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Established 1911

"Choose Respect"

Dates to Remember:

Mon 1st Dec: Seniors' Christmas Lunch

Mon 1st Dec: Growth & Development year 6

Fri 4th Dec: Trees Adventure & School Picnic (K-6)
(note change of date)

Tues 8th Dec: Kindy Transition

Wed 9th Dec: Blue Light Super Disco Extravaganza

Thurs 10th, Fri 11th Dec: Transition Days Pinjarra SHS

Sat 12th Dec: Dwellingup Community Christmas Tree

Tues 15th Dec: Presentation / Graduation 9.30am

Wed 16th Dec: Reports home

Wed 16th Dec: Year 6 Graduation Dinner

Thurs 17th Dec: Last day. Fire Brigade Hose Down!

Thurs 28th Jan 2021: School Office Opens

Mon 1st Feb 2021: Students commence school year.

Weekly Events at D.P.S.

Mon: Playgroup 9.00-11.00am (note change of day)

Educational Websites at DPS:

www.mathletics.com.au

www.studyladder.com.au

www.mylexile.com.au

"Containers for Change"

Our container collection bin is slowly filling up (about half full) but we need a lot more. Please contact the school if you have containers to donate.



ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS



Evelynn Evans was the recipient of the recycling award this week. Students receive a raffle ticket if they bring in items that can be recycled including 'containers for change'.



We thank businesses around town for allowing us to place yellow top bins outside their premises. At present there are only general rubbish bins provided so we think that as well as raising funds for our school, we are 'doing our bit' to promote recycling and preventing recyclables from ending up in landfill. Thank you to **Mr Warren** for bringing the bins up each week.

'Interesting' statistics': 612 containers collected in total.

Around town - cans – 87; glass – 80; plastic – 86; cartons – 4 **School** – 249; **K/PP** - 106

Below: Amiee, Eve and Karly are contributing to recycling by assisting to sort the recycling bins.



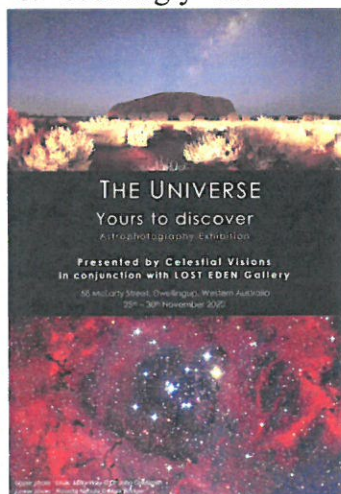
We are excited about recycling AND making money for our school.

Lost Eden Creative Gallery Visit

Yesterday our students visited the **Lost Eden Creative Gallery**. Astrophotographer **John Goldsmith** described how 10 photographers / artists compiled the amazing exhibits in the gallery. Students learned lots of interesting information from John including:

- This type of artwork is called “**Astrophotography**” which combines telescopes and BIG cameras.
- Due to the lack of light, it can take up to 5 minutes to take one photo.
- A comet’s core is about the size of Mount Everest.
- Shooting stars are smaller than your thumb nail.
- Stars and gravity form together to create a black hole. No light can escape or get away.
- In Fremantle lots of seemingly random yellow lines were painted on buildings. When you stood in a particular place the segments of line merged to create ellipses.

John was amazed at the quantity and quality of the questions asked by students. We were all impressed by the students’ level of interest and engagement.



Left: John with a huge camera.



Above: Students at the Lost Eden gallery.



We thank proprietors **Monique and Peter Tippet** for providing yet another marvellous educational opportunity for our students at no cost.



Above: One of the photographs.

