

DONNYBROOK DHS

We CARE

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten recently welcomed a Mud Kitchen to their outside play. Donnybrook Men's Shed happily built the kitchen, sourcing all materials and delivering it to our yard.

Kindergarten 2 class happily posed for a photo with the Men's Shed volunteers earlier this term.

It has been a great source of enjoyment for both classes, with many children cooking up a storm!

We are very grateful to the very active community group Donnybrook Men's Shed.



RUBY MARTELLA

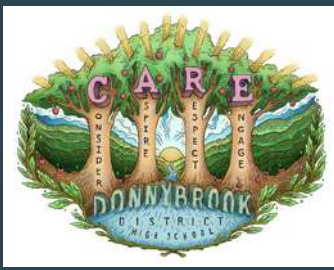
During the school holidays, Ruby Martella, Year 4, competed in the busking competition at the Apple Festival.

Ruby had to play her ukulele and sing for 3 sets over the day, which meant that she was performing for nearly 2 hours.

Her fantastic performance was rewarded with a second place and \$600 dollars. Ruby has plans to spend her prize money on a new guitar. She followed this up with another performance at an open mic night.

Ruby personifies our core value of Aspire. The sky's the limit, Ruby!





PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

James Milne



A warm welcome back to Term 2. It certainly is magnificent to see our students back at school and importantly engaged in their learning. The positive start by the majority of our Primary and Secondary students has set the tone for a very productive term. Ten weeks that are packed with core learning and an array of extra-curricular activities, designed to support the needs of all our students.

Students from Years 5-10 have been involved with the AdventureWorks Team in the initial weeks of Term 2. These experiences are designed to enhance the development of the students' Social and Emotional Learning competencies, including;

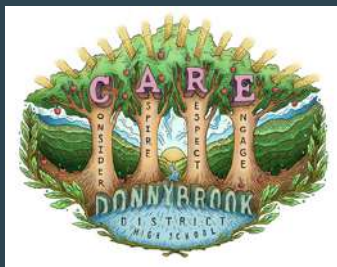
- Self-Management Skills
- Responsible Decision Making
- Relationship Skills
- Social Awareness and
- Self-Awareness

The Year 9 students participated in a 4 day/3 night rafting expedition down the Blackwood River, with the experience proving to be incredibly successful. A massive 'shout out', to Roscoe Karsten and Karen Reynolds for accompanying the students, as well as the AdventureWorks Team who facilitated a very powerful camp. Later this year, our Year 10 students will take part in a trek along the Cape-to-Cape Track, providing them with a unique opportunity to further advance their Social and Emotional Learning competencies.

Our Primary and Secondary students are aware that at the end of this term they will receive their Semester 1 Report. This will reflect their attitude, behaviour and effort and progress towards the expected standards. For our Year 6 and 10 students, these reports will play a crucial role in supporting their pathways into Lower Secondary and Senior School. There are also number of students vying for highly sought-after spots in our Agricultural Colleges, as they begin taking students at the end of Year 9. Importantly, these reports are designed to provide feedback that will support students to build on their learning throughout the second half of the school year.

Welcome to Fiona Hunter. Fiona has replaced Lauren Brown as the Associate Principal on the Senior Campus for the next 12 months. Fiona brings to the school a strong secondary background and extensive knowledge and experience around supporting students on both ATAR and Vocational pathways. I'm thrilled to be working with Fiona to shape the Senior Campus courses to meet the diverse needs of our students and school community. We do of course wish Lauren the very best for this next chapter in her life and look forward to her return to Donnybrook District High School.

This year has seen our student numbers well and truly surpass our expectations, with an overall increase of 50 plus students from 2022. Our structure was always designed to support additional students, however, wasn't able to accommodate this many new arrivals at the beginning of the year and throughout Term 1. I acknowledge it is never



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ideal to move students once a school year has commenced, but it is necessary when classes exceed their allowable sizes and support mechanisms such as extra Education Assistant time, wouldn't be as effective as creating a new class. My sincere thanks to the Year 5/6 Parents and Carers for their understanding and support throughout this process. A big congratulations to the students who were identified to move, they have adjusted superbly to their new class.

