



IMPORTANT DATES

01/07/22	Last Day Term 2	27/07/22	Year 8 Parent Afternoon Tea – Knowing Nullaki
20/07/22	Curtin Ahead Program – Year 9-12	01/08/22	Year 10 Immunisations
21/07/22	Reporting to Parents Early Close	01/08/22	P&C Meeting – 5:30pm
21/07/22	Year 10/11 Course Counselling	02/08/22	Year 9 & 10 Boys & Girls Football Carnival

MESSAGE FROM
THE PRINCIPAL

Showcasing amazing talents

I had the pleasure of attending the Winter Showcase last Friday night. It was an impressive display of musical abilities from Year 7 through to Year 12. Hats off to Jesse Millea and the IMSS teachers who coordinated this great opportunity and helped our students shine.

Thursday was our school production of 'The Three Musketeers and the rather fetching Sapphires'. We're sure the audiences were treated to a visual spectacular. Well done to all the students involved and thank you to Deb Edmondson and her crew for providing this opportunity to our students.

Year 10 Subject Selections for Senior Schooling

Our Year 10s have been hearing from teachers about the great range of courses available to them in Years 11 and 12.



As always, our goal is to ensure that the next two years really sets them on a pathway to success. As parents and care givers, I know that you also want what is best for your children. Here are some pointers to consider when you are discussing the many options being presented:

- Remember that you know your child best ... and we know our profession. Listen to the advice of the staff who have taught your child about recommended pathways. Also, review the Semester one report when it becomes available to see how your child is currently tracking academically. At the end of the day, the choice of yours, we just want it to be an informed choice.
- Make pathway decisions *WITH* your child, not *FOR* your child. Regardless of the chosen pathway, sacrifices will need to be made.
- The pressures of senior schooling will impact upon their life and they need to be committed to the cause. They are more likely to do that if they are on a pathway of their choosing.
- If considering ATAR – remember that the front door is the best door! While there are many alternative pathways to university, recent data released by UWA was that only 6 out of 10 students on an alternative pathway actually completed their degree. In contrast, 89% - so 9 out of 10 students who undertook the rigours of ATAR in senior schooling completed their degree. They are all likely to accrue a HECS debt ... but only some will be able to make the most of the qualification gained. So, if your child has the demonstrated capacity and the desire to pursue ATAR – encourage them to go for it!
- Unlike when I was at school, there is a raft of different options available to young people today. If your child is interested in something out of the ordinary or that you know is currently not offered through the school or TAFE, it is a great idea to speak with Gavin Palmer. He will be able to find out what your options are.



- Finally, encourage a positive mindset. Life wasn't meant to be easy but when people are engaged in work that they are passionate about or have an end goal in mind, it can certainly be fun! Encourage your child to challenge themselves to 'strive to achieve' to their utmost capacity.

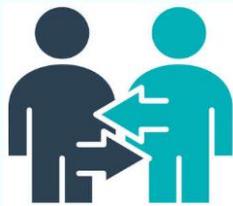
The Year 10 Course Counselling parent information night is scheduled for 5.30pm on Thursday 21 July (Week one of term three) and will occur onsite because you are given your child's personalised course selection package. Please mark that in your diaries.

Early close for Reporting to Parents

CLOSING EARLY Thursday, 21 July is also the date for our Reporting to Parents of Years 8, 9 and 10 students, commencing at 1.30pm and extending until 6pm. Bookings can be made for phone in appointments. We ask that if you prefer to attend in person that you email the relevant teachers to confirm this. A map of where staff will be located will be made available early next term. We recommend that you involve your child in the interview process – either by putting the teacher on speaker phone or bringing them with you. Parents of Year 10 are asked to block out 5.30 to 6.30pm

Staff movements

You may already be aware that I am taking some long service leave at the start of next term. While I am walking the gorges of Karijini National Park, Amy Palmer will be principal until mid-week five. Amy is being ably supported by Gavin Palmer who will step up into the senior schooling deputy role. Melissa Palmer will be taking on the Pathways Coordinator/Head of Arts role.



