



Grow with Respect

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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Where would we be without friends? The awesome students from A2 hosted today's assembly which was all about friends, friendships and what makes a good friend. The assembly was really well received by the audience, who made the very important point that "friends are not owned, they are shared!" A great message for everyone. Well done to A2 students and Mrs Lane on a terrific assembly.



ANZAC Service

Well done to Sunny Kendrick and Mark Leaning who created last week's ANZAC Service. The service was well supported by members of the North Beach RSL who provided an insight as to what life was like during World War 1. Aply led by Miss Agnello, our choir performed respectfully and our student council hosted the service with dignity. Well done and thank you to everyone involved.



Cross Country Training

Dust off those joggers and get ready because Cross Country training will commence very shortly! This is a great way to start the morning and prepare for the Faction and Interschool Cross Country events. Parents will be encouraged to run the course with the children (COVID restrictions permitting). Stay tuned for more information, which will come following the announcement of the easing of COVID restrictions.

Community Thanks

On behalf of the staff, I wish to thank the school community for your understanding and support during this week. We realise when required restrictions are implemented, it can create disappointment from not being able to attend certain events. As a school community, you have always been supportive of the restrictions required to be implemented at Davallia PS. This has been greatly appreciated. Let's hope come Saturday morning we will be able to return to what many are calling our usual 'new normal'.

Have a great fortnight,

John O'Neill
Principal
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Associate Principal's Message

A Weekend is a Long Time in the 2020s

Last week, and all the freedom we enjoyed, seems a long time ago now doesn't it? Last Friday we had our ANZAC Ceremony with guests from the RSL and a handful of parents in attendance. We had our first set of interschool games with plenty of parental support. Little did we know what was unfolding as we played. As I was coaching the football team to their first win, the sideline was abuzz with talk of a three day lockdown. It was pretty hard to comprehend.

Looking back, I am so grateful that we were able to hold the ANZAC Ceremony in a world that seemed to have returned to mostly normal. It is a new normal for sure, full of hand sanitising, social distancing and measures of maximum capacity attendance. From two o'clock on Friday we realised that even that new normal was so much better than the alternative.

The ANZAC Ceremony was very special, one year on from what was the emptiness of 2020. It was a joy to have our six North Beach RSL veterans along to share in their experiences and wisdom with the children. The Student Council did an exceptional job delivering the words and poetry and our Senior Choir sang beautifully for us. Mr Owen Vladich, a Vietnam War Veteran, gave a very moving speech about the impact of lockdown on 2020's ANZAC events and how he had experienced the events in his own street, wearing his medals. We had no idea that the same restrictions that impacted his last ANZAC Day would return so soon.

Mr Vladich also shared with us a couple of postcards that were over a 100 years old that had been written on the Western Front in World War One and had never been posted. He told us how he had managed to trace their author and intended recipient from all those years ago. It made fascinating listening. Congratulations to all the staff and students involved in staging Friday's ceremony. You did an incredible job. I'm so grateful we were able to proceed with the ceremony we planned. Thank you for all the kind words from those who were able to attend, I'm glad you found it so moving. It was very special to be a part of.

Mark Leaning
Associate Principal

School Notices

2022 Kindergarten Enrolments – Open

It is time for our fantastic community to put the word out amongst their friends, families and neighbours that we are currently accepting applications for Enrolment in our 2021 Kindergarten program. Any interested parents can simply email Lydia Butler (Lydia.Butler@education.wa.edu.au) for an application form. Should an enrolment from outside the catchment be accepted for Kindergarten, they will hold their position at our school through to Year 6. **Closing date for 2022 Kindergarten enrolments is 23rd July 2021.**



Well done Sarah!

Congratulations to Sarah L, who has been selected as a member of the Western Australian Aerobic Gymnastics State Team for 2021. It is expected that Sarah will be attending the 2021 Australian Gymnastics Championships in May, at the Gold Coast Sports & Leisure Centre, in Queensland. Well done Sarah and good luck!

FreshConnect Community Engagement Program

Carine IGA has recognised our contribution to our community and has nominated Davallia Primary School for their FreshConnect Community Engagement Program. Only two entities have been nominated! FreshConnect is a Tucker Fresh community engagement program, focused on contributing to local community organisations, charities and clubs with the goal of elevating and enriching Tucker Fresh shoppers' lives. Carine IGA shoppers can donate their points, earned by shopping in-store, to one of two local organisations at the checkout - ours being one of them!

The organisation that accumulates the most points at the end of each quarter will receive a monetary donation paid for the amount of \$500 by Tucker Fresh Group, with the second organisation receiving \$300. In addition to this, every 100 points contributed by customers to the organisation will equal \$1.00 and will be paid as an additional contribution to the organisation by Tucker Fresh Group. This is a fabulous opportunity to support Davallia PS through Carine IGA, who have always been great supporters of our school and over a long period of time.

For more information, just ask at the checkout at Carine IGA.

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Community Notices

Before/after school and vacation care at Davallia Primary School

Care for Kids OSHC run a great program on site at Davallia Primary School.

Qualified carers, great activities, afternoon tea, ECRU accredited.

Full government benefits and rebates apply.

For bookings, meet us on site or contact us on 9246 9551 or duncraigoshc@careforkidswa.net.au

