



A Message from the Principal

Attadale PS Families,

This is the last newsletter of the term before we finish up for the Easter break next Thursday. This term we have welcomed many new families and staff into our school community. I hope you have all enjoyed your first term with us and feel at home at Attadale Primary School. The remainder of the term is full of highlights with a range of excursions and some of our students competing in the Interschool Cricket and Swimming Carnivals.

Last Friday we celebrated Harmony Week in many ways including our assembly on Friday. This was a great opportunity to highlight and celebrate the diversity in our school community. We learnt a lot from our students who were proud to share a little about their family links to other countries and their associated culture.

To start the week we successfully formed the number 70 on our school oval to help mark the 70th year of Attadale PS. The end product is pretty cool and hopefully something current students can come back and reminisce over for many years to come. A big thanks to Mr Fritchley for helping with the marking of the number 70 on the oval, which was quite the mathematical problem to solve and to Lisa McCarthy for her assistance in coordinating the photo.

Next Term we will welcome back Mrs Dalitz who has recently been on Maternity leave. She will be sharing Room 7 with Mrs Pearl who is reducing her teaching days for the rest of the year. Mrs Parker will be taking some well earned Long Service Leave so you will see a new face in our front office – Mrs Chelsea Johnson.

Our students have worked so hard this term and I'm sure they are looking forward to the school holidays. Hopefully it is a chance for some quality time spent with family and friends. First day back next term for students is Wednesday the 26th of April. Staff will not be on site on Monday the 24th of April as we have traded off this time to add to our after school meeting schedule.

Phil Springett

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**The Canteen is open on
Wednesday and Friday**

Week 9

Tuesday 28 March

Indonesian Incursion

Interschool Cricket Carnival

Thursday 30 March

Yr 3 Browns Dairy Exc.

Friday 31 March

Yr 6 RM 13 Assembly

P&C Disco

Week 10

Tuesday 4 April

Yr 5 Parliament House Exc.

Wednesday 5 April

Interschool Swimming

Thursday 6 April

Easter Hat Parade

Friday 7 April

Good Friday Public Holiday

**Term 2 starts on
Wednesday 26 April**

LATEST TERM PLANNER

TERM DATES

WEBSITE

EMAIL US

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.



We are 70!



Introducing a new member from the APS Staff

Connie Sutherland Year 3

I have worked at Millars Well PS, Roleystone Community College and Kardinya PS

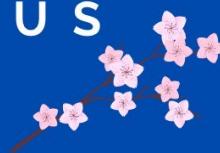
I love being there to support and see students make progress academically and non-academically.

I wanted to work at Attadale Ps because I heard the staff and whole-school culture was amazing.



Canteen Specials for Week 9

ATTALICIOUS *Weekly Special*



Sushi Bowls- like sushi...only better!

Bed of white rice, grated carrot, diced cucumber, corn and broccoli with Katsu Chicken (chicken schnitzel) or vegetarian option.

Choose Soya sauce, Kewpie Mayo or no sauce

\$5.50

Full description in the spriggy app

Values Award Winners



Leandra C - Take Care- A little girl was crying at the start of the day and Leandra took her by the hand and sat her on the floor next to her’.

Lauren M- Give It Your Best- Showed great resilience when faced with technology difficulties during an assessment. Lauren completed her writing for a second time without any complaint or frustration.

Bronte P and Macee A - Take care- they saw a student alone and came and looked after her, including her in their game

Jacob L- Stand Up- for solving Leo’s scooter mystery and saving his teacher and Mr Perera a lot of time.

Lily V- Fair Go- for an amazing start as Minister for Sport. Without being reminded, Lily has included the Faction Captains and Vice Captains to run lunchtime fun games for the younger students. Awesome initiative, Lily.

Demi F- Stand Up- for being the only student who participated in both the swimming carnival and beach swimming lessons. Thank you for the great example you set, Demi.

Dealing with an issue—Reminder

At Attadale Primary School, as in every school or workplace, situations of conflict or concern occasionally occur. We regularly remind our parents of the appropriate lines of communication to follow if an issue comes up regarding your child.

