

Important Dates

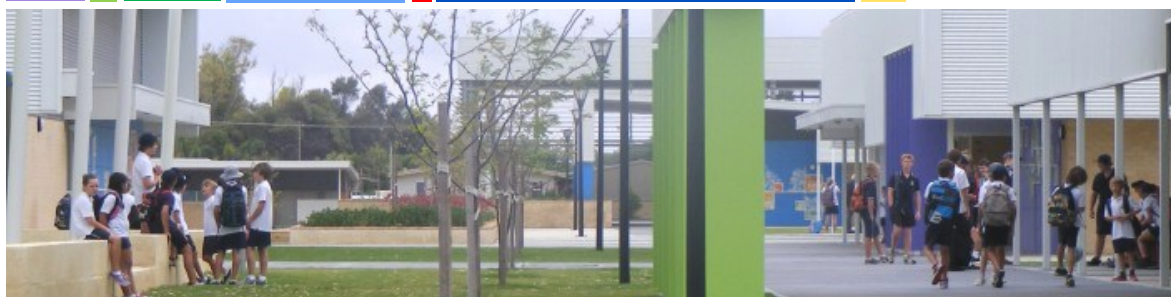
22 June
Cross Country

25 June
Dion Drummond
Indigenous
Performance

28 June
7-10 Info Night & Expo

29 June
Bell Shakespeare
Incursion

30 June
Assembly - 3M



DONGARA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

An Independent Public School

NEWSLETTER 18th June 2021

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to **Mr Valentine** who joined our staff at the beginning of week 7 as our **year 7-11 English teacher**. I am delighted to inform the school community that **Ms Jasmine Elder Thies** has accepted the position of **year 7-11 English teacher for semester 2**.

Student Achievement Reports for K-12 will be sent home with the children on **Friday 2 July**. Next semester, we will transition to **electronic reports** which will be sent to families **via Connect**.

Well done to our **year 7/8 Netball** team who did us proud at the recent **Midwest Netball Carnival** in Geraldton. Thank you to **Mrs Jeffery and Mrs Spurr**. This Friday our **year 4-6 netball teams** will participate in **Geraldton** whilst our **secondary football and netball teams** will travel to **Carnamah** to compete against **Morawa DHS and Carnamah DHS**.



Thank you to our students, families and staff for the successful school photo days. I look forward to seeing the prints when they come back to us.



Chad Barron from Barron Building Surveying taught the **year 8s** about **energy efficient house designs**. Chad also judged some houses designed by the **year 8s** based on the principles he discussed. This was part of a Unit of work on **Energy in Science**. Chad **donated** 4 beautiful books that will be used as resource materials and prizes.

Kane Watson visited the **year 10s** on Friday to discuss **carbon credits** and how (in a previous job) he calculated the amount of carbon taken up by trees. This is to add depth to year 10 **Science** and their learning of the **carbon cycle** and **global warming** and **climate change**.

Next Monday I will be joining **Jane Ganfield and Libby Watson** at the Department of Education **STEM Enterprise Expo**. We will be showcasing our amazing STEM programs at the **Perth Convention Centre**.

This week we hosted **Headspace** at

Dongara DHS. **Danika** from **Headspace** presented a number of **Mental Health Awareness** session to our **year 7-12 students** over the week. On **Tuesday evening**, we were proud to offer a **parent information session**. Thank you to the parents who attended. Danika gave the parents some great advice on how to check in with their children. It was a very informative event. You may find these contacts helpful. <https://headspace.org.au/>

Mental Health Services and Support

Lifeline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services 13 11 14 lifeline.org.au	Beyond Blue 24/7 mental health support service 1300 22 4636 beyondblue.org.au	QLife LGBTI peer support and referral 1800 184 527 qlife.org.au	Mensline 24/7 counselling service for men 1300 78 99 78 mensline.org.au
headspace Online support and counselling for young people aged 12 to 25 1800 650 890 headspace.org.au	1800RESPECT 24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse 1800 737 732 1800respect.org.au	Suicide Call Back 24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide 1300 659 467 suicidecallback.org.au	Kids Helpline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people aged 5 to 25 1800 55 1800 kids-helpline.com.au

If you are concerned about someone at risk of immediate harm, call 000 or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.

national supports

000 EMERGENCY	REACH OUT.COM	Butterfly 1800 184 527 qlife.org.au 3pm-midnight	Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 headspace.org.au
Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636	work and study 1800 810 794	headspace 1800 650 890	

Our next whole school **Assembly** for **year 1-12 students** is on **Wednesday 30 June** and will be hosted by the **Year 3m**.

