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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

With only 18 school days remaining in 2026, it is hard to believe how quickly this year has passed. As we move towards the final weeks of term, our attention is already beginning to turn to 2027 and the exciting opportunities that lie ahead for our students, staff and school community. On the following page, you will find our 2027 class structure - as always, it is subject to minor changes between now and when school commences on 1 February 2027.

As part of our planning for next year, there will be some staffing changes. Many families will know and appreciate the significant contribution that Rachael Hogg has made to Attadale Primary School over many years. Rachael will be taking a well-earned year away from the school in 2027 and we wish her all the very best for the year ahead.

Regarding internal movements, Tanaya Barnes will step into the Deputy Principal role at Attadale Primary School from Wednesday to Friday each week throughout 2027. Many families will already know Tanaya through her leadership of student initiatives, events, wellbeing and behaviour support, as well as the countless ways she contributes to the smooth running of our school in her role as Science and Year 6 teacher as well as working in admin support since May of this year. This appointment recognises the outstanding work she has already been doing behind the scenes and provides an exciting opportunity to further develop her leadership alongside the admin team of Caz Park, Deb Brunnette and I. We congratulate Tanaya on this well-deserved appointment and look forward to seeing her continue to make a positive difference for our students, staff and families in 2027.

In other Deputy news, we are also delighted to share that Sandy Wingfield has been appointed to a Deputy Principal role at Collier Primary School for Term 1 next year. This opportunity is a wonderful recognition of Sandy's leadership, professionalism and dedication to public education. While we will certainly miss her presence at Attadale, we are incredibly proud to see her taking on this new challenge and know she will make a positive impact on the Collier Primary School community. We congratulate Sandy on this well-deserved appointment and wish her every success.

We are also pleased to welcome two new additions to our team, Kate Savage and Tahlia Frater, who have both been appointed following an extensive and highly competitive selection process. We were fortunate to attract a strong field of applicants and are confident that Kate and Tahlia will be wonderful additions to our school. We look forward to welcoming them into the Attadale Primary School community and introducing them to families next year.

Thank you to the many families who submitted class placement information earlier this term. We carefully consider all requests alongside a range of academic, social and organisational factors when developing classes. As outlined on the next page, there will be two composite classes in 2027: a Year 1/2 class and a Year 5/6 class. As discussed with families last year, composite classes are a necessity within the funding and staffing model that applies to public schools and are a common feature of many school settings. While we held information sessions last year due to the unique considerations associated with a planned Pre-primary/Year 1 composite class, the two composite classes for 2027 are well balanced in terms of student numbers and are straightforward to manage effectively. Students in composite classes access the curriculum appropriate to their year level while also benefiting from opportunities for peer learning, leadership and collaboration. If you have any questions or concerns regarding composite classes, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. As in previous years, students will meet their teachers and classmates for 2027 on the final Wednesday of Term 4 (16 December) as part of our transition to a successful and productive 2027.

Chris John
Principal

2027 CLASS STRUCTURES

Classroom	Year Level	Staff
EC1	K Red	Andrea McManus & Ariane Powell Gemma Boot on Wednesday
EC1	K Blue	
EC2	PP	Catherine Hermens & Oumou Bah Gemma Boot on Tuesday
EC3	PP	Annette Bailey & Georgie Bullen/Bronwyn Wadcock Mia Behsman on Tuesday
Room 5	1	Ruth Gomez
Room 4	1	Natalie Gibbs
Room 3	1/2 (10/10)	Gary Wesley
Room 6	2	Madi Clarke
Room 7	2	Kate Savage (new Mon-Wed)/Bec Schier (Thurs-Fri)
Room 8	3	Katherine Mills
Room 9	3	Sandra Fullgrabe (Monday) / Megan Summerfield (Tues-Fri)
Room 10	3	Jo Taya (Mon-Wed)/Sandra Fullgrabe (Thurs-Fri)
Room 11	4	Michelle McCreery Mia Behsman on Thursday
Room 12	4	Lisa Miguel
Room 14	5	Kirsten Hildebrandt
Room 13	5/6 (10/18)	Megan Teede
Room 15	6	Tahlia Frater (new)
PE	PP-6	Craig Fritchley
Art	Year 1-6	Kath Power (Tues-Fri)
Indonesian	Year 2-6	Ibu Dian (Mon-Tues)
Science & Enrichment	Year 1-6	Bec Armstrong (Mon-Thurs)
Music	Year 1-6	Steve Hamilton (Wed-Fri)