While we take all concerns seriously, it’s important for all of us to remember that we are dealing with young children. They are still learning how to regulate their emotions, behaviour and social skills and that is normal. Labelling of children, staff or parents through social media or gossip isn’t fair; especially when all the facts are not established. It is of vital importance that if you have an issue, you **make your child’s teacher your first port of call**. Often small issues can be ‘nipped in the bud’ and it is almost always beneficial to gain the perspective of the professional who works directly with your child.

If the situation persists despite your contact with the class teacher, please feel welcome to contact a member of the administration team for further assistance. As a general guide;

- ⇒ **Mr Perera manages student behaviour and pastoral care.**
- ⇒ **Mrs Fritchley oversees SAER -students at educational risk.**
- ⇒ **Mr Springett, our school Principal, can be contacted for more complex issues.**
- ⇒ **For general classroom questions, Mrs Fritchley is the line manager for the K-2 phase and Mr Mr Perera for Years 3-6.**

Thank you again for your ongoing support.

Parliament News



Emily Simmonds
Premier



Cam Brindle
**Minister for
Communications**



Demi Fairhead
**Minister for
Resources**



Finnian Scott
**Minister for
Environment**



Lily Van Dongen
**Minister for
Sports**



Austin Leonard
**Minister for
Cultural Affairs**

Premier

Our Premier Emily Simmonds has made a roster for the junior gate to help parents and junior primary kids enter school safely. She is making sure all the leaders do their jobs and is also writing a letter to the Attadale Community Facebook page regarding the continuing dog poo issues on our oval.

Communications

Our Minister for Communications will be on the PA five minutes before lunch hosting fun and exciting quizzes about movies, books and sports. He will also send you Parliament Newsletters each term to let you know what exciting events have been planned.

Resources

Minister for Resources, Demi Fairhead, is running an Easter Raffle which starts this Wednesday. Tickets will be sold before school and at recess outside the administration building. 50 cents for 1 or 3 for \$1. There are lots of prizes to be won and all funds raised go towards the Year 6 graduate's gift to the school.

Environment

Our Minister for Environment Finnian Scott has been starting our new Fogo system and will host a scavenger hunt later in the year in the edible garden. Our green team will be selling produce at assemblies every second Friday.

Sport

Minister for Sport, Lily Van Dongen, is fixing and changing the handball rules with Mr Fritchley (sport teacher) because there have been several arguments about the rules of late. Lily is also helping organise new sports equipment and is running lunchtime games with the Faction Leaders.

Cultural Affairs

Austin Leonard, our Minister for Cultural Affairs ran our wonderful Harmony Say assembly and is researching First Nations People's information every week to educate students over the PA.

Our 2023 School Board

Nigel Richards - Board Chair

Henry Year 4 and Alice Year 2

Over 25 years' experience managing operations and strategy of a variety of businesses across industries such as legal services, labour hire, recruitment and digital. I am currently the Chief Operating Officer at HHG Legal Group.



Sandra Di Girolamo

Darcy Year 3 and Blake Year 1

I have two boisterous boys, who both attend Attadale Primary. I could not be more proud of the school and its community if I tried. I'm that annoying mum who constantly bangs on about how great their school is, because I truly believe in the school's leadership, values and philosophy.

My background is in media and communications. I have worked in newsrooms around the country for more than 20 years, focussing mainly on producing television current affairs and documentaries. I now also run a media production and communications consultancy. We run workshops to help business leaders communicate effectively with media, in public appearances, or in other corporate environments. We also produce TV programs, commercials, and online content.

Attadale Primary has a unique ability to retain good teachers through its strong leadership and great culture. The school is constantly looking for ways to do things better, and ways to improve outcomes for our children. I am grateful for my role on the school board, and the opportunity to have a positive influence in our community.



Lisa Stuart

Dane Stuart Year 4 (Liam, Year 9)

I am a Marketing and Communications Manager with over 20 years experience within the professional service industries. I love the APS community as it has a positive and consistent commitment by the staff and families, which creates a great learning and social environment.



