Dates to Remember:

Thurs 28th March Last day Term 1

Sat 6th April Pumpkin Festival & Log Chop

Sun 7th April Murray Youth Festival

Mon 15th April Term 2 starts

Wed 24th April School ANZAC Service

Thur 25th April ANZAC day **Mon 29th April**5-12th May

ANZAC day **Teacher Only Day**Road Safety Week

6th May Premier's Reading Challenge

10th May Walk to School Day

3rd June WA Day

24-28th June NAIDOC Week (school)

27th June Reports home
28th June Last day Term 2
15th July Term 3 starts



Dwellingup Primary School has been a busy place since our last newsletter with our students doing their best every day. Our Year 3 and Year 5 students recently sat the NAPLAN tests with all students feeling confident. Tests were delivered online in Writing, Spelling & Grammar, Reading and Numeracy, while next term our Year 6 students will sit the NAPLAN Science. We will use data from these results along with other assessments to inform our teaching and learning programs going into next year.

Please note that our school development day will be on **Monday 29th April**. Staff will be learning the science behind how people learn and retain information while developing an instructional framework for use throughout the school.

Swimming lessons were held at Waroona recently and we had nearly every student participate fully. Mrs Wagenaar commented that this was the most focussed and well behaved swimming lesson year ever. Well done students!

If you haven't followed our new FaceBook page please do so. This will be the place for updates, news and celebrations. CLICK HERE

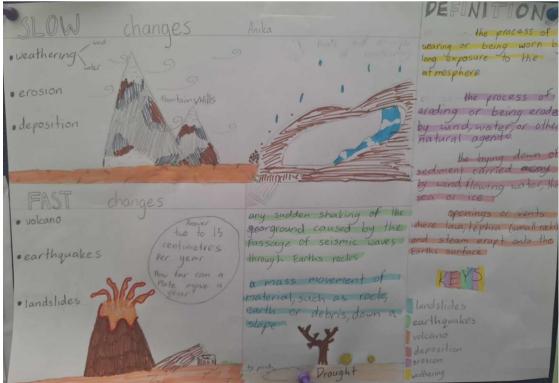


We recently we made well aware again of the risks of living in our beautiful Dwellingup environment with bushfires and people's actions, deliberate or accidental. I am very grateful that only a few properties and no lives were lost and thank all the services that protected us. A special thanks must go out to those volunteers who have spent days away from work and family facing the fire at the front. They are always looking for more hands to help out. CLICK HERE for their Facebook page and contact. Please support their stall at the Dwellingup Log Chop & Pumpkin Festival next week.

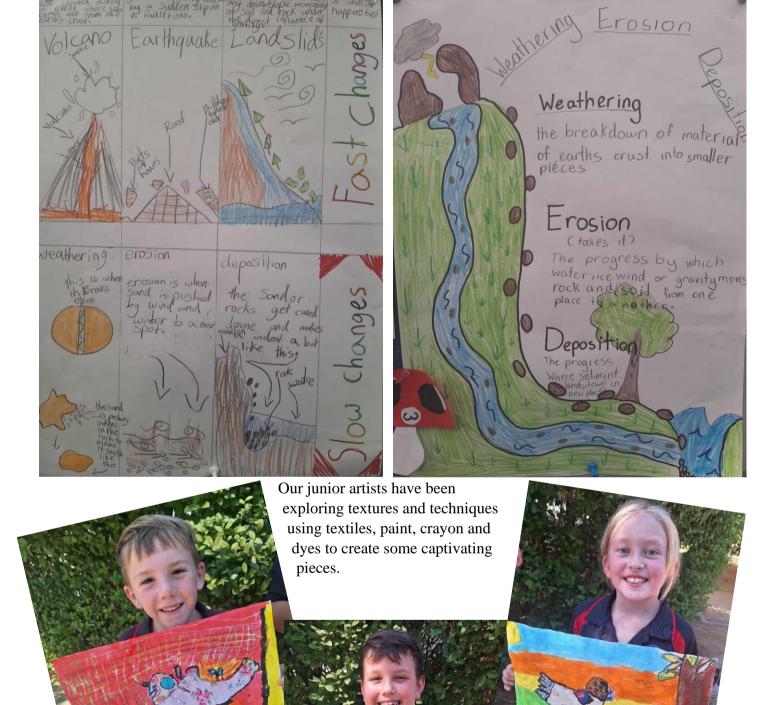


Year 3-6 students do Indonesian language lessons twice a week via School of the Air and recently the Year 3 group moved to Webex meetings for their learning. I have been amazed by the level of understanding the students have developed in such a short time.