TERM FOUR PLANNER

WEEK 7	23 November Kindy Red	24 November Kindy Red/Green RAC Safety Incursion for PP/1	25 November Kindy Blue/Green 2027 Kindy Blue Orientation Parliamentarian speeches 9AM Hall – parents welcome	26 November Kindy Blue/Green Faction Captain Speeches	27 November Kindy Blue Yr 6 Outback Splash I/school tennis Yr 3/4
WEEK 8	30 November Kindy Red	1 December Kindy Red/Green Year 4 Shipwreck Museum/Cicerellos	2 December Kindy Red	3 December Kindy Blue/Green	4 December Kindy Blue Yr 1 Rm 4 Assembly Attadales Got Talent 1.45 in the Hall
WEEK 9	7 December Kindy Red Beach Swim Enrichment Show and Share	8 December Kindy Red/Green Beach Swim	9 December Kindy Blue/Green Beach Swim Yr 3 Circus School Inc	10 December Kindy Blue/Green Beach Swim	11 December Kindy Blue Beach Swim
WEEK 10	14 December Kindy Red Yr 5 Bounce Excursion	15 December Kindy Red/Green Yr 6 Graduation & lunch	16 December Kindy Red	17 December Kindy Blue/Green **Last day of school**	18 December **HAPPY HOLIDAYS**
Excursions/Incursions Assemblies **Term 1 2027 starts on Monday 1st February**					

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS AND INCURSIONS

Interschool Tennis for Year ¾ - 27 November - $15.00

Outback Splash for Year 6 - 27 November - $45.00

Year 4 Cicerellos and Shipwreck Museum - 1 December - $28.00

Year 5 and 6 Beach Swimming - Week 9 - $33.00

Year 3 Circus Incursion - 9 December - $14.00

Year 5 Bounce Excursion - 14 December - $46.00

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The Green Scene

Rainbow Veggie Frittata Muffins

A tasty way to use garden vegetables and herbs. These little muffins are easy to pack in a lunchbox—just pop them into a reusable container.

Ingredients

· 6 eggs

· ¼ cup milk

· ½ cup grated cheese

· ½ cup grated zucchini, squeezed to remove extra moisture

· ½ cup finely chopped capsicum

· ¼ cup corn kernels

· 2 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs

· A pinch of pepper

Directions

1. Heat oven to 180°C. Lightly grease a 12-hole muffin tin.
2. Whisk the eggs and milk together in a bowl.
3. Stir in the cheese, zucchini, capsicum, corn, herbs and pepper.
4. Divide the mixture between the muffin holes.
5. Bake for 18–22 minutes, until puffed and set in the middle.
6. Cool before packing into a lunchbox. Keep chilled until ready to eat.



Minister for Environment- Harrison Van Dongen

Attadale Primary School

Foundations for life

Please join us for ...

LIBRARY STORYTIME

2027 Kindy students, siblings and current Kindy students are welcome!

We hope you will join us for songs and stories in the school library with:

Ms Park (Early Childhood Deputy Principal)
Miss Sonya (School Librarian)



When and Where

9:00 School Library

Wed 28th Oct

Wed 4th Nov

Wed 11th Nov

(18th Nov No Session)

Wed 25th Nov

Wed 2nd Dec

Wed 9th Dec

Gifted and Talented

Applications OpenforYear 7,2028

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Applications close Friday 5 February 2027





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Applications Open forYear7,2028

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