

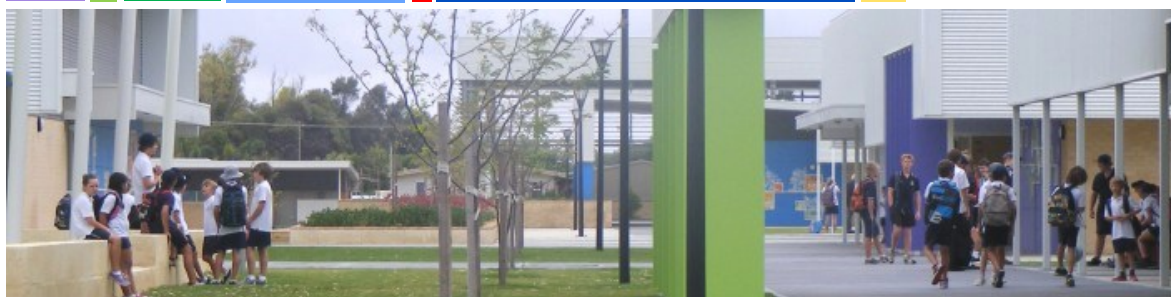
Important Dates

24 January
Admin Office Opens

26 January
Australia Day Public Holiday

28 January
Class lists posted on Admin windows after 1pm

31 January
Students Commence



DONGARA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

NEWSLETTER 16th December 2021

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have had a very busy final couple of weeks of the **2021 school year**. **Student Achievement Report** packages were sent home at the end of last week to allow for parents and teachers to meet.

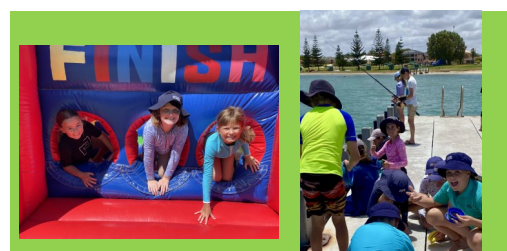


We had very a very successful **PP-6 Presentation Night** and **year 7-11 Presentation Assembly**. **Congratulations** to all **award recipients**. Thank you so much to all those who generously donated awards. A big thank you to **Mrs**

Davey, Mrs Downes, Mrs Evans, Mrs Hodder and the **2021 Student Councillors** for organising and hosting the events. Thank you to our wonderful staff and of course all of our amazing students.

It is with fondness that we say farewell to departing students and families and wish them all the very best in the future. We have a number of staff leaving us including: **Mrs Chris Sweetman** who is retiring, **Mr James** who will be working at Southern River College, **Mrs Robyn Sweetman** and **Mrs Reynolds** who will be away for 2022, **Mrs Wynne**, **Ms McFarlane**, **Ms Lucas**, **Mrs McDermott**, **Mrs Baxter** and **Mrs McGuinness**. On behalf of our school community I sincerely thank them. I also welcome **Mr Ross Annen** who will be taking over from Mr James in 2022.

This week many of our students achieved **Good Standing** and were involved in special end of year reward activities or excursions. Here are some photos of the fun that was had.



Nhargo were the winners of the **2021 Coote Cup** and **Irwin** were the recipients of the **2021 Team Spirit Award**. Congratulations to Nhargo and Irwin students and staff.



On behalf of the Dongara DHS community I wish you all a very merry **Christmas** and a happy **New Year**. I look forward to seeing you at the start of the **2022 school year**.

Kind Regards
Janine Calver



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Australian Mathematics Competition Results

The **results** of the annual Australian Mathematics Competition held in August have demonstrated that Dongara DHS students can achieve **fantastic results** in Mathematics. Hundreds of thousands of students from over **40 countries** entered.

Students from **Year 3 to Year 12** competed on the same day, making it possibly one of the largest single events on the Australian Education calendar. The AMC was introduced in **1978** and has become the major school mathematics enrichment event and benchmark for mathematical ability throughout the Pacific and South East Asia. It tests everything from basic numeracy skills through to advanced problem solving.

Dongara DHS entered **50 students** (double the number last year). **3 students** received a **Distinction** certificate, **12 students** received a **Credit** and **24 students** received a **Proficiency** Certificate. All other students who competed received a Certificate of **Participation** and every entrant was provided with an individual performance report.

The students who received a **Participation Certificate** were; **Sienna Meredith, Lakyn Jeans, Lily Mouchemore, Aleah Brindal, George Happ, Caillou Thomas-Hills, Lilly Botica, Kobi Pearse, Cadarn Fisher, Abigail Marsland** and **Darcy Criddle**.

The **24 students** who received a **Proficiency Certificate** were:

- Yr 3: Izabelle Jeffery.
 Yr 4: Erin Risinger, Xavier Watson, Jackson Jeffery, Lily De Beaux, Charlie Downes, John Manners, Emmy Toia, Clancy Goedecke, Zebb Markey.
 Yr 5: Christian Austin, Aerin Scatena, Molly Sherer, Abby Wilson, Emilly Pollard, Sebastian Bedford.
 Yr 6: Karissa Pavelka, Lilah Vick, Max Giles, Kent Bristow, Hayley Toia, Jasper Campbell-Chaplin, Laura Gillam, Skye Hutchcraft.

Our **12 students** who received a **Credit Certificate** were:

- Yr 3: Evie Bristow.
 Yr 4: Max Ganfield, Darcy Melbin.
 Yr 5: Toby Barron, Makayla Baxter, Oliver Wellstead, Matthew Gillam, Charlotte Kirkland.
 Yr 6: Jamison Aubrey, Zoe Suarez, Mary-Kate Bedford.
 Yr 7: Keiran Aubrey.