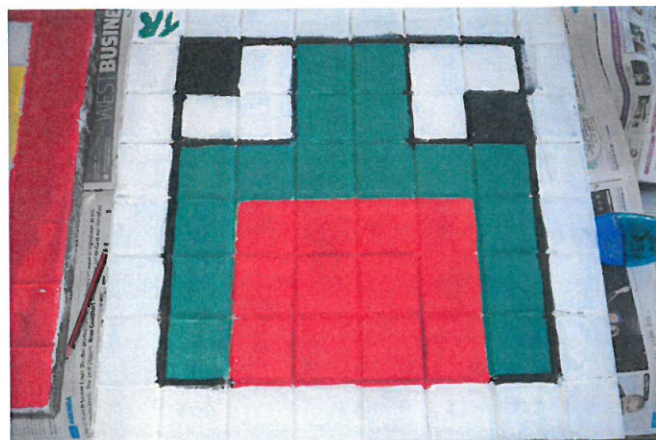
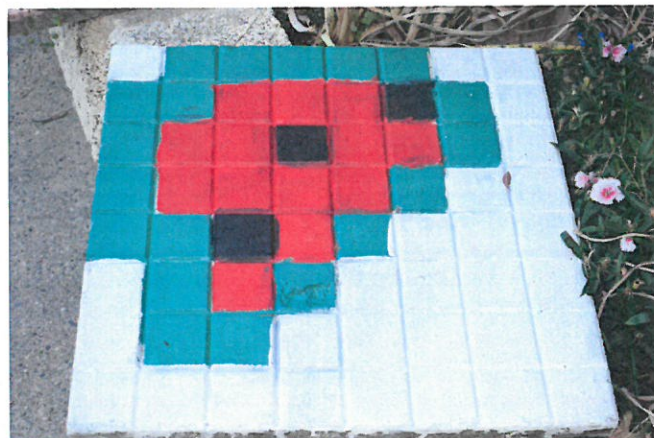
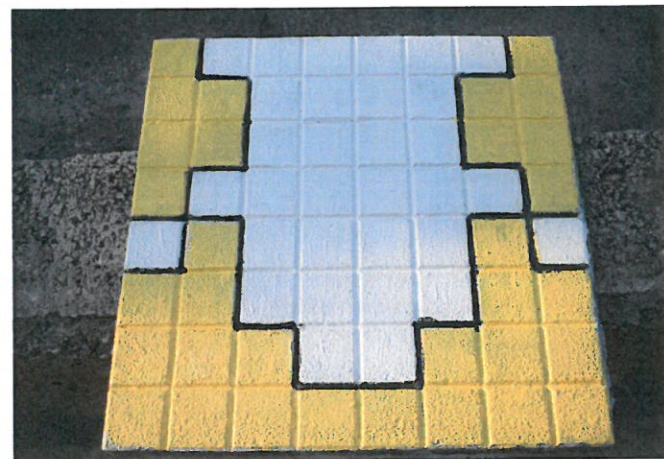
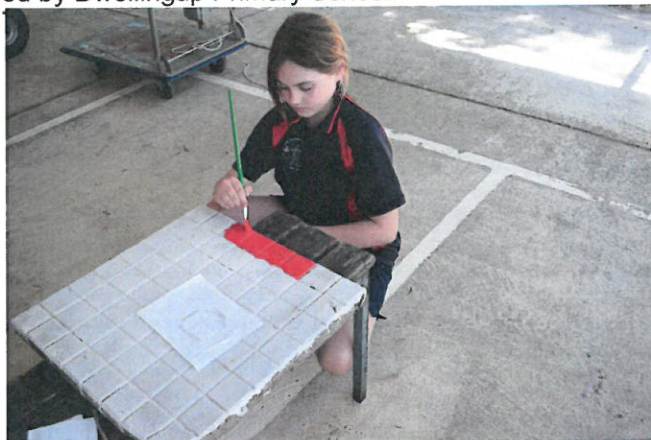
Thank you to our ‘reporters’ Lily Lamb and Ava Bucktin for photographing the event and taking detailed notes.

PIXEL Art

Mr Warren thought up a project to reuse some slabs each containing 64 squares.

Students learned that **pixellation** is caused by displaying a bitmap at such a large size that individual pixels, (small single-coloured square display elements that comprise the bitmap) are visible.

Students completed a design onto a 64 square grid and then painted their design onto the slab. These slabs will be laid in our school grounds to create yet another 'feature'.



Above: These colourful results will make our school grounds even more appealing! Congratulations students!



Mr Warren and I were delighted with the high level of skill, engagement and common sense the students displayed while completing this combined art / grounds project.

The Ongoing Adventures of the K / PP

The K / PP students have continued their exploration of the Dwellingup community. This week they visited **Acting Sergeant Mat** at the Dwellingup Police station. As you can see they had a thorough inspection of the police station and the police van. The students also inspected the gaol out the back!



We thank **Acting Sergeant Mat** for giving the students a thorough tour of the local police station. We thank Mat for his work on the **Blue Light Disco** committee. There is also an article from Mat in this newsletter. Thank you for your contribution and thank you also for keeping our community safe. In addition to all of this, Mat is also organising a Road Safety talk for our students prior to the Christmas break. What amazing community policing!