In Science our students have been looking at Earth and Space, looking at how night and day is caused by the earths rotation while Phascogale Room have been looking at slow and fast changes in our earth.



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Harmony Day was a very harmonious day indeed. Students spent the afternoon in mixed groups rotating around the classrooms doing different activities. Miss fisher did some handprints and learning about what Harmony day stands for, Mrs Morgan did drumbeat and dance activities while Ms Leggatt ran peg Doll making sessions that the children thoroughly enjoyed.



National Ride to School Day was celebrated with students and parents riding to school. Our wonderful Mrs Pook, organised a bacon & Egg breakfast for all and this was kindly supplied by Coles, Pinjarra. Thank you to all who helped out with this.



NEXT TERM:

As of next term, we are having a slight change to our classroom structure with the Year 3 students moving into Miss Fisher's class (Phascogale). They are looking forward to joining the older students and we are sure they will accept the challenge.

Next term will also see the introduction of a breakfast club each Wednesday under the supervision of our school chaplain Mrs Lisa Ferraro. Students will be welcome in from 8:15am to enjoy a meal with us. I'm looking forward to a second breakfast and catch up with our students.

An application for Sporting Schools funding has been made and we are still waiting to hear but new schools to the program are generally given priority. Hopefully we will be having some Soccer sessions after school. More information will follow on our FaceBook page.

Early next Term we will be having our school cross country with the inter-school cross country to take place at Jarrahdale PS on Friday 3rd May. Next term, students are welcome to arrive at school from 8:15am to train leading up to this event.

School Development Day (Teacher's only) Monday 29th April

DWELLINGUP HEALTH HUB

OPEN DAY

🔀 You're Cordially Invited! 🍳 🎎

Hello, fabulous folks of our community! The BRAND-NEW Dwellingup Health Hub is overjoyed to extend an invitation for an exhilarating gathering focused on ushering in fresh starts and embracing a lifestyle of health and vitality!

☐ Date? Saturday, April 6th

✓ Venue? Dwellingup Nursing Post

Eschedule? Tour the New Facility from 10am-2pm, with a Special Presentation at 11am Prepare to mingle with our exceptional NEW Medical Professionals! They're stepping in as part of our extended family, committed to ensuring your health and happiness are prioritized. Plus, we're rolling out COMPLIMENTARY Health Evaluations and Educational Booths! You're keen on understanding your health better, looking to dive into wellness knowledge, or simply want to greet, there's plenty for all.

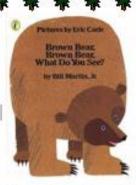
This is a golden opportunity to check out our spanking new facilities, get acquainted with our welcoming healthcare squad, and partake in the entertaining endeavors we've planned. Let's rally together as a community, uplift one another, and march forward into a brighter, healthier horizon.

Spread the enthusiasm! Invite your kin, pals, and neighbors. The more, the merrier! \$\$\$ Can't wait to see you there! \$\$



Kindy and Pre-Primary

As part of Talk 4 Writing the class have been enjoying the story 'Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?' by Bill Martin Jr, and Eric Carle. Kindy students created Brown Bear with paint and paper and recalled their favourite character.













Pre-Primary have also been learning many letter sounds this term and using these to read and create simple words. Through phonics songs, phonics activity sheets and games, plus Reading Eggs, the children are developing their reading and writing skills in a fun and interactive way. They also took part in swimming lessons this year and thoroughly enjoyed riding on the bus.







What else is new in K/PP? Our Pizza Parlour and Easter activities!







Blue Wren Class - Mrs Morgan

My goodness, this term has flown quickly. Thank you very much, parents and families, for supporting your children in their educational journey. They have worked extremely hard and focused on all verbal and written tasks each day. I am so proud of them!

