

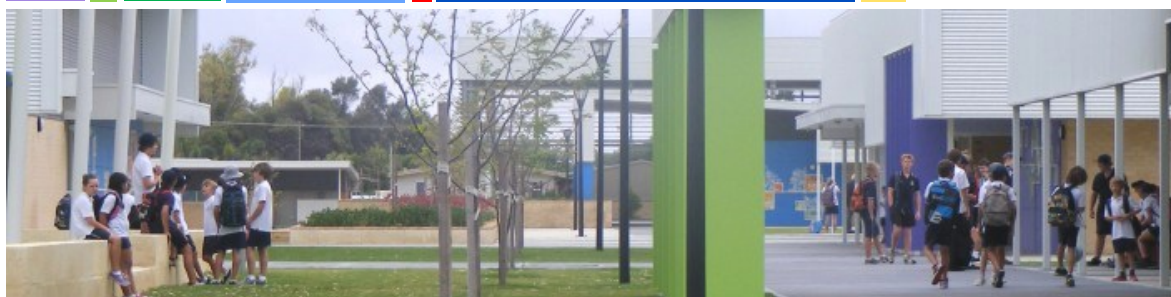
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# DONGARA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

*An Independent Public School*

NEWSLETTER 14th December 2023

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have reached the end of Term 4 and the school year. We celebrated our fabulous year at the PP-6 Presentation Night and the Year 7-11 Presentation Assembly. Thank you to our valued award donors and congratulations to our award winners.



The 2024 Student Council was announced and congratulations to these wonderful student leaders; Amber Ganfield, Ocea Downes, Rylan Samulkiewicz, Stella Redbond, Izabelle Jeffery, Freddy Bailey, Luke Milner, Cooper Tong, Beau Ierace, Christian Austin, Sara Nayer, Navya Parimal and Sharlene Vanstone. I thank the 2023 Student Councillors, Mrs Mark and Ms Belcher for their contribution to our school community.

We have said farewell and thank you to a number of our staff and expressed our appreciation at a staff function. Mrs Mark will be back in 2025, Mrs Jenkins will be back in semester 2. Our School Psychologist Milaan Kousari has moved to another school. Ms Innis, Ms Couper and Ms Scally will be teaching at other schools. Mr Tapscott and Mrs Dean-

Gundill have retired.

Congratulations to Nhargo House who are the recipients of the 2023 Coote Cup. Milo were 2nd, Leander were 3rd and Irwin were 4th. The Coote Cup is awarded to the House with the highest number of student personal house points. Milo House received the Team Spirit Award.



**Nhargo House are the winners of 2023 Coote Cup.**

**Milo House are the winners of the 2023 Team Spirit Award.**

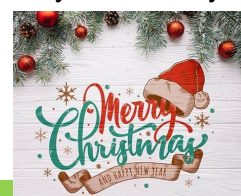


I wish all departing students and their families all the very best for the future.

I hope that everyone has a safe, happy and healthy school Holiday and a merry Xmas and prosperous New Year.

The 2024 school year commences for students on Wednesday 31 January.

Kind Regards  
*Janine Calver*



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## Buddy Class

Every Thursday throughout the year 3E and 6M have been joining together in the library for Buddy Reading sessions. We have explored the library and some of our amazing books, completing treasure hunts and book reviews. We practised listening and reading aloud, and also shared our work with each other. This week 6M shared their persuasive texts about the dangers of vaping, smoking, alcohol and drugs.



## Lost Property

Any clothes for the lost property box that has not been claimed during 2023 been repurposed as used uniforms for sale from the P&C.

## 2023 Presentation Ceremonies



## Special Merit Award Recipients

1W-Davis Ganter  
1/2G-Xeva Kingi  
2S-Penny Taylor  
2/3W-Emmi Shehan  
3E-Jack Prunster  
4/5 O/F-Alvaro Purba  
4C-Isabella Brooks  
5P-Marcus Cooper  
6M-Charlie Howe  
6J-Beau Ierace  
7-Jedd Adams  
8-Fraser Haddow  
9-Isla Geel and Milly Colomb

10-Kaylee Mehew  
11-Tayla Cann

## Citizenship Awards

1W-Tyler Barlow  
1/2G-Carter Patten  
2S-Harper Crofts  
2/3-W Miller Haug  
3E-Benjamin Rose  
4/5 O/F-Kimberley Hutchcraft  
4C-Willow Parker  
5P-Jade Wilson  
6M-Leah Mouchemore  
6J-Max Ganfield  
7-Christian Austin  
8-Peta Bicker  
9-Darcy Criddle  
10-Cooper Cohen  
11-Samuel Shute

## Aboriginal Education Award

Norah Goedecke

## GUC Encouragement Award

Mia Wass

## STEM

1-3-Harry Mouchemore  
4-6-Cooper Tong  
7-8-Tahlia Moreton  
9-10-Ned Buist

## Soroptimist Award

Primary-Zahli Bass  
Secondary-Charlotte Moore

## History Award

Primary-Lily De Beaux  
Secondary-Tristan Gillis

## ADF Long Tan Leadership Award

Skylah Wilson

## ADF Future Innovators Award

Joachim Kilby

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