

Newsletter

Volume 15 - Term 3 - 2026



Principal's address

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As we come to the end of Term 3, I would like to thank our students, staff and families for another busy and rewarding term. There have been many opportunities to learn, celebrate and connect as a school community, and we are proud of the enthusiasm and effort shown by our students. We wish everyone a safe, relaxing and well-deserved break and look forward to welcoming students back for Term 4.

Faction Carnival Results

What a fantastic Faction Carnival! **Congratulations** to **De Grey**, who claimed first place with an impressive **1,458 points**.

The final results were:

- **De Grey – 1,458 points**
- **Murchison – 1,074 points**
- **Gascoyne – 1,072 points**
- **Fortescue – 1,032 points**



Well done to all students for their enthusiasm, effort and wonderful sportsmanship throughout the carnival. We were especially proud of our De Grey captains, who delivered a wonderful acceptance speech. They spoke with confidence and humility, acknowledged the efforts of every faction and thanked everyone who contributed to the day. They were outstanding representatives of their faction and our school.

A special thank you to our PE specialist, **Mrs Walsh**, for the enormous amount of work she put into training our students and planning and coordinating the carnival. Thank you also to all staff who helped train and prepare our students and supported the smooth running of the day, as well as the families and volunteers who came along to cheer and assist.

A Sizzling Thank You!

A huge thank you to one of our wonderful Year 6 parents, who kept everyone well fed with an amazing sausage sizzle at our Faction Carnival. The sausages were a big hit and helped make an already fantastic day even better! We greatly appreciate the time, effort and generosity that went into feeding our school community.

Dates to Remember

23 September – 25 September

Year 6 Camp

Friday 25 September

*Last day of Term 3

*Assembly – Room 15 & 16

Tuesday 13 October

*Students Resume

*Parent Workshop – Bringing Up Great Kids

Friday 16 October

*Newsletter – Music

*World Food Day

*Year 6 – Colour Fun Run

Tuesday 20 October

*Parent Workshop – Bringing Up Great Kids

Wednesday 21 October

*Grandparents Day – ECE

Friday 23 October

*Assembly – Unit 3 & Unit 4

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School hours

Start: 8:45am

Recess: 10:55am – 11:15am

Lunch: 1:15pm – 1:45pm

Final bell: 2:45pm

Smart Glasses

Dear parents and carers

From Term 4 there is a new rule about **smart glasses**.

Smart glasses are banned from school and from events run by our school.

This rule is for everyone.

What are smart glasses?

Smart glasses have hidden cameras, microphones, or computer screens inside them.

Why do we have this rule?

We want everyone to feel safe at school. Smart glasses can take photos and videos without anyone knowing.

What should you do?

Please do not bring smart glasses to school or school events.

Normal reading glasses, sunglasses and prescription glasses are allowed.

Thank you for helping us keep our school safe.

Positive Behaviour Support Focus for Term 3 Weeks 9 & 10 is “Respect all Abilities, Celebrate all Efforts”.

In weeks nine and ten of Term 3, the focus of our PBS lessons (Positive Behaviour Support) is “Respect all abilities, celebrate all efforts” and was taken from our focus area of “Respectful Relationships”. Please support us by discussing this with your children and encouraging them to 'Respect all abilities, celebrate all efforts' both at home and at school.

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

Term 4 Planner 2026

Our Term 4 Parent Planner is now available on our website.