During this term, we celebrated 4 birthdays with Mia, Bella, Freddy and Arlo, sharing in delicious treats courtesy of their wonderful parents. We also had the opportunity to lead an assembly in Week 9, showcasing our talented students' speaking and musical talents. The students looked amazing and performed with enthusiasm! Well done, Blue Wren class!

Another wonderful accomplishment for our class, this term, has been the completion of students' journey maps and stories during our writing lessons. All students have been learning to construct, write and retell journey stories under the capable instruction of Mrs Lamb. Written below are some fantastic efforts from our older students.

May you all have a wonderful Easter holiday and break from the school routines. I look forward to seeing what our wonderful Blue Wren class will achieve in 2nd term.

We are going on a drop bear hunt.

One gloomy morning a dog decided to go on a drop bear hunt. First I went on a wobbly bridge. We can't go under it or through it. We have to go over it. Creak, whoo.

Then we went through some spooky pones. We can't go over it or under it. We have to go through it.

After that I'm going to a stingy fence. I can't go under it or through it. We have to go over it. Sting, sting. What's that? One shiny nose, two orange eyes. It's a drop bear! Back through the stingy fence, spooky

pines and the wobbly bridge and back home in the kennel!





We are going on a Rainbow bird hunt

One windy morning a blue dog went on a Rainbow bird hunt.

First the dog came across a lava tree forest. We can't go under it, we can't go over it, we have to go around it. Bom bom bom.

Second the blue dog came across a windy waterfall. We can't go under it, we can't go over it, we have to go around it. Plop sh plop sh.

Third the blue dog came across cloud town. We can't go under it, we can't go over it, we have to go around it. Sh sh sh.

Then out of nowhere a Rainbow bird! The blue dog was shocked. The blue dog ran back around the cloud town, back around the windy waterfall, back around the lava tree forest, back to my blue dog house. I am never going on a Rainbow bird hunt again.

We're going on a unicorn hunt

One rainy morning a princess went on a unicorn hunt.

First she went through a dark misty cave. Tip toe whisper. We can't go over or under, we will have to go through it.

Second, she went through a haunted house. Skreech screech. We can't go over or through, we will have to go around it.

Lastly the princess saw a rainbow cave. The princess went in and she found a rainbow Unicorn and the Unicorn chased the princess back through the haunted house, back through the dark misty cave.

Then back to the castle. **Evie**



We're going on a deer hunt

One day we went on a deer hunt but there was a rain storm, a frozen hailing rain storm. We couldn't go over it. We couldn't go under it so we had to go around it. Smash boom!

We're going on a deer hunt, we're going to catch a big one. What a beautiful day. We're not scared. Oh, no, trees towering, ancient trees. We can't go over it, we can't go under it, we have to go through it. Woo hoo woo hoo.

We are going a a deer hunt, we're going to catch a big one. We're not scared. Oh no! A log, a tall splintery log. We can't go under it, we can't go around it, we have to go over it. Crunch ouch crunch ouch.

We're going on a deer hunt, we're going to catch a big one, we're not scared. Oh no! A cave, a wide building cave. We can't go over it, we can't go over, we have to go through it. Whisper tip toe whisper tip toe. What's that? One big soft twitching tail. Two huge red eyes. A set of pearly white teeth. It's a tiger! Ahhh run!

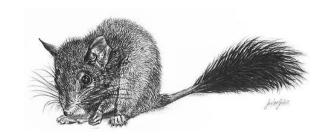
Through the cave, whisper tip toe whisper tip toe, back over the splintery tall log crunch ouch crunch ouch, back through the towering ancient trees, hoo woo hoo woo, back through the hailing rain storm, open the back door, un upstairs, into the bedroom. We forgot to shut the door! Run, back down the stairs, slam the door, run back upstairs into the bedroom and under the covers. We're never going on a deer hunt again.

Matilda



Phascogale Class – Miss Fisher

What a start to the year! We have been so busy! From NAPLAN to an excursion to Sculptures by the Sea, Harmony Day to fundraising for Year 6 Camp we have not stopped!



