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Newsletter: Term 1, Week 7

Friday, 21 March 2025

Term 1 Planner

WK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8	24 MAR Y3&5 NAPLAN KU1A Harmony Dress Up Day	25 MAR Y3&4 Junior Robotics 2.30-3.45pm School Board Meeting 2.45-4.15pm - Library	26 MAR Lego Club 2.30-3.30pm	27 MAR 	28 MAR B4 Assembly & Harmony Dress Up Day 8.30am
9	31 MAR Online Parent Teacher Interview Bookings Close 3pm	1 APR Y3&4 Junior Robotics 2.30-3.45pm	2 APR Parent Teacher Interviews School Concludes at 11.30am	3 APR Y5 Telephone Incursion	4 APR K-Y6 Obstacle-A-Thon Event

Principal's Message

Dear parents and caregivers, welcome to the week 7 newsletter. I would like to extend a massive thank you to our wonderful P&C members for their hard work in making the Music Mayhem disco such a fantastic event last Friday. Your dedication and effort were truly appreciated, and it was a night to remember!



A big thank you also goes to the staff who attended and supported the event. Your presence and involvement helped make the evening even more special.

Parent Teacher Interviews – Wednesday, 2 April 2025

Parents and caregivers have the opportunity to book a 10-minute face-to-face or telephone interview with their child's classroom teacher on Wednesday, 2 April 2025, between 11:50am and 3:50pm.

Important Details:

- Information is available on Connect, and a hard copy has been provided to students.
- School concludes at 11.30am this day.
- Return slips are due to class teachers by Friday, 28 March 2025.
- The online booking system will be open until 3pm on Monday, 31 March 2025.

Aussie of the Month

Our Year 6 Aussie of the Month Award went to Charlize P in C5. Congratulations!

Values

Our week 6 raffle winner was Raheel R from C4. Well done!

Megan Barnett

Principal



ATTENDANCE

A friendly reminder that school commences at 8.30am each day. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time to give them the best start to the school day. Students who arrive prior to 8.20am are to wait in the undercover area where supervision is provided from 8.00am. Students are not permitted to arrive at school prior to 8.00am. On site before and after school care is available through OSHClub. Visit www.oshclub.com.au for more information.

Late Arrivals

If your child will be arriving late to school due to appointments etc. please ensure they come to the office to obtain a late pass. Please note that a late pass is required for all students who arrive after the 8.30am morning siren has gone.

Week 6 Honour Certificates Awarded –Well done!



ECC1	Kaui T	Luca N	B3	Keerat M	Ethan J	
ECC2	Alaska C	Lochlen P	B4	Meah T	James L	Mason T
A1	Halo M	Kade E	B5	Catarina B	Avayah F	
A3	Lucy G	Willa M	Declan D	C2	Neve S	Nevaeh F
A4	Areya B	Essa N	C3	Emerson G	Kingston W	
A6	Ellanore E	Lyn J	C4	Raheel R	Chace M	Graham H
B1	Mia C	Zayn F	C5	Charlize P	Paxton L	
B2	Destiny C	Mohneet S				

The Obstacle-A-Thon is coming!

Students in Kindy to Year 6 will participate in our much anticipated Obstacle-A-Thon on Friday, 4 April 2025 (Week 9).



Parents & caregivers are welcome to spectate:

- 11.30am-12.30pm – Year 3-6
- 1.30pm-2.20pm – Kindy – Year 2

Remember your sun safe bathers, towel, hat, sunscreen & water bottle for the event.

Collect sponsors and raise money for our school.

Receive a raffle ticket for every dollar raised!

Great prizes to be won!



Money raised must be in by Friday, 2 May 2025 (Week 1, Term 2).

Major Prize Draw - \$500 Bike Voucher
 Friday, 9 May 2025 (Term 2, Week 2) at assembly.

NO PARKING



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Staff Carpark

A reminder that the entry to the staff carpark (in front of the boom gate) is NOT a kiss & drive zone - parents/caregivers are NOT to use this space to drop/collect children. For the safety of students, staff and the wider community, please use the allocated Kiss & Drive area on Ovens Rd.

