



# NEXUS ISSUE 13

18 AUGUST 2025

Photos are in Week 6.  
Check inside to see what  
day your child's photo will  
be taken.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY** We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Land on which we meet today, the Marradungup Land of the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation. We would also like to pay our respect to the Elders of this Land, past, present and emerging.

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Families,

It's been another busy fortnight at Attadale with our Year 4-6 students returning victorious from the Interschool Cross Country event while everyone enjoyed a week of exciting Science Week activities. Well done and thank you to Mr Fritchley and Mrs Barnes for their efforts in bringing these events together.

In the coming weeks, Attadale families will be invited to participate in two important surveys. The first is the P&C Community Survey, which will be available via Google Forms. This survey gives parents and carers the opportunity to provide feedback on the P&C's operations as a community organisation that raises funds to support school initiatives and infrastructure, as well as providing recreational opportunities for students and families.

The second is the 2025 National School Opinion Survey (NSOS), which will be sent to all parents and carers via a single-use link delivered by email through Qualtrics. This survey, which some may be familiar with, is conducted every few years and includes mandated questions used at both school and system levels. The data helps gauge the community's views on key areas:

- High-quality teaching and learning that leads to success for all students
- Providing a safe, engaging, and supportive learning environment
- Building strong, active partnerships with the community

Most questions use a 1–5 scale (Strongly Agree to Strongly Disagree), while the final two open-ended questions are particularly valuable for school analysis: What do we do well as a school, and what can we improve?

Attadale staff and students (Years 4–6) will complete a similar survey in the coming weeks. The admin team, in collaboration with staff and the School Board, will then analyse the results to identify themes and improvement targets as part of developing the 2026–2028 Business Plan, which sets the school's direction for the next three years and beyond.

We greatly appreciate genuine responses that either validate existing quality practices or provide respectfully constructive feedback. It's important for as many parents and carers as possible to complete both surveys, while recognising the distinct roles of the P&C and the school to ensure feedback is directed appropriately. Both surveys are excellent opportunities for all community members to be heard and to help shape future priorities in our shared goal of delivering the best possible experience for everyone connected to Attadale. Thank you in advance to all who take the time to respond, we look forward to your feedback.