Talk 4 Writing: The second half of the term students have been practicing their characterisation writing in Talk 4 Writing with Mrs Lamb, focusing on "Show, don't tell" to enrich their writing. With a model text like The Twits to show them how it's done, how could they go wrong!

Daily Reviews: As part of my professional learning last year with Shaping Minds, I have been implementing daily reviews in both Grammar and Mathematics. Students have been practicing learnt concepts and are introduced to new ones using guided retrieval practice to transfer knowledge from working memory to long term memory. Of course, the kids just think it's fun to be practicing their skills and achieving success in their learning!

The Phascogale kids should be so proud of their growth this term, both academic and social. They have made our classroom an awesome place to be. I can't wait to see what they bring to Term Two!!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to pop in and say hello in the mornings or after school or drop me an email at stephanie.fisher@education.wa.edu.au

Have a fantastic Easter and a restful holiday! See you in two weeks!

Miss Fisher

Sculptures by the Sea

by Jackson Hanstrum and Breanna Reid

On Tuesday the 5th of March the 4,5,6 class went to Sculptures by the Sea. On the bus we travelled from Dwellingup to Cottesloe. When we got there, we had recess.

One of the first sculptures we saw was The Top of the Balance because it was a mirror ball. Mr M kept saying it was the best looking one because he was looking at his reflection. There was also a green apple, pear, blueberry and a lemon sculpture on the groyne. The last sculpture we saw was The Seated Man. Mr Warren had told us about it, so we all took photos sitting next to the sculpture to



show him. Finally, we hopped on the bus and went back home. It was an interesting day, and we can't wait to go back next year!

We would like to thank Alcoa for funding this trip for our students. Mr M



Natura Morta (Still Life)







Dave - the modern day statue of David

Sitting Man

Balga by Sharyn Egan

PS: I have photos of most class members posing with the 'sitting man'. Parents, please email if you would like a copy sent to you.

ANZAC Day

RSL Hall Thursday 25th April 10.30am



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



Dwellingup and Physio

Wednesdays: from Feb 28th

Dwellingup Health Hub: 2510 Del Park Rd

Book online: http://tinyurl.com/yw67fhu8

Contact Steph at:

hello@adventure.physio or 0416 413 531 www.adventure.physio

HICAPS Health Insurance, Private Patients, Aged Care Plans, NDIS, GP Care Plans (EPC) all accepted

A new service to town.

Parents and Citizens

Last night we had the Annual General Meeting for the P & C and it was pleasing to see so many interested people there. We thank the past members of the Executive Committee deeply for commitment to the school over the last twelve months and are pleased that she will stay members to support the school. Your full executive committee for 2024;

President Susan Hanstrum Secretary Jacklyn Boderacki

Deputy President Sophie Bell Treasurer Tania Doherty

Committee Lee Rickard Committee Kelly Meanwell

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On the 17th March, Dwellingup PS hosted the **Black Dog Ride** and over 180 motorbikes rode on to our school oval. The P & C catered their lunch while Year 6 students sold ice creams. With great planning, there was enough food for all and we even managed to have a Lainee's Special lunch order for the next day. Thank you to those volunteers on the day, we managed

to raise over \$1000 toward the Year 6 camp. Thank **you t**o Lainee and Lee Vanelst for preparing lunch and ice creams for the students the next day.

Tania from LongRiders was also instrumental in organising the food and then donated fruit for our students to enjoy during a recess break.



Bub's Club News

• Tuesdays 9:00 - 10:30

• We are a friendly group and we welcome pre-kindergarten aged children and anyone who has the care of them. Bub's Club continues to have a good attendance so come and join us and have a cuppa while you child develops social, fine and gross motor skills.



A Word from the Chaplain

Wishing the Dwellingup Primary School community, a happy Easter. I hope the Easter Holiday brings you and your families health, happiness, peace, chocolate and lots of love. Have a wonderful holiday and remember to spend some quality time with your children being happy and laughing lots because joy is contagious. Please take care on the roads this Easter and stay safe. To the students at Dwellingup Primary, I look forward to seeing you next term refreshed and determined to stand tall and proud as you continue your learning journey.

