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"Choose Respect"

Dates to Remember:

Fri 4th Mar: Sculpture by the Sea
(now online)

Mon 7th Mar: Labour Day Holiday

Mon 14th – Fri 18th Mar: Swimming Lessons

Fri 8th Apr: Last day of term.

Tues 19th Apr: Term 2 commences

- Please note: due to COVID restrictions, assemblies have been cancelled.

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

PEAC (Primary Extension & Challenge)

Congratulations to **Luca Zahra** who qualified for inclusion in the PEAC program this year. Usually students travel off site to participate in this program, however, due to COVID, students now complete the course online.



Above: Luca participated in his first PEAC online session this week.

Welcome Back!

There was great excitement in the school last Monday morning as word had got out that **Jacob and Ruby Day** had returned from their incredible holiday and were finally returning to school after being in isolation for a week. We were all delighted to see them both as well as their parents **Phil and Andrea**. We now have two experts in the school on any part of Australia and look forward to hearing about their amazing adventures!



Left: Phil, Andrea with Jacob and Ruby.

Swimming Lessons



At this stage Swimming Lessons are going ahead. Hopefully, this situation won't change. Forms etc were sent out last Tuesday.

From Your Local Police...

Well although I have had my plans delayed for leaving this wonderful town, I can't say that I'm disappointed! I hope everyone has had a lovely start to 2022 so far and I am very much looking forward to continuing to work for our lovely community for the next couple of months at the very least.

With the heat of summer beginning to fade our town is going to see an increase in both camping and tourist transiency, particularly over the next few months coming into Easter and the holidays that follow.

It is poignant then that we remind everyone to practice good road safety in the first instance. However, we'd also like you to remind children to do the same. 'Monkey see, monkey do' applies here, as you can tell your children as many important things as you like, but if WE don't wear seatbelts in vehicles or helmets whilst riding bikes then our children are going to follow our behaviour to their detriment. Moving forward, we have seen a slight increase in the amount of opportunistic crime being committed in the greater Mandurah District which includes our townsite. Please keep in mind that there are 4 considerations that criminals base their activities on;

- Value
- Inertia
- Visibility
- Access

Value refers to how much a particular target is worth to the offender and it differs based on the person. Inertia simply refers to the size and weight of the target, which is why smaller goods are usually stolen versus bigger items. Visibility refers to the target being exposed to the offender as well as the exposure the offender places themselves and Access refers to how easily offenders can get to a target and what obstacles might impede them. Offenders will always consider the benefits and risks and make choices based on the opportunities to commit a crime which is why locking doors and windows, securing keys to vehicles and not leaving high-valuables exposed becomes so important.

As always, if anyone requires Police for local advice please do not hesitate to contact the



Dwellingup Police Station on '9510 7100'. 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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Hands-On Maths

All research indicates that children need experience with concrete materials to develop mathematical conceptual understandings. Students in years PP/1/2/3 were busily engaged in learning about capacity on Wednesday. It was a really hot day so a bit of spilling didn't matter!



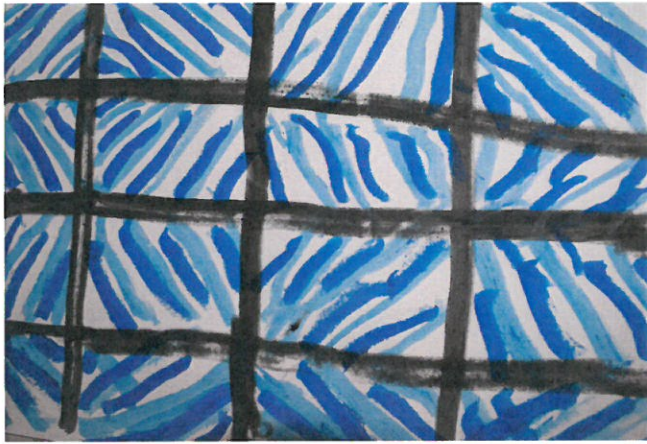
Above: Byron, Tahni, Arli and Sifa.