Last week the K/PP students visited the post office. Whilst there they posted letters to grandparents and older residents asking them about their lives when they were younger. It is wonderful that replies are coming through. The students are able to learn that their lives are quite different now compared to the lives of children in the past.

Shirley Fort's and **Pam Laird's** replies are attached to this newsletter and make very interesting reading. How times have changed!

From Your Local Police

I would like to begin by expressing our thanks to everyone residing in the Dwellingup Community for getting through the many challenges both our and the wider community of WA has faced over the last eleven months.

With school ending soon and the summer holidays fast approaching it is only timely that we all take a moment to remember that our particular community becomes inundated with large volumes of traffic, especially this year with all the interstate travel restrictions that have been in place.

So, with that in mind, I implore you all to please drive safely, ensure your children are equipped with adequate road protection and have been sufficiently educated with regards to road safety.

The last thing our community wants during the festive season is to be dealing with a tragedy such as serious injury from a motor vehicle accident or the wide-spreading emotional trauma that revolves around such an incident, especially when it may have been avoided by buckling up even though you are only driving a short distance or insisting your child wear a helmet when riding around town.

Moving on to more pleasant discussion I would like to again extend an invitation to parents to volunteer to become part of the Blue Light Committee. Your involvement can be as limited as you would like from attending meetings and shaping the way we run our events to simply receiving correspondence and attending the events to help manage the attendees. The Blue Light Committee meets approximately twelve times per year and we host about four 'disco' events for the Dwellingup youths across the year. This year we are very excited to have been able to dip into Shire of Murray funding to host a SUPERDISCO Extravaganza for the kids to enjoy prior to their holiday break.

I hope everyone is able to practice safe behaviour over the holiday period and that we all have an enjoyable time.

Bring on 2021!

As always, if anyone requires Police for local advice please do not hesitate to contact the **Dwellingup Police Station on '9538 1057'**. For non-urgent Police assistance call **'131 444'** and as always **'000'** for any urgent emergency assistance. However, we would like it noted that we are regularly away from the office due to tasking and

patrolling requirements. If you are diverted to another station simply leave a message for us to contact you and we will endeavour to do so.

Matthew Aaron PAYNE

Acting Sergeant 15113

Officer in Charge

Dwellingup Police Station



Whole School Reward ~ Trees Adventure

On **Friday 4th December** the whole school (K-6) will be visiting **"Trees Adventure"**.



Every fortnight we have a **"Marble in the Jar"** assembly. Students receive a marble for commendable behaviour and when the jar is full the whole school receives a reward! We are also having a barbecue at nearby Nanga Mill. Parents are welcome to join us. For catering purposes, please let us know if this is your intention.

Dwellingup Community Christmas Tree

Saturday 12th December

Dwellingup Primary School



12.30 Santa's drive around town in the Mack fire truck.

2.00pm Children arrive at school ~ entertainment; craft.

3.30pm Santa arrives.

4.00pm Raffle drawn.

***Donations for the raffle are gratefully accepted. Please drop these off at the school.**

“Talk for Writing”

This is the final chapter of **Farrah Holster**’s story titled, “A Journey to Lipton”.

Chapter 5 Hot Tea, Good Food

As the queen entered the parlor, followed by Forrest, the court was standing on ceremony. Queen Rosehip sat gracefully in her oversized red Nottage arm chair letting her arms float gently onto the armrests. The court followed the queen’s directions to take a seat.

Queen Rosehip addressed the court formally and leant over to face Forrest, who was sitting to her left, and said, “So... tell me about this Earl Grey as you say his name is,” and just as Forrest was about to answer the chef burst through the door, with a concerned look upon his face, pushing a large silver tea trolley. As the chef served Her Majestea he apologized for yet again another luke warm tea.

“Tiz okay my dear chef, not for long,” she said with a wry smile on her face as everyone but Forrest turned and looked at her with great confusion. “May I?” Queen Rosehip asked as she reached out her hand, palm facing upwards, indicating for Forrest to place the cup in it. “Thank you,” She said. “Now Forrest, ever since the dishonestea of Earl Grey, who stole this tea cup, everyone and everything in Lipton has been miserable you see. This cup is special. On your birthday you get to drink tea out of this cup. However, you don’t just get a delicious tea you also get to make a wish, for this is a wishing cup.” The queen continued, “Since the land of Lipton has been without wishes everything here has been so stale and tasteless.”

