



P & C General Meeting
25th October 2022

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

STUDENT ENROLMENTS

Enrolment Data

Kindy	67
Pre-primary	63
Primary	430
Total	560

Summary by Cohort and Gender as at 25th October, 2022

	K	PP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Total
Male	41	29	35	34	39	48	33	31	290
Female	26	34	52	28	38	31	23	38	270
Total	67	63	87	62	77	79	56	69	560

Proposed Class Structure 2023 – Subject to Change

Based on our current numbers and expected enrolment for 2023, we continue to expect this proposed class structure will be adopted for 2023:

- 3 x Kindergarten
- 3 x Pre-Primary
- 3 x Year 1
- 4 x Year 2
- 3 x Year 3
- 2 x Year 4
- 1 x Year 4/5
- 2 x Year 5
- 2 x Year 6

It is expected we will commence the 2023 school year with an enrolment of 553 students.

New Under Cover Area

The installation of temporary fencing has signalled the commencement of the building phase for our new under cover area. As described in my communications yesterday, access to the school via Juniper Way is now restricted to the main pathway leading into the school on the eastern side of the Music Room. Kiss and Drive is currently fully operational, however, disruptions to Kiss and Drive are expected from time to time. The Junior Primary playground has become a little more crowded with the loss of space, however, it will not be long before we permit the Year 2's to have access to the Senior playground. This is a usual process as part of transition for the Year 2 cohort, although this year it may be implemented a little earlier.

The new under cover area and Music Room will be a great addition to the schools' facilities. Not only will we have a purpose built under cover area, will also receive a Music Room with appropriate acoustic qualities, a food preparation area (kitchen) and storerooms. Provision have been made for reverse cycle air-conditioning as well. It is now expected the build will conclude in July 2023.

Lapathon/Colour Run

Our Lapathon/ Colour Run is fast approaching with our date now set for 3rd November 2022. While we are excited to see the students covered in colour, we understand that not all students will be comfortable with this. If your child wishes to take part in the colour aspect of the Lapathon we ask that they come to school in a white t-shirt. This will help teachers easily identify who wants to be covered in the colour powder and who does not.

Don't forget, we are encouraging all students to identify at least five sponsors who will donate \$5. If you can find more, that will be terrific.



Staff Changes

Although Mrs Bootma is on a combination of sick leave (shoulder surgery) and long service leave, she has been busy applying for new ventures in her teaching career. We congratulate her on being successful and will be moving to North Tom Price Primary School for 2023 and with the possibility of extension into 2024. Hilary will be Program Coordinator for 'Follow the Dream' and will also instruct a Year 4 class. I acknowledge Hilary's contributions to the school since joining Davallia PS in 2010 and wish her all the very best for an exciting 2023 (and possibly beyond).

Year 6 Rottnest Island Camp

To say our Year 6's are getting a little excited is an understatement! With only 11 days to go before we head over to the island, final preparations are being made. This year 69 Year 6's and 8 staff will be in attendance. The camp is quite a physical camp with early starts and late nights and a heap of riding, walking, learning and swimming in between. Students eat well and sleep very well!

World Teacher's Day – Friday 28th October

This Friday is World Teacher's Day. A great day to celebrate our fabulous teaching staff. I encourage you all to send a note or email of thanks to your classroom teachers to acknowledge the day. I will be putting on a morning tea for the staff to recognise the day.

Halloween Disco – This Thursday

A big thank you to the P & C for coordinating this disco. I know from speaking with the students there is great excitement out there. Looking forward to seeing how creative our parents will be with costumes and make-up.

School Development Days

A reminder we have two upcoming School Development Days:

Friday 4th November 2022 – Week 4

Monday 7th November 2022 – Week 5

Students do not attend school on these days.

John O'Neill
Principal