Our **3 students** who received a **Distinction Certificate** were:

- Yr 3: Coden Spencer.
 Yr 5: Angus Dawson.
 Yr 6: Oliver Risinger.

The award for **Best in School** which is for the student across Dongara District High School who achieved the **highest** standardised score is **Coden Spencer**.

Secondary Assistance Scheme

The WA Department of Education provides an **allowance** to assist eligible families with secondary school (**Years 7-12**) costs comprising of Contributions and Charges allowances:

- **\$115** Clothing allowance paid directly to the parent/guardian or the school
- **\$235** Educational Program Allowance paid directly to the school

To be eligible for the allowance the parent/guardian **must** hold one of the following:

- **Centrelink Family Health Care Card**
- **Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card**
- **Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card**

Parent/Guardian **must** be the holder of a card that is valid during first term. Claims **cannot** be made using a student's Centrelink Card.

Applications close **Friday 8th April 2022**

2022 Student Council

- Yr 5: Max Ganfield
 Darcy Melbin
 Yr 6: Emmi Chandler
 Aerin Scatena
 Abby Wilson

- Yr 7: Kent Bristow
 Skye Hutchcraft
 Yr 8: Darcy Criddle
 Yr 10: McKenna Maunsell-Namana
 Samuel Shute
 Yr 12: Paige Tieland
 Carla Smith (School Captain)

2021 Presentation Ceremonies

General Excellence Award

- Yr 1: Harry Mouchemore
 Yr 2: Allie Wynne
 Yr 3: Coden Spencer
 Yr 4: Lily De Beaux
 Yr 5: Aerin Scatena
 Yr 6: Oliver Risinger
 Yr 7: Eamon Robb
 Yr 8: Andrew Henry
 Yr 9: Kori Morton
 Yr 10: No Award
 Yr 11: Samuel Henry

Special Merit Award

- Yr 1/2W: Dirk Whyatt
 Yr 1G: Jack Bone
 Yr 2W: Lexi Barron
 Yr 3M: Logan Tong
 Yr 3/4C: Jacob Giles
 Yr 4T: Jocelyn Vick
 Yr 4/5O: Zahli Bass
 Yr 5P: Angus Dawson
 Yr 5/6J: Charlotte Kirkland
 Yr 6O: Jacob Cann
 Yr 7: Isla Geel
 Yr 8: Joachim Kilby
 Yr 9: Samuel Shute
 Yr 10: Jack Tugby
 Yr 11: Kerry-Ann Gall

Literacy Award

- Yr 1/2W: Haleia Brooks
 Yr 1G: Maria Manners
 Yr 2W: Rachel Whitmarsh
 Yr 3M: Sienna Meredith
 Yr 3/4C: Phoebe De Beaux
 Yr 4T: Amali O'Brien
 Yr 4/5O: Lilly Botica
 Yr 5P: Frankie Biglands
 Yr 5/6J: Amy Taylor
 Yr 6O: Laura Gillam
 Yr 7: Darcy Criddle
 Yr 8: Asha Suarez
 Yr 9: Bailey Cooper
 Yr 10: Layla Davis
 Yr 11: James Whitmarsh

2021 Presentation Ceremonies

Citizenship Award

Yr 1/2W	Everleigh Craine
Yr 1G	Lucy Cooper
Yr 2W	Charlie Rayner
Yr 3M	Lily Mouchemore
Yr 3/4C	Stella Redbond
Yr 4T	Emmy Toia
Yr 4/5O	Darcy Melbin
Yr 5P	Abby Wilson
Yr 5/6J	Lilah Vick
Yr 6O	Kent Bristow
Yr 7	Eamon Robb
Yr 8	Grace Butcher
Yr 9	Liam Gall
Yr 10	No Award
Yr 11	Carla Smith

Numeracy Award

Yr 1/2W	Toby Edmonds
Yr 1G	Banjo Barr
Yr 2W	Amber Ganfield
Yr 3M	Lakyn Jeans
Yr 3/4C	Breeze Voigt
Yr 4T	John Manners
Yr 4/5O	Max Ganfield
Yr 5P	Matthew Gillam
Yr 5/6J	Karissa Pavelka
Yr 6O	Mary-Kate Bedford
Yr 7	Keiran Aubrey
Yr 8	Owen Scatena
Yr 9	Kai Butcher
Yr 10	Shaye Geel
Yr 11	Jake Buck

Primary History Award

Sebastian Bedford

Secondary History Award

Tristan Gillis

Year 6 Science Award

Hayley Toia

Olivia Whitmarsh

Aboriginal Education Award

Amy Taylor

Geraldton Uni Encouragement Award

Zoe Suarez

STEM Lower Primary

Kelton Bass

STEM Upper Primary

Jai Eva

STEM Lower Secondary

Kiesha-Lee Gall

STEM Upper Secondary

Kai Butcher

Primary Soroptimist Award

Isabel Boyd

Secondary Soroptimist Award

Charlotte-Louise Moore

ADF Long Tan Youth Leadership Teamwork Award

Kodi Giltrow

ADF Future Innovators Award

Jack Tugby

Performing Arts Award

Laura Gillam

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Coote Cup Results

1st Nhargo 1,280.5
2nd Milo 1,233
3rd Leander 1,202
4th Irwin 1,093

Admin Office Dates

A reminder that students start on **Monday, 31 January 2022**. The office will open from **Monday, 24 January** and teaching staff commence **Thursday, 27 January**. Class lists will be posted on the admin windows from **1-4pm** on **Friday, 28 January**.

Lost Property

The lost property box is **FULL**. There is also a large amount of lost property in the front office.

GO NHARGO WINNERS 2021 COOTE CUP



GO IRWIN WINNERS 2021 TEAM SPIRIT AWARD