Above: Nash, Lily, Alby, Matilda, Evie (front) with Lena and Theo (rear).

Art Years PP – 3

On Friday afternoons students in years PP-3 engage in Art, Technology and Computer rotations. What gorgeous Art!



Above: Matilda



Wesley



Alby



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Arriving at School Actively

It is wonderful to see many children travelling to and from school actively. Well done to the parents who accompany them.

We were impressed that this week **Evie M and Nash** (who live out of town) were brought into town by their parents and then rode to school from down the street.



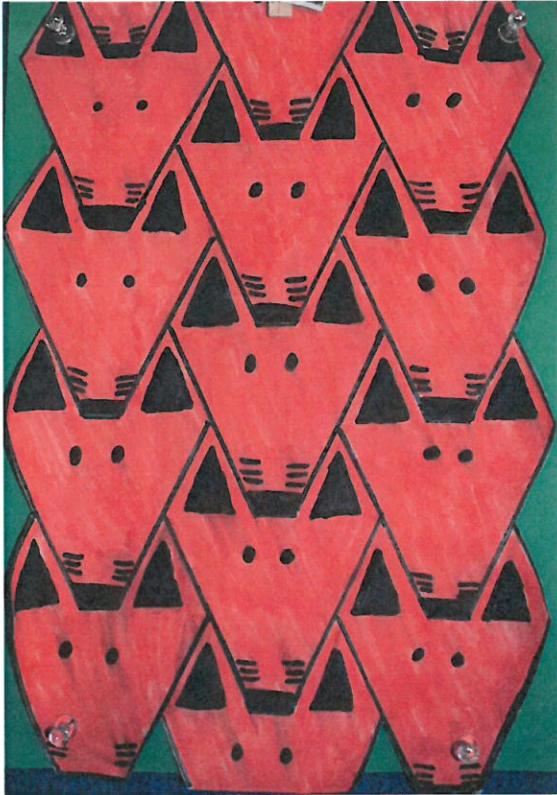
Above: Arriving actively to school.



Right: Lily

Maths - Tessellations

A **tessellation** is a way to cover a surface with a repeating pattern of flat shapes so that there are no overlaps or gaps. Students in years 4/5/6 needed to trace shapes to achieve this effect.



Above: Rohan



Above: Capri

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. There are collection bins in the passage.



When students bring in these items they receive a raffle ticket. The tickets go into a draw for a milkshake. The recipient of this week's milkshake is **Deegan Fort**.

Recycling

In 2021 **Mr Warren** commenced an educational and very worthwhile sustainability project with our students. For many students, this activity was the highlight of their week. Old electrical items were disassembled, metals were identified, sorted and sold for scrap instead of ending up in Landfill. Please contact **Colleen Sing 0488 225 888** if you have any items to donate.

Parent Contact Details

It is imperative that we have up to date parent contact details in case we need to contact you at any time. Student information forms were sent out on Friday. Please ensure that all details are correct.



Please inform us immediately if any of your details change throughout the year.

Food Sharing

Please remind your child that for the safety of other children and COVID regulations, food is not to be shared. Please note that this applies to birthday cakes.

School Web Page / Newsletter

Our web address is:

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

If you need to receive a hard copy of the newsletter please contact the front office.

“Choose Respect” Marble in Jar Certificates

Week 2 *Lara Goncalves* ~ Being an exemplary writing buddy.

Wesley Holster ~ ‘Filling people’s buckets’ with kindness, consideration and care.

Pearl Sheridan ~ Always doing her best in all areas.

Year 1 students ~ *Arlo Bell, Brodie Demasi, Matilda Dayn, Sifa Lea’aetala, Evie Myles, Anli Sellenger, Nash Vuletic* ~ ~ Demonstrating resilience by settling into the years 1/2/3 routine, especially when mums and dads couldn’t settle them into the classroom.