Lisa Ferraro

"I wish I had not been in such a hurry to get on to the next thing: dinner, bath, book, bed. I wish I had treasured the doing a little more and the getting it done a little less." Quote from Anna Quindlen, American author.

Year 6 Report

By Sienna Panotidis

On Mondays, the Year Six kids hold a Monday Morning Meeting with the whole school. We plan it on the Thursday or Friday during our Year 6 meeting. We decide on the behaviour focus for the week. Also, the younger students of Dwellingup Primary can present problems or concerns, and we come up with solutions and tell others at the Monday meeting. We also talk about upcoming events.

On Sunday, the 17th March we did a fundraiser for Year Six Camp at the Black Dog Ride by selling pies, sausage rolls and beef gravy rolls and we cant forget the ice cream!

GRIT - Sienna, Alby B and Breanna went to Waroona High School with other schools like Pinjarra, North Dandalup, Waroona Primary, etc. It was a leadership day where we did lots of games. Tarp turnover was one of the games, we all had to work together to turn it over without getting off. Another one was the Introducing game, for this one we all had to stand in a circle, one person would go in the middle and say their name and something they like to do. If you liked it as well, you ran to a different part of the circle. If you were left in the middle, you had to introduce yourself. PS-Every one of the year six kids will get to go through out the year. We also got Subway:)!

These students then ran the same games and discussions for the rest of their class. A fantastic learning experience for them. Mr M

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APRIL 2024 TIMETABLE

TRAINS DEPART FROM DWELLINGUP STATION

1 Marrinup St, Dwellingup

Day	Date	Service	Departure
Friday	29 March	Good Friday	Closed
Saturday	30 March	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Sunday	31 March	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Monday	1 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Wednesday	3 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	6 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	6 April	Restaurant Train	7.30pm
Sunday	7 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Wednesday	10 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	13 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	13 April	Restaurant Train	7.30pm
Sunday	14 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	20 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	20 April	Restaurant Train	7.30pm
Sunday	21 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Thursday	25 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	27 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	27 April	Restaurant Train	7.30pm
Sunday	28 April	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	4 May	Forest Train	10.30am and 2pm
Saturday	4 May	Restaurant Train	7.30pm
Sunday	5 May	Steam Ranger	10.30am and 2pm

Bookings available online via hvr@hothamvalleyrailway.com.au

Assembly: Wednesday 27^h March

This week's assembly was hosted by Blue Wren Room and they performed two songs that required complex and difficult coordinated hand actions. Ram Sam Sam and A Sailor went to Sea. The students have obviously been practising with great concentration to have achieved that level of coordination. Well done!!!

Our Merit Award winners were; Anika, Ambrosia, Evie, Freddy, Ava & Harley



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I would like to congratulate Lachlan, Foxxy, Harley and Colton on 100% attendance this term and reiterate how important it is to come to school every day. We also have 18 more students above the state average of 93%, while we have some students sitting at the 75%



attendance and that is equivalent to missing a term of learning per year. In all my years of teaching, attendance has always stood out as the biggest indicator of academic success.

ANZAC ASSEMBLY 2:30PM WEDNESDAY 24TH APBIL

Voluntary Contributions

Contributions are \$140.00 per student. Thank you to the parents who have already paid these. Funds collected are used for learning resources for your child.

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.



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 are disassembled, metals were identified, sorted and sold for scrap instead of ending up in Landfill. Please contact the school if you have any items to donate. We particularly chase non-ferrous metals such as aluminium and copper.

Cash for Cans

Many thanks go to all that have donated cans and to the continuing hard work of our volunteers, Nola and Joe Kinal, John Laird, Colleen Sing and Mr Warren have put in collecting cleaning and sorting the cans.

If you would like to donate your cans to the school, they can be placed in the bins outside the shed on Church St.

New Family Member!!!

We are pleased to announce the arrival of a newborn calf to Dwellingup Primary School!

Cowra was born on Friday 15th March 2024 and is doing well with mum, Daisy. We thank Mr Warren for his expert knowledge in delivering Cowra.