On Monday of Week 2, we held a Parent Forum with our Upper Primary Parents and Carers. This provided the school with a genuine opportunity to respond to the feedback from this group as well as address their queries. The school is particularly keen to 'shape' the Senior Campus to meet the needs of our students and their families, with planning already commenced in offering further opportunities in The Arts and Health and Physical Education. Fiona Hunter has also commenced planning that will strengthen the academic offerings in the core areas of English, Maths, Science and Humanities and Social Sciences. 2024 Year 7 and 8 Parents and carers can expect further information to be disseminated next week.

Our much-anticipated classroom upgrades at the Senior Campus commence on Monday 15 May. Over the next 6 months, 7 classrooms will be transformed into contemporary learning spaces. Central to the upgrades, is operable walls being installed between classrooms to allow for flexible learning environments that will support the teaching of English, Maths and Humanities and Social Sciences. Each room will be fitted out with brand new classroom furniture that will further enhance learning. Our staff are genuinely looking forward to the flexibilities these upgrades will bring to the school, further supporting their capacity address the pathway needs of our students.

All the best for a wonderful Term 2, and please feel free to contact myself or another member of the Leadership Team, we are here to work with you to support the students.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



To promote a love of reading within our school, the Literacy Committee has decided that we will promote this year's Premier's Reading Challenge throughout the school.

The theme for this year's challenge is "Reading Can Take You Anywhere".

The challenge is to log 12 or more book titles during the challenge. It is open for students from Kindy to Year 10. If you choose to participate (or individual student's, choose to sign up) online there are prizes available for readers.

The challenge runs from Monday 8 May until Friday 8 September 2023.

More information can be found at Home - Premier's Reading Challenge (premierreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au).

Focus:

"We speak respectfully to others"

JUNIOR CAMPUS NEWS

Holly Carter
Deputy Principal



Term 2 is already off to a brilliant and busy start. Welcome to Yvette Kmetty who has been appointed to teach in our new Year 5/6 class in the Senior Cluster (formally the performing arts room). Yvette comes to us from Tasmania having previously taught in Hungary and schools across Perth for a number of years. She brings a wealth of knowledge and experience.

It has been great to see students following our PBS behaviour focus for the first half of Term 2- We speak respectfully to others.

ANZAC Day Service

Our annual ANZAC day service was held at the Junior Campus on Wednesday, 26 April with the Pre-Primary to Year 10 students, staff and community members in attendance. Our Secondary student leaders did a wonderful job.

Assembly

Our first assembly for Term 2 was run by our Year 10 Student Representative Council with the Year 7 Performing Arts students showcasing their item. Thank you to Khloe, Harper, Elijah and Rylan for running the assembly, Miss Cartledge and her Performing Arts students. It was great to see our Secondary students at the Junior Campus.

Interschool Athletics Carnival

On Friday of Week 2, Mr Armstrong, Mrs Carter and chosen Year 3-6 students travelled to Bunbury to participate in the Interschool Athletics carnival. All students competed well and the sportsmanship on display was fantastic to see. We had the loudest cheer!

Donnybrook DHS placed second out of the bigger schools, with Emmerson Tysoe, Kobe Sunderland and Lacey Smith receiving medals for placing third in the championship divisions.



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Adventure Works Year 5 and 6

On Monday and Tuesday of Week 3, our Year 5 and 6 students participated in a team building day run by AdventureWorks. Students worked in teams to cooperate and solve problems, participate in discussions and reflections about each activity as well as making new connections with their peers. Students and staff enjoyed their respective Adventure Works days immensely. We are all looking forward to participating again in Term 3.



Simultaneous Story Time

We look forward to taking part in National Simultaneous Story Time 2023, this year National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS) takes place on Wednesday 24 May 2023 at 11:00am. NSS is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country.

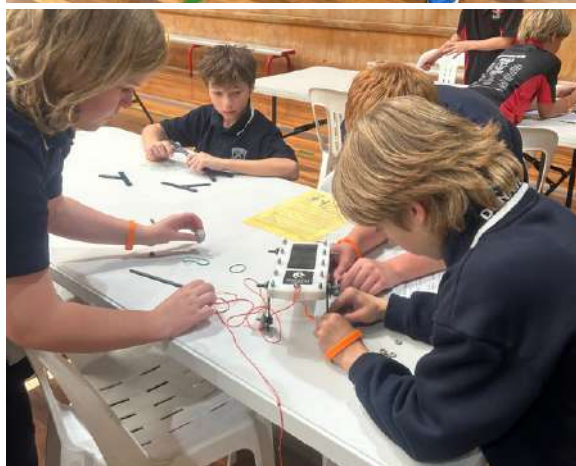
STEM AT ITS BEST!!