Phil Springett

I am very lucky to be the Principal of Attadale PS as well as a member of the parent community with my children Xavier (Yr 3) and Harper (Yr 5) attending our great school - A school where the staff and community work together to provide the best opportunity for the kids that attend. My wife and I have both been in education for 18 years which has included living and working in Meekatharra and South Hedland before returning to Perth. I have experience working with a variety of School Boards and have undertaken training which enables me to deliver School Board training to other schools. These experiences have depended both my understanding and appreciation for the work carried out by School Boards.



Megan Teede

I have two daughters at Attadale PS: Brooke Year 4 and Lily Year 2. I have been teaching for 20+ years, and teaching at Attadale PS since 2013. I am currently teaching Year 3/4. I love all the opportunities available to all students across all learning areas at Attadale Primary School.



Our 2023 School Board cont...

Kerrie Youngs

Isabella Year 5 and Archie Year 3.

My family has been lucky enough to live in the Attadale community for coming up to 9 years. Living just a couple of houses from the school, my kids have felt a part of the school community since they were born – having learnt how to ride and skate on the blue courts, perfected their monkeyness on the playgrounds and spent many an hour on the school oval playing with our dog. I have a real passion for the environment and also value the big open spaces and village feel we have in this area. I aim to use my skills as an Environmental and Sustainability consultant to encourage this further whenever I can, be it through working with our local town team (FAB_ric) to save the Davis Road park site from development or working actively with the P&C over the years to secure grants and install the nature playgrounds in the junior and senior areas. It was through my role as the P&C contact for the school board last year I became aware of the great work the board and the school leadership team do. Having seen the strong passion they have for making the school an amazing place for our kids, I feel very lucky to be accepted for a board role.



Katina Nadebaum

Zachary Nadebaum Year 4

I have over 20 years of experience as a finance, corporate advisory and governance professional for Australian and foreign listed and unlisted entities. I have been employed as the Company Secretary for a number of ASX listed entities including Austin Engineering Ltd, Programmed Maintenance Services Limited and Macmahon Holdings Limited.

I love Attadale Primary because it is safe, fun and provides a very supportive school environment. Our community is very close, which is important for the development of our children, as it enables them to connect with so many people and reach for their goals.



Rebecca Armstrong

I have been teaching at APS for 3.5 years. I developed the Academic Enrichment Program at our school and currently teach this one day per week and Year 5/6 one day per week. Two of my children are at Attadale PS: Buster in Year 3 and Hamersley in 1. My other 2 children are at high school.

I love how welcoming the kids are at APS and how they love to learn.



Asiri Perera

Deputy Principal and Music Specialist

Working at APS since 2015

I love working at a school where parents value the gift of education and provide their children with the support structures that they need to succeed academically and socially. I also love working with such talented staff and our very personable, happy, enthusiastic (and often hilarious) students.



70th Anniversary Gala - Single tickets still available

We are so thrilled! Twenty tables have already been sold for the 70th Anniversary Gala Dinner. With just two tables of 10 left, we have changed TryBooking so people can purchase these last 20 seats as individual tickets and be on a joint table:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CGHRS>

Don't miss your last chance to be a part of this incredible event! If you have any questions, please email the organisers at Apsturns70@gmail.com

There is also an opportunity to be an EVENT SPONSOR! If you have your own business, or know someone that does, we'd love for you to contact us: Apsturns70@gmail.com or message Shauna See: 0418922797. Your support will allow us to turn a FUN event into a FUNDRAISER for our amazing P&C, while promoting your business in the process!



Attadale Primary School

70th Anniversary Gala Dinner

Gather your fellow past and current parents and colleagues of APS together for a night of great food, drinks and entertainment to celebrate APS turning 70 in 2023!

Date: Saturday 24 June from 6.30pm until 1am

Venue: Parmelia Hilton Perth - Argyle Ballroom

Dress: Formal

Tables of Ten: \$1,500 via TryBooking

www.trybooking.com/CGHRS - includes a three-course meal, 5hr drinks package and entertainment. If you would prefer individual tickets (\$150) and to be on a share table, please email apsturns70@gmail.com

Special accommodation rates at the Hilton for \$265pn including buffet breakfast for two.