We have also been very fortunate to have had the services of Kimberley Stacey this term as our Manager Corporate Services while Peter Ridge was on long service leave. We thank Kimberley for all that she has done and acknowledge her considerable expertise which afforded her a smooth transition into the role. Peter Ridge will be back at the start of term three.

I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and safe term break with your children.

Student Council

The Student Council hosted our local member, Ms Jane Kelsbie MLA, on Monday 27 June. Ms Kelsbie kindly donated a new set of flags to the school and is pictured here with Student Councillor, Tait Hartfield who accepted them on behalf of the school.



Thanks go to Ellen McDougall for first seeking the donation and for coordinating a luncheon meeting with the Student Council who took the opportunity to raise a series of social issues with Ms Kelsbie ranging from the need for improved school facilities to environmental sustainability and everything in between.

The school appreciates the donation and the time taken to engage in robust conversation.

Kath Ward

Year 9 Textiles

Our Macrame masterpieces are finished, how clever are our Year 9 Textiles students!



Year 11 & 12 Visual Art



Year 11 and 12 Visual Arts students have been getting creative painting last year's winning designs onto the Country Club Portaloo's.

The mural design winners got involved in painting the final touches with the upper school artists this week.

Noah Hamilton and Zane Spencer were joined by Darcy Taylor for the final touches of Darcy's mural design.

Matilda McGregor and Shanti McMullan were joined by mural designers Samuel Williams and Lilla Weir. A fantastic team effort with very striking results! You may see these artworks whilst hitting a round of golf at the Country Club.

Year 9 Visual Art



Year 9 Visual Arts students are in the final stages of completing a collaborative banner community project in partnership with Plastic Reduction Denmark.



Banner designs were created by Indy Rogers and Moana Darvill. We're looking forward to seeing this artwork displayed at local community events, as part of a sustainable approach to decorating our beautiful town. Awesome effort from all involved!

Rachael Reid

Year 9 Food Technology

Gingerbread creations produced by the Year 9 Food students, we're loving the creative decorations!!



Year 7 Food Technology

Baked Potatoes...not much left, delicious!



2022 Deadly Jobs & Careers Forum

Jasper, Cheyenne, Taj and Keenan enjoyed learning about numerous post-school pathways at the 2022 Deadly Jobs and Careers forum in Albany.



Year 11/12 ATAR Outdoor Ed

Our Year 11/12 Outdoor Education students went on a 4-day expedition staged in and around the Pemberton area participating in a range of activities including, navigation, canoeing, environmental awareness, cycling, camping, survival skills.



2022 School ASX Sharemarket Game

Winning the Game takes work, patience, commitment, and a clever strategy. This year's game was held during one of the most volatile periods in the Sharemarkets across the world. The ASX fell by 5% overall during the period of the game but despite that many students managed to increase the value of their portfolios.

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the 2022 School ASX Sharemarket Game.



Additionally, congratulations to the top Three syndicates (Liam Simpson, Flynn Collins and Gilligan Neunuebel (Joint syndicate), and Nic Farr) who took home Prizes valued at \$500, \$300 and \$200.

Off and Away All Day



Please remind your child to remember our mobile phone policy. The Department of Education mandates that phones are off and away all day. At DSHS that means from bell to bell. Staff should not see or hear a phone during the day. If staff see a phone students will be directed to lodge it in the office where it will be stored for the

remainder of the day. Parents will be notified. The only exception is if a teacher gives students explicit direction to use their phone for an education activity in class otherwise, it is off and away all day.



Friday night saw our Music students perform in the Denmark SHS Winter Music Showcase. This was a fantastic opportunity for students to display a range of skills that they have developed throughout the Semester.

The audience enjoyed a night of music performances from our IMSS ensembles and class contemporary music bands with feature performances from Denmark SHS John Clarke Memorial Band, choir, contemporary Guitar ensembles and contemporary class ensembles from Year 7-12.

Many thanks to DSHS Music Teacher, Jesse Millea and everyone else who volunteered their time in helping organise this event. Our students are very lucky to have your support in facilitating these opportunities.