The Science and Engineering Challenge Discovery Day was held on Thursday 4 May with 31 selected Year 6's attending. This day-long competition is designed to provide Year 6 students with a positive experience of science and engineering by completing a variety of activities against teams from seven other schools.

Activities included: developing efficient network pathways to join towns by using the least amount of string, building a power network that makes profit by powering as many buildings as possible, building a bridge that can hold an increasingly weighted trolley passing over it, making a balsa plane hit a target, making a mars rover, building an earthquake resistant structure and other activities using patterns and codes.

Donnybrook DHS finished in second place which is our best result yet! Well Done!!

Mrs Taaffe



2023 ATHLETICS SEASON

It's been a long but rewarding season of Athletics this year with every student from Year 1 – 6 having a go and aspiring to do their very best right the way through. The culmination of eight weeks of practice and trials to perfect our Jumps and Throws in Week 9. Our wonderfully colourful and exciting Faction Carnival which ended up being in Week 10 due to some wintry weather coming through on the day we had planned. We obviously made the right decision because we were greeted with sunshine and light breezes.

Green faction took a handy lead from the Field Events into the main Carnival and were able to maintain that lead throughout the day. The other three Factions all had strong contributions from their athletes and it was never a certain thing even leading up to the final relays. In the end Green prevailed with the Faction scores being:

Green 736

Gold 660

Blue 617

Red 516

Congratulations to Green on an outstanding performance, to all those who won Championship Medallions for their individual efforts and to each and every competitor throughout the season for your effort, enthusiasm and sportsmanship.

After last year's Interschool Carnival was cancelled we were so glad to be able to take our team to Bunbury to compete in Forrest Division against five other schools. Our students did so well right throughout the day with many ribbons being won. We even had three Championship Medallists by the end of the day. Each and every one of our athletes can be so proud of the way they represented their school.

I would like to thank all the staff who helped and supported along the way, all the parents and carers who stepped up to volunteer and our wonderful students whose keen and cheerful efforts were a delight.

Mr Armstrong



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SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS

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Deputy Principal



Welcome back to Term 2!

The beginning of Term 2 has been and will continue to be busy with ANZAC Day, OLNA, Year 9 Adventure Works Camp, Future Innovators, Careers Expo and the Adventure Works incursions days for Years 7, 8 & 9.

It has been encouraging to see students back at school and ready to learn once more. The students have been enthusiastic about learning and engaging in Mindful Education and the AdventureWorks program this term.

Teachers will be starting to write reports for Semester 1 in the coming weeks. A comprehensive report will be emailed home to parents in the last week of school. We would like to encourage all Parents & Carers to contact teachers if they have any questions and concerns about the academic or social progress of their child/ren at school. The school encourages strong communication between teachers and families. It is through these conversations that positive relationships can grow.

Getting to know Mr Thomas (Huw) Jones

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to our new English Teacher, Thomas (Huw) Jones, who has come from Karratha SHS to join our amazing team at the Senior Campus. Huw has come to us with extensive experience teaching students in a variety of contexts and countries around the world. He is a passionate educator and specialises in the teaching of English.

Mr Jones has been a Scuba diver for forty five years. He has completed dives in many countries while exploring a passion for travel and travel photography. He is currently writing a teenager fantasy novel - The Fabulous Deadly. Huw worked in creative advertising before teaching and has taught for twenty three years on four continents including Europe, Asia, Australia and Africa.

While in Africa he lived through the Libyan and Egyptian revolution, London, Qatar, Libya, Azerbaijan and Dubai. His favourite foods are roast lamb and Asian cuisine and favourite books include One Hundred Years of Solitude & World According to Garp.



