Dates to Remember:

30th May Y5&6 PSHS Transition

31st May School Nurse

3rd June WA Day

12th June First Responders Day 24-28th June NAIDOC Week 26th June Assembly - Music 27th June Reports come home

28th June Newsletter 28th June End of Term 15th July Teacher only day 16th July Term 2 starts.



After School Sport 3-4pm Thursdays

Having taught at several schools in my time, I have been completely blown away with the dedication and commitment of staff at Dwellingup Primary School. Our teachers can be found doing long hours and being at school through the holidays preparing to teach our children to the best of their abilities. Our EAs also treat their role as more than a job often putting their hand up to do extra and add value to the children's education. Our Chaplain, Lisa, adds a layer of support with love. Gail our cleaner adds a spark with her stories while not much more can be said about Mr Warren, his gardens are a testament to his joy in making our kids excited to come every day. Mrs Pook in the office is a wonderful asset who constantly leads us in doing more in the way we engage everyone at school. We are blessed to have such a wonderful staff that make such an amazing school for the whole community.

Recently, we have been working on a Teaching & Learning Framework that is the backbone of our approach to teacher delivery and student learning. This document is based on current theories and scientifically proven strategies on how students learn. We believe that quality teaching is the most powerful factor in supporting our students to achieve their academic potential. Our aim is to develop shared ownership in the provision of consistent, high-quality teaching and learning programs and we support our teachers to do this through professional learning, development and growth. The Teaching and Learning Framework outlines our shared beliefs and expectations of how our teachers will Plan, Teach and Assess.

We believe all students have the potential to learn.

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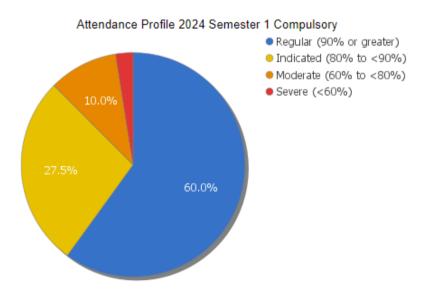
- We have high expectations on ourselves and students, evaluate our practice and seek to improve.
- Student wellbeing and engagement is essential to student achievement.
- Partnerships between schools, families and the wider community strengthen our ability to deliver.

The full document will be available soon for your review.

If you ever have any concerns about your child's education, please come and see us as we are happy to discuss and look to assist in any way. My door is always open.

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem much but				
If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's	Which means the best your child might perform is
1 Day per fortnight	20 Days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1.5 years	Equals to finishing in grade 11
1 Day per week	40 Days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2.5 years	Equals to finishing in grade 10
2 Days per week	80 Days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years	Equals to finishing in grade 7
3 Days per week	120 Days per year	24 weeks per year	Over 8 years	Equals to finishing in grade 4

Our attendance rate at Dwellingup is not the best and I would ask parents to consider school when booking holidays. Our directive is to mark students as on "unapproved vacation" when holidaying during term dates. The table above shows how quickly absences can add up and you never know which day your child's understanding of a subject is suddenly going to make sense to them. If they are away, they may miss that moment.



Assembly: Wednesday 15th May

Our Assembly this week was hosted by the Kindy/Pre-Primary class and they sung "Old McDonald had an Aussie Farm". With their best "Yeehaw"s I learnt that Old McDonald had kangaroos and bats on his farm. It was cuteness overload!!!! Thank you Mrs Leggatt for organising.



Mrs Hanstrum also presented the leavers shirts to our Year 6 students with a message of pride, responsibility and legacy.



Merit Awards were presented to Sienna, Rhys, Scarlette, Byron, Tahni, Mia, Freddy, Lachlan, AJ & Milla. Congratulations and we appreciate your hard work.