Tables are sure to sell fast and we have a limited capacity so get in quick to book your table now.



Scan QR code to
book via TryBooking

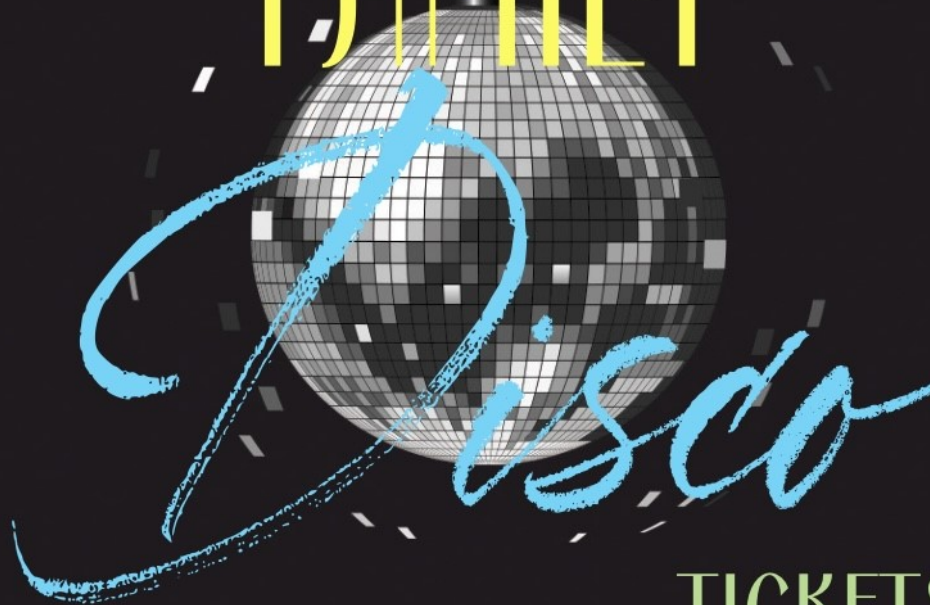


It's Disco Time !

ATTADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

2023

FAMILY



FRIDAY 31 MARCH

Junior Disco K-Y2: 5-5:45pm

Senior Disco Y2-Y6: 6-6:45pm

(Year 2s can choose either)

Arrival from 4:45pm

Event finishes at 7pm

A FUN FAMILY NIGHT!

This year it's an open family disco!

Free entry for parents & young siblings

Parents to stay & supervise

TICKETS \$10

disco + games + prizes

pizza or sushi + drink

face paints + temp tattoos

Trybooking link to follow

THEME

Come dressed as YOU!

Let's celebrate our

INDIVIDUALITY

& DIVERSITY

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 [here](#) **Attadale PS BSB 066163 ACC 00903 316** (please use child's surname as a reference).

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.

Surf Safe Online—Free resources

We hope all the parents who attended our free parent session with Paul Litherland learned some valuable cyber safety information. We have placed resources provided by Paul on our website.

[Free parents resources can be found here](#)

What's on for Kids

Out of school activities for your child.

K2 Dance – [Term 2 Flyer](#) and [April Workshops](#)

TDC The Dance Collective – [class information here](#)

Bricks 4 Kidz Applecross – [Easter Holidays Workshop](#)

Code Camp – [Autumn holiday camps](#)

Australian Sports Camps – [3 day Camp brochure](#)

Melville Tennis Centre – [Weekly programs for juniors and adults](#) Website: www.melvilletenniscentre.com.au

Keyed Up Music Lessons – in the Hall *Keyed Up Music will be teaching keyboard and guitar group lessons after school. Lessons start at \$19.80 for a small group per lesson. If you are interested in your son/daughter learning either guitar or keyboard, please call Savanna on 6107 8841 or 0479 171 424 or enrol at www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form [Brochure here](#)*

Marshalls Tennis Academy – [Click here](#) for general information. You can learn before school at Attadale PS