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Established 1911

"Choose Respect"

Dates to Remember:

Thurs 1st Apr: K/PP Assembly

Thurs 1st April: Last day of term ~ free dress

Mon 19th Apr: Day 1 Term 2

Weekly Events at D.P.S.

Wed: Playgroup 9.00-11.00am

Educational Websites at DPS:

www.mathletics.com.au

www.studyladder.com.au

www.mylexile.com.au

Welcome



Above: Janice with Breanna and Ambrosia.

We welcome **Mrs Janice Schubert** to our school. **Janice** joins our other volunteers who give of their time to support the students in our school. **Janice** is listening to students in years 1/2/3 read on Thursday mornings. Our other wonderful volunteers are as follows:

Mrs Pam Laird	Book covering, maths support years 4/5/6
Mr Barry Stewart	Standardised testing
Mrs Lainee Vanelst	Art craft years PP-3

Years 4/5/6 Assembly

On Thursday students in **years 4/5/6** put on a performance that demonstrated their knowledge of the **Water Cycle**. We also got to see some very impressive acrobatics!

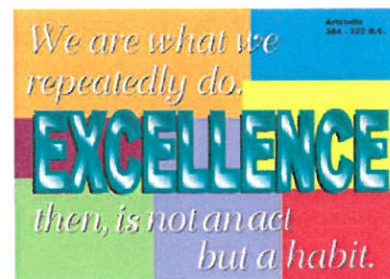


Virtue: Excellence.

"I give my best to the work that I do. I give my best to others. I dare to set noble goals. I choose excellence in all things."

You are producing excellence when you ...

- Give your best to whatever you do.
- Give your best to relationships.
- Set noble and realistic goals.
- Remember to plan and practise.
- Don't try to do everything.
- Develop your special gifts.



Merit Certificates

Charlie-Anne Butler ~ What amazing work you are completing Charlie-Anne, now that you are a year three. You are a super star.

Bodhi Maddox-Collins ~ For his amazing work in Digital Technologies. Bodhi has excellent coding skills and is able to help his class mates when Mr Jones / they need it.

Macy Rickard-Hall ~ Macy is enthusiastic and positive towards every task in class. Her cheerful attitude brightens our classroom.

Kaiden Vanelst ~ Kaiden has a terrific work ethic and consistently produces work of a high standard. He is always kind and considerate to others.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Above: *Charlie-Anne, Macy, Kaiden and Bodhi.*

Library Day Monday

Library day for **all classes** is **Monday**. Please ensure that your child returns their book to school on that day.

A school in Perth has significantly improved their school's reading results by encouraging more reading at home for enjoyment.



Mystery Object



Last week **Mr Warren** was puzzled as to why his sprinkler wouldn't work. A closer inspection revealed a little lizard firmly stuck in the centre of the sprinkler (yes, where the water should have been coming out.) The sprinkler needed to be completely taken to pieces to safely free the lizard. The manoeuvre was successful and the lizard was last seen running into the garden enjoying his / her freedom!

Coming To School Actively

It is great that so many parents and students are choosing active ways of coming to school. Developing fitness habits early assists to develop positive life-long habits. We are lucky that we live in such a beautiful and peaceful town and walking or riding is such a pleasure. This Friday all students will be given an ice-cream to acknowledge their active habits. Again, we thank our local police for delivering road safety education at the end of last year.



“Sculpture by the Sea”

Students in years 4/5/6 travelled to the “Sculpture by the Sea” exhibition held at Cottesloe on Wednesday. As well as looking at the sculptures students participated in a workshop conducted by **Andrea Vinkovic and ClayMake Studio Artists**. Their artwork was titled ‘**Labyrinth**’ and was constructed from ceramics, lightweight concrete and steel footing.



Students learned from the artist that a labyrinth is a single continuous path that leads you to the centre. The students followed the path through the rocks to the centre and explored the engravings on each rock on the way. They then created their own ‘rock’ from clay complete with engravings. The class then assembled each of their individual rocks to form a class labyrinth.

Mr Warren is now very excited about the idea of creating a labyrinth in the school grounds!

Below: Artist Andrea Vinkovic talks about her artwork with the students. The photo at the bottom is a close-up of one of the ‘rocks’.



Below: Evelynnn with an octopus sculpture.



Below: Students with their completed ‘rocks’. They were made from clay and designs were then ‘etched’.



Below: Students formed a class labyrinth.



Above: Figures representing the local Aboriginal Whadjuck people.

These workshops encourage creativity, critical thinking, motivation and self-confidence ~ the key building blocks for innovation. More than 2,500 W.A. school students participated in the Alcoa schools program, where they meet with artists and learn about the creative process before going on to make their own masterpieces.

We thank Alcoa for co-sponsoring “Sculptures by the Sea” and providing a bus free of charge.

“For the young people who come to play, look and learn about the sculptures the possibilities are endless. They are the next generation of artists, engineers, dreamers and thinkers.”

