



Principal's Address

Dear parents and care givers

Rooms 13, 14 and 15 Parent Engagement Program

We are very thankful to the parents and caregivers who attended our Parent Engagement Evening for the Year 4 cohort. This was an event dedicated to fostering stronger partnerships between parents, teachers, and the school community. Parents had the opportunity to actively participate in their child's educational journey and set goals. We looked at teaching methodologies to exploring strategies for supporting learning at home. Our passionate educators were on hand to answer questions, address concerns, and collaborate with parents to ensure a seamless and rewarding academic experience. Together, let's build a bridge of communication and support, empowering our students to reach their full potential! We look forward to next year when the next trial cohort is inducted in the process.

PEAC testing

(Primary Extension and Challenge program)

Year 4 have been very busy as they concluded the testing for identifying 2024 PEAC students. This testing also assists our school to identify students who require additional extension. PEAC students engage in weekly sessions at another location to build their problem solving and critical thinking through defined units of work; such as, robotics. We will be informed later in the year if any students have been selected.

Bushtucker planting

On Friday, Natasha Bowden from SERCUL, came to ADPS and provided us with some plants for our Noongar Bush Tucker Garden! Our Year 3,4 and 6 Aboriginal students enjoyed themselves, as they planted some native plants into our ever-growing area. Natasha selected these plants, specifically to be placed next to the Noongar Season totem pole that they grow in. This means that during each season we will be able to see these plants flowering and thriving. As you are walking through the school, make sure you take a look as you walk past the Library, as they did an excellent job.

Activate Inclusion

We are incredibly proud to announce that 12 of our outstanding students will be taking part in the Activate Inclusion Sports Day! This remarkable event is set to take place on the 7th of August, and it promises to be an unforgettable experience for our participants.

The Activate Inclusion Sports Day is not just about competition; it's about fostering a spirit of inclusivity and celebrating the unique abilities of each participant. Our students will be engaged in a series of adapted games that cater to their diverse strengths, ensuring everyone can participate and shine.

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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

9th August

- Student Leader Parliament House Lunch and Visit

11th August

- Assembly - Room 13
- Office Display - Room 17 & 18
- Interschool Cross Country

Week 5

- Science Week

School Photos

- Thursday 17th August
- Friday 18th August

18th August

Newsletter - Unit 3

Week 6

- Book Week - Read Grow Inspire

25th August

- Assembly - Room 2
- Office Display - Room 19

Beyond the thrill of competing, our students will have the opportunity to collaborate and build connections with fellow students from other schools. It's a chance for them to expand their horizons, forge new friendships, and collectively accomplish incredible activities together.

To our brilliant participants, we want to wish you all the best of luck on this special day. Your hard work, determination, and positive attitudes have already made us immensely proud. We know you will give it your all and demonstrate the true spirit of sportsmanship and camaraderie.

School Photos

This year, we have partnered with Kapture Photography as our official school photography provider. We are thrilled about this change and believe it will elevate the quality of our cherished school memories.

****Your Child's Photo Notes Are on the Way!****

Please be on the lookout for photography notes coming home with your child/ren. Inside, you'll find all the essential information about the upcoming school photo day. It's the perfect opportunity to capture those unforgettable smiles and personalities! While we've changed providers, we want to assure you that we have selected a very similar style as previous years' photographs.

Interschool Cross Country

Mark your calendars! We are thrilled to announce that the event is now officially scheduled for the 11th of August. We can't wait to witness the incredible talents and enthusiasm of our students on this special day. Each event will now accommodate 4 competitors, allowing more of our students to take part in the action.

2024 Enrolment Applications

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 the enrolment processes, please do not hesitate to contact us on 9234 6300 or ashburtondrive.ps@education.wa.edu.au

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: <https://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au/>

Positive Behaviour Support Focus Term 3 Week 3 & 4 is "Travel Around School with a Partner During Class Time".

Week three and four of Term 3 the focus of our PBS lessons (Positive Behaviour Support) is to "Travel around school with a partner during class time" and was taken from our focus area Act Responsibly by Jingee. Please support us by discussing this with your children and encouraging them to 'Travel around school with a partner during class time' both at home and school.

Save the Date!

The School Board will hold an open meeting next term on Thursday 24th August at 5:00pm. Everyone is very welcome to attend and see what the School Board is all about!

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

Kind Regards
Heather Fallo
Principal

MUSIC

Junior students are learning about the dynamics of Music and experimented with Crescendo and Decrescendo (getting louder and getting quieter). They used Body Percussion to demonstrate how a thunderstorm begins with light droplets, moving on to heavy droplets, to a downpour of rain and then thunder. They enjoyed creating these sounds using their bodies and were quite amazed by the outcome. Students also used Boomwhackers to experiment with dynamics and presented their compositions to the class.



