



Principal's Address

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

You are going to be seeing a new brand added to our school brand.

I am pleased to share that this morning the Premier of Western Australia, Hon Roger Cook MLA, and the Minister for Education, Hon Sabine Winton MLA, announced Ashburton Drive Primary School as one of 4 Western Australian public schools selected to participate in the Connected Community School trial.

The Connected Community School trial will see schools as community hubs, linking students, families and community to supports that make a difference. At our school, the trial will focus on identifying and providing the support our students need to thrive at school and make a successful transition to secondary education.

The trial will commence in 2026, with a phased roll out of services. As a selected school, we have the opportunity to build upon the initiatives we already have in place that respond to the unique needs of our students and families. Over the coming months we will begin consultation to identify those needs and the priorities of our school community with the help of our school Board.

Further information about the Connected Community School trial can be found in the attached Frequently Asked Questions.

I will continue to keep you updated and look forward to working with you on this exciting initiative.

Staff Professional Learning Day

On Friday 15th, staff engaged in Day 1 of Berry Street. This is a 4-day staff learning program which will be embarked on every semester to ensure practices learnt are well embedded in our school. The program provides a 'suite of trauma informed, strengths-based strategies for engaging all students with learning'. You can find more information through this link: [Berry Street Education Model – Learning and Resources / Berry Street](#)

What this looks like for your child is that a morning circle has commenced in most rooms. Please ask them how their day begins. It is a great way to get ready to learn for the day and lots of fun.

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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

Friday 22nd August

- Newsletter - Room 2

Friday 29th August

- Assembly - Room 13 & Room 14

Tuesday 2nd September

- Father's Day - Kindy - Year 3 Classrooms

Friday 5th September

- Newsletter - Science

Tuesday 9th September - 11th September

- Year 6 camp

Thursday 11th September

- RU OK DAY

Monday 15th September - Tuesday 16th September

- School Photos

Friday - 19th September

- Faction Athletic Carnival

SEEC awards

Ashburton Drive PS is part of a local network of schools named SEEC South East Education Community (this name is under review shortly as there is another network with similar). We held our first awards amongst this group where staff nominated for two teachers, one ministerial officer and one education assistant, this was based on the size of our school and the number of staff in those positions. The nominations were then reviewed by our School Board for selection of winners.

Whilst the other schools were able to attend the event in person, we were on our Professional Learning Day, Friday 15th and joined in online. So, it was with great surprise and joy that the staff were presented with nomination certificates, and the winners were announced.

Congratulations to Miss Lucille Condro, Ms Helen Rule, Ms Janice Vincent and Miss Caitlin Hill.



Bullying No Way

Our students have been actively participating in Bullying. No Way! Week—a national initiative focused on creating safe and supportive school environments. Through a variety of classroom activities, discussions, and creative projects, students are learning the importance of kindness, respect, and standing up against bullying. We're proud of the thoughtful conversations and positive actions happening across our school community as we work together to say: Bullying. No Way!

Citizenship ceremony and choir

On Tuesday 20th August, the ADPS Choir had the privilege of performing at the City of Gosnells Citizenship Ceremony, held at the Gosnells Civic Centre. The choir presented three beautifully prepared songs, impressing both the participants and the event organisers with their outstanding performance. The students represented ADPS with pride, not only through their musical talent but also in the way they conducted themselves throughout the event. Their behaviour was exemplary, and they were wonderful ambassadors for our school community. This opportunity was a fantastic showcase of the dedication and hard work put in by the choir under the guidance of Mrs Ranasinghe. The positive feedback from attendees is a testament to the hours of rehearsal and the teamwork of our students. Events like this highlight the value of the arts in education and celebrate the collective effort of our teachers who provide such enriching experiences for our students. We are incredibly proud of the ADPS Choir and look forward to seeing them continue to flourish.



School Photos

Our two days of photography are coming up on 15th and 16th of September. Your child should have given you the personalised note last week. If you have not received this, please contact your child's teacher.



Mind Makers

Following the Mind Makers incursion for Year 5 and 6, we held a parent webinar, Claire and Tim Orange, for a deep dive into the complex world of online influence and social pressure. The Mind Makers incursion gave your child the opportunity to participate in an essential and open discussion about their relationships online, the pressures they face, and what influences their decision-making and critical thinking skills. We covered sensitive topics in an age-appropriate forum.

Parenting is equal parts rewarding and challenging and this important webinar opened a window into what's happening in your child's online world and provided you with some practical strategies for having open conversations at home about often complicated and sometimes embarrassing topics.

The link to the webinar can be found here: [Ashburton Drive Parent Workshop - YouTube](#) We hope you can find some time to access this valuable resource.

Kindy and Pre-Primary enrolment.

Applications are now open for Kindergarten and Pre Primary 2026. If you have a child who is eligible and you have not already submitted an application to enrol, please complete an application for enrolment and return it to the front office. When applying, please ensure you have the following relevant documents attached: 1 x proof of address, Birth Certificate, Australian Citizenship Paper or Visa/Passport (if applicable) Immunisation History statement downloaded from the Medicare website, which must be dated within the last two months.

Parent Contributions

The Ashburton Drive Primary School Board has endorsed the schedule of voluntary contributions and charges for 2025. The schedule is broken into three sections and will allow you to calculate all costs that you might incur throughout the school year.

- Per Child Kindergarten to Year 6 \$50.00
- Chaplaincy \$5.00
- P&C approved voluntary fund \$10.00

Payment Options:

- Option 1 - Cash

A cash payment can be made at the School Administration office.

