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Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Well done to Mrs Bootsma and her fabulous Year 3's, from C4, who hosted today's assembly. They have been learning about Celebrations and Commemorations as part of their History studies. Today's assembly focussed on recognising some of the lesser known 'special' days. Have you ever heard about Book Lover's Day? What about National Lazy Day? Or even Left Handers Day? Well, C4 taught us all about these days and more. Great job A4 on a terrific assembly and we will be sure to celebrate Left Handers Day tomorrow!



Fractured Fairy Tales

Miss O'Neil and her awesome Year Two's from A3 hosted last week's assembly. It was all about Fairy Tales, but with a twist. Their assembly told the story of 'The Three Little Pugs' which was a fractured Fairy Tale that left the audience in fits of laughter. Well done A3 on an outstanding assembly. You did a great job.



Faction Cross Country

Congratulations to all our Year 3 – 6 students who participated in this year's Faction Cross Country events. The Cross Country is a tough event that requires a lot of effort and perseverance. This was definitely on display with students challenging themselves in many different ways. Congratulations to all top 8 place getters, who form our Interschool Cross Country Team. Special mention of Dixie Carson (Marri) who set a new school record of 4min 30sec in the Year 3 Girls event.

This year, it was a little disappointing to note an increase in the number of students not attending school on the day or opting out of the event. In every event, there can only be one winner. We feel it is important for all students to 'have a go', challenge themselves and be pleased that they completed the challenge of the event. All students are well supported and their efforts are always celebrated, irrespective of the position they achieve.



Principal's Message (continued)

Principal's Badges Awarded

It is well known that students from Davallia PS are compassionate students who look out for one another. At last week's Faction Cross Country, two outstanding Davallians in Millie M and Spencer H went above and beyond, providing significant acts of kindness for other students.

A younger student who does have some difficulty in physical pursuits was keen to endeavour to reach his goal of completing the Cross Country course for the first time. He needed support to do so. Spencer volunteered to be his support person and ran this student's event with him, encouraging him throughout his race to persevere. With the support of Spencer, this student completed the course, achieving the goal he had set for himself. A short time later, Spencer then went on to run in his own Year 6 Boys race achieving 2nd place! Well done Spencer on your excellent support of another student.

During the Year 6 girls race, Millie noticed a good friend was in fact struggling with the onset of an asthma attack. She stopped and went back to support her friend and only re-joined the race once her friend was being cared for. This selfless act effectively eliminated Millie from having any chance to finish in the top 8 place getters and being part of the Interschool Cross Country team. Millie ran very hard indeed, achieving 9th place overall. A terrific effort.

What excellent examples of outstanding Davallians! Both students received a special 'Principal's Badge' for their selfless acts of kindness. Well done to Millie and Spencer. We are proud of you.



Interschool Cross Country - Postponement

We are certainly not having a great run with the weather. Unfortunately, with the forecast suggesting rain, thunder and lightning with the possibility of small hail, the event was postponed. **The Interschool Cross Country will now be held on 6th September, 2021. (Week 8).** Please find attached the schedule for Long Jump and Long Throw for Monday 16 & Tuesday 17 August, as well as other important carnival event dates.

Parent Parking

Davallia Primary School is a problematic site as it has little school boundary for roadside parking. However, the school community has access to more parking than most schools, with parking located on Davallia Road and other nearby streets. This year, parking issues have become a more prevalent concern raised amongst our neighbours and parents. As the school has grown over the past 10 years, traffic in and around the school area has increased. Areas such as Trenton Way become problematic when parents park illegally, double park, drop kids off at the carpark and blatantly disregard our neighbour's property. I have requested the City of Joondalup (COJ) Rangers to patrol more often in an attempt to assist parents to park appropriately. Parking by-laws are once again attached to this newsletter.

Recently, we have had a couple of close calls along Juniper Way when parents park on the grass on the eastern side of the foot path. Exiting vehicles have come very close to hitting students and/or parents using the foot path. Please be aware the City of Joondalup has confirmed the only time a vehicle should cross a footpath is at a driveway or a designated crossing.

Principal's Message Continued

Book Week, Book Fair and Open Night – Week 5

Book Week is just about upon us and there is certainly a buzz around the school. Mrs Baker has been her usual busy person transforming the Library for the big week. Please refer to the attached flyer giving you all the details of the week. Thursday is dress-up day with everyone encouraged to come along dressed as their favourite Book Character. Come on Davallia! Let's get into the spirit of Book Week!