NEXT ASSEMBLY MUSIC ASSEMBLY 2:30PM WEDNESDAY 26TH JUNE

Kindy and Pre-Primary

On Friday 10th May the Kindy and Pre-Primary children invited their special mum's in for a morning of pampering for Mother's Day. We sang songs, made beaded bracelets, grinded flowers to make perfume, painted nails, decorated a bouquet of flowers and had mum's relaxing with a massage



and cucumber eye mask. We also made teacup biscuits and ate scones with jam and cream. Yum.

















To commemorate Anzac Day we made red poppy's and Anzac biscuits.













Blue Wren class - Mrs Morgan

How wonderful to share news about your children during the great season of autumn! The cooler days and bouts of rain have provided much needed relief from the heat and many opportunities for your children to focus on their learning this term.

Thank you very much, parents and families, for supporting your children in their educational journey by listening to, encouraging and supervising them during their home reading and spelling tasks. I have been very pleased to see many students complete both tasks on a regular basis and earning DOJO points as a reward for their efforts!



Please be assured that this (sometimes) tedious chore every day/night is establishing good study habits for your

children which will be of benefit to them in the higher grades. Again, thank you for your support.

Earlier this term, we celebrated Byron's birthday and had the opportunity to prepare for Mothers' Day by creating special gifts. The students learnt the art of folding and gluing origami tulips on personalised, handwritten cards, and employed their cooking skills by mixing, dividing, rolling and shaking ingredients together. The result was nicely wrapped bundles of

Chocolate balls for sharing.

Here is Mia proudly displaying her edible and handcrafted gifts for her special mum.



During maths, our year 1 students have been learning how to weigh items by "hefting" (Using your hands to compare the weight of two objects). Cedar and Vinnie are hefting basketballs, tennis balls, rulers and jars of counters.

Which object is heavier? Which object is lighter?



Do you know what your children get up to in the playground at Recess and Lunch? They don't just eat and run!

The students are very creative and use their time wisely to explore, build, discover and think sustainably.

Last month, Indi, Bella, Vinnie, Tahni and Mia planned and constructed a house with a fireplace and seating area for everyone's use! They used wooden poles, provided by Mr Burrows, to successfully build their home and, despite the heated debates which could be heard from the other side of the oval, the task was completed to their satisfaction. Well done!



Over the next two weeks, our class will be participating in PAT testing to assess the progress of students in Reading, Maths and Spelling. I am hoping our students will be well prepared, ensuring they have enough sleep and are well nourished and hydrated.

On the last Wednesday of this term, the Blue Wren class, along with the senior students, will be leading a Music Assembly, showcasing what they have learnt in Music lessons and demonstrating their hidden talents! Please mark this week on your calendars. We would love you to join us (and participate if you're keen.)

Sincerely,

Mrs Morgan

Phascogale Class - Miss Fisher

Term Two has been zooming by! We have been running in circles - oh wait, that was just Cross-Country practice! We have welcomed Arli, Matilda, Evie (from a distance) and Rhys into the Phascogale class! We are growing our classroom



with even more smiles and are so happy to have them with us! The Year 3-6 room is a buzz of excitement!

Students have been involved in many whole-school activities, including our outstanding ANZAC Service, which was very moving; having some of our students represent our school at the community ANZAC Day event was excellent. We have been eagerly reading for the Premier's Reading Challenge. Students have been given bookmarks to keep track of their reading (also done in their Reading Logbooks), and some have been logging their reading on the online portal by following the QR code on the back of their bookmarks.

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We have been out in the community, walking to school together in a walking bus, all decked out in blue for Walk Safely to School Day and Do It For Dolly Day.

Back in the classroom, students have been applying their Maths knowledge and problem-solving skills the past fortnight with Maths Investigations. The Year 4s were tasked with creating a shopping list for an imagined pikelet day at school. In comparison, some of the Year 5s and 6s were asked to compare the nutritional values of cereals for a proposed breakfast club (perhaps they should pass on some information to Ms Pook, Mrs Ferraro and Miss Lainee for our Breakfast Club!).

