



NEXUS ISSUE 15

15 SEPTEMBER 2025

**Mini Fair
tomorrow,
don't forget
your coins.**

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,

Thank you to the 136 members of the community who participated in our 2025 Parent Opinion Survey over the last month. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us reflect, celebrate, and drive continued improvement. There's no surprise the school's connection with the community was the highest score (4.5, all scores out of 5). The strength of the Attadale community is known beyond our boundaries and should never be overlooked as a point of pride. Close behind were questions relating to students' sense of safety (4.4), most likely due to the care, capacity and approachability of school staff as shown in related questions (4.2 – 4.4). Areas with similar scores related to the quality of school grounds, the opportunities provided to students at APS and leadership (referring not just to the administration team but the numerous staff who go above and beyond in their projects). The positive comments section reinforced these scores with specific school initiatives or events highlighted as impactful opportunities for student growth, as well as the adults in the community and school staff as overwhelmingly positive influences in the lives of our students. The survey paints an incredibly positive picture of the school's current standing and is a testament to every member of staff, parent and student who belong to the Attadale community.

While there weren't any scores that could be described as 'low', several questions with aggregate scores in the 3.7 – 4.0 range provide some interesting lines of inquiry for future improvement. Given the high opinion of teaching staff in the broader questions, some questions relating to specific classroom practices such as feedback on learning and meeting the learning needs of students (3.8 and 3.7 respectively) speak to a potential lack of understanding in the community about what effective practice in these areas looks like on a daily level. As a school we can always improve the connection between home and the classroom by empowering families with the knowledge of not just which events are on the horizon but the specifics around upcoming learning. This investment equips parents with the knowledge and language to discuss and potentially help with their child's learning, if not just to get more than a "fine", "good" or even a grunt in response to the question, "How was school today?".

One question that consistently scores lower across all six opinion surveys I've reviewed at four other schools is around managing student behaviour. While improvement is always possible in both practice and awareness, two factors could potentially explain these lower scores:

1 – negative behaviour is to be expected in schools as they're full of people training to be human beings. None of us are perfect and when we make a mistake, the restorative measures required should not be for public consumption or discussion. This means your children may witness an incident and believe no steps were taken to address it and make amends, however the school's approach is consistent and clear as outlined in our behaviour management policy which is available on our website.

2 - the term often implies misbehaviour which is what some respondents may have had on their mind, but for staff it refers to all student actions and choices. School culture is shaped by the behaviours we highlight. If we focus only on negatives, that's what defines the culture. It's our responsibility, especially as school leaders, to ensure positive behaviours are recognised and celebrated. At Attadale, we're fortunate to have so many staff who do this exceptionally well, so keep a watchful eye out for these practices in your child's class and updates on our school policy in the future to continue to build awareness in the parent body.

Thank you again to everyone who responded to the opinion survey. The learnings and validations from it and the similar staff and student opinion surveys are a valuable contribution to the school's continued improvement and the development of its strategic direction.

Chris John
Principal



During lunchtime this Wednesday, our Year 6 students will be hosting their annual Mini Fair. This event is the culmination of their Business & Economics HASS Unit, where each group has developed a stall idea along with a marketing plan, budget, and project timeline. Funds raised will go towards the end-of-year gift they will present to the school as the graduating Class of 2025.

The Mini Fair will begin at 12.10pm for Pre-Primary and Year 1 students. At 12.50pm, years 2 – 5 students will break for lunch as usual under the shelters near the staff room, and once dismissed, they may head to the stalls in and around the undercover area (or the hall if the weather is unkind).

Activities include:

- Pie in the Face
- Basketball & Football Challenges
- Lucky Dips
- Ring Toss & Corn Hole Games
- Minecraft Challenge!



Students are encouraged to bring up to \$5.00 in coins to enjoy the activities and be in with a chance to win some fabulous prizes.

We're looking forward to a fun afternoon celebrating the creativity and enterprise of our Year 6 cohort.

OTHER EVENTS THIS WEEK

Week 9

Tuesday 16/9 - Indonesian Incursion Years 2-6

Wednesday 17/9 - Mini Fair hosted by Year 6 at lunchtime in the Hall

Friday 19/9 - Attadales Got Talent - 1.30PM in the Hall

Week 10

Thursday 25/9 - Year 2 Art Gallery and WA Museum Excursion

Friday 26/9 - Assembly Year 5 Room 14

Upcoming Excursions

Thursday 25/9 Year 3 Constable Care Excursion- due 19/9

First day of Term 4 - Year 6 Hijinx - due 19/9

Year 6 Social Dance - starts Week 1 - due 26/9

ATTADALE'S GOT TALENT

The world-famous Attadale's Got Talent is planned for

Friday 19 September –1:30PM.