UKULELES

Our middle and senior students are focussing on mastering their ukulele skills. They are working at their own pace to practise playing songs with 2-5 chords, focussing on correct posture, and using correct technique. Learning to play a tuned musical instrument takes discipline and perseverance, which is quite testing. Patience and practise will get students to where they need to be for their assessment performances in a few weeks' time.

The senior students enjoyed last week's task of working out the correct chords for a simple song, with their peers, which involved much listening. Students were enthusiastic in taking on the challenge and were mostly successful.



PUPPETS & CLOWN

Puppets and Clowns were proud to host the School Assembly last Friday with a puppet show involving our very own Wizzy & Dizzy and their puppet friends. We also saw some very humorous clowns in action!



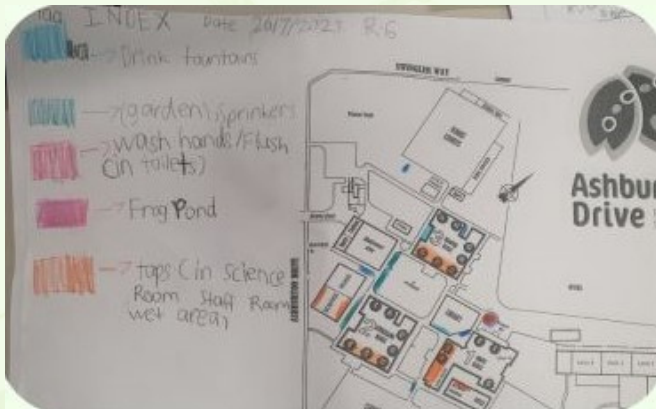
SCIENCE NEWS!

EARTH & SPACE

This term in Science we are learning more about the Earth, its surface, and it's place in space.

For the year 1's, this has involved looking at how our environment and landscape changes around us over time. The Year 3 students are looking at how the Earth, Sun and Moon work together to create day and night. An upcoming exploration of the Moon phases will involve Oreos!

The Year 2' students have been exploring water and investigating where in the school water can be found. The students found that there are lots of places where water can be found and it is used for a variety of reasons.



The year 4's have been geologists discovering different types of properties in soils. This week, students, created soil solutions to see different components within soil.



Is the Earth flat or round?

Room 13 and 14 have been debating this question over the past week after watching a video that claimed the Earth was flat! Students are learning that scientific claims need to be backed up by evidence that proves their claim to be correct. Students will later in the term explore the different planets in the solar system, and investigate whether it is possible for life to exist outside of planet Earth



The Year 6's are exploring natural disasters and how they impact the Earth's surface and living things. In Week 2, students enjoyed making their own volcanic eruption using bi-carb soda and vinegar. Students used animal figurines to highlight the effects of an volcanic eruption.

BILLY SAYS, "HELLO!"



As most would know in Term 1 we had tadpoles in the science lab. Over the term, they progressed through the frog cycle and turned into Frogs. In Term 1 school holidays, I relocated the frogs back to their home - however, one escaped and when I came home, he was sitting on the laundry floor! So I now have a pet Frog called Billy. He will visit later in the term.

UPCOMING EVENT!

Week 5 is Science Week! The theme this year is Innovation: Powering Future Industries. The theme incorporates the advancement in technology in all industries, especially the use of artificial intelligence (AI).

Additional science activities will be offered during week 5 to provide students with opportunities to explore creativity, science, technology, and sustainability. Stay tuned for more details.



Physical Education

2023 has been a busy and exciting time in Physical Education. We have had a range of activities and events such as clinics and carnivals, as well as our lessons in which students have had the opportunity to develop their movement skills. During class time, pre-primary – year 2 students have maintained a focus on developing their fundamental movement skills during various skill development activities and minor games. Year 3 – 6 students have focused on applying their skills to a range of games such as cricket, netball, football, athletics and hockey. These activities and games allow the students to not only develop their physical skills but also work on their social and emotional attributes by working together with their peers.

This year has also seen some of our students have the opportunity to participate in extra-curricular events such as clinics and interschool carnivals. In term 2, year 2-6 students had a fantastic time participating in a netball clinic run by year 11 and 12 students from SEDA. We have also had other special clinics run by West Australian Football Commission and some lessons delivered by students from Southern River College. Our year 5 and 6 students have so far competed in the summer and the winter interschool carnivals. Not to mention the cross country and athletics carnivals we have to come in term 3 and 4. These events are a great chance for our students to engage in some healthy competition against other schools, and showcase their skills, sportsmanship and pride for Ashburton Drive Primary School.