The Phascogale kids continue to amaze me every day as they learn and grow. I have been applying some of the new knowledge the staff gained during our Staff Development Day and a visit to a pioneering school in Perth, Jilbup Primary. Our class has taken to every new academic challenge, and we are learning and growing together to provide them with the best education possible.

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

Kind regards, Miss Fisher

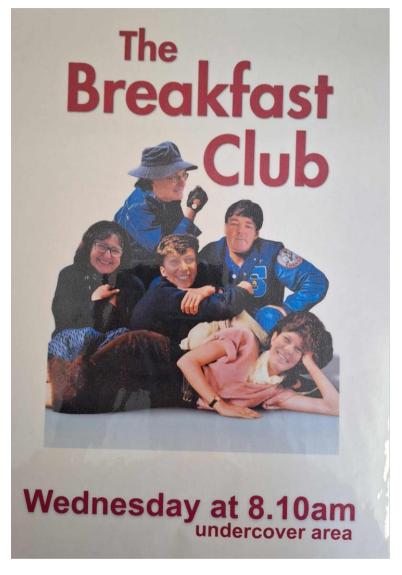


A Word from the Chaplain

Hi everyone,

As most of you are aware, this term, we have started a Breakfast Club program at Dwellingup Primary. This has been very successful, and it is lovely to see so many of the children enjoying a yummy breakfast, and having a chat with their peers, teachers, volunteers and parents.

Breakfast club is on every Wednesday morning during school terms from 8.10am to 8.30am. It is a great social event where students can come together to share food and have a chat before school, and it is available to all **Dwellingup Primary Students.** Studies and research conducted in Australia and overseas have found that breakfast programs can have a positive impact on healthy child development. Schools have reported that breakfast clubs support learning and help pupils to try new foods and adapt to changes in their routine. Breakfast club can also contribute to wellbeing, and school belonging by providing opportunities for students to develop beneficial social relationships with their peers, teachers and school community volunteers. If children feel connected, involved, liked, accepted, and cared about by peers, teachers, and other



members of the school community they develop a positive outlook towards school, which leads to higher levels of interest in learning activities, positive homework behaviours, improved school attendance, improved self-confidence and less challenging behaviours.

Thank you to all the amazing parents/caregivers who bring their children to school early on a Wednesday morning. Please feel free to have a juice or Milo or a piece of toast with your child and have a chat with the wonderful Breakfast Club volunteers or other parents. The sharing of food in an informal environment helps promote positive communication, trust and wider social connections among parent/caregivers, teachers, volunteers and students.

Lisa Ferraro

Playgroup News

Tuesdays 9:00 - 10:30

Play Group is being really well attended and Mrs Vanelst is creating amazing activities for the children to experiment and play. Did you know that Mrs Vanelst volunteers her time to make sure our Play Group runs every week. This activity session would not be possible with out her. If you have a pre kindy child, please come and join us for a cuppa and social time for yourselves and the



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ANZAC DAY

At the end of last term, Dwellingup Primary School hosted an ANZAC service with a special guest, Mr Alf Allen. The ceremony was run by our senior students, with Phascogale Room singing 'And the Band Played Waltzing Matilda' which brought a few tears as we thought about what others have gone through to help give us our lifestyle today. Mr Allen spoke about mateship and being kind in life. All students then sung the New Zealand and Australian national anthems. Another day to be proud of our students.



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Cross Country

On Wednesday 8th of May we held our Cross Country which students had been practising for before and during school. There were some fiercely competitive moments and some joyful moments of care and teamwork.

Congratulations to the following place getters and all others who competed.

Junior Boys

- 1. Byron
- 2. Vinnie
- 3. Heath

Junior Girls

- 1. Indi
- 2. Bella
- 3. Mia

Intermediate Boys

- 1. Jackson
- 2. Otis
- 3. Rhys

Intermediate Girls

- 1. Lily
- 2. Arli
- 3. Macy

Senior Boys

- 1. Alby B
- 2. Victor
- 3. Wesley

Senior Girls

- 1. Alby H
- 2. Breanna
- 3. Lara

The absolute highlight for me was watching two intermediate girls fight it out all the way around the oval and then when one of the girls had given all she had and stopped. Her competitor, Macy, stopped, turned around and went back for her, crossing the line together. We have such wonderful and kind kids here!