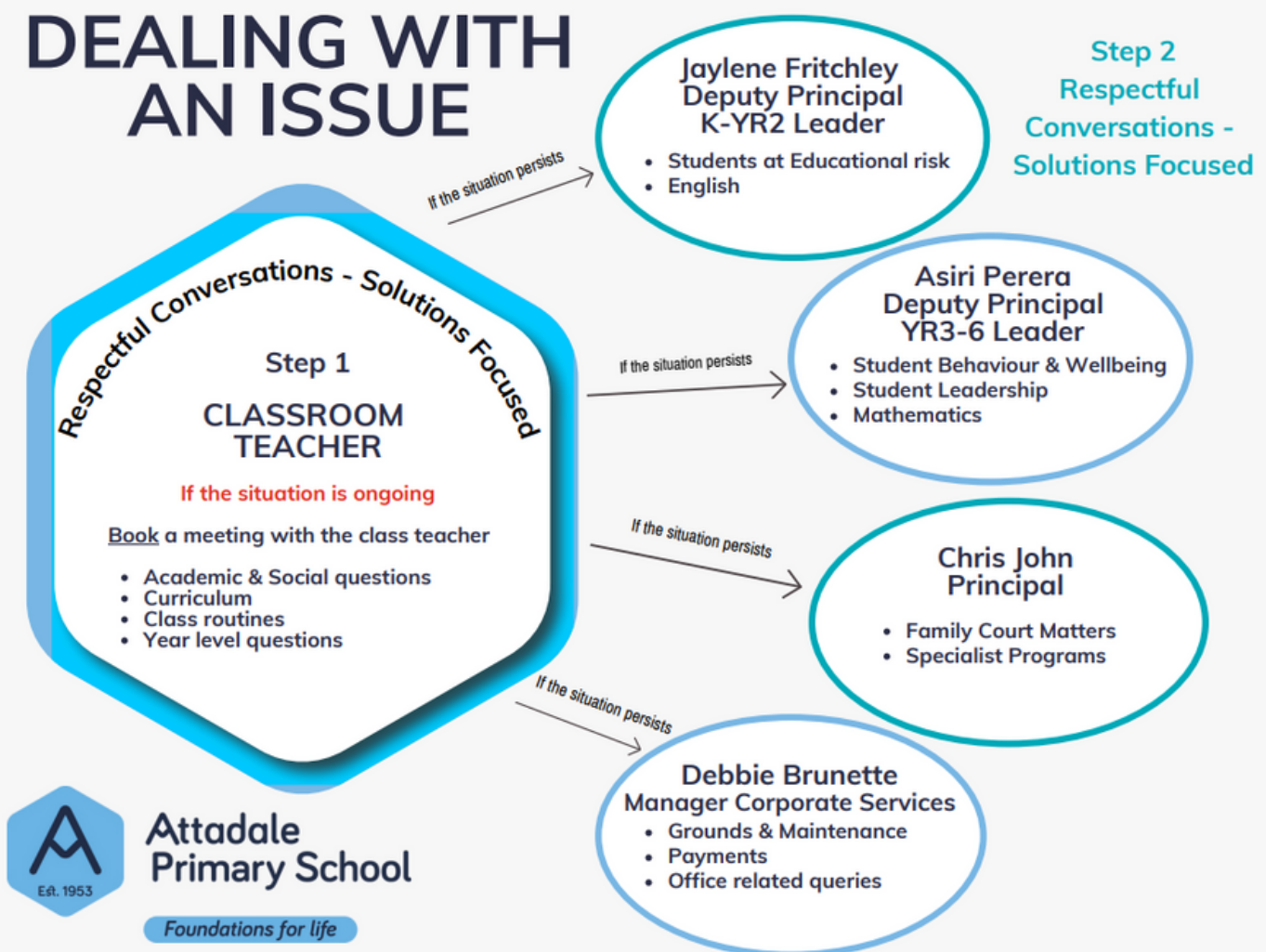
Chris John

# DEALING WITH AN ISSUE

At Attadale Primary School, as in every school or workplace, situations of conflict or concern occasionally occur. Our staff are highly skilled at supporting students with social issues and we regularly remind our parents of the appropriate lines of communication to follow if an issue arises involving 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.

Parents should never approach other caregivers or children with accusations or negativity. We have created this simple infographic to help you direct your questions to the correct person.

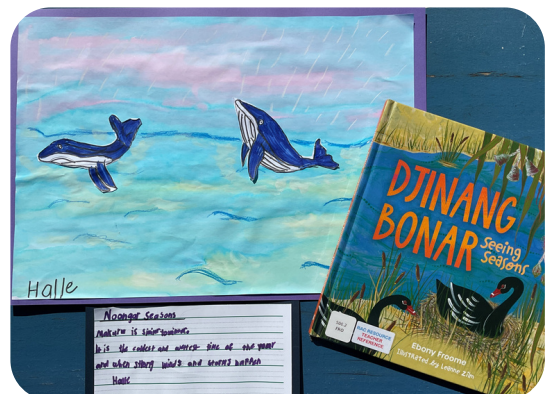
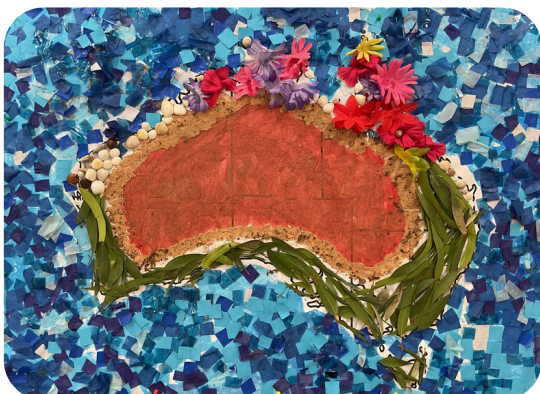


## NAIDOC WEEK 2025

Attadale Primary students had the privilege of participating in a dynamic performance by Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse as part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations. Gina and Guy entertained us with songs in Noongar language including Djinda Djinda (Twinkle Twinkle) and Bindi Bindi (The Butterfly).

The students across the school engaged in various activities to acknowledge and celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. It was a terrific opportunity to engage in learning, connection and community, fostering a deeper understanding of First Nations cultures among students and staff. Woolah! (hooray!)

Andrea McManus - Reconciliation Action Plan Leader



# Daffodil Day

For all that Cancer takes, give us a hand.

Daffodil Day is on the way,  
21st of August, wear yellow shirts on Thursday!  
Show you care in what you wear,  
Let yellow bloom everywhere!  
Bring a gold coin, big or small,  
To help those fighting, one and all!



\$5



\$15

Daffodil Day pins and teddy bears for sale before school and during Recess/Lunch (until sold out) in the Early Childhood Area and near the Office.