Art Specialist

We would also like to take this opportunity to welcome, Mrs Hannah Ferguson, back to Donnybrook as our new Art and Critical and Creative Thinking Teacher. Hannah worked at Donnybrook in 2021 and is returning at the end of Term 2, 2023. We are very excited to welcome her back as a permanent staff member and she is just as excited coming back to us. Hannah has a background in Art and English and cannot wait to make the Art program inspiring. I am sure everyone will make her feel welcome when she returns.



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Year 9 AdventureWorks Camp

In Week 2, Mr Karsten and Mrs Reynolds had the pleasure of joining the Year 9 Students on camp. They had a great time connecting with each other without the pressure of the outside world. The students worked well together to foster relationships and get to know each other on a deeper level which is not always possible with our busy school days. There has been a marked difference in the relationships the students are now showing indicating that the camp has had a deep effect on the strength of their understanding of each other. Students can now put themselves in each other's shoes and show empathy and understanding. The hype coming back from camp was infectious and it is evident how much they have grown from this experience. The AdventureWorks team were very impressed with the level of engagement our students showed on camp and were thrilled with the positive impacts the camp as had on the students as a cohort. The quotes below say it all!



We asked some of our Year 9 students about camp and this is what they said:

"It was so much fun, except for putting up and packing away the tents. The canoeing was fantastic. I have never ever had this much fun with all the people who went. 100% glad I went to camp! I also learnt how to deal with negative comments and judgement from others, it was good." Tahlia Khan

"Very very glad I went. It was so much fun and I enjoyed being part of the group and I liked it when we mixed together. The burgers were amazing, so big!" Natalia Cavuoto

"Definitely worth all students giving camp a go, worth getting to know people. It was the most fun I have ever had with the whole class, the pontoon was the best part!" Aiden Pua

"Getting to talk to others and coming together as a group." Charlotte Slade

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"It was a great experience and it changes what you think about other people. I enjoyed the pontoon activity the most as we connected physically and mentally as a group." Geogria Hardwicke

"It was not about the people but the way people understood me and the way I understood them. The rafting was my favourite because we worked together for success. It isn't the fire that makes you warm it is the warmth from the company that makes you warm" Jayden Lalor

"If the riddle doesn't make sense it's probably the opposite to what you think, expect the unexpected." Anastasia Daniels-King



Cows Create Careers

Donnybrook DHS has welcomed two very cute new arrivals this week. They are not children; they are in fact three-week-old calves. Over the next three weeks, the Year 7/8 and 9/10 students will be caring for and feeding the cows while they learn about nurturing animals. This program has run for a long time as it is a valuable program for students to be involved in. We are looking forward to lots of very cute photos of these baby cows. Thank you to Mr Karsten for making all of the arrangements.

Building Program

Our building program has commenced. It is with great excitement that we watched the fences appear this morning. Three classrooms have begun refurbishments with the others to follow over the coming months. Work completion is expected in October this year. The bike racks have been moved to the front of the school to assist in students be able to access a safe place to ride and park their bicycles.