“Oh, I understand now,” said Forrest. “Oh dear that must have been terrible your Majestea.” “Hmmm... yes it was rather,” replied the queen, “but thanks to you things are about to change!” Queen Rosehip held the cup in one hand and picked up the teapot of tepid tea pouring it into the cup. Magically everything started to change. The sponge cake rose, the scones become fresh again, and the saggy fruit tarts became full and glistening from the glaze and the tea started to steam and the steam formed beautiful swirling patterns as it rose into the air.

The court gasped and with a disregard for good manners leapt at the trolley and started filling their mouths until their cheeks were bulging. The queen chose to ignore this display of impulsiveness and walked right past, Forrest following behind. Queen Rosehip stepped out onto the balcony overlooking the crowd below her that had begun to form.

“Ladies and gentlemen,” she called “The magic tea cup has been returned to Lipton.” The crowd let out a great cheer of excitement. “This is the reason your tea is now hot and your food is now fresh. Please give three cheers to Forrest.”

“Hip hip,” “Hooray!” yelled the crowd. “Hip hip,” “Hooray!” “Hip hip,” “hooray!”

“Now go off eat, drink, and be merry!” she cried. Queen Rosehip then quietly turned to Forrest and said, “Now in appreciation for bringing our magic teacup back I will grant you a wish. When you are ready take a sip from the cup and wish for your heart’s desire.” So, Forrest held the tea cup between the palms of both hands, took a sip and closed his eyes.

“Whilst the possibiliteas are endless I enjoy the simpliciteas of life and what I really wish for is to be sitting on my back verandah, on a sunny day, having a hot cup of tea from my favorite tea pot with my grandma.” And just like that Forrest found himself there pouring himself a cup of tea. By now the queen had retired to her private sitting room to enjoy a lovely hot cup of tea in peace. In their different worlds both Queen Rosehip and Forrest Flamedrifter simultaneously lifted their teacups to their lips, took a sip and sighed.... “Aaaarrhhhhh, Normalitea!”

Playgroup News

Dwellingup Playgroup is a small but friendly group.

Monday

9.00-11.00am

**Room behind school Undercover
Area**

ALL WELCOME!



DWELLINGUP BLUE LIGHT DISCO

BOUNCY
Castle



WATER
Slide



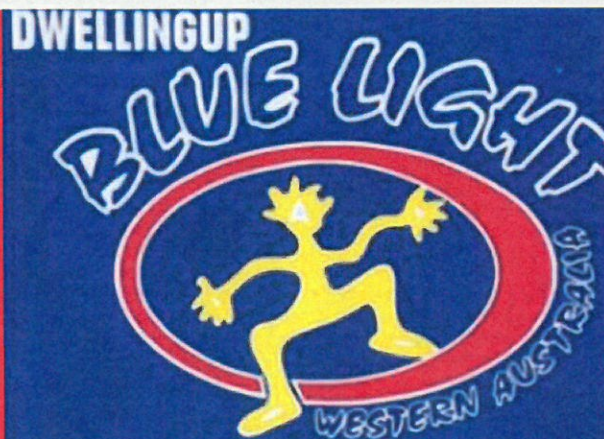
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CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA SUPER DISCO



CRAFT
activities
**FACE
PAINTING**



GIFTS
Pizza

Wednesday 9th December

4PM-7PM \$5 ENTRY

DWELLINGUP PRIMARY SCHOOL OVAI

CHILDREN MUST BE SIGNED IN AND OUT BY A
PARENT/GUARDIAN

Dear Mrs Laird to Sifa.

At school we are learning about how some things were different when our grandparents (or great grandparents) went to school. Could you please answer the following questions? (Please feel free to add any information on the back of this sheet.)

When you were little, how many children were in your class? AS IT

WAS A LONG TIME AGO. I THINK IT WAS ABOUT 5.

Did you wear a school uniform? NO. WE DID NOT HAVE THAT MUCH MONEY. IN HIGH SCHOOL I DID.

What did you eat for lunch on a school day? TWO SLICES OF BROWN BREAD WAS NOT CONSIDERED.

WHITE BREAD WITH WHAT EVER WAS AVAILABLE.

What did you do after school on week days? AFTER I HAD

SPENT 2 HOURS ON THE BUS. THERE WASN'T THAT MUCH TIME LEFT. WE ALSO HAD JOBS TO DO ON THE FARM. STICK PICKING AND ROCK PICKING COME TO MIND.

Were there any playgrounds in your community? NO!! WE HAD

TO MAKE OUR OWN FUN.