2022 School Development Days

There are 6 School Development Days for all Public Schools in Western Australia where students do not attend school. 3 days are mandated, being set by the Department of Education and falling outside of the school year, and 3 are set by the school, in consultation with the School Board, which fall during the school year.

Below are the Board approved 2022 School Development Days which have also been emailed out to the community.

Before School Commences

Thursday 27th January 2022 (mandated) Day 1
Friday 28th January 2022 (mandated) Day 2

Term 1 - No School Development Days during the term

Term 2 - Week 1 26th April 2022 (Tuesday) Day 3

Term 3 - No School Development Days

Term 4 - Week 4 4th November 2022 (Friday) Day 4
- Week 5 7th November 2022 (Monday) Day 5

After School Concludes

Friday 17th December 2022 (mandated) Day 6

Australian Map – Whole Again

After some improvements to the access points to our teaching blocks, we found that a large aspect of our map of Australia at the entrance of A Block had been lost in the construction phase. A massive thank you is extended to Camille Gera, who singlehandedly made Australia whole again! Thanks so much Camille. We appreciate the time and effort given to restoring this work.



P & C Wish List – JUST CHECK THIS

How awesome is our P & C Association! Each year, at the annual P & C Budget meeting, the P & C create a wish list of items to be funded through their fundraising endeavours throughout the course of the year. At this week's P & C meeting, funds were made available to fund 3 more items from the wish list— Clevertouch Panels (\$11,000), STEM Cameras (\$4, 000) and Reconciliation Action Plan activities (\$1,000). Well done to our fabulous P & C Association and thank you for your support.

Appropriate Shoes for School

A polite reminder to parents to ensure the shoes your child wears to school are appropriate for the purpose. Term 3 is athletics term and students will be fully engaged in the athletics program. As such, it is important for all students to wear appropriate shoes to suit this context. This term we have seen slippers, wellington boots, slides, and even heels worn to school, and that's not just the staff! Your attention to this is appreciated.

Have a great fortnight.

John O'Neill
Principal

Principal's Message (continued)

It's a Baby!

Congratulations to Kristy and Dan Hill on the recent arrival of Poppy Mae Hill, born on 26th July 2021. We look forward to meeting Poppy in the near future.



FreshConnect Community Engagement Program

Carine IGA has recognised our contribution to our community and has nominated Davallia Primary School for our 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 to 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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Associate Principal's Message

All Heart

One week on and I just wanted to share with you some of the heart-warming moments we were all privileged to observe during this year's Cross Country. Let's start with the Year Threes. All excited and ready to go on the starting line, the Year Threes, as usual, took off like a stampede of startled emus. After the first two hills, that stampede was beginning to stretch out more like a clothes line, with withering runners just managing to hang on. Along the course Year Six students were dotted to offer support and help those who just couldn't go on. Their praise and words of encouragement caused sporadic spurts of energy in the younger runner's legs and in many cases gave them enough momentum to get home. Amongst these first timers were children who are not natural runners who would have been challenged significantly by the event, but everywhere I looked there were satisfied smiles and pride and back patting in abundance.

As each year level enters the course the distances get greater, increasing the demand on the runners. By the time the Year Sixes run their event, the course has stretched out to two kilometres and the hills appear twice. For some runners, the event holds memories of pain and disappointment from previous years. The thought of running the event can be intimidating. Quite a few children are really challenged by the thought of it.

This year, like every year, I was incredibly proud of several individuals who found ways of participating, despite the obstacles. We have many children with physical challenges who managed to join in and cross that finish line. Some of them did it supported by older students, staff and their classmates. It was wonderful to see everyone recognising, encouraging and celebrating their efforts.

Again in 2021 there were stories of great achievement and of personal excellence. There are always sights that bring a tear to a spectator's eye. Yes, the event is tough and it can cause pain and distress, but at Davallia we are about building resilience and providing an opportunity for our students to strive to reach their personal potential. Yes, it is challenging. Sometimes it is intimidating and potentially very hard. But for those who have a go, the rewards are great. Just ask those hundreds of children who made it to the finish line.