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> of August

## SCHOOL PHOTOS - 25 AUGUST (WEEK 6)

**Every student should have received a photo form for online ordering for our School Photos in Week 6**

Each student's form has an individual access key on it.

Photos will take place over three days. Please note that some changes have been made and times are subjective to change.

### **Monday 25 August**

All student and class photos (except Kindy Green/Blue)

### **Tuesday 26 August**

Graduation, Leader and Performance Troupe photos

Kindy Green and Kindy Green Sibling photos

### **Thursday 28 August**

Kindy Blue and Kindy Blue Sibling Photos

**Sibling Forms are available from the office and will take place at recess and lunchtime on 25/8 (except Kindy Blue/Green).**

## VAC SWIM



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**Shaping the future**

# VacSwim

**Give your child the skills they need around water.**

Enrol them in school holiday swimming lessons.

Spots are limited, enrol now to secure your place.

**[education.wa.edu.au/vacswim](https://education.wa.edu.au/vacswim)**





# ATTADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL P & C

## TERM 3 GENERAL MEETING

# THIS WEEK!

**-TUESDAY 19TH AUGUST-  
6:30PM CUPPA AND CHAT**

**7PM MEETING START**

**APS STAFF ROOM**



**All parents from our community are welcome**



# Specials

WEEK 5 - 18th August 2025

Order via Spriggy School App 8:30am cut off or over the counter with CASH ONLY by 9am.

## Wednesday

**Attalicious Pizza - \$6.20** perfect portion of pizza with your choice of toppings.

All made with our Attalicious special sauce

### Toppings -

- Margherita
- Ham & Cheese
- Hawaiian



## Friday

### Mexican Beef Mince Bowls - \$6.40

Mexican taco flavoured rice with corn, beef mince, carrot and topped with cheese. (Spiced with GF taco seasoning).

Can add sour cream, avocado dip or tomato salsa - 50c extra  
Option for no cheese.



### Country Chicken Soup - \$5.00

Homestyle chicken soup. Canteen made, gluten free with garlic, onion, celery, leek, carrot, potato, parsley and rice noodles.

Add Garlic Bread Baguette \$1.00



## Sign up to Volunteer

Have any spare time on a Wednesday or Friday?

Please call **Canteen Manager Adriana (0418 468 513)**

or sign up here: [\*\*Term 3 Canteen Volunteers\*\*](#)

## OUR ACROD PARKING BAYS

A reminder to all our families to make sure you do not use the Disability Parking bays around the school unless your vehicle displays an ACROD sticker. This includes pulling in to let your children out. We understand that parking is always at a premium arounds school but these bays are not for general use at any time and fines of \$500 may be imposed for misuse of these bays. Melville City Council Rangers are actively patrolling.



### **FIRST AID FOCUS – ATTADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

St John WA provides First Aid Focus, a free in-school program that allows WA students to learn basic first aid skills. This program offers fun, engaging and age-appropriate classes for all students ranging from kindy to year 6.

The Community Education Officers will be at our school in Term 3 Week 5 to spend time with all year groups (K-6) to demonstrate the correct first aid approach, as well as giving students the opportunity to practice and rehearse these life-saving skills. Please see below for further details.

If you **do not** wish for your child to be involved in this session, please let their classroom teacher know.



#### **Kindergarten - Pre-primary**

30 minutes Story time plus 30 minutes Ambulance visit

Through a storybook and with the aid of Kura the Bear, students will see how to identify an emergency, what number to call and understand the role of who can help in an emergency.



#### **Year 1 & 2**

45 minute to 1 hour (DRS of DRSABCD)

Students will learn how to recognise a Danger, how to get someone to Respond accordingly and when to Send for help in an emergency. At the end of the session students will be able to understand what an emergency is and how to recognise an ambulance and a paramedic.



#### **Year 3 - 5**

1 hour (DRSAB of DRSABCD)

This session is designed to provide opportunities to identify, practise and develop the student's skills. The focus for the students is to assess the casualties' condition, check their airways and breathing, and how to place the casualty into the recovery position.



#### **Year 6**

1 hour (DRSABCD) First Aid Action Plan

In this practical session students will build on their prior knowledge of the St John WA Action plan and learn how to treat a casualty who is unconscious and not breathing normally. The demonstrations will reinforce the message of staying safe and seeking help quickly in an emergency.

