

# Dunsborough Primary School News Edition 8

**Our vision** is to be a school where every child feels a sense of belonging and is encouraged to grow into their best self. We strive to create a dynamic and responsive community that embraces change, fosters resilience, and promotes curiosity. By nurturing relationships, valuing diversity, and providing rich learning opportunities, we aim to inspire students to be independent thinkers, problem-solvers, and connected, compassionate individuals.

**Our values** are integrity, connection, collaboration, resilience, and empathy and inclusivity.

26<sup>th</sup> June 2026



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Welcome to our Week 10 newsletter.

As we approach the end of Term 2, on behalf of Mrs Jurewicz who is leading this wonderful initiative, I would like to congratulate our students and families for their commitment to our whole school reading challenge- **Read for Growth**.

This term, students were encouraged to read for **40 nights**, helping to build positive reading habits and a lifelong love of books. Reading regularly at home supports vocabulary development, comprehension, fluency and confidence across all learning areas. At the end of the term, all students who have achieved the 40-night reading goal receive a certificate and their names will be proudly displayed on our Read for Growth Tree in the library. In addition, one outstanding reader from each class will be recognised as a **Top Reader** and will receive a special book prize. Thank you to our families for your ongoing support in encouraging reading at home. In partnership we are helping our students grow into confident, capable and enthusiastic readers.

## BEST OF LUCK TO OUR FOSSHAUL FORCE

We wish the team of Audrey M-H, Grace M, Eva G, Ziggy B, Mitchell H, and Archy S all the best for the upcoming Asia-Pacific Open Championship in Sydney on July 9 to 12, against some of the brightest young problem-solvers from across the globe. Thank you to the parents who have made the trip happen and to Mr Dowsett who is also going along to help lead the team. I look forward to hearing how it goes.



## STAFFING UPDATE

- Mr Bott will continue to take leave for semester two. Mrs Dodd will continue as Middle School Associate Principal during this time.
- Mrs King will be taking long service leave for Term 3. During this time, Mrs Crabb will be taking on the role of Junior School Associate Principal. Mrs Crabb comes from Busselton PS and is an experienced Early Childhood educator.
- Mr King has taken on a role as Deputy Principal at Picton Primary School for Term 3 and 4. During this time, Mrs Matthews-Herrald will be teaching Year 4, Room 9.
- Fiona Dickerson, School Officer will be on leave for Term 3.

## FACTION T-SHIRT UPDATE

Our new designs are ready to go! We are seeking final input from our School Board, P&C, staff and student leaders. Although it has taken longer than first thought, we wanted to make sure we got it right. It's a big decision and change. I hope that new faction polos will be available for purchase before our athletics carnival next term. I will keep you informed of the new design, once it's endorsed by our School Board.

## LIONS CLUB DONATION

On behalf of DPS community, we sincerely thank the Dunsborough Lions Club for funding to support an upgrade to our PA equipment used for events such as Anzac Day, concerts, carnivals etc. The Lions Club provided our school with a donation of \$2,656.38. Amazing support from an important organisation in our community. Thank you to Mr Youngman for putting the request forward.



## OUR APPROACH TO TECHNOLOGY

We are working on updating our approach to teaching and using technology across our school, which will also impact on the BYOD program. Once we involve the School Board, we will work to provide an updated approach to parents for feedback. Our Approach will guide planning and implementation from 2027.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL REVIEW

Last week we had our public school review. Thank you to the amazing staff, students and parents who took part. The review will provide commendations and recommendations to not only celebrate, but to influence future areas of focus and sustained improvement. The review team validated our school progress and will revisit in 3 years. Once received, I look forward to sharing the full report with you all in our newsletters and on our website.



## EARLY HEADS UP- END OF YEAR CONCERT

As mentioned last year, we are planning on having one Yr 1 to Yr 6 end of year concert this year. Our pre-primary students will join our Kindergarten students in an in-school event. Therefore, it may look different to previous years, and we will work with the School Board and P&C to ensure it still meets our community expectations.

## TREE REMOVAL

As part of ground works to fix drainage issues occurring outside Room 13, 14 and the quadrangle we need to remove a large peppermint tree located outside the Associate Principal office. This decision does not come lightly and we will replace the tree with other native and student friendly vegetation.

## ONGOING REMINDERS

- Students should **arrive at school at or after 8.30am** each day, unless attending a before school program such as tennis or choir.
- No playing on playgrounds before school.
- Please leave school grounds by 3.45pm each day.
- Please park in approved **parking** bays only. Students' safety is our priority.
- Parents are not to sit waiting in the **Kiss n Drop** section.
- **Dogs** are not permitted on school grounds. We have staff and students with dog allergies or anxiety.
- Students and parents are to please walk **bikes and scooters** through the school
- All students are not to have access to **mobile phones** or connected **smart watches** during the school day. If required, the front office can be used to contact students during the day.

Have a great school holiday break, I look forward to seeing students back at school on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

Taylor Webb  
Principal



## PE NEWS

Huge congratulations to our student community for skipping your way through Term 2 and improving not only your heart health but that of those who benefit from the research carried out by the Heart Foundation! Thanks to those students who registered online and for the donations our public site received. The fundraising total currently sits at \$4, 621. I will announce the grand total after our Skipathon, so that we can include any gold coin donations and last-minute online donations before our Jump Rope for Heart program ends.

