Dates to Remember:

15th July Teacher only day 16th July Term 2 starts

14th Aug Phascogale Assembly

16th Aug Newsletter 19th Aug Book Week

10th Sept Y6 to Government House

18th Sept Blue Wren Assembly

20th Sept Phascogale to Huntly Mine

20th Sept Newsletter



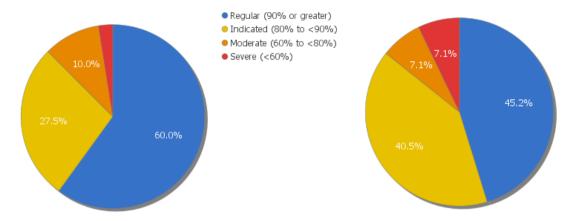
After six months as principal at Dwellingup Primary School I have taken some time to reflect on what I have learnt. Our children are very caring for others and the world around them; they have imagination and creativity, and they are so lucky to be living in a rural setting so close to the things a large population centre can provide. Our school staff are genuine and truly want the best for their students. Our parents are concerned with their children's education and support them and the school in many ways. Our community supports the people within it.

With this in mind, we will endeavour to provide the best educational opportunities based on evidence we can source while trying to ensure our students keep their imagination using it to think 'outside the box', critically and creatively.

In return, we ask that parents support their child's education and ensure attendance every day possible.

It has been disappointing to review our school attendance after talking about it in the last newsletter to see that it has dropped further. As you can see by the new pie graph the number of students who are attending at more than 90% is now less than half the school. This drop has been in part because of illness but also due to students going on holiday during the school term. While we are understanding that we are charged more during holidays, teachers are working hard to get through a full curriculum and may not have the chance to go back and review concepts your child missed.

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Over the next few weeks, I will be contacting families to discuss attendance and to see how we can support you to improve this.

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

Last term, teachers had training about the latest research in learning and put together an agreed Teaching & Learning framework for our English and Math lessons. Please review the document using the QR code or click the link and feel free to ask questions or discuss this with me.



DPS Teaching & Learning Framework



DPS Annual Report 2023

A requirement of the department is the production of an Annual Report each year. Please review the document using the QR code or click the link and feel free to ask questions or discuss this with me. A special thanks to Mrs Sing who helped me to put this together.

Finally, I would like to advise that the Year 6 camp has been confirmed and they will be visiting Albany in Term 4 in collaboration with North Dandalup Primary School. Details such as costing and an itinerary are still being sorted and we will advise as soon as they have been confirmed.

Neil Montgomery

Assembly: Wednesday 15th May

Our Assembly this week was hosted by Mrs Morgan and the students from Blue Wren and Phascogale as they displayed their musical talent. Blue Wren class performed Once an Austrian went Yodelling while Pascogale class danced their own coreography to High Hopes. All students then joined in a really annoying ear worm song (I Know a Song That's Going to Get on Your Nerves) that brought them much joy knowing it would irritate households for weeks if it had not already during rehersals.





NEXT ASSEMBLY

PHASCOGALE CLASS

PM WEDNESDAY 14TH AUGUST



Merit Awards were presented to Sienna, Breanna, Wesley, Indi, Max, Colton, Vinnie and Byron. Congratulations and we appreciate your hard work.

Congratulations to Ambrosia, Heath, Tahni, Addison and Harley for achieving 100% attendance for all of Term 2



Dwellingup Primary School – Standing Tall and Proud

We had a very special award to hand out to Mrs Ferraro who has started our breakfast club this year and was awarded a Volunteer's Award from Foodbank. Mrs Ferraro has organised sponsorship and funding for this very popular program and I know her and Mrs Pook great joy in planning the menu for each week. I take great joy in eating it each week \odot . You are all welcome to join us every Wednesday from 8:10am.



RUNNING CHALLENGE

Coming this term: 7th August to 23rd September Keep an eye on the school Facebook page for details.



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Kindy and Pre-Primary -

First Responders Day

On Wednesday 12th June the Kindy and Pre-Primary children had an exciting time learning about being a Police Officer and Fire Officer. The class were able to try on a police vest and fire officer clothes, sit in their vehicles and use their fire hose. It was so much fun and enjoyed by all.















