



NEXUS ISSUE 12

8 AUGUST 2023

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.

[CALENDAR](#)

[TERM DATES](#)

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School Photos this week

School photos will take place on Tuesday 8 August for the whole school and on Friday 11 August for Kindy Blue and Green. Each child has been given an order form with a unique shoot key. All orders are done online via Fotomakers WA. Sibling Photos Forms can be collected from the office. Please note: Oldest child to bring their sibling form on the day to give to the photographer.

Lost Property

Please ask your children in Years 2-6 to regularly check the lost property near the office for any missing belongings. Also a reminder to label hats and jackets as we can return items to their rightful owner if we know who they belong to!

Upcoming Excursions

PERMISSION
SLIPS CAN
BE FOUND
HERE

Tuesday 15 August - Kindy red Hospital Incursion
Wednesday 16 August - Kindy Green Hospital Incursion
Monday 21 August - PP and Year 1 WestOz Wildlife Incursion
Tuesday 22 August - Yr 3-6 BookWeek Workshops
Thursday 24 August - Kindy Blue Hospital Incursion
Tuesday 5 September - Year 5 Kings Park Excursion

A Message from the Principal

Attadale Families,

A big congratulations to our Interschool Cross Country team who won last week's competition. It was a great team effort with students giving their best to get maximum points for the team. Thanks to Mr Fritchley and Mr Perera for all the extra time put in in the lead up to the event to enable students to train and be well prepared to do their best.

Last week we had over sixty students participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition. This is an opportunity for students to challenge themselves in the area of mathematics, particularly problem solving. Thanks to Ms Teede for coordinating this opportunity for our students. Students will receive their individual results later in the term.

The City of Melville have provided some further information regarding parking around our school. This has been included in today's newsletter. Tomorrow night a representative will be meeting with a group of representatives from the P & C and School Board. Although this has been frustrating, I'd like to thank the community for their patience and ability to adapt quickly over the past week or two.

Have a great week.

Phil Springett

BOOK WEEK 2023 *READ GROW Inspire*

We have a variety of activities for Book Week this year

Tuesday 22 August - Book Week Workshop for Year 3-6

Friday 25 August - Book Week Dress Up Day

Wednesday 30 August to Friday 1 September - Annual Book Fair

We are asking for volunteers to help out at the Book Fair on:

Tuesday 29th August: Set-up 3pm-4pm

Wednesday 30th August: Book fair open 7am-9am

Wednesday 30th August: Book fair open 2:30-4pm

Thursday 31st August: Book fair open 7am-8:50am

Friday 1st September: Book Fair open 7am-8:50am

Friday 1st September: Pack-up 2:45pm-3:15pm



It will be an exciting celebration of reading with hundreds of fun, engaging, and affordable books for kids to discover.

Become a Book Fair Team Member and you could:

- help organise and merchandise displays
- offer a helping hand – set up or pack up; or
- help shoppers of all ages find their perfect book!

INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all students who participated in the Interschool Cross Country event on Tuesday 1st August. The determined effort from all runners was superb and resulted in Attadale PS being crowned outright winners in our division. This outcome was great reward for a group of students that have shown great dedication to training and preparation for this event. Thank you to all families for braving the cold mornings and getting the students to training sessions as well as supporting our runners on the day.

Congratulations to the following students who placed top 3 in their respective races.

Year 4 Girls

1st Place Armani J

2nd Place Nicole W

Year 4 Boys

2nd Place Noah F

Year 5 Girls

3rd Place Stella S

Year 6 Boys

3rd Place Oscar B



SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF - OUR 'FOUNDATIONS FOR LIFE' CULTURE AT ATTADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our APS students have quickly settled into the wonderful, 'whole child' learning programs and culture that has been built over many years at our school. Our staff create a safe, fun environment where every child belongs.

As you may already be aware, a current topic across the media is the status of the teaching profession and the difficulties that are forecast for the future (across both public and private education). In short:

- Many schools can't find staff to run their timetables
- There are less people wanting to become teachers (and school leaders)
- The quality teachers that we do have in schools are becoming burnt out

We are not immune to these challenges at Attadale PS. The big question for us is looking into the future is...

How do we look after our staff so the children of Attadale can get the best opportunities to learn and reach their individual potential?