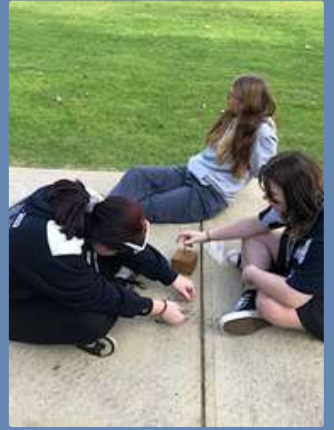
YEAR 9 ADVENTUREWORKS CAMP



ADVENTUREWORKS

YEAR 7

YEAR 10



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LEAVERS JUMPERS



YEAR 8 ADVENTUREWORKS

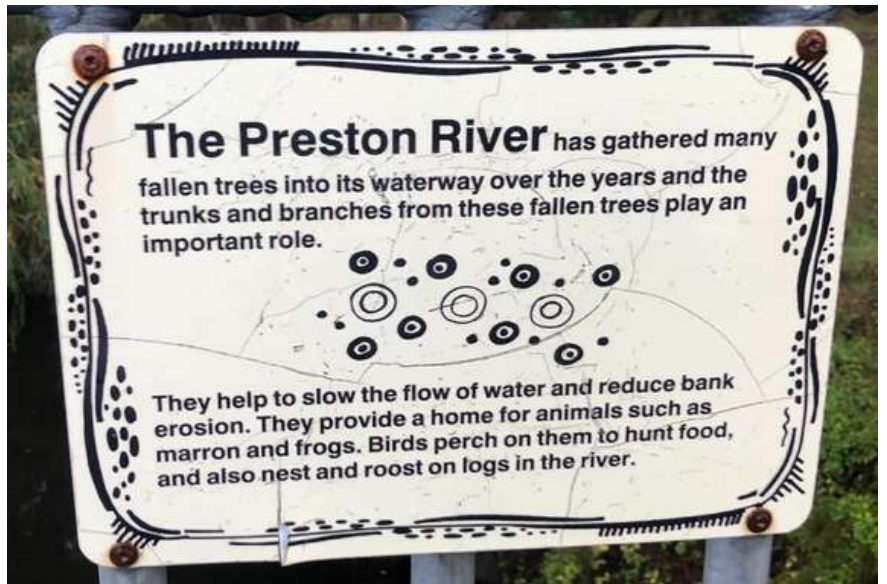
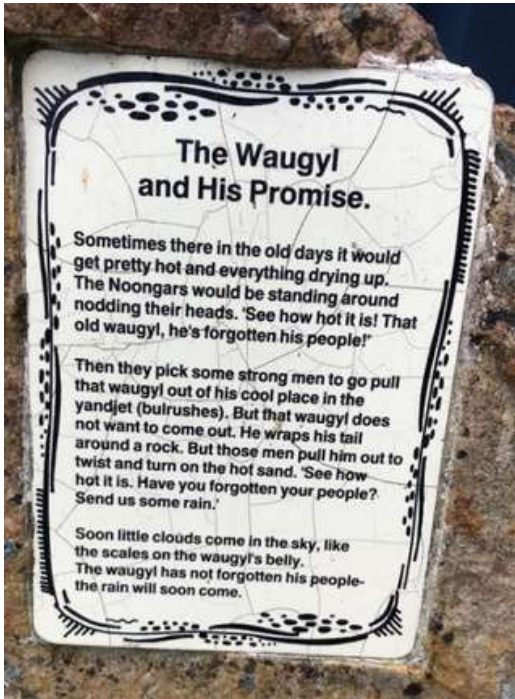




We define Cultural Competency as the capacity to understand, interact and communicate effectively with people from differing cultural backgrounds. At Donnybrook DHS we aim to work collaboratively with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to address matters that are relevant to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

We understand that culturally responsive teaching privileges the first cultures of this country and builds on the social and cultural capital of students so that school and learning is more meaningful and rewarding. Culturally responsive teaching creates the conditions for Aboriginal students to succeed as Aboriginal people.

On 24th April We began the term as a staff by participating in professional learning aimed at increasing our shared understanding of the local Aboriginal people. This involved all staff following the Waugyl Sculpture and Indigenous Walk Trail and answering questions about Aboriginal culture. For example, staff were asked where the spirits of the Noongar people can be found. It was also an opportunity to observe firsthand the negative impact of non-indigenous plants of the river. The morning was very well received by staff and provided valuable opportunities to take this learning into the classroom.



As a school it is imperative that we create and sustain culturally safe and responsive work and learning environments. In doing this we can ensure full engagement of all students.



Relationship Education: Bunbury Term 2: April-June 2023



| Face-To-Face | Date | Time | Cost |
|---|----------------|-------------|------|
| Understanding Angry Emotions | Wed 3 May | 6pm-8.30pm | \$30 |
| Introduction to Managing Anger- For Men 4wks | Wed 10-31 May | 6pm-8.30pm | \$95 |
| Parenting After Separation - An Introduction | Thur 11 May | 6pm-8.30pm | \$30 |
| Mums Raising Teen Girls | Tues 16 May | 6pm-8.30pm | \$30 |
| Emotion Coaching Your Child | Thur 25 May | 9.30am-12pm | \$30 |
| Managing Anger & Stress for Women 4wks | Tues 6-27 June | 6pm-8.30pm | \$95 |
| Dads and Sons | Thur 22 June | 6pm-8.30pm | \$30 |
| Dads and Daughters | Wed 28 June | 6pm-8.30pm | \$30 |

Bookings, registrations and payment prior to the session are required.

