



Produced by Dwellingup Primary School

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"Choose Respect"

Dates to Remember:

Tues 5th Dec: Years 4/5/6 Assembly

Wed 6th Dec: 'Junkadelic' returns!

Fri 8th Dec: Kindy Transition

Mon 11th Dec: School Council Meeting

Thurs 14th Dec: Presentation / Graduation 9.30am

Thurs 14th Dec: Last day for students.

www.mathletics.com.au
www.studyladder.com.au

Weekly Events in Dwellingup:

(Please note: Playgroup finished for 2023)

Defibrillator



Last Thursday, **Christine Hunter**, manager of the St John Ambulance Centre in Pinjarra (which includes Dwellingup), conducted a session for staff, parents and community members on the use of defibrillators. If you don't know, it is important, in case of emergency, to have the following apps on your phone: First responder; Emergency +



Thank you to the **Dwellingup Community Compact** for applying for a grant from Alcoa to increase the number of defibrillators located in Dwellingup, including the one located at our front door of the school. Volunteer ambulance officers are desperately needed!

Pinjarra High School Transition

Every year there are a lot of nerves before the two full days at Pinjarra Senior High School. It is wonderful that after the first day, students report that they have had such a fabulous day that they can't wait to get back for the second day. This certainly was the case this year. Pinjarra SHS are to be congratulated for the excellent Transition program that they run ~ it certainly alleviates the anxiety the students could be experiencing over the holidays!

Below: Off to secondary school.



Above: Capri, Nate and Logan ~ it doesn't seem that long ago that they were starting Playgroup!

W.A. Ballet ‘Nutcracker’

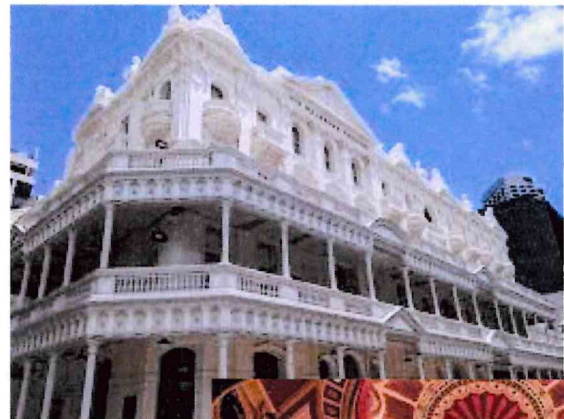
“It's not the destination, it's the journey” is a quote famously attributed to Ralph Waldo Emerson the American philosopher. I believe that the trip to His Majesty’s Theatre to see the W.A. ballet’s performance of “The Nutcracker” ‘ticked all boxes’. The standout feature of the day was the incredible behaviour of our students. All of the staff present were incredibly proud! We sincerely thank the **Dwellingup Community Association** for their grant of \$800 which funded performance entry.



Above: We walked from the train station to His Majesty’s Theatre.



Above: The staff from Transperth supported us getting on and off the trains.



Left: On the train to Perth.

Below: You must be careful riding up the escalator.





Above: Some ballerinas on the top of the stairs!



Left: Indi

Below: Lavinia



Above: Vinnie

The Dwellingup General Store

Someone came back from the shop last week with the exciting news that a mural was being painted on the side of the shop. At the end of recess, we all popped down for a look. There were some very interesting guesses as to what the end result will be!



Playgroup News



Community Christmas Tree

Last Saturday the children of Dwellingup enjoyed a day of fun with their families at the annual **Dwellingup Christmas Tree** event. This is an iconic Dwellingup event that has been a tradition for many generations of Dwellingup children. In addition to the Christmas Tree event, the town is treated to Santa and his cheeky elves driving around town in the vintage Mack fire truck driven by **Merv Burt**.

Thank you to **Dwellingup Community Association, the Dwellingup Hotel, Long Riders, the garage, Dwellingup General Store, Alcoa, DBCA – Mark Humble and Glen from the Dwellingup Post Office.**



Left: Nanna Fiona with Colton ~ hand printing.



Above: Ben with Lachie, Arlo and Macy making snowman.



Top: The committee setting up. Merle Kelly painted the wonderful photo board. Summer (Santa) and Tyson (elf).

Below: Fun in the bubble tent.



Right: Anika and Ambrosia with reindeer succulent pots.



Below: Pearl with 'gloop'.





Above: The very popular raffle raises funds to support the event. Sue Bennett (Christmas Tree committee member), her mum Margaret and grandson Tyson.

Below: Grandad Geoff enjoying the day with grandsons Harley and Mason. (Thanks Geoff for going to so much trouble present our school grounds so beautifully.) We are all so proud of our beautiful school.



Above: Hooray ~ Santa has arrived.

Right: Ho ho ho ~ jolly Santa has arrived ~ in thongs!

Below: Waiting for Santa!



Above: An undercover area full of happy families ~ a wonderful event that brings the community together.



Above: Present time ~ Santa and the cheeky elves!



Events like this just don't happen ~ there is always

months of planning involved and a lot of setting up and packing up on the day. Thank you to the driving force **Lainee Vanelst** and her husband **Lee** for all of their organisation. Thank you also to committee member **Sue Bennett**. Thanks to **Steph Fisher** and **Pam Laird** for present wrapping and to the **Vanelst** family, **Steph Fisher**, **Melissa** and **Milla Hughes**, **John Laird**, for setting up and packing away.

Thank you **Lainee** for your creativity and hard work organising the fabulous craft activities. Many used recycled materials. Thanks also to Santa for selecting gifts that could be enjoyed after the event ~ it was impressive that there was no cheap nasty throw away plastic that broke after the first use.

All in all ~ the day was marvellous!

Once again, the committee extends a thank you to the **Dwellingup Hotel Association (Hotel Committee)** for their donation of \$1000 toward this event. We thank them for the many ways in which they support our community.

Community News

Dwellingup ~ Award Winner!

Last week an event was held in the community hall to celebrate Dwellingup being the successful winner of Australia's **Top Tiny Tourism Town**.



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: Joanne **0438 940 566**

REFLEXOLOGIST: Every four weeks. Bookings essential:

Tess 0417 955 981

COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Open every Wednesday between 9:30am and 1:30pm at the Old Nursing Post. Hundreds of books available for lending, all genres.



DWELLINGUP CRAFT GROUP

Come and join us at the Old Nursing Post each Wednesday morning from 9:30am to approximately 1:30pm. Enjoy a cuppa and a chat and bring along some craft too.

Free – Silkworm Eggs

Do you want some pets who don't take up much room, are cheap to feed, don't need exercise and are incredibly interesting? **Mrs Kinal** has silk worm eggs to give away. Please see her if you are interested.