Parents are welcome to attend this showcase of APS talent, humour and confidence.

WASTE SORTED SCHOOLS AWARD FINALIST

It was a big night for Attadale Primary School last Thursday with our amazing community being a finalist in the 2025 Waste Sorted Awards. Getting to this stage is a massive achievement and testament to all the amazing people who work to roll out and support the sustainability initiatives at our school. There were so many amazing sustainability programs recognised at this event.

A huge thanks to the people that make sustainability happen at Attadale PS: Nicole Brook, parent of Frankie and Archer, who volunteers so much of her time and expertise, our fabulous gardeners Lindsay and Jackson who teach our kids how to grow and reuse, while making the edible garden and waste sorting system accessible to all, The Year 5 Green Team and Minister for Environment, Ollie, who work with Mr Perera to make sure that we re-use and recycle as much as possible, and finally to the parent volunteers and supporters of our sustainability initiatives.

Thank you to everyone and well done APS!



PLANNING FOR 2026

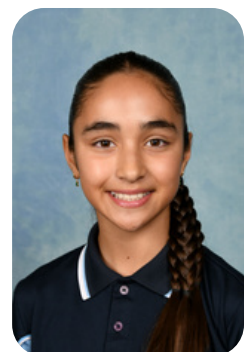
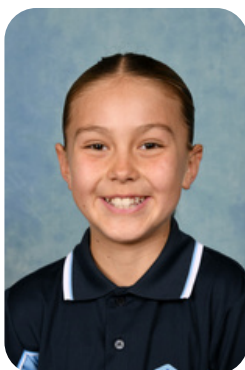
It is hard to believe we are already making plans for 2026. This includes budgeting, staffing and student placements. If you are relocating and/or not attending our school in 2025, please contact our front office to provide this information so our plans are as accurate as possible.

At the beginning of Term 4, we will be starting the process to place students in classes for 2026. As per previous years you are invited to share with us, any educational reasons you feel worth sharing with regard to the placement of your child. These reasons will be taken into consideration when we place students for next year. There are no guarantees that we can meet your request, however we aim to do the best for each child. Please keep these reasons based on their needs as opposed to placement with other students or their favourite teacher. With over 440 students across our school in 2025, the process is rigorous, takes many weeks and involves input from all teaching staff and the school leadership team to get to a point where we feel we have the best mix for each class based on what we already know about each student. If you would like to put any forward information to assist in this process, please email asiri.perera@education.wa.edu.au. These will be filed and reviewed as part of our process.

VALUES AWARD WINNERS

Fernando Rm 10- Take Care- Fernando is a kind, helpful person. For example, one day I was alone on the oval and Fernando saw this and he let me join his game- nominated by Jack B

Year 6 girls -Armani, Brooke, Quinn and Coby - Stand Up - The girls did a fantastic job at the Faction Carnival helping the teachers keep the flow of the students getting ready for races and keeping them in the bay. They also spent time motivating them and co-ordinated team chants. They were amazing.





Specials

WEEK 9 - 15th September 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 portions of pizza with your choice of toppings.

All made with our Attalicious special sauce

Toppings -

- Margherita
- Ham & Cheese
- Hawaiian



Friday

Beef and Bean Nachos - \$6.20

Crunchy corn tortilla chips topped with Mexican inspired beef and bean mix, grated carrot & melted cheese.

Option to add sour cream, tomato salsa and avocado dip -

50c each

No cheese option available.

Vegetarian option available



Country Chicken Soup \$5.00 Homestyle canteen made chicken soup with garlic, onion, celery, leek, carrot, potato, parsley and rice noodles. Gluten free



Sign up to Volunteer

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

or sign up here: [Term3Canteen Volunteers](#)



Year 3/4/5

ATTADADS CAMP

BOOK NOW!