 Ashburton Drive Primary School Term Planner: Parent Term 4 2026 22/9/26 					
Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	12 October PD Day *Matariki Day	13 October Students Resume *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *Parent workshop - "Bringing Up Great Kids"	14 October *Kindy - Unit 1B	15 October *Kindy - Unit 1B *Ear Health Screening	16 October *Kindy - Unit 1B *Newsletter - Music *World Food Day *Year 6 - Colour Fun Run
2	19 October *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	20 October *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *Parent workshop - "Bringing Up Great Kids"	21 October *Grandparents Day - ECE *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	22 October *Kindy - Unit 1B	23 October *Kindy - Unit 1B *Assembly - Unit 3 & Unit 4
3	26 October *Swimming *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *25 October - Grandparents' Day	27 October *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *Parent workshop - "Bringing Up Great Kids"	28 October *Kindy - Unit 1B	29 October *Kindy - Unit 1B *Interschool Athletics Carnival (A Division) Yr 1-6	30 October *Kindy - Unit 1B *Newsletter - Room 6 *World Teachers' Day
4	2 November *Swimming *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	3 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	4 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	5 November *SST - Outdoor Education Day *Kindy - Unit 1B	6 November *Diwali *Kindy - Unit 1B
5	9 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *9-15 November - *National Recycling Week *Aladdin Incurion PP-Y6	10 November *SST - World Science Day *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *Bringing up great kids	11 November *Remembrance Day *Kindy - Unit 1B *Aladdin Performance *Kindy Orientation Day	12 November *Kindy - Unit 1B *Aladdin Performance	13 November *Kindy - Unit 1B *Newsletter - Physical Education *Assembly - Student Leaders *World Kindness Day
6	16 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	17 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *Bringing up great kids	18 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	19 November *Kindy - Unit 1B	20 November *Kindy - Unit 1B
7	23 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	24 November *Fairy Bread Day P&C *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *SRC Year 7 Orientation Day	25 November *White Ribbon Day *Kindy - Unit 1B	26 November *Kindy - Unit 1B	27 November *Kindy - Unit 1B *Newsletter - Room 10
8	30 November *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	1 December *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	2 December *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	3 December *Kindy - Unit 1B *Parent workshop - "Bringing Up Great Kids"	4 December *Kindy - Unit 1B
9	7 December *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	8 December *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A	9 December *Kindy - Unit 1B *Kindy Orientation Day	10 December *Kindy - Unit 1B	11 December *Kindy - Unit 1B *Newsletter - Unit 3
10	14 December *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *PP end of year celebration	15 December *Endeavour Award Assembly *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *Yr6 Outback Splash	16 December *Kindy - Unit 1A *Kindy - Unit 2A *Personal Best Reward	17 December *Last day of term 4 *Assembly - Year 6 Graduation Assembly *Kindy - Unit 1B *P&C - Pyjama Day	

AUSLAN

Hands Up for Auslan!

It has been a fantastic term of learning in Auslan! Students across Years 1–6 have been building their confidence and communication skills through games, movement, role play, technology and hands-on activities.

Our students have been developing their fingerspelling, receptive skills, numbers, vocabulary and conversational skills, while discovering that Auslan has its own unique grammar and sentence structure. We have also been exploring the five parameters of Auslan – Handshape, Orientation, Location, Movement and Expression – and learning how these work together to create clear and accurate signs.

One of the most exciting parts of our program is seeing students put their Auslan into action! Year 4 students will be preparing and presenting their own weather reports in Auslan, using weather vocabulary, temperatures, days and dates to deliver their forecasts.

Our Year 5 students will be taking their communication skills into the kitchen as they learn to give explicit Auslan instructions for making a jam sandwich. Year 6 will take this challenge to the next level by creating and signing instructions for their very own “designer burger”! Students will need to carefully sequence their instructions, use descriptive language and communicate their ideas clearly in Auslan.

We have also continued exploring Deaf culture and the Deaf community, including National Week of Deaf People and Auslan representation in the media.

It has been wonderful to see students becoming more confident, enthusiastic and willing to “have a go” with Auslan. We can’t wait to see what our students achieve next!



Science





Interm Swimming Lessons
Pre-Primary-Year 6
Week 3 & 4 - Term 4
26 October - 6 November
Location: Gosnells Leisure World
Cost: \$64.70 per student

**DUE FRIDAY
25 SEPTEMBER**

Interm Swimming Enrolment Forms and Excursion Consent forms are DUE back no later than Friday 25 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 another swimming form, you can collect one from the front office



Uniform shop news

Open every Wednesday 8:30 am to 9:15 am. All sizes are back in stock.

Lost property is located outside the library. Please ensure everything is labelled - if it has a name, we can get it returned to you.

Thank you



Community News

PLEASE COME IN,
ALL WELCOME!

ON NOW!

"BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS" WORKSHOP

Everyone gets a Free Recipe Food Bag

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JOIN "BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS" CHATS

Free workshops for all ADPS parents

بیان اشتراک کتب در ورکشاپهای گیوگفت والدین
"کلان کدن بجهای خوب"

ADPS ورکشاپهای مفت برای تمام والدین و فامیلها
جلسه در ترم ۳ و ترم ۴

جای نگهداری بچهها (کروش) مفت موجود است
عصرانه هم داده میشه

ای ورکشاپها کمک میکنه که والدین و سرپرستا با مشکلی روزمره
راحتتر مقابله کنن، اعتماد به نفسشان بالا بره و رابطیشان با
مکتب و جامعه بهتر شه

فامیلها چی توقع داشته باشن

یک محیط آرام و دوستانه گروهی برای والدین بجهای مکتبی

راهنمایهای مفید برای حل مشکلی روزمره تربیتی

فرصت آشنایی و گپ زدن با دیگر والدین و سرپرستا

راهنمایی حمایتی بدون قضاوت

برای BUCK گیهای خودمانی قبل و بعد از جلسها با تیم

پرسیدن سوال و گرفتن کمک

تمام اشتراککنندهها در هفته اول و هفته پنجم یک بسته غذایی

میگیرن (Recipe Food Bag) رایگان

برای ثبتنام: با دفتر مکتب تماس بگیرین

ایمیل: AshburtonDrive.PS@education.wa.edu.au

WHERE
Ashburton Drive Primary School

WHEN
1.30 PM - 2.30 PM

TERM 3 Tuesdays
11th, 18th, 25th August
1st, 8th September

TERM 4 Tuesdays
15th, 20th, 27th October, 3rd,
10th November

- 5 sessions in Term 3 and 4
- Free crèche available
- Afternoon tea provided

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Enroll through the school office:

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JOIN OUR "BRINGING UP GREAT KIDS" PARENT CHAT WORKSHOP!