On Friday we walked to the Police Station to thank Officer Dan for visiting us and being our hero. He showed us around the Police Station and we presented him with a Thank you card and Kit Kat. We then walked to the Post Office to post a card to the Fire Officers.

We had so much fun and learnt a lot!







Blue Wren class - Mrs Morgan

I have been told about the extremely cold mornings here at Dwellingup Primary School but took all comments with a pinch of salt until this week. My goodness! How my opinion of cold weather has now changed! I hope you all have roaring fireplaces in your homes!

During this season of winter, your children have been working hard to complete their tasks to the best of their ability and grow in character, responsibility and maturity.

I wish to, again, say thank you very much to all 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. This week, I was <u>SO</u> excited to discover every student completed their home reading and spelling and received DOJO points



as a reward for their efforts! How wonderful!! A great achievement for them all and of great benefit to them in their learning. Thank you for your perseverance amid frowns, tears and arguments. I appreciate your consistent efforts.

Earlier this term, we celebrated Logan's birthday and had the opportunity to participate in the National Simultaneous Story Reading challenge. The picture book read to every Australian student was, "Bowerbird Blues," by Aura Parker, a beautiful narrative following a bowerbird's adventures as he collects blue items to make his nest.

Our students painted blue backgrounds on paper then cleverly created a collage to represent the Bowerbird's nest, using many personally coloured, and collected blue items from the classroom and native vegetation from our garden.

Below are the exquisite blue collages and the equally exquisite children holding their artwork.





On the last week of this term, The Blue Wren and Phascogale classes combined to present a music assembly on Wednesday afternoon. Body patterns, yodelling, dancing and vocal sound effects were used to great effect and the students performed enthusiastically, having rehearsed for a number of weeks amid sports carnivals, sickness and formidable weather.

Blue Wren class will prepare for and present their next assembly on the last week of Term 3, Wednesday the 18th of September. Please join us for some Line Dancing and wear your boots made for walking!

May you and your families have a safe, warm and relaxing break before we meet again on Tuesday, 16th July, for another term of learning!

Sincerely,

Mrs Morgan

Phascogale Class - Miss Fisher

Wowee! Semester One has come and gone in the blink of an eye!

The second half of Term 2 has been jam-packed with more activity and learning.



We have continued to work with our Reading Angels (community members to whom our class reads to practice fluency). The wonderful Lynda Dorington has donated a big stack of books to our class. Students have been able to choose any book they would like to read over the holidays. They will then complete a book review of their chosen book when they return to school after the holidays. Thank you, Lynda, for this beautiful gift!

Speaking of Reading, this term, our Year 5s and 6s have been immersed in the world of Storm Boy by Colin Thiele. We have been reading the novel and analysing the author's choices to create suspense and tension. We even discussed how and why Colin Thiele chose a simple five-word sentence at the climax of the book to break the tension (devastating all who read it—yes, there were tears shed, and yes, they were mine).

While the 5s and 6s were reading Storm Boy, the Year 3s and 4s have been studying the First Fleet across the curriculum. While we have been learning all the facts and figures of the First Fleet in History, in Reading, we have been learning about the human impact of the colonisation of Australia by reading Beth: Convict Child. The cross-curricular learning has deepened our understanding of Australia's history and has been very enjoyable.

In Week 10, we were fortunate enough to travel to Yarloop to compete with them in friendly netball and soccer games. It was lovely to see our little school see some success, winning both games! We look forward to playing in Brunswick Junction next term after our game was postponed due to the weather in Week 11.

To end the term, Mrs Morgan organized an incredible Music assembly. The Phascogale kids really rocked out to their own choreographed piece, "High Hopes." It was a toe-tapping extravaganza, and they should all be so proud of their efforts. Thank you so much, Mrs Morgan, for helping our kids shine!

Finally, Semester One reports have gone home this week. Students should be so proud of the effort they have shown this semester. I am so proud of their growth and learning. 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 school holiday, and I can't wait to see you all next term!

Kind regards,

Miss Fisher

A Word from the Chaplain

Hi everyone,

I can't believe that it's the end of Term Two already. School holidays can sometimes be stressful for parents who are juggling work and family commitments. It is easy to get so caught up in the daily grind that we forget to enjoy quality time as a family. Spending time connecting with your child doesn't have to be difficult or expensive, even sharing activities like preparing food, reading, playing word games, bike riding, or going to the park will help build your relationship and boost your child's confidence. I have included an 'Overnight Oats' recipe, which is one of our popular Breakfast Club recipes that you can try making with your child, for an easy breakfast.