SEPTEMBER

**19-21
2025**

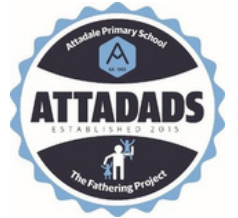


**NANGA BUSH CAMP
DWELLINGUP**

FIND OUT MORE AND BOOK HERE



SAVE THE DATE



YEAR 6 ATTADADS CAMP

17TH-19TH Nanga Bush
OCTOBER Camp
2025 Dwellingup

Kayaking &
Cycling
activities
involved

BOOKINGS AVAILABLE SOON



ADHD WITH ME: WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS WITH ELIZA DADSON

DETAILS



Thursday 23rd October

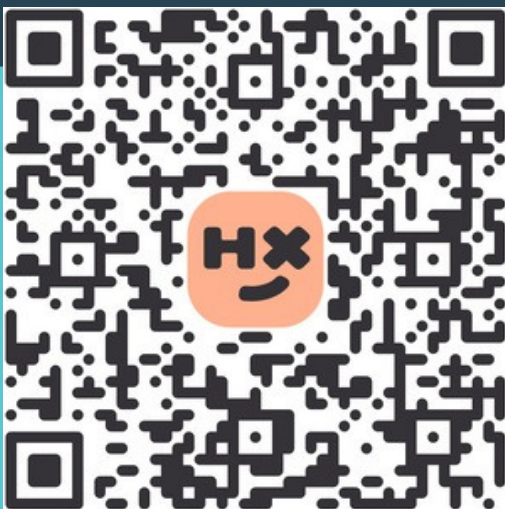


6:30pm – 8:00pm



Boulevard Centre (North Room)
The Boulevard, Floreat, WA

Tickets \$35 per person



How to better understand and
support your child with ADHD -
a workshop for parents with
ADHD coach and Educator
Eliza Dadson

[https://events.humanitix.com/
adhd-with-me-parent-
workshop](https://events.humanitix.com/adhd-with-me-parent-workshop)

REGISTER NOW



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ATTADALE PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C FUNDRAISER

COLOUR-IN PERSONALISED FAMILY CHRISTMAS PYJAMAS



Sort your Christmas gifts and festive cheer for the whole family early this year!

- Personalise with your surname
- Colour in with washable markers for fun, wear, wash, repeat or fabric markers to capture this Christmas forever
- Sizes: Infant - Men's XXL

25% donated to
Attadale P&C.

Discounted pricing when
purchased in a bundle

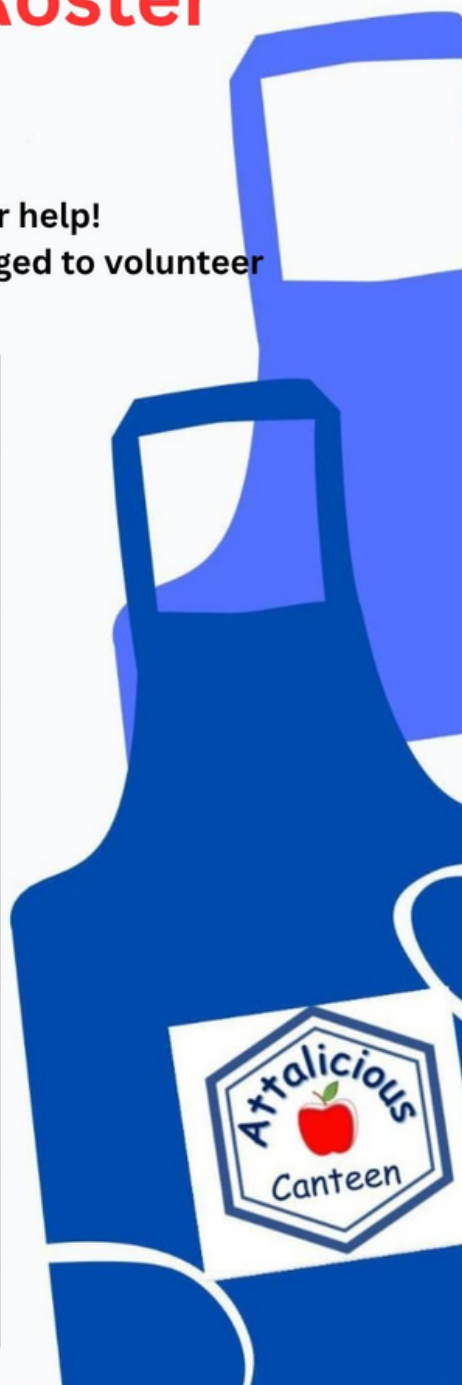


Canteen Volunteer Roster

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>