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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Book Week

During Week 6, our students had the opportunity to participate in Book Week, and this year's theme was 'Book an Adventure'. All classes were involved in completing a book-related activity and participated in our annual "Stop, Drop and Read" activity. Book Week is an important time to inspire our students to develop a love of reading, a vital lifelong skill.

Here are the winners for 2025.

Misheel	Ari	Musab	Alessia	Jochebed
Te Amo-Lee	Elina	Savreen	Dede	Olga
Cadence	Reuben	Zyra	Souail	Aurora
Hadia	Milla	Lyndsey	Zelda	Aliesha
Hana	Nala	Islay	Sabrina	Clair
Indah	Shanice	Sudie	Rylan	Faizah
Haizy	Zirwa	Makynzie	Brianna	Monica

Where's Wally Scavenger Hunt Competition Winners

Why does Wally Wear Stripes? - He does not want to be spotted.

Matayah	Hayden	Clair	Ayden	Khatema
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Interm Swimming Lessons Week 3 & 4 - Term 4



Interm Swimming Lessons
Week 3 & 4 - Term 4
27 October - 7 November
Location: Gosnells Leisure World
Cost: \$50.00 per student

Interm Swimming Enrolment Forms and Excursion Consent forms are due back no later than Friday 26 September with payment.

If you wish to enter into an instalment payment plan, please contact the school in sufficient time prior to the commencement of swimming lessons.

If you need new swimming forms you can collect one from the front office

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 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
- Newsletter - Auslan

Thursday 25th September

- Personal Best Reward Day Year 1 - Year 6

Friday 26th September

- Last Day of Term 3
- Assembly Room 3 & 4

Tuesday 14th October

- Students Resume - Term 4

Voluntary Contributions

Thank you to all parents who have made their voluntary 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

School Contribution Prize Draw

We are very grateful to one of our generous caregivers who has kindly donated two contributions of \$65 to support our school. These will be offered as prizes to encourage more families to make their 2025 school contribution.

On Thursday, Week 10 (25th September), we will draw two names from families who have already made their 2025 payment. Each winner will receive \$65 back as a prize!

Your school contribution helps us provide extra resources and opportunities for our students — thank you for your continued support.

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.

School Board

Our School Board met on the 27th of August and discussed:

- School Culture data
- Financial reports
- Infrastructure Works
- Booklists
- Connected Community School trial
- Before and after school vendor

We were very excited to welcome our new member, Alissa Wills who brings social work expertise to our team. If you were considering joining our dynamic and collaborative team, please send through a nomination email to heather.Fallo@education.wa.edu.au. Alternatively, next term we will be holding an open meeting at 2:00pm on Wednesday 12th of November. Everyone is welcome to join us and see what discussions take place.

EA Appreciation Day

On Friday, 5th September, we celebrated Education Assistant Appreciation Day — a special opportunity to recognise the incredible work our EAs do each and every day to support our students, staff, and school community.

Our wonderful EA team were treated to cake and a small gift as a token of our gratitude. We encourage all families to join us in saying a big thank you to our amazing Education Assistants for the care, dedication, and commitment they bring to ADPS.

Staff Meetings

At our last staff meeting we completed the 3rd session of ADHD_with Me which was facilitated by the wonderful Eliza Dadson. Teachers were immersed in a range of strategies to use in the classroom, focusing on the strengths of students and reducing their cognitive load. Teachers were inspired by the strategies shared by Eliza and many will be implemented in classrooms already!

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.



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.

Positive Behaviour Support Focus Term 3 Week 7 & 8 is 'Be a Good Sport'.

In weeks seven and eight of Term 3, the focus of our PBS lessons (Positive Behaviour Support) is 'Be a good sport' 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 'Be a good sport' 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

"The more that you read, the more things you will know." – Dr. Seuss

At Ashburton Drive Primary School, we know that reading at home plays a big part in helping children develop into confident and capable learners. In the early years, even just ten minutes a day of sharing a book together can make a huge difference. Reading to your child helps them hear the rhythm and richness of language, builds their vocabulary, and shows them that books are a source of enjoyment as well as learning. These simple moments of shared reading also strengthen the bond between parent and child, making reading a time to look forward to.