Free workshops for all ADPS
parents and families

The workshops help parents and caregivers
with daily challenges, build confidence, and
connect better with the school and
community.

What Families Can Expect:

- A calm and friendly group setting designed for
parents of school children
- Useful tips for dealing with parenting problems
- Chances to meet other parents and caregivers
- Supportive and non-judgmental guidance
- The BUCK team will be available for informal check-
ins before and after sessions, allowing parents to
connect, ask questions, and access supports.

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CITY OF GOSNELLS

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

FREE

Activities and learning experiences, run during
school terms, starting Week 2 of each term

PRE-SCHOOL AGES

With their parents or carers

STORY TIME AT THE SHOPS
For children of all ages (Maddington Central)

BABY RHYME TIME
Recommended for ages 0 - 12 months

FIRST CHAPTERS
For parents and carers with babies
0 - 12 months old Bookings essential

TOGETHER TIME
Recommended for ages 0 - 5 years

TODDLER TIME
Recommended for ages 1 - 3 years

SENSORY STORY TIME
Recommended for ages 2 years and up
Due to limited space, only one parent or guardian may
accompany each participating child.

STORY TIME
Recommended for ages 3 - 5 years

LEARNING LAUNCHPAD
For ages 3 - 5 years

TIMETABLES AVAILABLE IN PERSON
AT THE LIBRARIES AND ONLINE

SCHOOL AGES

Programs held after-school

LEGO® CLUB
Recommended for ages 4 - 12 years

CONSTRUCTION CLUB
Recommended for ages 4 - 12 years

INK AND IMAGINATION
Recommended for ages 6 - 12 years

GAMES CLUB
Recommended for ages 8 years and up

PROGRAM DATES
During Term 3, all children's programs will run Monday 27 July
to Friday 25 September, excluding public holidays.

CHILDREN IN THE LIBRARY
Please note that all children 12 years and under must be
accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at all times.

BOOKINGS
Unless stated, bookings are not required for most programs.
However, spaces are limited (first come, first served). Please
collect a token on arrival for each program.



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LIBRARIES

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Community News

CITY OF GOSNELLS

SEP/OCT SCHOOL HOLIDAYS **WEEK 1** Flip over for Week 2

TUESDAY 29 SEP

At The Shops: Holiday Fun
Maddington Central Shopping Centre (Kids Zone)
1pm – 3pm
• Free (no bookings required)
• Up to 10 years
A fun, safe space filled with engaging and developmentally friendly toys and equipment for little ones to explore, discover and play alongside their parents.

WEDNESDAY 30 SEP

Park Play: Games from the Olden Days
City of Gosnells Museum at Wilkinson Homestead, Gosnells
9am – 11am
• Free (no bookings required)
• Up to 10 years

THURSDAY 1 OCT

Holiday Art: Robots
Huntingdale Community Centre
• 11am – 1pm
• 2pm – 4pm
• \$23 per child (registration essential)
• Ages 5 – 10 years
Create a unique robot using small wooden blocks, then bring it to life with paint, markers and decorative craft materials. Workshops facilitated and all materials supplied by Creative Soul Sessions. Parental supervision essential.

FRIDAY 2 OCT

Park Play
Mills Park, Beckenham
9am – 11am
• Free (no bookings required)
• Up to 10 years

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Bookings
Bookings are required where you see this symbol. Follow the QR code on the program listing.

Baby Play
Meet other new parents and enjoy playtime with your little one in these fun and relaxed Baby Play sessions. Learn new songs with Rhyme Time at the end of the session.

Park Play
Come along to a Park Play session and meet other local families. Join in the fun with sensory play, big games, sports equipment and more. Dress for the weather and bring a drink and snacks.