Kiss & Drive

A friendly reminder that the 'Kiss & Drive' zone on Ovens Road is for quick drop off & pick up of Year 1-6 students only. All parents and caregivers are asked not to park or stand in the marked bays between 7.30-9am & 2-4pm. The purpose of the 'Kiss & Drive' is to keep children safe, reduce congestion and to make drop off and pick-up easier for parents. For Kindy & Pre-Primary students, a parent/caregiver is required to drop & collect their child directly to and from their classroom each day. A designated parking area is available on Discovery Drive. Please adhere to the road signs.



We have been advised that a ranger from the City of Gosnells will be patrolling the area from time to time. We kindly remind everyone to adhere to the road signs and follow safety guidelines to ensure the safety of all students, staff and community members.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school environment safe!

The City of Gosnells 'Safety Around Schools' information flyer can be found on page #4.

BIKE & SCOOTER SAFETY

Students may ride or scoot to and from school each day. Please ensure that your child wears a helmet and adheres to road rules. A secure enclosed bike rack storage facility is available for students. It is strongly recommended that students lock their bikes and scooters with personal locks during the day. This facility is located on Discovery Drive near C Block. Gates are opened at 8.00am and 2.30pm each day. Gates are generally locked between 8.40am and 2.20pm.



Safety Reminder

For everyone's safety, students, parents, families, and friends are kindly asked NOT to ride bikes or scooters through the school. Bikes and scooters must be walked when using the paths outside the school and at crosswalks.

If bikes and scooters need to come through the school grounds, they must also be walked at all times.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to keep our school community safe!

YEAR SIX CAREER TALK



Cassy Fisher recently gave an inspiring talk to the Year 6 cohort. Her message about career paths and professional satisfaction would likely have been very helpful for the students as they begin to think about their futures. The key points she shared - university isn't the only route, the possibility of changing career directions, and the value of TAFE pathways are all great insights.

Her story of working in different occupations before settling on nursing could serve as a reminder that it's okay to explore different options and take your time finding the right fit. It seems like she provided the students with some valuable perspective on how to navigate their future choices and opportunities. Her message resonated with the students', and they asked some very insightful questions.

William and Starna presented Miss Fisher with a thank you certificate and small gift.

Thank you, Cassy!

STUDENT LEADER INSIGHT



Jackie French - Author, Historian, Ecologist

Born: 29th November 1953

Most Famous Achievement: Jackie has published over 200 books!

Famous Quote: "Why is it that you can bear pain, but someone's kindness makes you cry"

Why they inspire me: She inspires us because she has overcome dyslexia and become an accomplished founder of literacy programs in Australia.

This leader best demonstrates the STPS school value of: Excellence


They demonstrate this by: Overcoming hardship as a younger person and learning to conquer dyslexia as an author.




Rital Alhajji & Jaxon Scupham
Student Leaders

Prohibition signs


Parking prohibitions are imposed to regulate and modify parking patterns. Their main function is to ensure that potential conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians are eliminated.




No Stopping
You must not stop on a length of road to which a No Stopping sign applies.



No Parking
You may stop in a No Parking zone for a maximum of two minutes to drop off or pick up passengers. You must stay within 3 metres of your car at all times.



Parking Signs
Parking signs with specified time limits allow drivers to park their vehicles for a certain period of time.



Bus Zone
You must not stop or park in a bus zone. Parking in a bus zone puts lives at risk.

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Common offences around schools
On this occasion you have been deemed to be:
 Please be advised this is a caution for the above offence


Nature of offence	Penalty
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking contrary to signs or limitations	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking against the flow of traffic	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Causing obstruction	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Double parking	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Obstructing a driveway or other way of access	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking within 10 metres of an intersection	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking vehicle within 10 metres of departure side or within 20 metres of approach side of pedestrian, children's or rail crossing	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Stopping contrary to a 'No Stopping' sign	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking contrary to a 'No Parking' sign	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Stopping near bus stop	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Stopping on footpath, median strip or traffic island	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Stopping on a verge - without consent	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking or Stopping in Disabled Parking area	\$500
<input type="checkbox"/> Stopping or parking on a yellow line	\$100

Please refer to the City of Gosnells *Parking Local Law 2012* for the full list of prescribed offences.