I hope all staff and students have a wonderful and relaxing holiday. Keep safe and I will see you all in Term Three.

Recipe from Dwellingup Primary Breakfast Club Overnight Oats

Serves 1-2

Ingredients

½ cup old-fashioned rolled oats

½ red or green apple grated or ½ firm pear grated

½ cup milk of choice

¼ cup plain or vanilla yogurt (if you don't have yogurt add extra milk)

1 tablespoon honey

Pinch of salt

Method

- 1. In a large glass jar or container with a lid, combine the oats, grated apple or pear, milk, yogurt, honey, and salt. Stir to combine.
- 2. Cover and refrigerate for at least 8 hours or up to 5 days.
- 3. When ready to eat, stir the oats again and thin with more milk, if needed. Add any additional toppings such as yogurt, honey, frozen berries or fruit as desired.



Dwellingup Parents & Citizens Committee (P&C)

The next Parents and Citizens (P&C) meeting is at the Blue Wren Café. 9:00am on Wednesday 24th July. Come along and enjoy a cuppa while we discuss and plan to support the school as a community.

Playgroup News

Tuesdays 9:00 - 10:30

A reminder about our Play Group being run each Tuesday morning. Mrs Vanelst runs great activities that assist the students to develop fine and gross motor skills while developing their social skills as well.



FIRST RESPONDER'S DAY

June 12th was First Responder's Day and we had the opportunity to thank them while learning more about their roles in our community. We were fortunate to meet Dwellingup's new sergeant, Dan while getting to explore his car.







We appreciate and sincerely thank all that our first responders do to make us and our homes safe every day. We hope to do this again next year.



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.

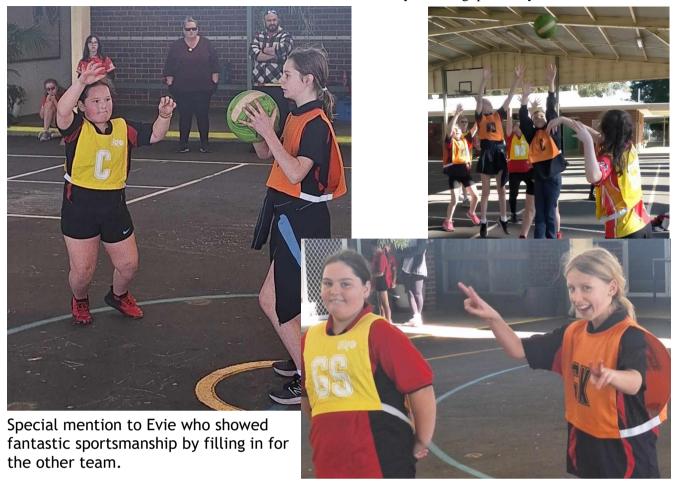
This page will promote the school to the wider community.



INTER-SCHOOL SPORT v YARLOOP PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 21st June saw us travel to Yarloop to play them in soccer and netball. Ever since this was first mentioned to our students, their recess and lunch times have been absorbed with them playing and practising. The netball team even practised after school thanks to the expert tuition of Kayla Alers and Sophie Bell. Our day was very successful with both teams running out winners, Soccer 2-1 and Netball 12-1 but the most rewarding aspect was watching our students so happy to socialise and mix with students from a school the same size as ours. Our visit began with students mixing and sitting together for lunch and having some playtime before the competition began. Yarloop has expressed a desire to come to Dwellingup in the near future.







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NAIDOC WEEK



Dwellingup Primary School acknowledged NAIDOC week during the last week of term. Thanks to Mrs Morgan, some friends, Ash and Kelly from Gilmore College, came to school and engrossed the students in Aboriginal culture for the day. We heard a story from a robotic Crow about how the birds got their colours, learnt how to draw grass trees and then painted and threw some boomerangs. Mrs Holster meanwhile was running classes on grass weaving which has the students making their own Australian animals. The highlight of the day though was the Kangaroo stew cooked by Mrs Morgan accompanied with damper.





