



NEWSLETTER

DERBY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL



'A Strong & Smart School'

A message from Mr Money

Welcome to the last Newsletter for Term 1 already!

It has been a fast but successful term with Early years students completing their on-entry testing, and Years 3,5,7,and 9 students completing NAPLAN. Participation and effort was up across the school in these assessments that help our staff to determine the best approach to take with your children. Primary classes have made a huge success

Secondary students have completed two full blocks of TAFE, with great completions on modules seen within the cohort especially with the Junior Rangers taking off in the school. Our students in SIDE have been working extremely hard and showing great strength of character and determination to complete very difficult tasks online and achieving outstanding results.

Students and staff have really set the scene for success this term and it continually impressed me the strength of relationships and diligence to get the work done to the best standard.

Check out these images of our Primary students with their amazing metal sculptures and learning about boating safety with Mr Owen. so much fun!!



Sharing Knowledge through shared activities is good learning and great fun!

*Dilligence, Courage and Strength every
day at Derby DHS!*

Mr \$\$



Merit Award Winners

Term1 - Week3



Aleksia Ozies	Genelia Shibin	Milani O'Connor
Allera Benning	Helena Lawrence	Poppy Kennedy
Arlen Altham	Indiana Kenafake	Qinn McCumstie
Austin Mwangi	Ivan Antony	Quinn Scott x 2
Axel O'Brien	Jack Councillor	Rosanna Cronin
Azalea Greddon	Jada Alec	Ryan Filjoe
Azreal Sebastian	Jaxon Egan	Selistino Barba-
Bella Hoath	Jeanette Waina	Taylor
Bennett Edwards	Kaison Kitching	Skylah-Marie Tapper
Brandon Tang Riley	Kayvarniss Cooper-	Taiyoren Scott-Dolby
Braxton Hardy	Raki	Tarkyn Dolby-Clinch
Bryce Anyon	Kirra Butters	Tayah Alec
Col Skeen	Lejaene Kotze	Terrelle Carter
Collishai Bangmorra	Lily' Arnah Steer	Tom Hardman
Dominic Walley	Lincoln Cairns	Youenn Sobrepena
Donnel Mukangaya	Lynarrah McInnerney	Zalleha Haji-Noor
Eden Edwards	Mackenzie Scott	Zenisha Taylor
Faith Nandoo	Mary Ozies	Zyoane Nulgit

Early Years News

Our Early Years students have had a fantastic and meaningful last few weeks, with a strong focus on building safe, supportive relationships.

In Week 5, we recognised Bullying No Way! Week. Across our classrooms, students explored what it means to be a good friend, how to recognise bullying behaviours, and most importantly, the power of speaking up. The students learned that everyone has a part to play in keeping our school safe—whether that's asking for help or standing beside a friend who needs support.

Looking back to Week 7, we are excited to celebrate Harmony Day across our Early Years. Our KindiLink students and families along with the Kindy students will take part in a range of engaging activities that celebrate culture, belonging and inclusion. These experiences help our youngest learners understand that everyone is unique and that our differences make our community stronger.

Our Pre-Primary and Year 1 students also came together for a special Harmony Day celebration, sharing a picnic-style lunch in the Pre-Primary play space. Our teachers cooked up some delicious food from different cultures, creating a wonderful opportunity to learn about and celebrate the diversity within our school.

School holidays are edging closer so please enjoy your break when they come around!

See you around the school,

Angus McMillan
Early Years Deputy Principal

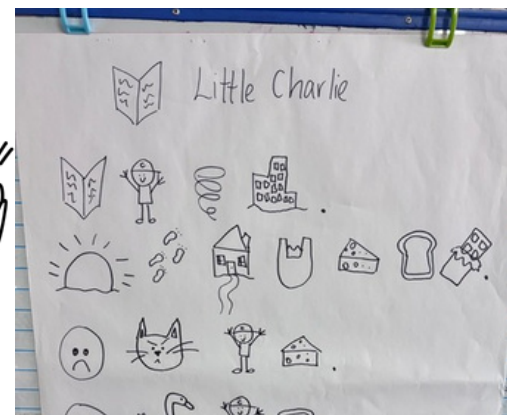
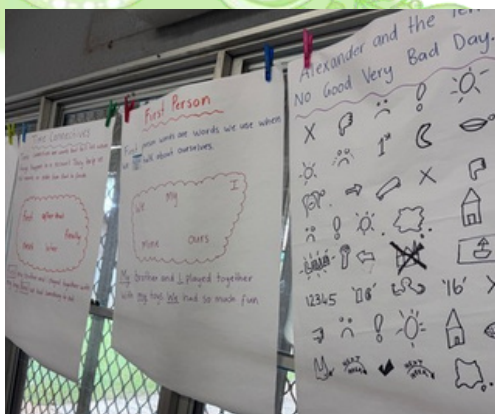
FROM THE CURRICULUM TEAM