Research indicates that communities can play a big role in positively influencing this area. We ask our community to:

- Trust us – Education is our area of expertise and our teachers know their students well. As outlined in our 2021 school review, we have the processes and people to achieve success with all students.
 - Speak positively about our school to your children and to other parents – Parent perception of education and their school has an impact on a child's attitude and effort.
- Value our time – If something is important, please make an appointment so we can spend the time to understand and support your child to the best of our ability. A teacher's day is busy from start to finish so please be patient awaiting responses from emails or requests. We want our teachers focussing their time on their students as much as possible.
- Remember that like you, and like your children, our staff are all different and that's what makes a great team.
- Say 'Thanks' - we are all busy but it is often those little appreciations that make a big difference.
- Following our Process - The 'Dealing with An Issue' process is regularly detailed in newsletters and helps us to streamline communication and achieve a positive outcome.

We are so lucky to have such an engaged and positive parent community who often make staff feel valued. Not every school is like that and some are struggling to attract and retain staff. Let's keep working together to make sure that we aren't one of those schools. Thanks in advance for your ongoing support!



P AND C NEWS

UPCOMING ATTALICIOUS CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Week 4 - We require 3 volunteers from Room 8 Ms Sutherland

Week 5 - We require 1 volunteer from Room 4 Miss Behsman

[See the full year roster schedule here](#)

[Sign up Here](#)



The canteen is owned and operated by the Attadale Primary School P & C association.

We are open 2 days a week for recess and lunch (Wednesdays and Fridays). We are bound by the Healthy Food and Drink policy implemented by the WA Department of Education and we strive to make tasty and nutritious food for all students and staff at Attadale Primary School.

Almost all of our menu items are made fresh in our canteen on the day of sale. If we do buy ready-made products we endeavour to use local suppliers wherever possible and source high quality ingredients. We are passionate about providing healthy, whole-foods to your children.

In order to keep producing this high quality canteen food, we need lots of helpers in the kitchen. We regularly make over 200 orders per day and that takes a lot of work! To keep costs down, we would love your help in the kitchen. Whether it be washing dishes, making sandwiches, folding pizza boxes or labelling lunch bags - we need your help!!

To make it fair across the school, we have delegated each week for Terms 3 & 4 to a particular classroom. This works out to be ONLY 2 days or 3 shifts per term each class is responsible for.

- It will be the responsibility of the Class Representative to source volunteers from that class for their specified week.
 - Hours will be from 9am to 1pm (or if you like you can share it between 2 people 9-11am and 11-1pm).
 - Volunteers are required for EACH CANTEEN DAY of that week (1 -2 person for Wednesdays and 2 people for Fridays).
 - We're using SignUp.com to organise our upcoming SignUps.
 - 1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: <https://signup.com/go/LDdzyjM>
 - 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.
 - 3) Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com.
- If you have any questions please direct them to the canteen manager -
Adriana Neill-Stevens by email attadalecanteen@gmail.com



Lunch Specials

Week 4 - 07 August 2023

Butter Chicken and Rice - tasty and warm butter chicken with potatoes and peas -
\$5.50

- gluten free
- vegetarian available

Butter Chicken & Rice



Chicken & Vegetable Noodle Soup - **\$3.00**
with rice noodles and hidden veg, warm and delicious goodness in a soup.

- Canteen made
- gluten free
- \$3.00 - small 350ml
- Upsize to large +\$1.50
- Add garlic bread +\$0.50

Chicken Noodle Soup



Attalicious Pizza - **\$5.00**

Perfect portions of pizza with your choice of toppings. All made with our Attalicious special sauce.

Toppings -

- Margarita
- Ham & Cheese
- Hawaiian

Wednesday Pizza Day



Similar to photo...full description on
Spriggy app, orders by 830am or 9am in person (cash)

PARKING AND ROAD SAFETY UPDATE FROM THE CITY OF MELVILLE

There is a safety issue for path users when vehicles are parking on the verge as they are driving across the path to park and then reversing out without enough care for the path users. Near misses happen daily due to cars reversing and not seeing children using the path behind the vehicle. Many vehicles are encroaching illegally over the path causing safety issues for vulnerable path users.

Although the path was strengthened along Calpin Crescent when it was renewed in 2021, the continual driving over the footpath is damaging it, creating tripping hazards for path users. Additionally, continual parking on the verge is compacting the soil around the trees compromising their health and structural integrity.

As a result, "No Parking on Verge" restrictions have been implemented along Calpin Crescent between Kingsall Road and Arno Crescent to enhance the safety for path users including our children who use the path to walk or ride to and from school.

When dropping off and picking up your children please consider walking or riding to and from school or try parking a bit further away and walking the rest of the journey.