Were there any supermarkets? NO. WE JUST HAD A TINY SHOP. MY HOME TOWN WAS VERY SMALL. WE HAD TO GO TO THE BIG SMOKE TO FIND A SUPER-MARKET.

How did you pay for items? CASH. CARDS FROM THE BANK THAT WE HAVE TODAY WERE NOT AVAILABLE. MUM AND DAD USED CHEQUES.

Did you go to a café for coffee or a meal? I LIVED IN A VERY SMALL TOWN. NO, THERE WAS NOT EVEN A COFFEE SHOP. WE DID NOT EVEN HAVE A HOTEL. THAT CAME MUCH LATER

Did you have a TV in your house when you were little? WHEN I WAS ABOUT 10 YEARS MY DAD WENT TO PERTH TO BUY THE SWAN TAXI AERIAL. IT WAS VERY TALL. WE THEN HAD TV. WHAT A DAY THAT WAS.

If yes, was it colour or black and white? IT WAS BLACK AND WHITE. THE T.V. SCREEN WAS VERY SMALL. THE CUPBOARD IT CAME IN WAS VERY BIG.

Did you borrow books from a library? NO LIBRARY IN OUR TOWN. WE ONLY HAD READING BOOKS- DICK AND DORA, NIP AND FLUFF. I HAD A LIBRARY IN HIGH SCHOOL

Did you have a pet? I LIVED ON A FARM. WE HAD HUNDREDS. BUT MY FAVORITE WAS THE FARM DOGS

Did you make cubbyhouses? ALL THE TIME. OUT OF WHAT EVER WE COULD FIND.

Did you climb trees? NOT REALLY. THE BIG TREES HAD NO LOW BRANCHES. THE OTHERS WERE ONLY MALLEE TREES. THESE ONES MADE GREAT CUBBYHOUSES.

Did you ride in a go kart? NO. WE HAD THE FARM VEHICLES. AS WE WERE VERY SMALL ONE OF US WOULD DO THE GEARS, ONE WOULD STEER AND ONE WOULD PUSH THE POWER GREAT FUN WAS HAD DOING THIS.

Did you go to Sunday school? NO. DON'T RECALL ANYTHING LIKE THAT IN MY CHILDHOOD.

Any other things you did that children these days do not do? Please write on the back.

Thank you for this information

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Shirley Fort
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Dear DORRIS.

At school we are learning about how some things were different when our grandparents (or great grandparents) went to school. Could you please answer the following questions? (Please feel free to add any information on the back of this sheet.)

When you were little, how many children were in your class? There
were 50 children in my class in Collie.

Did you wear a school uniform? Not in Primary School. Yes
in High School.

What did you eat for lunch on a school day? Every single
day of my school life I had very boring sand
wiches.

What did you do after school on week days? In summer I went
Swimming in the Collie River. In winter I caught
tadpoles in the creek.

Were there any playgrounds in your community? There a few
Climbing Poles in the school ground, that was all.

Were there any supermarkets? There were no super markets
the food shops were called Grocery Stores. Meat
at the Butchers. Fruit and vegetables at the Green grocer.

How did you pay for items? Cash only - no cards.

Did you go to a café for coffee or a meal? No, on very rare occasions we would have take away fish and chips wrapped in newspaper.

Did you have a TV in your house when you were little? No, T.V. didn't come to Australia until 1957 and I was born in 1935.

If yes, was it colour or black and white Not any sort.

Did you borrow books from a library? Yes I loved reading and because there wasn't any T.V. there was lots of time

Did you have a pet? Yes, a dog called Princey and a cow called Julie.

Did you make cubbyhouses? Yes, I made many but they all fell over so my Dad built me one from wood, I loved it!

Did you climb trees? Yes, Pine trees were my favourite because the branches go like this ∇ .

Did you ride in a go kart? No, go carts were only for boys, they wouldn't let the girls have a turn.

Did you go to Sunday school? Yes, every Sunday I would ride my bike up a very steep hill and I had to wear a hat.

Any other things you did that children these days do not do? Please write on the back.

Thank you for this information _____

Every Sunday after Sunday School
I would visit my Grand mother and
Grand father on their lovely farm and
eat lovely water melons .

Boys always played a game
called marbles and girls played
Skippy with a long rope turned by
two girls each end they would turn it
I would run in and sing.

A house to rent
Apply within
Shirley jumps out and
Joannie jumps in .

Thank you Dorris for
the smiley drawing . It made
me happy. 😊