TALK 4 WRITING

OUR WRITING FOCUS THIS TERM



PRE PRIMARY, YEAR ONE & YEAR TWO - RECOUNT WRITING
YEAR 3, 4, 5 & 6 - NARRATIVE



WHAT IS TALK 4 WRITING?

Talk for Writing is a fun and engaging approach developed by Pie Corbett that helps children become confident writers through storytelling, speaking, and creativity. Students bring stories to life by learning them with actions and expression, then remixing them with their own ideas before creating original pieces. You may have seen some of these performed at assembly!

Primary School News

As we head towards the end of term, it has been another busy and exciting time across our school.

Our Year 3 and Year 5 students are wrapping up NAPLAN this week. We are very proud of the effort and resilience they have shown—well done to all students.

The Easter Raffle is now underway, organised by our Year 4 students to raise funds for their Camp to Broome next term. Bring along a gold coin donation for your chance to win one of our fantastic Easter baskets!

Congratulations to our Year 5 students for their wonderful assembly performance of “The Chameleon.” Their confidence and teamwork were fantastic to see.



Our Year 6 students are looking forward to their upcoming two-way science excursion to Myall’s Bore, connecting their learning with the local environment.

Students and staff also enjoyed celebrating Harmony Week with engaging classroom activities that highlighted inclusion and respect.

Looking ahead, selected Year 4–6 students will compete in the Interschool Basketball Tournament. We wish them all the best.

Thanks for your continued support,
Mrs Franz and Mrs Dowding





ShootingStars



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

80% ATTENDANCE = REWARD LUNCH!

Are you an Attendance Champion?

To attend you must:

Have 80% attendance or higher
Be a registered Shooting Stars participant

Freshly Cooked Meals

Every Friday

Lunch Time

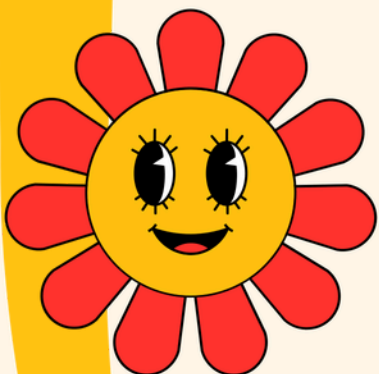
Shooting Stars Room

Champions shine bright!

SHOW UP.

STAY COMMITTED.

BE REWARDED.





YEAR 7

BAKE SALE



The Year 7 Bake Sale was a fantastic success, bringing our school community together for a wonderful cause. Students, staff and families worked incredibly hard to prepare a delicious range of homemade treats.

On , the bake sale was buzzing with excitement as students and staff eagerly lined up to support the event. The wide variety of baked goods meant there was something for everyone, and many items sold out quickly. It was great to see so many smiling faces enjoying the treats while contributing to a meaningful goal.

Thanks to the generosity of our school community, the Year 7 students raised a significant amount of money to support their upcoming trip to Coral Bay.

We are excited to share that, due to the success of this event, another Year 7 Bake Sale will be held next term. This will be another great opportunity for the community to get involved and continue supporting the students on their journey to Coral Bay.

A big thank you goes to all the students who baked, the families who supported them, and everyone who made a purchase. Your contributions made this event such a memorable and successful occasion. We are incredibly proud of our Year 7 students and look forward to seeing them enjoy the rewards of their hard work at Coral Bay!