CITY OF GOSNELLS

Safety around schools

RANGER SERVICES




School parking

In an effort to provide a safer environment for everyone, the City of Gosnells Ranger Services patrol school parking mornings and afternoons throughout the school term.

It is imperative that drivers are aware of the road rules and understand signage around schools to ensure the safety of children, road users and pedestrians. Unlawful parking in school areas is a major safety hazard and parking infringements may be issued for incorrect, unlawful or dangerous parking.

At the beginning of each school year, Rangers conduct educational patrols in school areas. During this period Rangers remind drivers of the need to park legally and safely and enforce the *Parking Local Law 2012* in a number of ways.

As part of this initiative, Rangers also work closely with the school community to promote safety around schools. Information leaflets are distributed to schools for inclusion in school newsletters, and advise parents of the parking requirements under the *Parking Local Law 2012*.



Common parking problems

- Parking in a **No Stopping** area
- Parking in a **No Parking** area
- Double parking
- Parking on a nature strip or verge without the owner's consent
- Parking so that the vehicle causes an obstruction
- Parking against the flow of traffic
- Stopping or parking on a footpath
- Stopping or parking at a bus stop

Be responsible

- Observe parking restrictions (read the signs)
- Be aware
- Use Kiss and Drive (if provided)
- Always be aware of children
- Walk or cycle to and from school
- Plan your trip so that you arrive earlier
- Stop on the school side so your child does not have to cross the road
- Use the crosswalk services at all times
- Use parent's parking bays (where provided)

What NOT to do

- Block driveways
- Park on footpaths
- Obstruct Children's Crossing
- Get frustrated
- Ignore speed limits around schools
- Ignore parking signs

If you need help or advice regarding parking contact Ranger Services during office hours on 9397 3000.

School zones

40km/hr school zones are in place around every school in the City of Gosnells. School zones operate from 7.30am to 9am and 2.30pm to 4pm.

Children warning signs and 40km/hr school zone speed signs are the responsibility of Main Roads WA.

Kiss and Drive

Kiss and Drive zones typically allow parents to pick up and drop off children adjacent to the main school entrance. Kiss your child, say goodbye, allow them out and drive away as soon as possible.

When using the designated Kiss and Drive zone around schools, never leave your car unattended.

Contact your local school to find out if a Kiss and Drive initiative is in place.

Continuous yellow line markings

You cannot stop or park anywhere along a single yellow line painted on the edge of the road. This restriction is in place 24 hours a day and attracts a \$100 penalty.

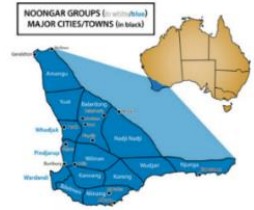
The City will use yellow lines instead of signage where placement of signs may be difficult, pose a hazard or affect the amenity of an area.

NOONGAR WORD OF THE WEEK

Our students learn an Aboriginal word from the Noongar Language each week to celebrate Aboriginal Culture. The Noongar Language is the spoken language of the Aboriginal people from the Southwest region of WA.

As part of our word of the week, each newsletter will feature words of the fortnight which you can practise at home. The words we will be learning this fortnight are:

- Grandmother (Deman)
- Aunt (Maam-yok)



S.O.A.R

HEALTHY HABITS

In term one we discuss and develop students' individual successes. Over the next two weeks students will be learning how to respect themselves and their equipment as well as being proud of their successes.

SunSmart Tips

It does not have to be hot for sunburn to occur – UV radiation is not the same as heat. Most people get burnt when the temperature is between 18 and 27 degrees.



A tan doesn't last a lifetime, but skin damage does! Remember to Slip! Slop! Slap! Seek! Slide!

Marieka Rendall

Teacher / Coordinator

Eat a RAINBOW of vegetables everyday!

Different coloured vegetables provide different nutrients for growing bodies. Supplying kids with lots of different coloured veges and fruits each day is the best kick-start we can give them for health, growth, and concentration in the classroom.