Kind Regards
Janine Calver

"Achieve with Honour"
At DDHS we... Choose Respect, Be Responsible, Achieve our Best

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Kindy / Pre Primary

Well done to all the Kindy and Pre-Primary students for being Responsible, Respectful and trying to achieve their best when playing in the playground. This fortnights prize winners were **Emmi Shehan** for showing respect by using good manners when asking for help, **Joshua O'Brien** for being responsible by stopping at the Friendship stop and asking if anyone would like a turn on the bike, **Nevaeh Pianta** for being responsible by playing nicely with her friends and **Blair Corcoran** for being responsible by sitting and eating her lunch nicely at the table. Congratulations to all the prize winners.

Australian Mathematics Competition 2021

The Australian Mathematics Competition (AMC) has been held annually since 1978. **Your child is invited to enter** this internationally recognised competition. The competition will be **held online at school** between **Wednesday 4th August and Friday 6th August 2021** (Week 3, Term 3). The competition aims to be accessible to all students from **years 4 to 10**, not just the mathematically gifted. There is an emphasis on problem solving, a valuable life skill, and the questions are designed to be fun for the student. Students from years 4 to 10 will be given a **permission note**, there is also one attached to the **back of the newsletter**. If you are interested, the competition cost is **\$6.00** and needs to be paid to the **front office** no later than **Thursday 1st July 2021** (last day of Term 2) with the permission slip.

2022 Kindy Enrolments

Kindergarten Enrolments are now being taken for **2022**. Children born between **1st July 2017** and **30th June 2018** are eligible to attend Kindergarten in 2022. Parents are requested to collect an **application package** from the **school office**.

Application forms should be completed and **returned** with the child's **Birth Certificate** by **23rd July 2021**.

**FOR THE HEALTH
AND SAFETY OF OUR
STUDENTS AND
STAFF, AEROSOL
DEODERANT IS NOT
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DONGARA DHS.**

Dongara DHS 2022 Curriculum Evening

Our 2022 year 7-10
Curriculum Information
& Subject Selection Evening
will be held in H Block
on Monday 28 June 2021
from 6pm-7.15pm.

Year 6-9 students will bring home an information
and attendance reply sheet.

DONGARA SCHOOL BOARD 2021 AGM

Wednesday 30 June 2021
@ 6.30pm in the Dongara DHS Staff Room.

The School Board is calling for nominations for
3 parent representatives
to be elected at the 2021 AGM.

Nomination forms are available from the
Dongara DHS Front Office or by calling 99277200.

Please contact Kristy Butcher or Janine Calver for more
information about the role of the School Board.

Nominations close at 9am on 21 June 2021

Red Apple Week

Red Apple Week Commences **Monday 28th June**. This is a chance for parents and students to provide some positive feedback for any school staff member or volunteer.



Kindy Ambulance Visit



Dear Parent/Guardian

The Australian Mathematics Competition for 2021 is to be conducted online between Wednesday 4th of August and Friday 6th August 2021. It is hosted by the Australian Mathematics Trust. Dongara has previously entered students and they have performed very well.

Any student who has a reasonable flair for Mathematics or enjoys problem solving is encouraged to enter. If you are interested, the competition cost is \$6.00 and needs to be paid to the front office no later than Thursday 1st July (second last day of Term 2), with the permission slip. The competition is open to all students in year 4 to year 10.

Miss White

Dongara District High School

4th June 2021

Australian Mathematics Competition 2021

I give permission for my child, _____ (student name and year), to participate in the Australian Mathematics Competition between Wednesday 4th August and Friday 6th August 2021.

Return this permission slip to the front office along with the entry fee of \$6.00.

Signed: _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Date: _____