A Word from the Chaplain

Hi Everyone,

A week ago, a group of chaplains, myself included, went on an excursion (yes even grownups go on excursions) to the Safe Woman Safe Family WA Centre located at 14 Camp Road Pinjarra. It was a great experience to see all the amazing programs that women can access for a gold coin donation. The programs are run by women for women and aim to support and empower women to live the best life they can. If you feel that you need some extra support to cope with issues in your life such as family separation, challenging or violent behaviour from your children or you feel that certain experiences have erode your confidence and self-esteem. If you often feel sad or overwhelmed, please just go and check out some of the great programs. You can drop in any time between 9.00 am to 4.00 pm Monday to Friday. See the program brochure at the end of the newsletter for more information.

Lisa Ferraro

“A good mum has bad days & great days & normal days & overwhelming days & perfect days & trying days & supermum days & just being a mum days & a whole lot of love & real & crazy motherhood days.”

Quote from: Rachel Marie Martin (Author of the book ‘The Brave Art of Motherhood’)

Hockey Clinic

On Friday students in years 4/5/6 participated in a hockey Clinic. They enjoyed learning some new skills. We thank the **Pinjarra Hockey Club** for making this clinic available free of charge. We will book another Hockey Clinic for next term and this time students in years 1 – 6 will participate.

Pinjarra Hockey Club run a range of junior competitions:

School Years K – 4 “Grassroots”

School Years 5 – 6 “J5-6 Comp)

School Years 7 – 9 (J7 – 9 Comp)

School Years 10 -12 (J10 – 12 Comp)

Women’s Comp

Men’s Comp

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/pinjarrahockey/registration/> or contact Leanne Wade on 0409 293 433 if interested.



Playgroup

Several parents have approached me in regards to Playgroup. Hopefully we can get this up and running as soon as possible. If you are interested in attending please contact **Colleen Sing on 9538 5100 or 0488 225 888**. The Playgroup will be based at our school. The 0-3 years is the age when brain development is at its peak and it is very important that children engage in quality play based learning. We are very keen to support this. If you know of any new comers to town please put the word out. You will be advised when arrangements are finalised.



ALL WELCOME!

From Your Local Police

For those who I haven't bumped into yet, happy New Year and a warm welcome to 2021!

Although we had an interesting start to the year with the hard lockdown coming into place from our perspective everyone in WA did the right thing and we were able to come back out of it very quickly.

With the implementation of vaccine rollouts hopefully we are going to see a reduction in both the severity and numbers of cases. This should lead to less, or at least less strict, lockdowns in the case of a similar incident occurring. I would like to stress however, that there is no requirement to be vaccinated, it is on a voluntary basis and the process is not dissimilar to the flu vaccine that many people receive each year.

Moving on to more local news; with the return to school I am overjoyed to be seeing students travelling to and from school either on foot or on bicycles, it's always a pleasure to see healthy activities being opted for when possible. That being said there are a few occasions where I have witnessed kids riding without helmets either to and from school or at the skate park. Police like to take an educatory stance over issuing infringements so I want to simply stress that wearing a helmet whilst on a bicycle is a crucial safety requirement and not doing so can cause you or your child irreparable injury.

Finally, last but certainly not least, I am pleased to welcome the new Officer in Charge of the Dwellingup Police Station, **Sergeant Jody WORTHINGTON** to our town. Though she has not yet moved into her home due to some renovation delays, she has begun work here in town and is excited about getting involved with the community. Jody came directly from Operation TIDE (our COVID response unit) and before this was at Fremantle Police Station. She has also specialised in responding to and supporting families dealing with Family Violence. We are looking forward to Jody leaving a positive mark on our town going forward.

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

Jody

WORTHINGTON

First Class Constable 15113

Sergeant

– OIC 10626

Dwellingup Police Station



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School Council

It is mandated that all government schools have a **School Council**. Functions include ratifying the school budget, reviewing the school's Annual Report, promoting the school in the community, formulating codes of conduct, having input into policies such as the dress code. Parent community representatives are **Shani Holster, John McCooke, Pam Laird and Anne Sinclair**. Staff representatives are **Dawn Bosanac and myself**. A vacancy has arisen due to the resignation of **Warren Haugh**. Please contact the school if you are interested in applying to fill this position or if you require further information.

Recycling / Charities

Please bring in obsolete mobile phones (recycling); batteries (safe disposal); stamps (Rotary sell them for charity and have raised \$90 000 in 23 years); toothpaste tubes and old toothbrushes and chook scraps. There are recycling bins in the passage.



Parent Queries / Concerns / Feedback

I strongly encourage any parent to contact their child's teacher or myself if you have any queries or concerns **at any time**. The school number is **9538 5100**; my mobile number is **0488 225 888**.



Containers for Change



Last week Kirstin Field from “Containers for Change” spoke to students and then spoke to parents at assembly. Kirsten was very impressed with questions asked. Some interesting points:

- 1.3 billion eligible drink containers are used in W.A. each year which is 44% of all litter in W.A.
- Since October last year, 230 million containers have been cashed in.
- Containers are bailed and sold through an International online auction.
- Glass and aluminium can be infinitely recycled without loss of quality.
- Plastic lasts for 500 years.