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Facebook

Dwellingup Primary School has started a new Facebook page (rather than a group) which will be the main point for what is happening around the school. On this page you will find information about upcoming events, reminders and celebrations. We will also include community events and activities important to social needs in town. Student surnames will not be used unless specific permission is obtained from you, the parent.

This page will promote the school to the wider community.

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Inter-School Cross Country

Friday 4th May saw us travel to Jarrahdale to compete in the local school's cross country. Competing against Jarrahdale, Pinjarra and Carcoola Primary Schools our students performed well above our size. Highlights were Alby B winning Senior Boys, Alby H coming third in senior girls, Lily coming second in Intermediate girls after a sprint to the line and Byron winning the Junior boys. Again, our students care for others showed out. When I was speaking to Jackson before his race he told me in no uncertain terms, he just wanted to have fun and help people. Big congratulations to Victor as well who had a fall during the race tasking some skin but got up and finished to his best. They make me so proud.

A big thank you to all the parents who helped drive the students to the race.



Walk to School Day and Do It for Dolly

Last week we walked around town, collecting students, parents and community members on the way. Most people wore blue to support and remember Dolly who suffered terribly as a teenager to bullying and her dream of ending bullying. We had bacon and eggs for breakfast thanks to Coles and via gold coin donation, raised \$51 for the Do it for Dolly Foundation.





Scan the QR code to access our website. You can find our newsletters there and soon our annual report.



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Dwellingup Parents & Citizens Committee (P&C)

Our P&C recently ran a Raffle for Mother's Day which raised over \$1500 which will be directed into the school. Next Friday is Parents and Citizens (P&C) day and I urge you to put your hand up to join in. Having spoken to Susan, our president, there are plans to have social as well as school fundraising activities that will be rewarding and fun for all. While we have great parent and community support in our P & C, many hands make light work and every little bit is appreciated. Please see Susan or come to the office if you want more information. The P&C also has their own Facebook group which you are welcome to participate in.

THE WINNERS OF THE 3 BIG RAFFLES ARE....

🏅 Colleen Campbell-Warr

Leesa Hughes

🏅 Hayley Birmingham

Congratulations also to all the all the other raffle winners.

Such a massive success! Together with everyone's support we were able to raise \$1520 for the P&C which helps us support our kids at school! Thank you to everyone who donated towards the raffle, the shops that sold the raffles and everyone who bought the raffles! You are AMAZING!! THANK YOU THANK YOU!!

Look out for another raffle coming.



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.

We continue to collect drink containers and there are bins around town. Thank you to our volunteers who help Mr Warren sort these every Monday. I have been told that they have a very special project lined up using plastic bottle lids that I can't wait to see. If you would like to donate your cans to the school, they can be placed in the bins outside the shed on Church St.

Year 6 Students

Did you know that every Monday, our Year 6 students run a whole school meeting. They tell us about upcoming events, our aspiration for the week and give feedback on student requests. Thanks to this feedback, we have purchased some extra-long skipping ropes.



Community News



Fridays on the Field

is coming to Dwellingup!

4:00 - 5:30pm on the town oval.

7th, 14th, 21st & 28th June





Scan to find the Murray Youth for Youth Facebook page.

Murray District Arts & Crafts Society Inc Edenvale Precinct, Pinjarra

50th Anniversary Community Workshops Program









Card Design - Sharon Hinchcliffe Arli

Bookings open 21st October 2024

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Exhibition & Final Event

For information / bookings

In person: Pinjarra Arts Hub Shop, Edenvale Precinct

Open daily 10am - 3pm

Online: pinjarraarthubatedenvale.org Website:

> Facebook: Pinjarraartshubatedenvale

Instagram: Pinjarra_arts_hub