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FAMILY ACTIVITIES **TERM 3 2026** **PAID** Flip over for free activities

TERM 3 PROGRAMS RUN FROM MONDAY 27 JULY 2026

TUMBLE TOTS
Tumble Tots classes are loads of fun, with varied activities to assist the growth and development of young minds and bodies.
Skills developed –
• Singing, dancing, climbing
• Strength, coordination, agility
• Confidence
• Social skills
Richard Buihan Community Centre, Gosnells
• \$81 per child per term (book online)
Monday 27 July – Thursday 24 September
• 1 – 2 years
9:15am – 10:15am
10:30am – 11:30am
• 2 – 4 years
Tuesdays 9:15am – 10:15am
10:30am – 11:30am
Thursdays 9:15am – 10:15am

CREATIVE KIDS
Creative Kids is a fun program for parents and their children to be creative with craft-themed activities each week.
Skills developed –
• Creativity
• Building confidence and social skills such as sharing
• Learning how to use a range of craft tools such as scissors and paint knives
Huntingdale Community Centre, Huntingdale
• \$40.50 per child per term (book online)
Tuesday 28 July – Tuesday 22 September
• 2 – 4 years
Tuesdays 9:30am – 10:30am

CREATIVE OLDER KIDS
Creative Kids is a fun program for parents and their children to be creative with craft-themed activities each week.
Skills developed –
• Creativity
• Building confidence and social skills such as sharing
• Independence using craft tools such as scissors, glue and paint
Huntingdale Community Centre, Huntingdale
• \$40.50 per child per term (book online)
Thursday 30 July – Thursday 24 September
• 5 – 10 years
Thursdays 3:30pm – 4:30pm

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SEP/OCT SCHOOL HOLIDAYS **WEEK 2** Flip over for Week 1

MONDAY 5 OCT

Baby Play
Huntingdale Community Centre
• 9:30am – 10:30am
• 10:30am – 11:30am
• Free (no bookings required)
• Ages 0 – 18 months

TUESDAY 6 OCT

Line Dance Legends
Huntingdale Community Centre
• 9:15am – 10:15am
• 10:30am – 11:30am
• Free (registration essential)
• Ages 5 – 10 years
Line Dance Legends is a high energy workshop where kids aged 5 – 10 learn up with their parents to learn fun, easy line dancing moves. Melissa from Little Steps Perth brings the funky tunes, the cool moves and the family friendly vibes.

WEDNESDAY 7 OCT

Park Play
Sutherland All Abilities Playground, Huntingdale
9am – 11am
• Free (no bookings required)
• Up to 10 years

THURSDAY 8 OCT

Pirates at the Shops
Maddington Central Shopping Centre (Kids Zone)
9:30am – 11am
• Free (no bookings required)
• Up to 10 years
Ahoy, little pirates! Set sail for a swashbuckling story time. Children are invited to join the crew for a fun, free school holiday session packed with imagination and plenty of Ahoy there, me hearties! In collaboration with City of Gosnells Libraries.

FRIDAY 9 OCT

Park Play
Homestead Park, Thornlie
9am – 11am
• Free (no bookings required)
• Up to 10 years

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TERM 3 PROGRAMS RUN FROM MONDAY 27 JULY 2026

AT THE SHOPS: PLAY AND LEARN
A fun, play-based weekly program for children aged 3 – 5 years that focuses on the skills children need to develop before heading to school.
Mondays – Huntingdale
Huntingdale Community Centre
• Session One 9:30am – 10:30am
• Session Two 10:30am – 11:30am
• Free (no bookings required)
• For parents with babies up to 18 months old
Wednesdays – Gosnells
Richard Buihan Community Centre, Gosnells
• Session One 9:30am – 10:30am
• Session Two 10:30am – 11:30am
• Free (no bookings required)
• For parents with babies up to 12 months old

AT THE SHOPS: STORY TIME
Join us at Maddington Central for Story Time and fun activities for children.
Thursdays
Maddington Central shopping centre, Maddington
9:30am – 10:30am
• Free (no bookings required)
• Ages 3 – 5 years

PARK PLAY
Bring the kids and come along to a Park Play session and meet other local families. Join in the fun with sensory play, big games, sports equipment and more. Be sure to dress for the weather and bring a drink and snacks. Locations vary, see list.

THURSDAY 30 JULY
Huntingdale Community Centre, Huntingdale
• 9:30am – 10:30am
• 10:30am – 11:30am
• Free (no bookings required)
• All ages

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Huntingdale Community Centre, Huntingdale
• 9:30am – 10:30am
• 10:30am – 11:30am
• Free (no bookings required)
• All ages

TERM 3 PARK PLAY DATES AND LOCATIONS

Park	Wednesday	Friday
Sea Between Playground, Thornlie	–	11 September
Alexandria Boulevard Reserve, Cannington	23 September	7 August
Homestead Park, Thornlie	–	31 July
Harmony Fields, Maddington	5 August	28 August
Westfield Street Playground, Maddington (near the skate park)	19 August	–
Edmond Park Playground, Gosnells	26 August	25 September
Mills Park Playground, Beckenham	29 July	14 August
Walker Padbury Playground, Thornlie	2 September	21 August
Sutherland Park, Huntingdale	12 August	4 September
Mary Carril Park, Gosnells	–	18 September

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