Uses of Recycled Containers

glass bottles	New bottles; glass sand to make roads.
plastic bottles	New plastic bottles, clothing, automotive parts, glasses frames, hard hats
aluminium cans	New cans, aeroplane wings, building products
steel cans	Melted down and reused in construction, transport and appliances.
plastic lids	Pot plants, bowls, surfboard fins, chairs, bricks.

We are now having two skip bins delivered as more people are dropping off containers. Thank you to the individuals and businesses in town who are supporting us. We encourage students to start their own collecting and cashing in and asking friends and relatives to collect for them if they're not already.

Thanks again to Mead and Lucinda Sellenger from ‘Stikit Solutions’ for making and supplying stickers for bin identification.

School Dentist Information

Please be advised of the Pinjarra closure times over the school holidays

If this could be included in your newsletter we would appreciate it

We hope you have a lovely break and thank you for your support throughout the term

Many thanks

Sara, Melissa, Jane & Rae

***April School Holiday Closure Times**

Mon, 5/4/21

Tues, 6/4/21

Thurs 8/4/21

Frid, 9/4/21

***For Emergencies on these days please call Greenfields 95813895**

AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY ADVICE ONLY:

1800 098 818

***Clinic reopens as Normal on Monday 12/4/21**

Snack Information From the Dentist

Fruit Roll-Ups

It's tempting to trust snacks that market themselves as healthy and made with real fruit. However, most of the time there is added sugar, especially with treats like fruit roll-ups.

Not only that, but fruit roll-ups in particular are sticky and tend to cling to the teeth for hours after being eaten. Only thorough teeth brushing can remove this clingy treat, and most people aren't in a position to do that after eating a fruit roll-up. Without removing this sugary snack, the cavity-making bacteria crew is sure to show up.

Chips

At this point, you may be thinking, “Okay, I'll stick to snacks like chips and skip the sugar.” Well, we hate to break it to you, but chips are on the list of the worst things for your teeth.

Chips can get stuck in the crevasses of your teeth for hours after eating them. And as chips are a simple carbohydrate, they quickly get broken down into glucose—aka, sugar molecules. At this point, you probably know where things are going. That trapped chip/glucose attracts bacteria, which leads to cavity developments

Before / After School Care Provision

Last week we had a visit from a representative from the **Department of Local Government and Communities** who inspected the building at the back of the school where it is proposed that Before and After School Care will be operating from. Please note that this service requires approval from the Department of Local Government and Communities Education and Care Regulatory Unit and the Department of Education.

If you require further information, please contact Colleen Sing at the school on 9538 5100 or 0488 225 888.

School Web Page

Our web address is:

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

Community News

Dwellingup Community Village Inc (former Nursing Post)

Please support the following services that are available at the **Dwellingup Community Village** each week:

HAIRDRESSER: Wednesdays

Bookings essential: **0439 746 183**

REFLEXOLOGIST: Every four weeks.
Bookings essential:

Tess 0417 955 981

Relationships Australia

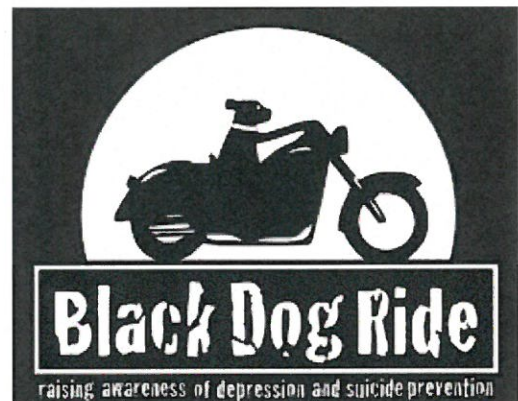
This organisation provides a range of counselling options targeted at adults, children and families. It is a community based, not for profit organisation. This organisation has an office in Mandurah and their contact number is **1300 364 277**.

Relationships Australia

Black Dog Motorcycle Ride

For the last four years the destination for a local '**Black Dog**' group has been our school. Riders visited the school today and held a series of raffles for their worthy cause.

The Black Dog Ride began in 2009 as a ride to raise awareness of depression, evolving into a national charity involving thousands of Australians who have raised millions for mental health programs and fostered mental health awareness around the nation.



Above: **Lainee Vanelst** and **Cliff Campbell** with **Kaiden** and **Nate** in the canteen.

Our P & C ran a sausage sizzle which raised funds for our school.

Thank you to **Christine Reid** for doing all of the shopping, **Cliff Campbell** for being such an excellent cook and to **Lainee Vanelst** for serving and doing a lot of behind the scenes work. Thanks also to the 'drinks crew' ~ **Nate Fort** and **Kaiden** and **Anika Vanelst**. Thank also to ex-student **Jaron Vanelst** for his support and for giving the 'drinks crew' a much needed break.