Photo credit to Rachel Angelini from <https://www.angelcottonproductions.com.au/>

**DENMARK SHS
WINTER MUSIC
SHOWCASE**



Thank you – Col’s Mechanics

Shoutout to local business owner, Col Sainty from Col’s Mechanics. Col has supported DSHS’s Work Placement Program for many years always willing to take on our students for work experience.

We would like to give a big thumbs up to Col for his generous sponsorship of local snowboarding Champ and Year 11 student Henry Edmondson.

Henry is off to New Zealand in a few weeks to work with specialist coaches. Currently ranked 12th in the world, he has his eyes firmly set on the World Championships in Austria. Col’s support has helped make this possible, what a legend!

Thanks from all of us!



ALBANY ROLLER DERBY PRESENTS
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 FRIDAY 8 JULY 6-7.45PM
 @ ALBANY LEISURE & AQUATIC CENTRE

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 IN YOUR FAVOURITE
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 OR BOILERSUIT



ALL AGES WELCOME | GAMES | PRIZES
 TICKETS AVAILABLE ONLINE
ALBANYROLLERDERBY.COM.AU
 OR ON THE DOOR *UNLESS SOLD OUT PRIOR



P&C

ASSOCIATION

stronger together



Join your P&C!

The Denmark SHS P&C is a highly valued part of the overall governance of our school.

They:

- Promote the interests of the school – sub-groups like the Roadies and Drama Queens have supported Arts events
- Assist with resourcing – in recent times have purchased outdoor settings, solar panels, wellness hub seating, a portable PA system, telescope, skate ramps ... just to name a few!
- Provide a much-needed amenity – our school canteen!
- Offer a valued voice to the principal via meetings held each term.
- Our school would be lesser without an active P&C.

Our current President/Secretary and Treasurer are parents of Year 12 students and have completed their term of service. We will be actively seeking a new executive team to continue the great work of our P&C.

For more details or if you would like to express your interest to join, please scan the QR code below with the camera on your phone and complete the form.





School success starts
with attendance

Are you planning an in-term family holiday?

Please be aware that schools are obliged to adhere to the Education Act 1999 which states that attendance at school is compulsory. Of course, students should stay home if sick and there are other reasonable causes for absence such as cultural reasons. A family holiday occurring during the school term is not considered a reasonable cause to be absent. This is stated in our school assessment policies as ratified by our School Board.

Any families considering withdrawing their child for the purposes of a family holiday should make an appointment with the principal to discuss their intentions. This will allow the absence to be explained. Please do not simply email teachers directly asking for work. We want to work with you as partners in your child's education and ask that you please note the following:

- The school is not obliged to provide curriculum for absences owing to in-term holidays.
- The family is responsible for organising for their child/ren to catch up on work missed.
- Students will not be excused from set assessments, but they may negotiate when they can occur.
- Failure to complete assessments has potential to negatively impact upon student achievement.

Try it out!

BADMINTON OPEN DAY

**JULY 9TH
1PM - 4PM**

NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED
BEGINNERS WELCOME

ENTRY COST
**ADULTS (\$5.00)
JUNIORS (\$3.00)**

RULES
AGES 10+
PLUS PARENT, GUARDIAN OR CARER
SENSIBLE FOOTWEAR

- ORGANISED GAME PLAY
- TRAINING TIPS & TRICKS
- RAQUETS AVAILABLE

ALBANY LEISURE AND AQUATIC CENTRE

WE WANT TO MAKE SURE ALL CHILDREN
GET THE BEST EDUCATION POSSIBLE
WHICH IS WHY ATTENDING SCHOOL EVERY
DAY IS SO IMPORTANT.

Western Australian law stipulates that all school-aged children must go to and attend school every day.

Each school is required to keep accurate attendance records for all its students. This includes taking attendance at every lesson for secondary school students.

Developing the habit of going to school every day is vital so children do not miss out on important ideas and skills they need for future learning.

Did you know:

- missing half a day of school each week equates to one month of missed learning each year
- learning is cumulative – if children miss a day, it is harder for them to catch up.
- research has shown that regular attendance at school directly correlates with success in later life.