RED

Cherry tomato, radish, red capsicum, red apple, cherries, strawberries

ORANGE & YELLOW

Corn, yellow capsicum, apricots, mandarin, carrots, rockmelon

WHITE & BROWN

Cauliflower, nashi pears, mushrooms, white nectarine, banana

GREEN

Sugar snap peas, green apple, pear, cucumber, broccoli, grapes, frozen peas

PURPLE

Purple grapes, purple carrots, blueberries, plums, blackberries



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POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

At South Thornlie we **SOAR**

We are:

- S**afe
- O**pen-hearted
- A**ccepting
- R**esilient

Wellbeing Committee

* The 7 Habits of a Positive Parent *

1. Connect Before You Correct

When we connect, kids move from a defensive, reactive state to a receptive one.

"Come here for a hug. You seem to feel very strongly about this. Tell me more."

2. Ask for help when you need it

You'll get the support you need and model the importance of speaking up.

"I took on a lot this week. I will see if my friend can help me out."

3. Make time for yourself

Our children will never choose to give us a break. We need to make sure our needs are met.

"I need time to relax for ten minutes. I will be available after."

4. Set firm boundaries

Clear boundaries help children thrive and make parenting easier.

"My answer is no. You're free to disagree."

5. Stay flexible

Be open to changing your mind. Try new approaches, and find what works for YOUR family.

"I would like to try something different tonight. Before we read a book, let's talk about our day."

6. Lead with love

When we connect, kids move from a defensive, reactive state to a receptive one.

"Come here for a hug. You seem to feel very strongly about this. Tell me more."

7. Be an active listener

Connect and ask questions instead of making assumptions.

"Thank you for sharing that with me. I want to talk more about this to understand your perspective."



When you adopt these positive parenting habits you build a deeply connected parent-child relationship.

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P&C NEWS

A Big Thank You and Important Updates!



Disco - A huge thank you to the staff and parents who volunteered at our disco last Friday. It was a brilliant night, with students giving it their all on the dancefloor! A special shout-out to our resident DJ, Mrs Bell, and special guest DJ, Mrs Barnett, for playing some amazing tunes!

We are thrilled to announce that the event raised \$1,572.40, which will go towards resources within the school this year. Thank you so much for your support!

Mother's Day Raffle - We are still looking for donations for our Mother's Day raffle prizes. If you or a business you know could assist, please contact us at stps.president@gmail.com.



ANZAC Recess - Our ANZAC recess will be running again in the first week of Term 2. A generous parent has donated gluten free ANZAC biscuits for students with gluten intolerances. Forms will be coming home soon. Please ensure you mark your forms correctly if you require this option.

AGM and Thank You to Our Outgoing President - Our AGM was held today, and I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our outgoing President, Nicole Paton. Thank you, Niki, for your tireless efforts and commitment to our school community. We are truly grateful for your leadership and all the hard work you've done during your time as president.



Congratulations to our new P&C President – Melissa McBride. Melissa has been a dedicated and active member of the P&C since 2021, and we're confident she will do amazing things in this role!

A warm welcome to all our new and returning members! If you're considering being part of our P&C, we'd love to have you join us at one of our upcoming meetings. Dates and reminders are announced on our Facebook page - please follow us for up-to-date information: [South Thornlie Primary School Parents and Citizens](#)

WELCOME

COMMUNITY NEWS

SOUTHERN RIVER HC
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COME & TRY HOCKEY

Join us for a fun, free "Come and Try" hockey session!

When: Friday, 21st March
Time: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Where: Southern River HC

Perfect for all ages and skill levels—no experience needed! Bring your friends and discover the excitement of hockey. Sticks will be supplied to those that do not have one.

More Information on:

WWW.SOUTHERNRIVERHOCKEY.ASN.AU



DARLING RANGE
SPORTS COLLEGE

Are you a Year 6 student in 2025?

Darling Range Sports College is the only sports specialist school in Western Australia. Children who currently participate in any of the following sports at club level are welcome to trial for possible enrolment at in 2026.

Our trials for our high-performance sports programs are being held on the following dates:

Tuesday 1 April 2025

AFL
Athletics
Basketball
Netball
Soccer

Wednesday 2 April 2025

Baseball
Rugby
Swimming

Please contact us to secure a place in the trials.

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