djiti. Please support us by discussing this with your children and encouraging them to 'be hygienic both at home and school.

Avenues for Information

There are so many school events taking place this term. Please stay up to date with the latest information by ensuring you are connected to Connect. Both the Primary School and P&C are on Facebook., Please find us there for updates and notices. The school website can be found at https://www.ashburtondriveps.wa.edu.au/.

Kind regards, Heather Fallo Principal



We will be running a Word of the Week competition this year. Our student leaders will announce a word every Monday. Students will be asked to find out what the word means and place their written definition entries, with their name and Room number on it, then place it into the box in the library. One winner will be drawn out every Friday and awarded a book club book

Week 3 Word of the week - Marvellous Definition: Causing wonder or amazement. Winner: Cooper

Week 4 Word of the week - Lively Definition: Full of energy Winner: Esma

School Nurse

A note from the School Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is Jane Skoll and I am the School Health Nurse who visits your school.

School Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program. Additionally, the nurse can be contacted at any time throughout primary school if you have concerns about your child's health, development or wellbeing.

School Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, assessment, health counselling and referral. They also work in partnership with schools to support teachers in health related curriculum and can assist in the development of health care plans for students with complex and chronic health needs.



The services provided are free and confidential.

POSTER PARTNERS

Early in August 2021 the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO) hosted their fourth Shorebirds poster competition. This unique environmental competition was free to enter and offered over \$4000 in prizes for Year 3 to 6 students in schools across Australia.

ANSTO invited students to create an ecotourism poster for a local wetland or coastal area that provides an important habitat for shorebirds and other animals.

Students from Ashburton Drive Primary School entered the competition and at its conclusion SERAG Committee members Robin Napier and Margaret Matassa attended the School Assembly to present books to five of the students for their creative work.

SERAG also gave a magnificent coffee table photobook of John Vogel's photos of Birds of the South Western Australia for the school library.

SERAG congratulated the students and their teacher, Nelomie Ranasinghe for their creative and thoughtful posters about taking care when visiting wetlands so as to observe and enjoy the birds without disturbance to them or their habitat.



Article - M Matassa Photograph - N Ranasinghe

AGM OCTOBER 2021

At SERAG's AGM last October the presentations by the two guest speakers, Dr Peter Novak and Mark Thornley of the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions were greatly appreciated by all in attendance.

Dr Peter Novak, presented preliminary findings from the WA Plan for Plastics study conducted in collaboration with the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation to establish a baseline for plastics pollution at twelve beach sites on the Swan and Canning Rivers.

Mark Thornley, Project Manager for the Plastic-Free River Park Project 2021 – 2025, outlined how the project is designed to reduce the amount of plastics entering the Swan and Canning Rivers and to work with food providers and other stakeholders near the waterways to introduce environmentally friendly ways to switch to non-plastic alternatives.

The Chairperson's and Treasurer's reports were well received and the Volunteer Coordinator thanked all volunteers for their help, issuing gift vouchers to those who contributed more than 25 hours since last October. Margaret Matassa then presented long-term members, Keith and Dot Collins, with Lifetime Memberships.

The retiring treasurer, Steve Napier was acknowledged for his great work over many years, including for his AV assistance with special presentations.

Robert Harvey was welcomed back to the committee, taking on the Chairperson's role, with Geoff Webster continuing as Deputy Chairperson, Margaret Matassa as Secretary and Nicole Elischer as the new Treasurer.

Seven general committee members were elected which included three new members. This gives SERAG a strong committee going forward and all these new and returning members were warmly congratulated.



Dr Peter Novak



Project Manger - Plastic Free River Park Mark Thornley



Keith Collins and Margaret Matassa Article - M Matassa Photographs - R Weir

Safer School Parking



Please refer to the City of Gosnells Parking Local Law 2012 for the full list of prescribed offerces.

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School zones dSim/hr school zones are in place around every school in the City of Gonzilis. School zones operate from 7.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 4pm. Children worning signs and 48km/hr school zone speed signs are the responsibility of Main Roads WA.

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Term 1 - 2022 Parent Planner

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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	24 January	25 January	26 January	27 January	28 January
		Book Collection Draffen Block 10.30am-11.15am	AUSTRALIA DAY	Staff PD DAY Class lists posted	Staff PD DAY
1	31 January Students Resume	1 February	2 February	3 February Kindy	4 February Kindy
2	7 February	8 February	9 February Kindy	10 February Kindy	11 February Kindy Assembly – Student Councillors Office Display – Unit 4 Newsletter – Music
3	14 February	15 February	16 February	17 February Kindy	18 February Kindy
4	21 February	22 February	23 February Kindy	24 February Kindy	25 February Kindy Assembly – Room 16 Office Display – Room 7
5	28 February	1 March	2 March	3 March Kindy	Newsletter – Room 8 4 March Staff PD Day
6	^{7 March} LABOUR DAY	8 March International Women's Day	9 March Kindy	10 March Kindy	11 March Kindy Assembly – Room 15 Office Display – Unit 3 Newsletter – Room 12 & 9
7	14 March	15 March	16 March	17 March Kindy	National Day of Action Against Bullying
8	21 <i>March</i> Harmony Day	22 March	23 March Kindy	24 March Kindy	25 March Kindy Assembly – Room 10 Office Display – Room 4 Newsletter – LOTE Interschool Summer Carnival (Sutherland)
9	28 March	29 March	30 March	31 March Kindy	1 April Kindy
10	4 April	5 April PB - Magic Show Year levels TBC Undercover area	6 April Kindy Parent Interviews Early Close	7 April Kindy	8 April Kindy PB – Messy Play Year Levels TBC Last day of term 1 Assembly - ANZAC Service