Mark Leaning
Associate Principal

Faction Cross Country Final Placings 2021

Cross Country

Davallia had it's annual Faction Cross Country on Tuesday 3rd of August. Congratulations to all the competitors on their efforts at this year's event. It was terrific to see the runners trying their hardest, achieving their goal, helping others and displaying perseverance, resilience and great sportsmanship.

A very big thankyou to everybody who helped make this event a success, especially Mr Hockett, Mrs Kendrick, Mr Haworth, Miss Zaccaria, Mrs Tunbridge, Mrs Beckett, Mrs Cadby, Mr O'Neill, Mr Leaning, Miss Agnello, Miss Thorn, Miss Read, Mr Warner, our office ladies Candi and Lydia, SEDA students, the Year 6 Captains and Vice Captains and all of the course marshalls. Your help was greatly appreciated. Thanks also, to all the staff who assisted with the before school Cross Country Training last term and this term.

Mr Greg Perry

Physical Education Specialist

YEAR 3 GIRLS			Faction	YEAR 3 BOYS			Faction
1 st	Dixie C	Marri		1 st	Michael K	Banksia	
	NEW RECORD 4.30m						
2 nd	Allie T	Tuart		2 nd	Samuel B	Jarra	
3 rd	Bianca V	Jarra		3 rd	Beau J	Banksia	
4 th	Ella B	Tuart		4 th	Tristan T	Jarra	
5 th	Scarlett A	Marri		5 th	Thomas H	Tuart	
6 th	Caroline L	Tuart		6 th	Joshua D	Tuart	
7 th	Shae D	Marri		7 th	Nikolas M	Tuart	
8 th	Stevie O	Tuart		8 th	Samuel C	Marri	
YEAR 4 GIRLS			Faction	YEAR 4 BOYS			Faction
1 st	Liliana M	Tuart		1 st	Emerson D	Tuart	
2 nd	Nola W	Tuart		2 nd	Kye M	Marri	
3 rd	Alexis M	Banksia		3 rd	Calvin D	Banksia	
4 th	Ruby C	Jarra		4 th	Charlie B	Jarra	
5 th	Heidi M	Banksia		5 th	Arthar H	Banksia	
6 th	Sarah L	Tuart		6 th	Chase B	Tuart	
7 th	Elena Y	Tuart		7 th	Daniel S	Jarra	
8 th	Abbey B	Banksia		8 th	Felix C	Jarra	
YEAR 5 GIRLS			Faction	YEAR 5 BOYS			Faction
1 st	Jasmine C	Marri		1 st	Ethan C	Marri	
2 nd	Maddison M	Tuart		2 nd	Andrew K	Banksia	
3 rd	Clara J	Tuart		3 rd	Alan M	Jarra	
4 th	Chloe T	Jarra		4 th	Jacob S	Banksia	
5 th	Georgia C	Tuart		5 th	Scott C	Marri	
6 th	Tara G	Jarra		6 th	Jaxon C	Jarra	
7 th	Kera M	Marri		7 th	Ethan L	Tuart	
8 th	Ruby R	Banksia		8 th	Ryder A	Tuart	
YEAR 6 GIRLS			Faction	YEAR 6 BOYS			Faction
1 st	Iona D	Marri		1 st	Sam H	Banksia	
2 nd	Shyloh J	Jarra		2 nd	Spencer H	Banksia	
3 rd	Amelia F	Jarra		3 rd	Kieran H	Jarra	
4 th	Tiana D	Jarra		4 th	Kyan N	Banksia	
5 th	Indiana B	Tuart		5 th	Charles D	Jarra	
6 th	Lily A	Tuart		6 th	Hugo H	Jarra	
7 th	Mina T	Banksia		7 th	Lachlan D	Tuart	
8 th	Taylor J	Tuart		8 th	Zane H	Tuart	

School Notices

A Musical note - not long to go to One Big Voice!

One Big Voice is Australia's largest children's choir! This massive festival is bringing 7,000 WA children to sing at RAC Arena on Friday, 20th August. Our Senior Choir will be performing in the evening show which will feature an original choir spectacular and a fantastic line up of Perth's young talent. It's an entertainment experience like no other, so don't miss out. Thank you to those of you who have already bought tickets. Tickets are selling fast, order now via Ticketek: <https://premier.ticketek.com.au/events/ONEBIGVO21/venues/WPA/performances/EWPA2021844/tickets> For more information, visit onebigvoice.com.au

Our Senior Choir members have been rehearsing diligently, are very excited and cannot wait to make the Musical Magic happen. Looking forward to singing up a storm very soon!

