

Newsletter Vol. 9. Term 2 2023



Principal's Address

Dear parents and caregivers,

The end of term is fast approaching! Crazy how fast the year goes by.

Staffing

Week 7 we said goodbye to Zubby and Martha, who have been with us since the beginning of the year. They completed their practicums in Social Worker, representing Curtin University. Zubby and Martha have shown care of our students throughout their time with us. Their contributions to our students' well-being, especially their efforts in our breakfast club, have made a significant impact. As they embark on their future endeavours, we wish them the best of luck.

We feel incredibly privileged to have been include in this program and the opportunity to collaborate with student social workers has enriched our community. We eagerly await our next team of student social workers.

Heartfelt gratitude and a second round of good byes to Judy Rudrum. Judy very kindly stepped out of retirement to fill the school officer role in a very challenging period of staffing. We will miss your expertise and presence in our community.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest staff members who have joined us recently. Lucille Condro has joined us as our new school officer, bringing her expertise and dedication to support our administrative needs. May Wong has taken on the role of Chaplain, providing guidance and support to our students and staff. Additionally, we are pleased to introduce Ambika Soni, our new Special Needs Education Assistant, who will be working closely with our students who require additional support. We are excited to work collaboratively with you all.

Respectful Relationships

Our dedicated staff members were highly engaged in professional learning offered by Stopping Family Violence and Starick. This session introduced our understanding of respectful relationships as a holistic approach to the school-based, primary prevention of gender-based violence program.

The program emphasises the promotion of respect and gender equality, equipping our students with the necessary knowledge and skills to build healthy relationships. By instilling these values from an early age, we empower our students to navigate interpersonal interactions with empathy and understanding, and mutual respect.



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School Hours

Monday - Friday 8.45am - 2.45pm

Recess: 10.55am - 11.15am

Lunch: 1.15pm - 1.45pm

Final Bell: 2.45pm

Dates To Remember

<u>30th June</u>

- Last day of Term 2
- Assembly Room 16
- Office Display Room 4
- PB Rewards

<u>18th July</u>

• Students Resume

<u>21st July</u>

- Newsletter Room 14
- Cross Country
- NAIDOC Dance Group 11.00am

<u>28th July</u>

- Assembly Puppets & Clowns
- Office Display Room 14

<u>4th August</u>

- Newsletter Specialists Subjects
- Interschool Cross Country

We are pleased to inform you that as part of our commitment to fostering respectful relationships, we will be offering parent workshops focused on this topic. These workshops will provide valuable insights and practical strategies. We highly recommend your attendance and look forward to your active participation.

Crazy hair day and cake stall

Thank you to our wonderful Year 2 teachers! You're powers of organisation were put to a great cause in raising funds for Story dogs. A program our school has greatly benefited from which has brought joy and improved literacy skills to our selected Year 2 students.

Students had a wonderful time parading their creative hair styles with Sasha, our furriest judge, being a keen participant. Congratulations to the artistic winners from each class.

At recess, our celebrations continued with bellies full of cupcakes. We raised \$665.40. Thank you to our cares for supporting our students and this great cause.



Reports

Teachers are very busy working on your students' school reports. These will be distributed via Connect on Wednesday 28th June. <u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: the previous newsletter mistakenly informed that printed reports would be available. However, reports will ONLY be available via Connect as we join the efforts to reduce our carbon footprint.

Premier Reading Challenge

On Monday, 8 May the Premier's Reading Challenge officially began. Please join us in unlocking the wonderful world of reading for your children. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are encouraged to read as many books as they can between Monday, 8 May and Friday, 8 September. You can help your children sign up via the website, choose their own avatar and log all the books they read over the course of the Challenge. Weekly prizes will be awarded to students who log a book that week, with major prizes drawn when the Challenge ends. Books don't have to be in English – children are encouraged to read books in their first language. Sign up your children on the website to begin their magical journey: <u>https://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/</u>

2024 Enrolments

ADPS is now accepting enrolment applications for 2024. Enrolment application forms can be collected from the front office or downloaded from our school website. If you know someone who is currently living in our school's intake area, please let them know about the option to enrol at our school. If you have any further questions about enrolment processes, please contact us on 9234 6300 or ashburtondrive.ps@education.wa.edu.au.

Positive Behaviour Support Focus Term 2 Week 9 & 10 is "Set a Positive Example to Others".

Week nine and ten of Term 2 the focus of our PBS lessons (Positive Behaviour Support) is to "Set a positive example to others" and was taken from our focus area Show Care and Respect by Yerdarap. Please support us by discussing this with your children and encouraging them to 'Set a positive example to others' both at home and school.

Save the Date!

The School Board will hold an open meeting next term on Thursday 24th August. Everyone is very welcome to attend and see what the School Board is all about!