You can help by arriving and collecting your children on time; making sure they get nutritious meals and enough sleep; and making appointments with doctors, dentists and specialists, and making holiday plans during school holidays and not during the school term.

If your child is unwell and unable to go to school, let the school know straight away by telephone or by Compass. If they miss a day it is important you talk with their teachers to find out how you can help them catch up. If your child cannot attend school because of their mental or physical health contact the Student Support Officer on 9848 0108 to see what options are available for your child.

6 Seasons Finale

The Denmark Environment Centre invites you to attend the Six Seasons Finale which will screen 6 short films documenting the seasons field trips around Denmark. The films feature a fusion of Aboriginal cultural heritage and environmental scientific perspectives.

The launch of the "Landcare and Land Restorations Stories" publication will also occur at the event.

Sunday 17th July 2022

5.30 -7.00 pm

Denmark Civic Centre

Admission is free

Register your attendance by booking online at <https://tinyurl.com/sixseasonsfinale> or book in person at the Denmark Environment Centre shop. All other queries can be directed to Holly on projects@denviron.org.au



Everybody needs a hand sometimes!

Community School Health Nurses offer a range of free and confidential services.

If you need to chat, are looking for advice or have a health issue then contact the community health nurse at your school.

Or, contact any of these services:

YOU ARE ONE OF A KIND!

When you feel in crisis, call:

Call 000 in an emergency or visit your local emergency department

Alcohol and Drug Support Line | 24 hours | 1800 198 024

Beyond Blue Info Line | 24 hours | 1300 224 636

Crisis Care | 24 hours | 1800 199 008

Kids Helpline | 24 hours | 1800 551 800

Lifeline WA | 24 hours | 13 11 14

RuralLink (Rural Communities) | 4.30pm-8.30am M-F
1800 552 002 | 24 hours Sat, Sun and Public Holidays

Sexual Assault Resource Centre (SARC)
24 hour emergency line | (08) 6458 1828 | 1800 199 888

Suicide Call Back Service | 24 hours | 1300 659 467

When you want to chat:

(options online, over the phone or in person)

eHeadspace | 1800 650 890 | www.headspace.org.au

Kids Helpline | 1800 551 800 | www.kidshelpline.com.au

Lifeline | 13 11 14 | www.lifeline.org.au

QLIFE | 1800 184 527 | www.qlife.org.au

YMCA Youth Services, including ycounselling
(08) 9328 3522 | www.ymcawa.org.au

Youth Beyond Blue | 1300 224 636
www.youthbeyondblue.com

Youth Focus | (08) 6266 4333 | www.youthfocus.com.au



For more information on services go to:
www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au/schoolhealth

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When you want a happy app:

(find them on the App Store or Google Play)

Headspace | Learn to meditate
www.headspace.com/headspace-meditation-app

Reachout Worry Time App | Don't get caught up in your worries all day | au.reachout.com/tools-and-apps/reachout-worrytime

Reachout Tools and Apps List | Find an app to suit your needs
au.reachout.com/tools-and-apps

Smiling Mind | Relaxation app | www.smilingmind.com.au

The Check-in app | If you want to check in with a friend but are concerned about saying the wrong thing | www.youthbeyondblue.com/help-someone-you-know/thecheckin

Learn about wellbeing and relationships:

Bite Back | Discover ways to amplify the good stuff in life, track your mood and share stories | www.biteback.org.au

Black Dog | Information on mood disorders such as depression and bipolar disorder | www.blackdoginstitute.org.au

Freedom Centre | information about sexuality, gender, sex and your general health | www.freedom.org.au

Get the Facts | Information on sexual health relationships
www.getthefacts.health.wa.gov.au

Headspace | Information and fact sheets on how to help yourself and others through difficult times | www.headspace.org.au

Head to Health | Find the right mental health resources for your needs | www.headtohealth.gov.au

Kids Helpline | Information on friendships, body image, problem solving, feelings and stress | www.kidshelpline.com.au

Reachout | Information on how to deal with problems and cope well | www.reachout.com.au

Youth Friendly Doctors | Looking for a youth friendly doctor? www.dryes.com.au



COME VISIT OUR OCEAN GLOW EXHIBITION

July 18th - 24th

Art Club's very first exhibition!