Anna-Maria Agnello

Music Specialist Teacher & Director of Senior Choir



String Performance

On Friday of Week 3, some of the Violin and Viola students performed to the Year 2 students and a group of parents, grandparents and significant others. The concert was a chance to introduce younger students to the instruments and to showcase the hard work of the performers. There will be opportunities to hear musical performances throughout the year, but I thought I'd take the chance to congratulate these students and share a photo from the event! Well done!



Mrs. Milner

IMSS Teacher

Well Done Sully!!

Congratulations to Sully W, who recently spent a week down south playing state footy for U12 team! Footy calibre was top notch playing against teams from West Bunbury, Bunbury Catholic, Georgiana Molloy and Margaret River/Augusta FC. Sully kicked 2 goals and lit up the wing with smooth disposals and his speed almost every game. He was also voted Best on Ground for one match! Your parents and everyone at Davallia are so proud of your achievement.



First Place

Madeleine E was working hard during the school holidays, performing at the Commonwealth Society of Teachers of Dancing State Comps and the Mandurah Festival of Dance July State Championships. She won first place in the 6-year-old tap solo section against 16 other contenders from around Western Australia. She followed that up by receiving the '6 and Under Aggregate Award' for overall high score. Well done Madeleine.

P & C News

Thank You!!

As we are well past the halfway point of our school year, the P&C Fundraising team just wanted to extend our sincere gratitude to all the parents and carers who have contributed either financially through the P&C Contributions, their personal time in volunteering and/or attending one of our events. Without your continued support and efforts none of this would happen. We thank you all!

Cookie Dough fundraising

We have commenced the Billy G's Gourmet Cookie Dough Fundraiser and Davallia PS make a profit of \$3.50 per tub, which will help to pay for our 2021 Budget items. There are ten flavours packed in 1kg tubs. There is no obligation to purchase a tub of Australia's finest cookie dough, but if you don't, you'll be sorry! Get started today and create an online fundraising page at www.cookie dough.com.au



Orders will be collected from the school basketball courts on 25th August, so secure your tubs now!

Pick up from School – 25th August

Please also see attached our calendar of upcoming events.

Community Notices

Subiaco Marist Cricket Club

Welcome to the 2021/22 Subiaco Marist Cricket Club cricket season! We field teams for girls and boys aged from 5 – 17, and are always keen to welcome new players. Our introductory Cricket Blasters programs are for kids new to cricket, teaching them the basics of cricket in a fun, safe and interactive way. Held at Newman College 5pm Fridays. We also have teams in each year level from under 10 to under 17, where young cricketers can develop their skills and enjoyment of the game, with mid-week training and games on Saturday or Sunday (depending on grade).

The season starts in October and registrations are open now. Please register at: [click here](#) or visit <http://smcc.wa.cricket.com.au/> to find out more about our club. (Registrations close Sept 8 for under 10-17, and Oct 12 or earlier if the program is at capacity for Cricket Blasters). For any inquiries please come to our launch day on Saturday 21st August 10am – 12noon in the Newman College sports complex. Please contact us at anthony.appelbee@gmail.com with any queries.

Breast Cancer Research Fundraiser—Art Workshops

Several workshops will be run by exhibiting artists from the Raw Colour Art Exhibition to raise funds for this very worthy cause. Please see the attached leaflet for information

Tee Ball

Tee Ball is a fantastic, summer season sport that builds friendships and co-ordination, but most importantly is about kids getting involved and having **fun!** Organised activities involving sports, music or education have proven to be beneficial to a child's physical, cognitive, cultural and social development.

Please find attached an information flyer for an upcoming free community event for primary school children - the Wanneroo Joondalup Tee Ball Club ('WJTBC') 'Come & Try Day' on Saturday 21 August 2021 from 1:00pm-3:00pm at Percy Doyle Reserve, Duncraig. BBQ and canteen food will be available.

Have A Go

Carine Cats Baseball, T-Ball and Softball are hosting a Come & Try Day for potential new players to our sport. From 2pm—5pm on Saturday 14th August come along to Carine Open Space and try something new. See the attached flyer for more information.



Care For Kids @ 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 at duncrai-goshc@careforkidswa.net.au