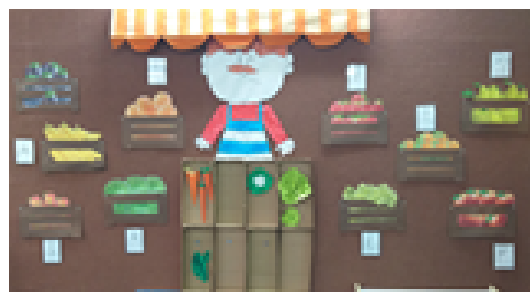
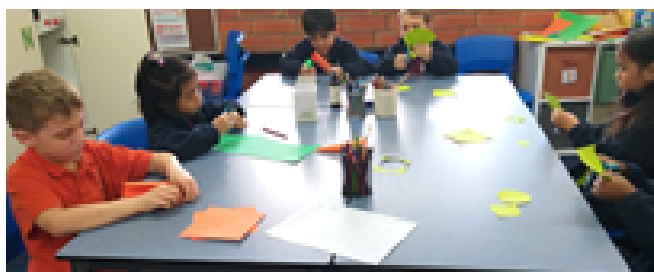




This term students will continue to develop their Australian Sign Language (Auslan) through language games, music and movement, role play, art activities, technology, and exposure to real life experiences within the Deaf community.

YEAR 1/2

Will be focusing of on fruit and vegetables. This week we are working on developing our word wall. Beside each fruit or vegetable made by the students there will be a picture of the Auslan sign displayed to assist with their learning.



The students in Year 1 and 2 also worked on a worksheet to demonstrate their knowledge of the signs for the different fruit and vegetables.



We played a fruit and vegetables salad game, where each child was given either a fruit or vegetable, someone stood in the middle of the circle and signed a fruit or vegetable all the students with that fruit or vegetable then had to stand up and swap with spots with another student. The last person to sit down had to sit in the middle. The game end when there was only one person left, we had lots of fun!



YEAR 3/4

We will be focusing on deli and yummy 'sometimes foods'. Next week they will be developing their own food shop word wall. This week we had a brainstorm on how our wall would look and how we can make the art and craft food. Some fantastic ideas were put forward-so watch this space!



We have also had fun playing food sorts, Pacman, and go find me games.



YEAR 5/6

The Year 5 students will be focusing on restaurant foods. Next week they will be developing their food shop word wall. I look forward to seeing some of their art and craft restaurant food. They have come up with some great ideas so watch this space.

As Ashburton Primary School have sponsored the Cambodian lady's soccer team, we have been doing some Auslan activities that incorporate soccer and Auslan. These soccer balls are really coming together. The students read the signs on the ball and then drew what they said.

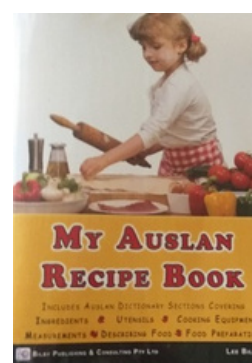


We also played a soccer shoot out. We had two teams (we ended up having boys against girls), one person signed a question and the team that answered what the sign was correctly got to kick a goal.

Well done girls!



We are all looking forward to using the 'My Auslan Recipe Book'! We are going to do some cooking at the end of the term.



Merit Certificate Winners - Week 2 - Term 3

Ali

Zsaniah

Leon

Deagan

Alya

Makayla

Samuel

Kiesha-May

Ellie

Yaa

Ethan

Isabel

Indah

Sabrina

Arenne

Hayden

Jayden

Liam

Rylan

Zyon

Dominic

Kiara

Zedarius

Bella

Sabri

Saina

Kalia

Zirwa

Elise

Kira

Hiba

Jaxson

Hallie

Brandon

Caitlin

Adrijano

Charlie

Strickland Block

Green Block



Draffen Block



Next P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting is on Monday 4th September at 6.00pm in the staff room. We would love to meet you!



Father's Day Stall

Father's Day Stall - Thursday 31st August & Friday 1st September.
We are looking for parent helpers to help with the stalls.


Volunteers
needed

Please remember to follow us on Facebook.

Yvonne

P&C Secretary

Community News



5 Love Languages of Children
South East Metro Parenting Support Services

For Parents and Carers of children 3-12 years
1-session program

Workshop Overview
Each child expresses and receives love through one of 5 different communication styles.

This introductory course assists parents and caregivers to discover their child's primary language and provides skills in conveying unconditional feelings of respect and affection.

Based on 'The Five Love Languages of Children' by Gary Chapman and Ross Campbell MD.

DATES
Wednesday
30 August 2023

TIME
6.30pm - 8.00pm

LOCATION
Yarralinka Primary School
12 Yarralinka Road
Southern River

COST
Free

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Unavailable

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Training is Wednesday arvo at Hume rd Oval, Thornlie
Games are played Saturday mornings (some Friday nights for u13s) at Sutherland Oval, Huntingdale against other teams in the Thornlie District

Affordable at only \$140 per player (Kidsport accepted for eligible kids)

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