There are many easy ways families can make reading part of their routine. Visit your local library together and let your child choose books that spark their interest. Read stories aloud at bedtime, take turns reading pages, or simply talk about the pictures and what might happen next. Even older children benefit from being read to, as it models fluent reading and encourages discussion. Building these habits early lays the foundation for lifelong skills in reading, comprehension, and learning across all areas.

As one author put it, "Children are made readers on the laps of their parents." Why not make reading a part of your family's daily routine this week, or plan a fun trip to the library to discover some new favourites?

Mr Lavery



Exploring Chemistry in Term 3

This term in Science, our focus is on Chemistry — an exciting branch of science that begins in primary school by helping students make sense of the physical world around them. Through hands-on activities and guided investigations, students are encouraged to ask questions, make observations, and discover how different materials and substances behave.

In Years 1 and 2, students are exploring the different common materials that objects are made from and considering what makes these materials suitable for their purposes. Recently, our Year 1 students enjoyed a lively lesson on elasticity. Each student was given a balloon and observed how it expanded when inflated and contracted when deflated. To finish, we held a friendly competition to see whose balloon could travel the furthest — a great way to combine fun with learning!

Our Year 3 and 4 students are developing their understanding of the three states of matter: solids, liquids, and gases. They are investigating how matter changes from one state to another and how temperature and other factors can affect these changes.

Meanwhile, Year 5 and 6 students are diving deeper into the world of chemistry by exploring mixtures, reactions, solutions, and suspensions. They are learning to identify examples of these in everyday life and experimenting to see how substances interact when combined.

We're also looking forward to Science Week, which will take place later this term. This will be a fantastic opportunity to celebrate “all things science” with a variety of activities, challenges, and events designed to inspire curiosity and creativity.

It's shaping up to be a term filled with discovery, experimentation, and excitement — a wonderful reminder that science is all around us, waiting to be explored!



Merit Certificate Winners - Week 6 - Term 3

Ruby	Alirah	Olive	Umair	Kaidyn	Aishani	Marlee
Daniel	Cylis	Kitsya	Mila	Lukas	Aurora	Ali
Chase	Zsaniah	Maliyah	Lucas	Jai	Nadhifa	Bhoomika
Andre	Orion	Hannah	Saivi	Veronica	Caleb	Ayva
Ivy	Dylan	Sienna	Darcey	Sydney	Chucky	Travis
Imogen	Rylan	Ayden	Adeeva	Yhuna	Callum	Hermarnie
Romas	Charles	Nafisa	Zoey	Ernest		

Green Block



Strickland Block



Draffen Block



Aussie of the month

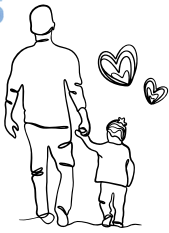
Medallion Award



Thank you for everyone for supporting us with the Father's Day stall. Thank you, Kathy, Anneleise, Nikki, Yvonne, Lakeisha, Alyssa for all your help on the days.

Kind regards
Tanya-Marie Daintith
P & c Secretary

Happy
Father's
Day



Uniform Shop

Uniform shop is open Mondays 8.30am - 9.15am

Don't forget school photos are next week, and new polos are available in store.

"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



Enrolments for 2026 are closing soon.
Don't miss out – secure your child's place today.
APPLY ONLINE: www.southernrivercollege.wa.edu.au

Head to our enrolment tab to download the forms. Enrolment packs are also available at your child's school. Please call our office on 93916500 if you have any questions.

Please note that enrolment is not automatic between Primary School and High School

Where Knowledge Flows.

Community News



DARLING RANGE
SPORTS COLLEGE

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

darlingrange.sc.enrolments@education.wa.edu.au
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