# Davallia Primary School Parents and Citizens Association

## **GENERAL MEETING**

24<sup>th</sup> June 2025

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### **Student Enrolment**

Summary by Cohort and Gender as at 24th June 2025

	K	PP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Total
Male	30	29	24	47	28	37	39	36	270
Female	32	26	38	30	36	49	30	39	280
Total	62	55	62	77	64	86	69	75	550

Our enrolment has remained stable, with little change to student numbers since the commencement of the school year.

## 2026 Kindergarten Program – Enrolment Now Open and Closing Soon

We currently have received 45 applications for enrolment. Application process closes Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July, and it is expected we will have 3 operational Kindy groups in 2026.

#### Winter Sports – Interschool Sport

Last Friday saw the final fixture of the home and away series completed. Our amazing AFL team have finished the year undefeated and will be named Champion School for 2026. Well done to the team and also to Mr Ekert and Mr Leaning.

#### **STEAM Week**

Our STEAM Committee have certainly outdone themselves with the creation of a week of exciting STEAM opportunities. A full schedule of activities has been sent out to parents, so please keep abreast of what is happening each day. Today, it was great to have Mr Michael Burke return to Davallia PS in his role as Manager Shark Response at Department of Primary Industries and Regional Developer. He, along with his colleague Carina Lancaster (also a parent) presented Fishy Science to the students. Michael, being a former Davallian Parent, School Board Chairperson and P & C President, knows our school very well.

#### **Student Achievement Reports**

Reports will be forwarded, via email, to parents on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. The email will contain a link to access the reports, which will be active for 28 days. Please access the link, download and save your child(ren)'s reports.

#### Term 3 Commences - Monday 21st July

Parents are informed there is no School Development Day at the commencement of Term 3. School commences on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July, 2025.

#### **Staff Changes**

Congratulations to Lydia Butler (School Officer) who has been acting as Manager Corporate Services at East Wanneroo PS. Recently, Lydia was successful in being merit selected to this position permanently. Lydia has been an outstanding contributor at Davallia PS in her role as Education Assistant and School Officer. We congratulate her and wish her all the very best in her new role.

#### **Longer Service Leave – Mark Leaning**

Mark will be taking a well-deserved long service leave break in Term 3. We wish him a safe journey as he travels the globe for 5 weeks. Mark returns to school on the 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025.

#### **Appropriate Shoes for School**

Parents are requested to ensure their child attends school wearing appropriate shoes which are suitable for the activities undertaken. Not only do students access physical education and sport, but they also have active recess and lunch times, where appropriate shoes are required when using nature playgrounds etc.

## **Incident at Kingsway Netball Courts -**

The WDNA has informed clubs of a serious incident in the toilets at the Kingsway Netball courts during a recent sporting carnival. WA Police have an ongoing investigation in this regard, and as such, no further information is available.

As our school will participate in the Winter Lightning Carnival next Thursday at the same venue, additional supervision will be employed to be in place at the toilet blocks our students may access. All schools have toilet processes that are followed when at events such as this, and our school will ensure our students are well supervised.

## Parent Supervision of Children – After School

Davallia Primary School has always held a strong belief of the importance of having the school facilities available for the school community to use after school. This has seen our school community, and wider community, enjoy the grounds, ovals and play spaces after school hours for many, many years. Recently I have been inundated with complaints from parents whose child has been injured, hurt and ostracised during afterschool play. In every instance, this could have been avoided if parents supervised their children more closely. No students should remain on the school grounds without a supervising adult/parent. Parents are expected to supervise their children if remaining at school for an after-school play.

# John O'Neill Principal

## **Significant Dates**

21<sup>st</sup> July -Term 3 Commences 29<sup>th</sup> July - Faction Cross Country

31<sup>st</sup> July - Year 5 Sunset Safari (Group 1) 7<sup>th</sup> August - Year 5 Sunset Safari (Group 2)

11 August - Book Week

12<sup>th</sup> August - Interschool Cross Country

14<sup>th</sup> August - Open Night

28<sup>th</sup> August - Faction Athletics Carnival

29<sup>th</sup> August - One Big Voice

8<sup>th</sup> September - Interschool Athletics Jumps and Thows

9th September - Interschool Carnival

26<sup>th</sup> September - Lapathon