Year 4 students ~ *Alby Birmingham, Lara Goncalves, Lotu Lea’aetala, Sienna Panotidis, Breanna Reid, Pearl Sheridan, Anika Vanelst* ~ Demonstrating resilience by settling into the senior classroom effectively.

Week 3

Arlo Bell ~ Being mature and helping other students to do the right thing.

Alby Birmingham ~ Always being able to answer questions when asked and for reminding Mrs Sing that a Woolly Mammoth was a herbivore.

Ruby and Jacob Day ~ Demonstrating resilience by settling into the senior class in week 3 after their amazing holiday.

Deegan Fort, Nate Fort, Rohan Harris, Logan Reid, Amiee Tovey ~ Completing a job willingly and in excess of what was required and in doing so, saving someone an amazing amount of work.

Sienna Panotidis ~ For helping and supporting her partner in ‘Talk for Writing’.

Breanna Reid ~ Helping her partner in ‘Talk for Writing’ and coming up with great ideas.

Capri Sellenger ~ For helping and supporting her partner in Talk for Writing.

Year 6 students ~ *Deegan Fort, Rohan Harris, Amiee Tovey* ~ Using their initiative to open the sports shed and supporting younger

students to borrow some really exciting equipment as well as generally caring for the new year 1s in the playground at recess and lunchtime instead of playing.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Virtue: Responsibility:

“I am responsible. I give my best to all that I do and keep my agreements. I learn from my mistakes. I am willing to say sorry.”

You are practising responsibility when you:

- Take agreements seriously.
- Respond ably by doing things to the best of your ability.
- Are willing to do your part and not leave everything to other people.
- Admit mistakes without making excuse
- Are willing to make amends.
- Give your best to whatever you do



Observer, Care and Appreciator Of All Things Natural

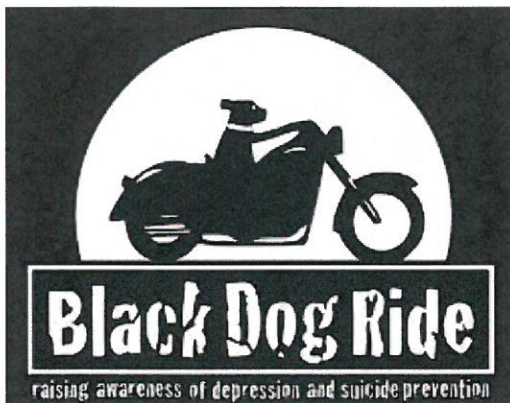


Alby Birmingham can always be seen observing and showing interest in all of the living things in our beautiful school grounds. This week he was observed quietly appreciating a female red-tailed black cockatoo feather.

P & C News

The P & C held their first meeting last Wednesday. As you know, due to COVID, the P & C are unable to run the Pumpkin Festival in its intended form. They have come up with some alternative events to facilitate parent involvement and fundraising. Please note the following dates:

Sunday 20th March “Black Dog Ride”. This is an event that raises awareness of depression and suicide. The P & C will be serving food from the canteen.



Saturday 26th Sunday 27th March White Elephant Sale

Mrs Bell and Mrs Kinal have always supported ‘reusing’ by running a White Elephant sale at the Pumpkin Festival.

Due to their being no Pumpkin Festivals due to COVID in recent years, the ECE shed is full of ‘treasures’. The P & C have decided to hold a **White Elephant Sale** at the **Dwellingup Community Hall**. Not only will this raise funds for the school but it will provide the ECE with more storage space.



AGM
Wednesday 9th
March

Playgroup News

Dwellingup Playgroup has been based at our school. In the past. We encourage this as 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. If you are interested in Playgroup please contact **Colleen Sing on 0488 225 888**



Room behind school Undercover Area

ALL WELCOME!

Parent Meetings / 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**.

No matter is ever considered too trivial and we are here to listen and respond. Your feedback / opinions / ideas are welcomed and are extremely helpful.



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