The kids and adults of art club invite you to enjoy their art!

Where - the art shed on the corner of Short St and Mitchell

Times:
Monday-Friday
3-6pm
Saturday & Sunday
12-5pm



Gold coins donation appreciated



DENMARK RUNNING CLUB PRESENTS

DENMARK HALF

2km, 10km and 21km

Team event (7km + 14km legs)

Sunday, September 25, 2022



Need inspo to get off the couch this winter? The countdown to the spectacular Denmark Half Marathon is on. Set yourself a goal and start your training for this challenging, hilly run along the beautiful WOW and Mundabiddi Trails.

Runners of all abilities welcome. Register now:

denmarkhalf2022.eventbrite.com



THE LAWS AROUND SELLING VAPES IN WA

It is reported that young people often purchase vapes online, from retail stores or from friends and contacts in the community. However, it is illegal in WA to sell e-cigarette devices and nicotine vaping products to anyone regardless of age, unless they are prescribed by a doctor for smoking cessation purposes and obtained with a prescription from a pharmacy.

In WA e-cigarette devices and their components, whether or not they contain nicotine, cannot be sold by tobacco or general retailers. It is also illegal to sell vapes to friends at school or in the community. If you suspect someone is selling vapes or e-cigarettes and their components, you can report it to the Department of Health by emailing TobaccoPolicy@health.wa.gov.au.

IS YOUR CHILD VAPING?

You may not know your child is vaping as vapes are small and resemble common items like highlighters, pens and USB drives. They are also not easy to smell.

Tell-tale **signs that your child might be vaping include the symptoms of nicotine addiction** such as your child feeling irritable or anxious. If your child is vaping, encourage them to stop and let them know that help is available and you are there for them. Stopping vaping can sometimes be hard and your child may need advice from a GP.

It also helps to set a good example by being tobacco and vape-free yourself.



MISLEADING AND DANGEROUS LABELLING

Vaping products are often not labelled or are incorrectly labelled.

The labels may state that vapes are nicotine free, but **many of these products contain nicotine and a lot of other chemicals.**

They just don't put it on the pack.



THE IMPORTANCE OF TALKING TO YOUR CHILD

If you suspect your child is vaping, take the time to talk to them about it and help them understand all of the risks.

As vaping is often common in schools, they may see it as a normal or safe thing to do, but that is not the case.

It is important to let your child know the risks of vaping. Try to start the conversation with your child in a relaxed easy-going way, perhaps taking the cue from around you, such as a note from school, a news story about it, or seeing people vaping on the street. And have your facts ready.

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY'RE VAPING?

education.wa.edu.au



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Department of Health

THE FACTS ABOUT VAPING

Electronic cigarettes or e-cigarettes, often called 'vapes', are electronic devices designed to deliver vapourised liquids into the lungs. There are many different styles of vapes available and they can be difficult to spot.

The main ingredient in vapes is propylene glycol, vegetable glycerine or glycerol, and they often also contain nicotine, flavours and other chemicals. Vapes may contain harmful chemicals that aren't listed on the pack.

The biggest misunderstanding about vapes is that they are harmless compared to cigarettes. This is not true. **Vapes are not safe.**

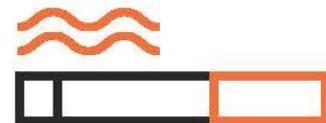
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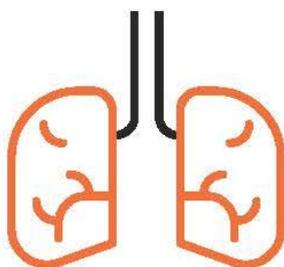
Many vapes contain nicotine making them **very addictive**



The nicotine in 1 vape can
= 50
cigarettes



Young people who vape are **3 times** as likely to take up smoking



Vaping has been linked to **serious lung disease**



Vapes can contain the same **harmful chemicals** found in cleaning products, nail polish remover, weed killer and bug spray



Vapes come in a variety of designs and styles and can be **easy to conceal**