

Nexus Issue 2 13 Feb 2023

<u>Canteen: is open on</u> <u>Wednesday and Friday</u>

Week 3

Wednesday 15 Feb
Classroom Information Sessions
Friday 17 February
Welcome Assembly and new
parent morning tea.

Week 4
Friday 24 Feb
P&C Welcome Picnic

Week 5 Monday 27 Feb

Carnival at FLC

Year 6 Beach swimming starts (9 lesson program) **Thursday 2 March** Year 4-6 Faction Swimming

TERM PLANNERS

TERM DATES

WEBSITE

EMAIL US

A Message from the Principal

Attadale PS Families,

It has been a smooth start to the year with students settling into their new class environments over the first weeks. As we know, every child at our school is a special individual and we expect that some will take longer than others to adjust to a new classroom environment. It has been great to see parents and staff working together to ensure all students find their feet in the first few weeks of 2023. I've enjoyed getting to know many of our new students and it is pleasing to see them being looked after and welcomed into our school community. We have also welcomed Anna McDonald (Room 3), Connie Sutherland (Room 8), Lisa Calder (Room 15), Kirsten Hildebrandt (Room 14), Craig Fritchley (PE) and Jane Duff our new school chaplain. Each staff member brings with them experience and their own skillset to add value to our staff. They have all commented on how the students, staff and parents have all made them feel so welcome which is great to hear.

Individual Parent Meetings 8th March 2023 (To be confirmed).

This year will see the return of many events and initiatives that were stalled in 2022. One of these initiatives is the Parent Meetings which is valued by both parents and staff. These involve suspending the regular student timetable for half a day to hold parent meetings to discuss how your child has settled in to the school year both academically and socially. We are required to have this approved by South Metropolitan Education Regional Office and are just awaiting their endorsement. Due to changes to the NAPLAN schedule in 2023 we are having the meetings slightly earlier and have chosen Wednesday, March 8th (Week 6 of Term). Once this is confirmed, you will receive more information, however it is important to note that our school will close at 11:45am on the day of Parent Meetings to maximise the number of interviews that our staff can conduct. Helping Hands will be available for those wanting to access their service and an online booking system for parent interviews is being developed by our front office staff and will go live 2 weeks before the interviews (and close the day before).

Next Monday, we have Paul Litherland running a cyber safety parent presentation in our school Library. This is a great opportunity for parents with children of all ages. This edition of the newsletter has all of the details and an email address to RSVP.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We would like to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today, the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation of Australia and pay our respects to the elders of the past, present and emerging.



In the coming weeks, we are excited to have a mural being painted on our Senior Block by mural artist Liv Robinson. This will be quite a long process being carried out during school time, meaning students will have the opportunity to see the process, ask questions and be inspired watching the artwork come to life.

Have a great week

Phil Springett, Principal

Start of Year Classroom Meetings Reminder—This Wednesday

- Pre-Primary to Year 6 meetings will all be held on the same day, so that parents only have one day where they need to attend meetings for their children.
- Meetings will begin from 2:40pm with a 10-minute transition scheduled to allow movement between different classes.
- Meetings will run for 30 minutes and start promptly at the set time.
- We hope that having the meetings all on the same day will make it easier for parents to arrange supervision for their children at home.
- While we have staggered meetings so that most parents can attend all relevant sessions, we
 apologise that there may be some clashes. If you are unable to have someone attend, your class
 teacher will send you any important information from their session.
- The Year 6 meetings may run for a longer time as graduation year specific events will be discussed.
- All meetings will be held in your child's classroom.

2:40-3:10	Pre Primary classes (Room 5 and EC3), Year 5/6 (Rm 14)
3:20-3:50	Year 3 classes (Rm 8 and 10),
4:00-4:30	Year 1 classes (Rm 3 and 4) and Year 5 (Rm 15),
4:40-5:10	Year 2 (Rm 6 and 7) and Year 4 classes (Rm 11 and 12)

Kindy parent meetings will remain on a separate day, as these are normally longer meetings with input from the school nurse. Kindy Information Meetings are scheduled for:

- **Kindy Blue and Green**: Wednesday 15th February at 8:50am in the school library.
- **Kindy Red**: Wednesday 22nd February at 8:50am in the school library.

Surf Safe Online—Free Parent Workshop

We are proud to announce Paul Litherland, founder of Surf Online Safe and 2022 WA Australian of the Year, will be visiting Attadale Primary School on February 20 to conduct a Cyber Safety Presentation for parents. Paul will be also speaking with our Year 5 & 6 students the following day regarding the risks of the internet and how they can protect themselves online.

More information can be found here

To RSVP for this event please email - attadale.ps.office@education.wa.edu.au

NAPLAN Update—Year 3 and 5 Parents

Parents of Year 3 and 5 parents please note you should have already received an information sheet earlier this term regarding NAPLAN.

This year NAPLAN is occurring at an earlier time and will begin on the 15th of March running until the 24th of March. In the information provided, it detailed that if a child is eligible for exemption or if a parent opts to withdraw their child, there are forms to submit. Please come and see the school (class teacher or Jaylene Fritchley) to complete the relevant forms prior to the end of February. If you would like to know more about the process of obtaining an exemption or withdrawing your child please speak to Jaylene Fritchley – Deputy Principal.

NAPLAN has a website that is open to the public and where children can experience a NAPLAN test the website is: NAP - Public demonstration site this allows the students to familiarise themselves with the online format. Please be assured they will complete practices in the class so it's not necessary to use this, but it's a fantastic tool to be able to take your child through. Remember this is one form of assessment, so it's important that we don't cause unnecessary stress to our children in the preparation. Feel free to contact jaylene.fritchley@education.wa.edu.au with any questions.