For more information about our courses and workshops, please call **6164 0566** or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

Course Location

- Bunbury Family Relationship Centre,
Corner of Molloy & Symmons Streets,
Access Symmons Street side of the building.



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COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Relationship Education: Online Term 2: April-June 2023

| Online | Date | Time | Cost |
|---|----------------|-------------|------|
| Dads and Daughters | Wed 10 May | 6.30pm-9pm | \$30 |
| Healthy Conflict in Relationships | Wed 17 May | 6.30pm-9pm | \$30 |
| Fathering After Separation | Wed 24 May | 6.30pm-9pm | \$30 |
| Parenting Adolescents 5wks | Thur 1-29 June | 6.30pm-9pm | \$75 |
| Introduction to Managing Anger- For Men 4wks | Wed 7-28 June | 6.30pm-9pm | \$95 |
| Emotion Coaching Your Child | Tues 27 June | 9.30am-12pm | \$30 |

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GREENBUSHES FUN RUN



21 May 2023

Race Briefing: Bike 9:15am | Run 10:15am

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| 15km Mountain Bike | 9:30 am |
| 5km Mountain Bike | 9:40 am |
| 10km Fun Run | 10:30 am |
| 5km Fun Run/Walk | 10:40 am |

Register online: www.greenbushes.net.au

More Information & Registrations

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2023 CALENDAR TERM 2

| 2023 | | | | Term Two | | | |
|------|--|---------|--|--|--|--------|-----|
| Wk | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Sat | Sun |
| 4 | 15 May | 16 | 17 South West Career Expo - Yr 9 and 10 EARLY CLOSE | 18 Newsletter | 19 Walk Safely to School Day | 20 | 21 |
| 5 | 22 May | 23 | 24 Simultaneous Storytime Yr 7 & 10 Immunisations EARLY CLOSE | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 6 | 29 May Student leadership AdventureWorks Day | 30 | 31 JC Assembly Yr 5/6/AB Junior Campus Disco PP - Yr 3: 4.30-5.45pm Yrs 4-6: 6.00-7.30pm EARLY CLOSE | 1 June | 2 Bunbury SHS Parent Interviews 8-30 | 3 | 4 |
| 7 | 5 June WA DAY | 6 | 7 EARLY CLOSE | 8 Primary Cross Country Carnival | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 8 | 12 June | 13 | 14 Yr 3 & 4 Soapbox Public Speaking Competition EARLY CLOSE | 15 Yr 5 & 6 Soapbox Public Speaking Competition Newsletter Board Meeting 4:30pm | 16 Yr 10 - Stage 5 Future Innovators SC Assembly | 17 | 18 |
| 9 | 19 June | 20 | 21 JC Assembly Yr 3 SD/EE EARLY CLOSE | 22 Pre-Primary Wildlife Park Excursion | 23 Primary Interschool Cross Country Cows Create Careers Presentation Day - online meeting 10:30 - 12:00 | 24 | 25 |
| 10 | 26 June Reports - Home NAIDOC Week | 27 | 28 EARLY CLOSE | 29 | 30 Students last day | 1 July | 2 |

Start and End of Term
 Public Holidays
 School Holidays (students)
 School Development Days

DONNYBROOK DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

Walk Safely to School Route - Friday 19 May, 8:00am start.

We will start at the top end of town on the corner of Smith and Bridge Streets. Students, Parents and Carers can then join the "Walking Bus" at the times listed on the orange pathway.

Listen out for the bell ringing!



We ask that all students wait safely away from the side of the road until the "Walking Bus" arrives at the nearest point to your home, or you may wish to join us at the start for the whole journey!

Parents and Carers of students who catch a bus are encouraged to drop their child/ren off at one of the points along the way so they can join the walk and learn about safe walking practices.

Menu

Bacon and Egg sandwich, fruit, juice, tea, coffee and hot chocolate.
If your child/ren has any special dietary requirements, please ring the school on 9732 4400 and advise the front office.

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Junior Campus - 58 Mead Street, Donnybrook WA 6239 Phone: 9732 4400
WEB ADDRESS: www.donnybrook.asn.au

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FRIDAY 19 MAY 2023

Until they're ten, children must always hold an adult's hand when crossing the road

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