# Small changes, big differences.



## Free seminar for parents Fear-Less Triple P (Positive Parenting Program): Helping your child learn to manage anxiety

*Appropriate for parents/carers of children and teenagers aged 6-14 years*

Everyone experiences anxiety occasionally, and it's a normal response that can be helpful and typically passes quickly. However, anxiety can sometimes become overwhelming and interfere with our ability to cope with day-to-day activities.

Learning to manage anxiety effectively is a vital life skill that begins in childhood, and this FREE two-hour seminar can help you:

- ✓ Understand exactly how anxiety works
- ✓ Learn key anxiety-management and coping skills that you can teach your children and teens
- ✓ Manage your children and teens' anxious behaviour effectively

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|-------|----------------------------------------------|
| DATE  | Monday 25th August                           |
| TIME  | 6:30 – 8:0pm                                 |
| VENUE | Melville Primary School – Staff room         |
| FREE  | Entry, refreshments and take-home tip sheet! |

REGISTRATION ESSENTIAL AS PLACES ARE LIMITED

To register, [click here](http://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/wa) or search for this session by location at [www.triplep-parenting.net.au/wa](http://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/wa)

*\*No child-minding available. It is recommended that children are not brought along to the session.*

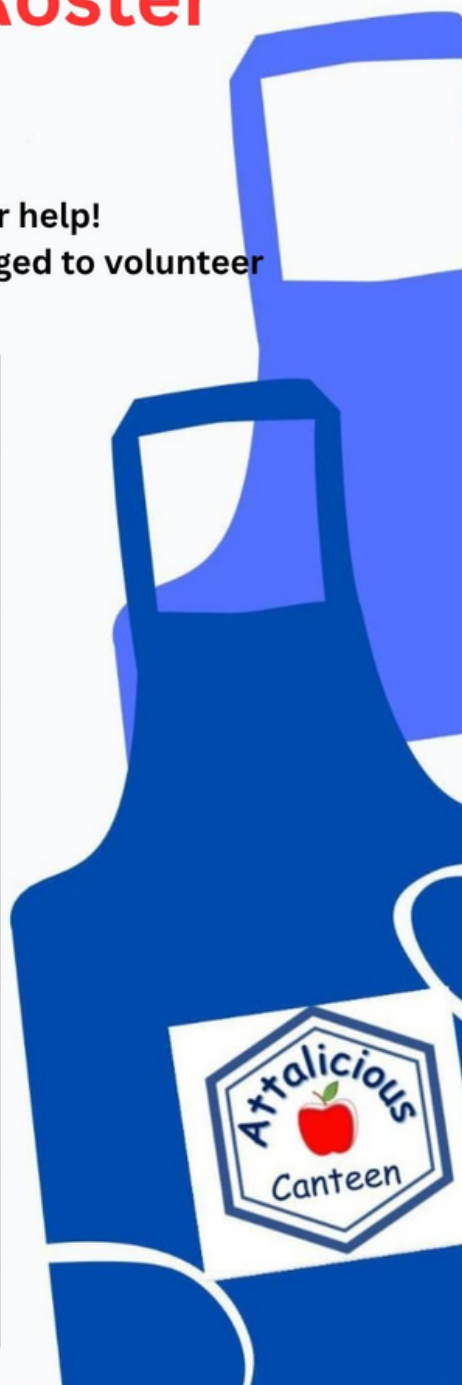


# Canteen Volunteer Roster

## Term 3, 2025

**The Attalicious Canteen needs your help!**  
**Each week, a different year group is encouraged to volunteer**  
**on Wednesdays and Fridays**

| Week | Year Group  | Canteen Dates     |
|------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1    | All-in      | 23 July & 25 July |
| 2    | Year 6      | 30 July & 1 Aug   |
| 3    | Year 5      | 6 Aug & 8 Aug     |
| 4    | Year 4      | 13 Aug & 15 Aug   |
| 5    | Year 3      | 20 Aug & 22 Aug   |
| 6    | Year 2      | 27 Aug & 29 Aug   |
| 7    | Year 1      | 3 Sep & 5 Sep     |
| 8    | Pre-Primary | 10 Sep & 12 Sep   |
| 9    | All-in      | 17 Sep & 19 Sep   |
| 10   | Attadads    | 24 Sep & 26 Sep   |



### **Sign up and WIN a reserved APS Car Bay!**

Volunteer for a shift in the canteen this term and you'll be in the raffle for a personal parking bay reserved in the staff carpark for Term 4 2025.  
 The more you volunteer, the more chance you have!

**Sign up here: <https://signup.com/go/hpniidb>**