Classroom Item - Room 8 In Room 8 we painted Self Portraits





We are focussing on a poem called 'The Fetid Lair' for Talk4Writing. It's about a Dragon. We have done some Dragon Art to illustrate the poem.















Merit Certificate Winners - Week 3

Tutu	Veronica	Lilly	Neve
Isaac	Chelsea	Arenne	Charlie
Dewi	Lachlan	Vincent	Christina
Maysam	Natsai	Shenae	Kade
Ehsan	Shalise	Rayan	Imogen
Alexia	James	Aurora	Caitlin
Vincent	Christina	Roma	Melody
Chad	Isabella	Tyson	Chase
			

Strickland Block





Green Block





P&C News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to week 4 of term 1.

On behalf of ADPS P&C I would like to thank all of the P&C committee of 2021 for all their hard work they put in throughout last year.

A massive thank you to Charise, Jo and Jan for your outstanding contribution to ADPS P&C over the year.

ADPS Committee 2022

ADPS P&C is starting off 2022 with a new committee. We would like to welcome,

Anneleise - President Cindy - Vice President Yvonne - Secretary Kathy- Treasurer

ADPS P&C are still currently looking for a couple more executives for our P&C aswell as P&C general members. New members are also welcome.

P&C MEETING

Our next P&C General meeting 22nd March at 6pm location to be confirmed. Come and meet some new parents and find out what will be happening regarding event within the school.

P&C Fundrasing

This year the P&C main focus will be Fundrasing. Our P&C is currently very busy organising some up and coming events for the children. If you have some ideas please feel free to send us a message on the Facebook page or leave some suggestion in the blue box in the front office.

With covid restrictions we are unsure how some events may go but we are very excited for this year ahead.

Uniform Shop



Community News



ARMADALE CHRISTIAN FOOTBALL CLUB



We are inviting all girls aged between 6 and 16 to attend our girl's only season launch to be held at Rushton Park, Kelmscott on 26 February from 2-3pm.



ARMADALE CHRISTIAN FOOTBALL CLUB



2022 SEASON LAUNCH DAY

ACFC is hosting its season launch open to all ages Rushton Park, Kelmscott on 26 February 3-4pm.

ACFC is a Christian based soccer club in Armadale. If you, or your child, would love to be part of a vibrant community soccer club, please come and meet us at our launch. Girl's only launch 2-3pm and all players 3-4pm. There are lots of activities including: • Fitness sessions

- Fitness sessions
 Skills training
- Skills training
 Mini soccer games
- Our canteen will be open to serve

you drinks and nibbles, as well as an ice cream van.



Our team look forward to seeing you there. For more information contact our President (Phil) via email: president@armadalecfc.org www.armadalecfc.org

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Keeping our children safe



Equip your child with the language and principles of Protective Behaviours. Help your children identify unsafe situations and give them the tools to seek assistance or protect themselves.

Day: Monday 28 February 2022

Time: 12.30pm to 2.00pm

Venue: Child and Parent Centre - Gosnells

173 Hicks Street, Gosnells (access via Clara Street)

To register: Call 9398 8720 or Email CPCGosnells@centrecare.com.au





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KIDZ KLUB MUSIC FUN

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This exciting 5-week music therapy program is filled with music centred experiences specifically designed for children and their needs. With no prior musical experience needed just a willingness to participate and passion for creativity. Led by a Re pist, participants will have an opportunity to stered Music Ther



engage in music-making, instrument exploration, music creation and creative movement. Using tactile percussion instruments like drums, bells, shakers and many more exciting instruments. The program will start with creative drumming before diving into creative music-making, finishing with music and imagery. The purpose of this program is to promote social skills, self-expression, explore



verbal and non-verbal communication and develop new friendships, in a creative and supportive environment. Group members will have space to freely and creatively express themselves through the use of music. Two 5-week groups will be run.



PLACE: Minnawarra House 24 Numulgi St, Armadale Wednesdays, 2nd Feb - 2nd Mar DATES: Wednesdays, 9th Mar - 6th Apr TIME: 3.30 - 4.30 PM COST: \$30 per 5wk course



PH: 9497 1413 to register



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