School Uniform Reminder

The School Board and Attadale Primary School have established a dress code for all students attending the school.

The school dress code:

- Fosters and enhances the public image of the school;
- Assists in building school and team spirit;
- Ensures students are safely dressed for specific school activities;
- Encourages equity among students; and
 Prepares students for work, as many work places have dress and safety codes.

ADVICE TO STUDENTS ON THE DRESS CODE

Students should ensure that they take appropriate protection from the sun when outdoors.

As a Sunsmart School, we require wide brim hats to be worn during before school outdoor play, at recess and lunchtimes throughout the year. Failure to do so will result in being removed from the playground.

AVAILABILITY OF DRESS CODE ITEMS

Students whose families may experience financial difficulties regarding the purchase of a uniform are invited to contact the Deputy Principal, Asiri Perera, to discuss the situation.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE DRESS CODE

Students who, for religious or health reasons, may wish to modify the school dress code are required to make an appointment with the Principal or designated staff member. Staff will be informed of any student granted a modification to the dress code.

Recommendations

- Children wearing inappropriate footwear will not be permitted to participate in sport and PE sessions if the teacher deems that it is a health and safety issue.
- Students are asked not to wear necklaces or hoop earrings as they create an injury risk during physical activity

2023 Contributions and Charges

Dear parents/carers, just a friendly reminder that we are now accepting payment for 2023 Voluntary Contributions and charges. You can deposit into the school account, call with credit card details or come into the office to pay with cash/eftpos. Details on the Contributions and Charges can be found <a href="https://heepto.com/he

Join us on Facebook

We are excited to invite you to become a member of the Attadale Primary School Closed Facebook Group. You can join the group here

https://www.facebook.com/groups/attadaleprimaryschool

Please make sure to answer the validation questions or we will be unable to accept your request.

Week 3 Canteen Specials

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Neekly Socials



GARLIC BREAD X2 \$1.00



MEATBALL SUB WITH CHEESE REGULAR \$6.00 MINI \$3.50



WEDNESDAY PIZZA DAY \$5.00

FULL DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS IN THE SPRIGGY APP



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Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs

This is a reminder that Gifted and Talented applications close this Sunday, 12 February. Application forms can be found here https://www.education.wa.edu.au/gifted-and-talented. Testing is held on Saturday, 11 March, and Melville SHS is one of the testing sites.

More information on the Gifted and Talented Selective Academic Program at Melville SHS can be found here https://www.melville.wa.edu.au/gifted-talented/



Approved Specialist Programs

Aviation | Graphic Design Media | Netball APPLY ONLINE at melville.wa.edu.au

Applications are OPEN for entry in 2024/25 (Applications close on 3 March 2023)

- · Testing is open to students currently in Years 5 and 6
- Students who wish to be considered for any of the Specialist Programs must sit a written assessment (Netball is a trial only). In addition to the written tests Year 6 students must:
 - Attend an interview for Aviation or Graphic Design Media
 - Submit a portfolio for Graphic Design Media
 - Attend a netball trial for Netball.
- The only students accepted out of area at Melville SHS are those accepted into Gifted and Talented and Approved Specialist Programs.



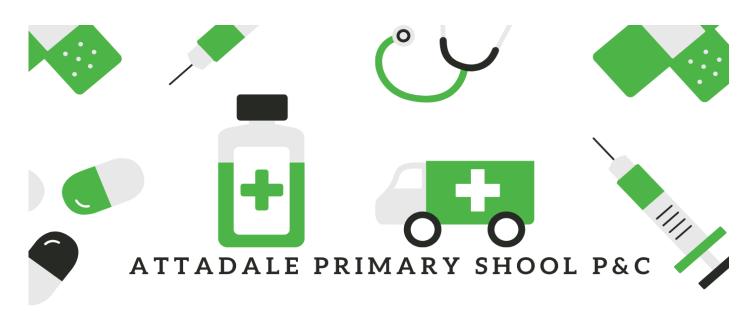
- Two qualified teachers with industry experience, commercial pilot's licences and flight instructor qualifications
- · Opportunity to gain drone licence
- Purpose-built Aviation Centre with two flight simulators
- · Time spent at airports and in the skies
- The course caters for the learning needs of those seeking a career in aviation, science, engineering and aviation-related pursuits



- · Endorsed by Netball WA
- Committed teachers and coaches with state and national experience
- Development of leadership and management skills
- Umpiring accreditation; rules and theory of netball examination
- Foundation Coaching and Certificate of Sports Medicine
- Participate in local, state and international competitions and tours



- · Highly experienced teachers
- Purpose-built facilities
- · Industry standard ICT software
- Real life learning through industry based projects
- Drawing for design, photography, print design, animation, film production, stage and costume design, 3D spatial design and multimedia



CERTIFIED FIRST AID COURSES



HLTAID012 - Provide First Aid in an Education and Child Care setting (including CPR)

HLTAID009- Provide Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

MONDAY 13TH MARCH 6:30PM TUESDAY 14TH MARCH 6:30PM ATTADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL

REGISTER VIA TRYBOOKING - PLACES LIMITED

HTTP://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CFXYT

http://www.trybooking.com/cfxyt



Friday 24 February 4:30pm-7pm Junior school grassed area

Join us for a fun and relaxed evening picnic to welcome all new and returning families to the school year!

Free sausage sizzle for the kids - Live music - All welcome