- Option 2 - EFTPOS

EFTPOS facilities are available at the School Administration office.

- Option 3 - Direct Deposit

Please see the office staff for details.

Positive Behaviour Support Focus Term 3 Week 5 & 6 is 'Join In.

In weeks five and six of Term 3, the focus of our PBS lessons (Positive Behaviour Support) is 'Join in' and was taken from our focus area of 'Participate Positively' by Darmorluk. Please support us by discussing this with your children and encouraging them to 'Join in' both at home and at school.

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



Individual Education Plans at Ashburton Drive Primary School

At ADPS, we want every child to feel supported and confident in their learning. To make sure this happens, we have clear processes in place for students who may be finding English or Mathematics more challenging.

Students who are receiving a D grade will be supported through Quality Differentiated Teaching Practice (QDTP). This means the classroom teacher adjusts lessons so that every student can take part in whole-class learning at a level that is right for them. Teachers provide extra modelling, scaffolded support, and plenty of opportunities for practice. At times, students may also work in small groups, where they can get more focused teaching, immediate feedback, and guidance to build their skills. QDTP does not require parent signatures and copies of the plan are not sent home, but if you would like to know more about how your child is being supported, please don't hesitate to contact the classroom teacher.

Students who are receiving an E grade will have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) in place, along with a ten-week Learning Progression. These progressions break larger goals into smaller, achievable steps, helping students experience success along the way. Parents will be contacted when an IEP is created, and a meeting will be arranged to share the plan and discuss ways we can work together, both at school and at home, to best support your child's learning.

At ADPS, student success is at the heart of everything we do. We value working in partnership with families and look forward to continuing to create a supportive and inclusive learning environment where all children can thrive.

Mr Lavery



ADPS Tree Planting Event – Family Trees are Grounded in Respect

Come and plant a tree with your child in Swingler Reserve as we celebrate family growth, environmental care, and the strong connections that ground our school community.

Join us on Friday, 5 September, from 7:45 AM to 9:30 AM for a special Tree Planting Morning. Parents and carers are warmly invited to take part and enjoy a coffee from our on-site coffee van.

A big thank you to the support from our Parents and Carers Committee (P&C), the Armadale and Gosnells Landcare Group (AGLG) for coordinating the planting and to the City of Gosnells.

Spots are limited, so book your place now: <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/vncah>
Event code: vncah

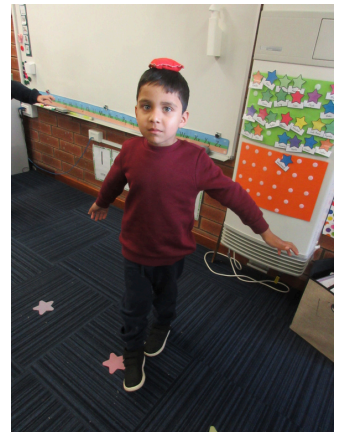
Let's grow something meaningful—together.



Classroom Item - Pre-Primary Room 2

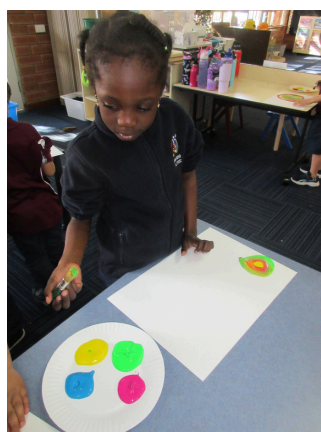
Fundamental Movement Skills

This term we have been working on our balancing skills every day! We have been balancing on one leg, heel to toe walking on pretend tightropes, and balancing beanbags on our heads! Everyone is getting better at balancing each day.



Art

We read the story 'The Dot' by Peter H. Reynolds. Afterwards, we were inspired to create our own artworks. We started with a dot and mixed our colours to turn our dot into beautiful art!



Next P&C Meeting

Next p and c meeting Monday 25th 6pm in the boardroom we would love to see new faces there.

Father's Day

Father's Day is almost approaching, and we're completing the last touches. A few parent volunteers are still needed to assist throughout the two days of the stall. Contact us if you are able to assist.

Keep checking Facebook for additional updates.

Kins regards

Tanya-Marie Daintith

P & c Secretary



Uniform Shop

Uniform shop is open Mondays 8.30am - 9.15am

"Attention! We're having an end-of-stocktake clearance on all hair accessories in the uniform shop. The hair lackies are heavily reduced because they're old stock and have become stretched, but a crafty parent and a hot glue gun can repair these in no time. Prices starting from \$1, while stocks last.

Also, faction polos are available. Now is a great time to check the fit with Carnival in the third term. Purchase in-store, as orders will be placed by August 1st. We've also got adult sizes too, so Mum and Dad can also look the part!"

Youth \$25 each

Adult \$28 each

Quickcliq.com is an easy way to order uniforms and have them delivered to your child's classroom

Warm regards,

Katie

ADPS uniform shop coordinator



Community News



SPECIALIST SPORT PROGRAM TRIALS

Current Year 6 students who participate in any of the following sports at club level are welcome to trial for possible enrolment at Darling Range Sports College for Year 7, 2026

AFL / Athletics / Baseball
Basketball / Netball / Soccer
Rugby League / Swimming

The trials will take place from
9 to 10 September 2025

Please visit the Sports Program Trials section on our website for full details and to register your child's attendance

Registration is required to attend trials and all relevant paperwork must be completed and submitted prior to the trial date

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