



**General Meeting**

31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

This term our students have been involved in a range of activities including GRIP Leadership Conference (Student Council), In-term Swimming lessons at Sorrento Beach (Yrs 4-6), NAPLAN (Yr 3 & Yr 5), Buckingham House (Yr 2), Fremantle Prison (Yr 5), Ride to School Day, Harmony Day, Ocean Heroes (Kindy), Easter Hat Parade (K-Yr 2), Challenge by Leadership (Yr 6) and Schools Slam Basketball Series (Yr 6)! And don’t forget a heap of ‘normal’ learning as well. It certainly has been a busy 9 weeks of Term 1 and I can tell the staff and students are ready for a break.

As always, a big thank you to the P & C for your ongoing support of the school. We do appreciate and notice the many things you do for the school. Thank you.

**Student Enrolment**

Summary by Cohort and Gender as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

	K	PP	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6	Total
<b>Male</b>	22	37	31	27	47	29	37	36	<b>266</b>
<b>Female</b>	27	34	29	39	31	36	48	32	<b>276</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>542</b>

We have had a small increase in enrolment since the beginning of the school year, resulting in all year levels other than Kindy, Year 5 & Year 6, considered full. Although we do have some small room for growth in other year levels, application for enrolment from beyond the local intake area will not be considered.

**Staff Changes**

Last week saw Mrs Danee Waddell commence maternity leave as she awaits the arrival of her second child. We wish Danee and Sheldon all the best for the safe arrival of Baby Waddell, who is planned to arrive mid-May. In Danee’s absence, we welcome back Mrs Anna Burke to Davallia PS. Anna is well known at DPS as she has previously been a member of staff for a number of years.

Mrs Renae Livingstone, will reduce her teaching responsibilities in C3 and will work Wednesday through to Friday each week. We wish her a relaxing start to each week as she accesses her leave entitlements. Backfilling Renae will be Mrs Sophie Chinnery. Sophie is also a previous staff member and well known at Davallia PS. We welcome Sophie back.

**In-Term Swimming – PP – Year 3**

Next term will see our PP – Year 3 students complete 10 days of in-term swimming instruction at Craigie Leisure Centre. Lessons commence Week 3 and conclude at the end of Week 4. Each year we encourage the parents of our younger Davallians to practice independently dressing themselves after their bath/shower. It is a very different proposition independently dressing a damp body in comparison to a dry one. You assistance with this is appreciated more than you will ever know!

**Parking Around the School**

Last week, Admin have been down to Trenton Way to observe the traffic and parking practices of our families, following a number of complaints and near misses! It was disappointing to hear of a grandfather who totally ignored a member of Admin, when asked to move his vehicle as he was parked in a no parking zone, directly

beside the signage. Further to this, another parent was also reminded by Admin that they can't park on the bend of Trenton Way, as it is unsafe to do so, only to be stared at momentarily and then to drive off without any acknowledgement of the discussion. I have sent out the COJ parking brochure again and have requested a COJ presence at Trenton Way.

### **Baywatch or Davalliawatch?**

A massive congratulations to Sunny Kendrick, Mark Leaning, Sam Callow, Ryan Ekert, Louise Ferry and Joel Warner who all participated with success to requalify for the Community Surf Rescue Certificate. Without this qualification, it would be a very dry Rottnest Island camp, as having qualified water safety in attendance, permits our students to be able to swim at Rottnest. Well-done team and thank you for putting yourselves out for the Year 6's. So now we have our own Davalliawatch team with the help of AI!



### **Middle Primary Playground (Juniper Reserve)**

You may have noticed the danger tape has remained in place around the playground for a while now. This is as a result of two very large branches falling into the playground earlier in the year. After requesting the attendance of an arborist to assess the tree from a safety perspective, the arborist finally attended school this week. A report will then be generated with recommendations to be attended to. Until this report is completed, the playground will remain closed. Whilst on the site, the arborist assessed all trees on the school site.

### **ANZAC Service**

Davallia Primary School will be holding an ANZAC Day Service on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April commencing at 9am. Parents are most welcome to attend. Students who are involved in service clubs eg Scouts, Girl Guides, are encouraged to wear their uniforms on this day. Our friends from the North Beach Returned Soldiers League will also be in attendance.

### **Commencement of Term 2**

Just a reminder that there is no School Development Day at the start of Term 2. School commences for students and staff on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

### **2026 School Development Days**

The following days are allocated for School Development Days:

- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Carine Network of Schools collaborative day
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December (after the students conclude)

**John O'Neill**  
**Principal**

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