Dance concert and Open Nights

As always, our students were outstanding on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons! Well done to all staff (particularly Mr Edgelow who organises the program), parents and our very talented dance teachers. Our students looked amazing and performed like professionals, we are very proud of them all!





Avenues for Information

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 <u>https://www.ashburtondriveps.wa.edu.au/</u>

Kind Regards

Heather Fallo Principal



Winners

Trevon – Room 13 Olivia – Room 10

Lost & Found

The Lost and Found box has slowly been growing outside the library so just a friendly reminder to come and have a look to see if your child/ren may have lost any clothing.



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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1	17 July STAFF PD DAY	18 July Students Resume	19 July	20 July *Kindy	21 July *Kindy * Newsletter – Room 14 * Cross Country * NAIDOC Dance Group 11.00am	
2	24July	25 July	26 July *Kindy	27 July *Kindy	28 July *Kindy * Assembly – Puppets & Clowns * Office Display – Room 14	
3	31 July	I August	2 August	3 August *Kindy	4 August *Kindy * Newsletter – Specialists Subjects * Interschool Cross Country	
4	7 August	8 August	9 August *Kindy * Student Leader Parliament House Lunch and Visit	10 August *Kindy	11 August *Kindy * Assembly - Room 13 * Office Display - Room 17 & 18	
5	14 August *Science Week	15 August	16 August	17 August *Kindy *School Photos	18 August *Kindy *School Photos * Newsletter – Unit 3	
6	21 August *Book Week – Read Grow Inspire	22 August	23 August *Kindy	24 August *Kindy	25 August *Kindy * Assembly - Room 2 * Office Display - Room 19	
7	28 August	29 August	30 August	31 August *Kindy * Father's Day Stall	1 September *Kindy * Newsletter – Room I I * Father's Day Stall	
8	4 September	5 September	6 September *Kindy	7 September *Kindy	8 September *Kindy * Assembly – Room 8 * Office Display – Room 9	
9	11 September	12 September	13 September	14 September *Kindy	15 September *Kindy * Newsletter – Unit 1 & 2 * Athletics Carnival	
10	18 September	19 September	20 September *Kindy	21 September *Kindy * PB Rewards	22 September *Last day of Term 3 *Kiudy * Assembly - TBC * Office Display - Room 10	

Term 3 Parent Planner



As mentioned previously in our ADPS Newsletter, a group of amazing Year 5 students participated in a Waste Audit run by WasteSorted Schools. We have received our data from this audit and are very eager to share the results with our school community. Please be advised that these results are based off 25% of our daily waste thrown into our school bins.

Lunch Box Waste

During our waste audit we counted 230 snack wrappers in 25% of the waste, which is above average when compared to other schools. This works out to be approximately 171,000 wrappers being sent to landfill each year. We also counted 78 plastic bags and pieces of clingwrap, meaning 58,000 of these items are also headed for landfill.

Food Waste

From the waste we audited, there was 4.87kg of fruit and vegetable scraps. This accumulates to roughly 3,623 kg a year. From the audit we counted 14 whole pieces of fruit and 9 whole, unopened packaged food items. This equates to approximately 10,416 pieces of fruit and 7,000 whole items of food wasted across a year.

Paper and Cardboard Recycling

It was great to see that your school established paper and cardboard recycling. Despite this we still found 0.66kg of paper in the waste we audited, which equates to about 500kg of paper being sent to landfill each year.

Containers for Change

From the waste we audited, we counted 26 eligible containers. This means approximately 20,000 containers a year that could be recycled are going to landfill. These containers could raise an additional \$2000 for your school.

Moving Forward

There are many different things we can do as a school community to work together to reduce our waste. We are working on introducing new initiatives within our school environment to promote reducing waste such as, introducing a Waste-Free-Wednesday and Bin Collection Stations. Our Sustainability Committee is working hard behind the scenes to implement these initiatives in 2023/2024. There are also many ways our Parents and Carers can assist in reducing the amount of waste that is thrown away. These are some ideas that may assist you:

- · Bringing snacks and sandwiches to school in a reusable container
- \cdot Buy snacks in bulk, where possible (this is cheaper than buying individual packets long term)
- Encourage conversations with your child/ren regarding what foods they like/dislike to ensure that foods have a greater chance of being eaten
- · Have your child/ren take ownership and pack their own lunches (may be more suitable for older students)



Waste / Student / Year					
Weight of Waste in kg	No. of Items				
8.25					
2.49	23.73				
3.19					
1.12					
15.05	23.73				
0.54	20.34				
0.00	0.00				
0.00	0.00				
1	20				
15.59	44.06				
0.98	389.79				
0.69	37.28				
0.37	132.19				
2.14	15.25				
4.38					
8.57	574.52				
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24.16	618.59				





Room 7

Room 7 have been engaging in a unit about trains. We have been researching how trains have changed over time in our history unit. We constructed our own trains and drew a one-point perception drawing of a train track. In Talk for Writing, we studied a narrative called 'Keep Off the Tracks', which was a warning tale. We have set up a train station in our Play-Based Learning corner, where we have been learning how a train station works, how to read timetables and calculate money.





