A huge thank you to Miss Jess for organising and coordinating the Bake Sale



TERM SCHOOL MENU

Recess

Lunch

Monday	Fruit Yoghurt Granola (FYG)	\$3.50	Chicken Curry with Rice	\$6.00
Tuesday	Frozen Yoghurt (FY)	\$3.00	Lasagne	\$7.00
Wednesday	Vegemite & Cheese/Pizza Pinwheels(P) (Alternate Weeks)	\$3.50	Hot Dogs	\$5.00
Thursday	Triple Chocolate Muffins (M)	\$3.00	Marinated Chicken Drumstick Wedges & Corn on a Cob	\$7.00
Friday	Cheesie (C)	\$2.50	Pies	\$6.00
			Sausage Rolls	\$5.00
			add sauce	\$0.50
Everyday	Fruit (F)	\$1.50	Salad sandwich	\$4.00
Options	Cracker / vegemite or butter (CV or CB)	\$0.20	Chicken, cheese & mayo sandwich	\$4.50
			Chicken Ceasar Wrap	\$6.00
			Curry Egg Sandwich	\$4.00
			Spaghetti sandwich	\$3.00
			Baked beans sandwich	\$3.00
			Vegemite sandwich	\$2.50
			Cheese Sandwich	\$2.50

Drinks

- Water \$2.00
- Plain Milk \$2.50
- Chocolate / Strawberry Milk \$3.00
- Apple Juice / Apple & Blackcurrant Juice / Orange Juice \$2.50
- Sparkling Fruit Juice \$3.00



Important Canteen Notices

For Parents and/or Guardians

Please be advised that the P&C will **no longer** be operating the canteen at DDHS.

Derby District High School has now taken over and will be managing all canteen operations, including Centrepay accounts.

If you currently have a canteen account with the P&C and deductions are being taken from your Centrelink payments, **please contact Centrelink to cancel your existing deduction.**

After that, please visit the Derby District High School front office to collect and complete a new Centrepay form.



Need to Contact the Canteen?

Please contact the **Front Office** on 08 9193 3000 for all Canteen/account enquiries.

DERBY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

SCOOTER-FREE SCHOOL



NO ELECTRIC SCOOTERS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

Electric scooters are **not permitted** to be:

- ridden
- stored
- parked
- charged on school grounds

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LAW – WHAT FAMILIES NEED TO KNOW AGE RULES

- Riders must be of legal riding age under WA road rules
- Students under the legal age must not ride electric scooters on public roads or paths

HELMETS ARE LAW

- A helmet is mandatory for all riders

POLICE CAN FINE RIDERS

- Fines and other penalties apply for unsafe, illegal, or underage riding

NO CHARGING AT SCHOOL

For safety reasons:

Scoters and batteries must not be charged at school

Lithium batteries pose a fire risk if damaged or incorrectly charged

WHY ARE WE SCOOTER-FREE?

Student safety

Reduced fire risk

Clear supervision and traffic management

Consistent with duty-of-care obligations

THANK YOU for helping keep our school safe.



Important Uniform Notices

For Parents and/or Guardians



DDHS Uniforms Now Available at the Front Office

Derby District High School uniforms featuring our new DDHS design are now available for purchase directly from the school's front office.

Shirts are \$35 each and can be bought:

Monday to Friday

7:45am - 9am & 1:30pm - 2:30pm

If you need any help with sizing or have questions about the new design, our office staff will be happy to assist.

Important Dates for Term Two

For Parents and/or Guardians

April

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Principal's Assembly	2 LAST DAY TERM 1	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 FIRST DAY TERM 2	21	22	23	24 ANZAC Day Service	25
26	27 ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY	28 Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Walalakoo Jun. Rangers	29 Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Walalakoo Jun. Rangers	30 Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Walalakoo Jun. Rangers		

May

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Walalakoo Jun. Rangers	2
3	4	5	6 Secondary Assembly Secondary Cross Country	7	8 Primary Jump Rope for Heart	9
10	11	12 Clontarf – State of Origin Yr10-12 HC	13 Clontarf – State of Origin Yr10-12 HC	14 Clontarf – State of Origin Yr10-12 HC	15 Primary Cross Country Newsletter Sent Home	16
17	18	19	20 Year 4 Assembly	21 Secondary Interschool Cross Country	22 PUPIL FREE DAY (School Development Day)	23
24	25 Clontarf – Nth Carnival Yr7-9 KNX	26 Clontarf – Nth Carnival Yr7-9 KNX	27 Clontarf – Nth Carnival Yr7-9 KNX	28 Clontarf – Nth Carnival Yr7-9 KNX	29 Clontarf – Nth Carnival Yr7-9 KNX	30
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