Safe Parking Practices

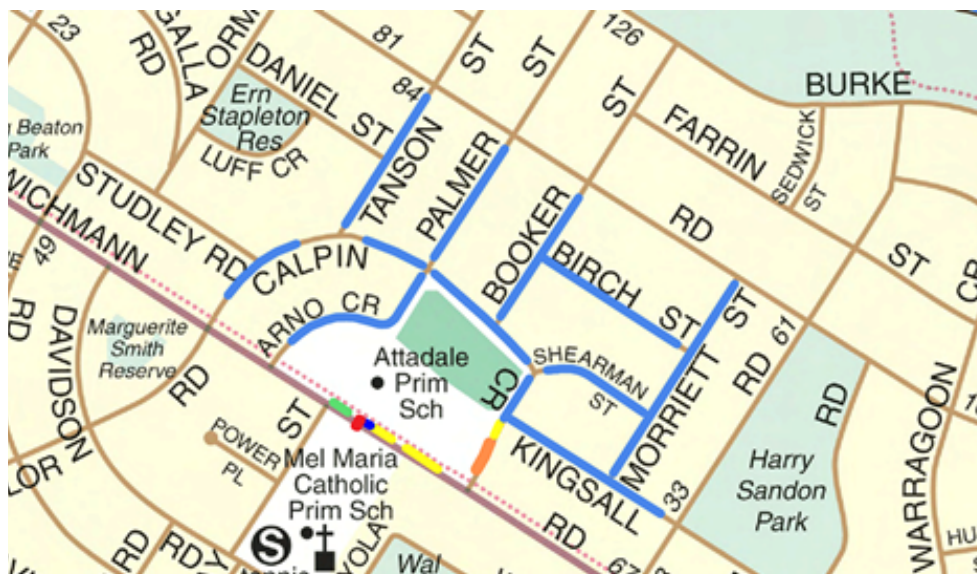
- No portion of a parked vehicle is permitted to be on, over or in front of a footpath.

Parked vehicles blocking any portion of the footpath, including the crossover (where your driveway and the footpath meet), can be both frustrating and dangerous for pedestrians, especially those with prams, people with disabilities and young children.

- All parked vehicles must be further than 10 metres clear of any intersection and may not block access to residential or commercial driveways.
- When parking on a street verge, permission from the owner or occupier of the property immediately adjacent to the verge must be obtained.
- Signage that restricts or prohibits verge and or street parking must be followed regardless of whether permission has been given.
- Check your surroundings for other vehicles and vulnerable road users while parking, leaving a parking bay and entering or exiting a property.
- When parking on the road you should:
 - Park in the direction of traffic.
 - Park close to the kerb and ensure at least 3 metre clearance is left in the road for a vehicle to pass.
 - Leave at least 1 metre between vehicles in front or behind.
 - Always check for road or path users before opening your doors.
 - Always check the road for traffic before pulling out.

Pedestrian Safety

- Adult supervision: Children tend to be easily distracted and have difficulties with judging speed and distance. Therefore, adult supervision is recommended for children up to the age of 10 years.
- Choose a safe place to cross: Whenever possible, pedestrians should choose a place to cross the road that provides a clear view of traffic in every direction and where drivers can easily see the pedestrian.



LEGEND

- On Street Parking Available within a 5–10-minute walk
- Parallel Bays
- 90° Angled Bays
- Bus Stop
- ACROD Bay
- Children's Crossing

SAVE THE DATE

ATTADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL FIRST AID COURSES

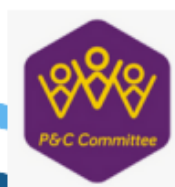
- **CPR REFRESHER - HLTAID009**
- **SENIOR FIRST AID - HLTAID011**
- **FIRST AID IN A CHILDCARE
SETTING - HLTAID012**

**TRYBOOKING LINK IS ON ITS
WAY!**

Training and
Assessment
Delivered
on Behalf of:



29TH/ 30TH AUGUST
SCHOOL HALL
6:30-8:30PM ONLINE PRE READING REQUIRED



ACTIVITIES

for kids

Australian Sports Camps — Spring Camps - A.S.C. run 3-day sports camps for primary-aged children in the school holidays. It is a great opportunity for children to improve their skills or learn a new sport. [Brochure here](#)

K2 Dance – <https://k2dance.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 \$20.35 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](#)

Marshall's Tennis Academy – You can learn before school at Attadale PS. To enrol please go to marshallstennis.com.au. Look for Schools Coaching, then scroll down to Attadale Primary School.

TDC The Dance Collective - [Brochure here](#)



 Department of Education

Shaping the future

VacSwim

Enrolments now open!
Places are limited, so get in early.

Help keep your child safe in the water.
Enrol now for the school holidays.

education.wa.edu.au/vacswim