ROOM 9 - Digital Technology

This term in digital technology, the students in room 9 have been exploring the wonderful world of coding. Using micro:bits, a piece of tiny hardware, students used block coding to create programs and sequences. The students were intrigued and engaged by the little devices!





After our students had an opportunity to explore the devices, the task was introduced. Students would be required to work in teams to code a narrative. They were asked to use the micro:bit screen and audio functions to tell this story. This particular task allowed students to apply their knowledge of narrative structure and elements, a topic that students explored this term in Talk4Writing.











It has been a pleasure to see the ingenuity and creativity of the students in room 9. Hopefully this is just the start of their adventures with micro:bits and coding!



Merit Certificate Winners - Week 6 - Term 2

Reese	Willow	Martin	Hunter
Cayden	Aeri	Yahya	Zyla
Maddy	Fatema	Mehran	Mikayla
Te Arahi	Claire	Cody	Chelsea
Sadiie	Quaylin	Cooper	Kyrell
Isabella	Marley	Brianna	Sabah
Jacob Madilyn		Норе	Hermarnie
Matin	Joseph	Na-Phan	

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Green Block



Draffen Block







Strickland Block

Medallion Award



Merit Certificate Winners - Week 8 - Term 2

Lucas	Ozkan	Navya	Tamatea		
Jackson	Rhazel	Jai	Uriah		
Logan	Blaine	Georgie	Tyson		
Nicole	Declan	Summer	Oliver		
Zara	Hanis	Reign	Summer		
Ali Al	Benjamin	Tiarnha	Ariana		
Shae	Julie Anne	Jack	Charli		
Grace	Каусее	Lloyd	Kade		
Nevaeh					



Green Block



Strickland Block



Draffen Block







P&C News

• On behalf of the P&C we would like to say thank you for our wonderful gifts on Friday 19th May for PC Day WA.

We hope everyone had fun doing crazy hair and eating cupcakes for the year two Story Dog WA fundraiser!!

Rotary Club

We have some big news to share........ Rotary Club of Southern Districts has given the P&C a very much needed grant that will benefit the children at ADPS!! A very big Thank you to the Rotary club for their generous grant allocation.

Molly, Anneleise, our youngest P&C member Addison and I attended the Rotary dinner and received the Grant money. It was a fantastic evening meeting the members of Rotary and seeing and hearing about the other recipients of the grants.



Rotary Club of Southern Districts do amazing things in our community for more information about them please follow the link: <u>https://www.facebook.com/SouthernDistrictsRotary</u>.

And like that term 2 is coming to a close!!

Coin Frenzy

Thank you to all who donated to the Coin Frenzy 😂

Father's Day Stall

Our next major fundraiser will be the Father's Day stall: Thursday August 31st and Friday September 1st More information will come out closer to the dates.

Fundraising

The P&C have been busy planning the rest of this year's fundraising events so stay tuned for dates and remember to follow us on Facebook.

Yvonne P&C Secretary

Community News

The WA Police Youth Development Pipe Band program

The WA Police Youth Development Pipe Band program, which has been running for two years, is a community engagement initiative by the Western Australia Police Pipe Band. We offer free lessons to children interested in learning the bagpipes or drums. We provide performance opportunities to students who demonstrate the requisite skills to perform with our WAPYDPB' Youth Band Club' (Youth Band). Our Youth Band has previously performed at significant events, including the Police Rangers events, Constable Care Emergency Services Day, a function at Government House, and a concert alongside the Western Australia Police Pipe Band. We are performing in a concert with the WA Youth Orchestra this October.

We operate from the Instrumental Music School Services building in Maylands every Monday evening between 5 pm - 7 pm during the school term. Our beginner group lessons are conducted by members of the Western Australia Police Pipe Band, free of charge. However, families must purchase specific essential equipment (a practice chanter & instruction book for pipers or a pair of sticks and practice pad for drummers).

Spaces in our beginner group lessons are limited; hence potential students will undergo a musical aptitude audition before receiving an offer.

Finally, we would like to invite families and students interested in our program to join us on Saturday 8th July from 1pm at Yagan Square. This will provide an excellent opportunity for them to experience our band's performance firsthand and interact with our team.

For further information on the Western Australia Police Pipe Band, please go to: <u>http://wapol.com.au/</u> or like us Facebook <u>https://www.facebook.com/westernaustraliapolicepipeband/</u>