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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); There are collection bins in the passage.



Our students take pleasure in disassembling old electrical items. Metals are 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.

TERM 3 at DWELLINGUP PS



Soccer & Netball

at Brunswick Junction PS

Date to be confirmed.

After School Sports

The grant has just been confirmed. Sport and day to be confirmed. Please see Mr M if you have preference for a sport.

Book Week

This year's book week is being held 19th-23rd August and the theme is *Reading is Magic*.

We will be holding a book sale and a dress up day. More information to come.



Community News



Dwellingup RSL Sub-branch.

Would like to extend an invitation for an open afternoon.

Date; Saturday 13th July 2024.

Time; 1pm.

Venue RSL hall.

It is open to all who helped with our new area. All sponsors who have donated towards the project. All who have kindly bought a brick and to the community of Dwellingup. Everyone is welcome. Look forward to seeing you there. Alf Allen President

Coming soon: Alcoa's Dwellingup Community Consultation Network

Alcoa is establishing a Community Consultation Network in Dwellingup to encourage open conversation and information sharing between Alcoa and <u>local residents</u>, businesses and community leaders

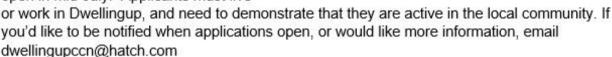


The Dwellingup CCN builds on the success of other similar groups set up by Alcoa, including the most recently established Jarrahdale CCN which was set up last year. That group has

discussed key topics including mine operations, rehabilitation, approvals processes, <u>hydrology</u> and Alcoa's community contributions.

The Dwellingup CCN will help Alcoa better understand local issues and gather meaningful input for future planning, and provide CCN members with the opportunity to talk to subject matter experts who can provide more information on Alcoa's operations and discuss any specific issues.

An Expression of Interest process will open in mid-July. Applicants must live







Seeking a new housekeeping team member for Noble River Estate, Dwellingup. School hours, would suit someone looking to work 2 – 4 hours per week. No experience necessary, just need to have a positive attitude and be a team player. Please register your interest by emailing enquiry@nobleriverestate.com.au or calling 9538 1155.



Scan to find the Murray Youth for Youth Facebook page.



School Holidays - Pop Up Youth Zone





THIS SUNDAY AT 10:00

Pop-up Youth Zone - School Holidays - Dwellingup Dwellingup Skate Park





Murray District Arts & Crafts Society Inc Edenvale Precinct, Pinjarra

50th Anniversary Community Workshops Program





JL 21 1pm - 4pm

Quilting - Conquering The Curve -

JUL 21 18+ yrs

Jemima Flendt Bookings open 17th June 2024

JUL 21 10am - 4pm 18+ yrs

Playing with Colour & Felt

- Nancy Balesteros

Bookings open 17th June 2024

AUG 18 10am - 2pm 10+ yrs

Fun with Mosaics - Christy Vallis
Bookings open 22nd July 2024

AUG 18 10am - 3pm

Crazy Pieced Drawstring Bag - Cath Clarke

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Bookings open 22nd July 2024

SEP 15 9am - 12pm

18+ vrs

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Wheel Work Taster 1 - Schupiwe Chongwe

Bookings open 19th August 2024

1:30pm - 4:30pm **SEP 15**18+ vrs

Wheel Work Taster 2 - Schupiwe Chongwe

Bookings open 19th August 2024

OCT 27 10am - 1pm 18+ yrs



Book Binding by Hand- Lucy Gray
Bookings open 16th September 2024

Acting for Camera - Michelle Griffiths

OCT 27 10am - 2pm 8 - 17 yrs

NOV 17 10am - 3pm



Bookings open 16th September 2024

Still Life with Purpose -Leanne PearsonBookings open 21st October 2024

NOV 17 10am - 2pm



Card Design - Sharon Hinchcliffe Arli

Bookings open 21st October 2024

DEC 15 TB



Exhibition & Final Event

Details to come

For information / bookings

In person: Pinjarra Arts Hub Shop, Edenvale Precinct

Open daily 10am - 3pm

Online: Website: pinjarraarthubatedenvale.org

Facebook: Pinjarraartshubatedenvale

Instagram: Pinjarra_arts_hub