In term 3, we turn our focus to the Premier's Running Challenge which has now opened for registrations and begins on July 20<sup>th</sup>. This challenge is open to all students and staff across WA schools and just by logging weekly running, walking and wheeling minutes/km you will be entered into a weekly draw for prizes including free entry to the 4km Perth Running Festival on Sunday October 11th. Check out the poster below for further info and get set to hit the ground running in Term 3.

Finally, our annual school cross country event is approaching fast, scheduled for Wednesday July 29th, Week 2 of Term 3. Please look out for information posted on COMPASS regarding event details and fun ideas to stay active over the holidays and maintain the awesome fitness our student community have worked so hard to build over this term.

Department of Education

EDUCATION MINISTER'S  
**Running Challenge**

GET UP, GET MOVING,  
**let's get running!**

Join the Education Minister's Running Challenge and let's get active together!

Open to all primary and secondary students and staff across WA schools.	Students have the chance to register for the Perth Running Festival Burswood Park 4km Dash on Sunday 11 October at Optus Stadium for free.	Log your running, walking or wheeling to be in the running for weekly prizes.
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Lace up, set your pace and let's make a run for it!  
Sign up now at [ministersrunningchallenge.wa.gov.au](http://ministersrunningchallenge.wa.gov.au)

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## Upcoming Dates to Remember

Monday July 20<sup>th</sup>  
School Development Day  
NO STUDENTS ATTEND

Tuesday July 21<sup>st</sup>  
Students Resume  
Term 3

July 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Year 6 Cape Naturaliste College Transition

July 27<sup>th</sup>  
P&C Meeting 7:00pm

July 29<sup>th</sup>  
DPS Cross Country 9am-11am  
(Weather Permitting)

July 31<sup>st</sup>  
Cross Country back up (in case of inclement weather)

July 30<sup>th</sup>  
Assembly Room 9

### P&C NEWS

As we wrap up another fantastic term, here are some updates from the P&C.

#### School Disco

School Disco Success!

Our whole-school disco was a huge success, with students enjoying a fantastic evening filled with music, dancing and fun. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces and to watch our school community come together for such a memorable event.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our incredible volunteers whose time, energy and enthusiasm helped bring the event to life. Your support behind the scenes and throughout the evening was invaluable. We are extremely grateful to our local sponsors for their donations and support:

\*Southwest Provisions – for the amazing generosity of providing 300 lolly bags!

\*Elski

\*Yallingup Maze

\*Raw Life Juice Van

\*Hilton Garden Inn Busselton

\*Frozo

\*Simmos

Thanks to DJ Kalani for keeping the dance floor buzzing all night and creating a fun atmosphere that everyone enjoyed.

Thanks also to Mandy B for her generosity in providing the silent disco and photo booth at a significantly reduced rate. We are incredibly grateful for her support and willingness to work with us, helping make these exciting experiences accessible for our students.

Events like these simply couldn't happen without the support of our amazing volunteers, families and local businesses.

Thank you to everyone who contributed and helped create such a memorable evening for our students.

#### Fundraising

Congratulations to our junior year groups for raising an incredible **\$2,500** through their raffle! These funds will go towards purchasing classroom mats to improve student comfort and learning spaces. A fantastic effort by our students and families, thank you for your support and generosity.

#### Canteen

Final Week of School

Please note that the canteen will be **closed on Thursday next week**, the final day of Term 2.

Volunteers Needed

Over the past few weeks we have experienced volunteer shortages, which significantly impacts the operation of the canteen. Without volunteer support, difficult decisions may need to be considered, including:

\*Reduced menu options

\*Increased prices to cover operational costs

\*Reduced operating hours or days

Dunsborough Primary School is fortunate to have a canteen operating for both recess and lunch, five days a week. Unfortunately, another local primary school recently had to make the difficult decision to close its canteen completely.

We encourage families to review the volunteer roster and consider signing up during their class week—or on any day that suits their schedule. Every contribution, no matter how small, makes a meaningful difference.

**Volunteer sign-up:**

<https://volunteersignup.org/A98QK>

#### Get Ready for Term 3

As we head into the school holidays, we thank all our students, families, staff, volunteers and supporters for another wonderful term. We wish everyone a safe, relaxing and enjoyable holiday break and look forward to seeing you all refreshed and ready for an exciting Term 3.

Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our school community.

**Happy Holidays!**

2	Mon 29 Jun	11		Yr6	32	Gray
3	Mon 20 Jul	1	Sch Develop (M)	Yr6	31	Davy
3	Mon 27 Jul	2		Yr5/6	34	Radice
3	Mon 03 Aug	3		Yr5	37	Bower
3	Mon 10 Aug	4		Yr5	36	Box
3	Mon 17 Aug	5		Yr5	35	Robb/Evans
3	Mon 24 Aug	6		Yr2	17	Tunstall/Matthews-Herrald (F)
3	Mon 31 Aug	7		Yr3	15	Sinclair/Blackwell (F)
3	Mon 07 Sep	8		Yr3	14	Love
3	Mon 14 Sep	9		Yr3	13	Boykett
3	Mon 21 Sep	10		Yr3	12	Collins