



NEWSLETTER

DERBY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL



'A Strong & Smart School'

A message from Mr Money

Term 2 has got off to a flying start and the students have settled well back into school routines. There continues to be lots of positive energy and creativity along with a strong commitment from our students and staff.

Our secondary students were involved in Cross Country last week around the Turf Club and Golf Course and they did a fantastic job. Congratulations to all the students who took part and who will represent us at the upcoming Interschool cross country in Broome. Our Primary Cross Country is running on Friday 15th May and we are looking forward to the students participating.



Fundraising is in full swing at the moment as staff and students are busy raising money for their upcoming Year 4, Year 7 and Kimberley Cup camps. We already have had Discos, Car washes, Mother's Day raffle with more Bake Sales and car washes throughout the term. You may have seen a few different faces around the school on Wednesday with our staff and students getting right behind Tattoo a Teacher day. This was another fundraising effort and all money is going towards Kimberley Cup.





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The secondary assembly item was a shining moment and set the bar very high for future items. Our school band "Food Truck" performed a great rendition of "Creep" by Radiohead. A talented, confident and committed group of students who continue to go from strength to strength.

The KindiLink and Kindy staff also collaborated to put on a special morning tea to celebrate Mother's Day and this also well a huge success and well supported. Thank you to all involved and for coming along.

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to the very impressive MAGIC (Mums, Aunties, Grandmothers Important Carers) cooked breaky last Friday. One of our Community Services group of students along with Mr Nic and the Clontarf and Shooting Stars staff put on a feast to remember and with a record crowd in attendance. Great work everyone!



Congratulations to Brianna Taylor Ellison and Courtney Hunter on being given Advanced AIEO status. This is a real credit to their continued commitment and professionalism.

Congratulations to Mrs Chrizelle Snyman on being granted permanent residency in Australia.

Congratulations to Alana Dennis for coming third in the recent Duo section of the Lake Argyle swim



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Last Wednesday, was the Polly Farmer - Follow the Dream Compact Signing where students officially signed on to the Follow the Dream program for 2026 beneath the stars at DDHS. Surrounded by family and peers, we celebrated their commitment to education and future success. Guests also enjoyed a Kimberley-inspired menu prepared by our Follow the Dream students, featuring local barramundi, wattle seed damper, kangaroo and water lily stir-fry, and mango with bush passionfruit salsa.

Yum!



. A quick reminder:

School Development Day 22nd May: The school will be closed for students on Friday 22nd May while staff undergo Day 3 of Berry Street training.

Open Night: We are having an Open Night on Tuesday 2nd June from 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm. We would love to see you there, come and meet the teachers and check out the fabulous work and displays the students have been doing in their classes. The Year 7 camp information evening will also be happening at this time.

Look out for each other and keep having fun!

Mr \$\$



Merit Award Winners

Term2 - Week3



Adalynn Stevens	Graysen Ferguson	Mary Ozies
Antonio Malo- Podesser	Hazel Wungundin	Montez Waiomio
Bailey Butters	Jemma Charles	Nyla Sarah-Ryder
Bryson Sebastian	Joash Cooper x2	Paityn Wade
Cassius Cronin	Kalayah Ejai	Ruby Edgar Bin Omar
Cattalaya Bani	Karla Mungulu	Samaya Gault x2
Charlie Bin Rashid	Kayla Walker x2	Tayah Alec
Chase Jnr Oobagooma	Kayleb Ferguson	Thomas Hardman x2
Collishai Bangmorra	Kiara Sebastian	Tineale Riley
Dominic Walley	Kiarnah Wungundin	Tysharne Pindan
Donnel Mukangaya	Ki-Warnah Skeen	Wyatt Benn
Eden Edwards	Lance Bedford	Xavier McCumstie
Edith Neate	Lavine Sturt	Zahara Charles
Elyra Nelson	Leanne Mitchelson	Zakiyah Neliman
Frankie Letufuga	Lynarra McInnerney	Zar-Langahraye
Genelia Shibin x2	Mackenzie Scott	Taylor
	Maddison Franz	Zyoane Nulgit
	Marley Hoath	



Early Years News

Our Kindy space has been a hive of activity celebrating our amazing MAGIC (Mothers, Aunties, Grandmas and Important Carers) for this years Mother's Day event with our Kindy and KindiLink families. There we so many fun activities, for our MAGIC people to participate in with the nail painting always being the highlight. Keep an eye out on our important dates flyer for more fun events coming up.



Our Kindy students were also treated so some fun in the garden with one of our school groundskeepers Mr Ian. They planted some petunias and have been left in charge to water and watch them grow!



See you around the school!

Mr McMillan



CAR WASH FUNDRAISER!

Please help our Year 7 students
from Derby District High School
head to Coral Bay camp!



**DERBY FIRE
STATION**
(OPPOSITE COLAC)

**SUNDAY
17TH MAY
9AM – 12PM**

**SMALL CAR
\$25**

**BIG CAR
\$40**

Cash and card available!



Primary School News

Welcome to this fortnight's Primary School update. It has been another busy few weeks filled with exciting learning opportunities and community events.

Our ANZAC Ceremony was a wonderful success, with students showing great respect throughout the service. Year 3 students enjoyed an excursion to the Police Station, while Year 6 students participated in a 2-Way Science wetlands excursion at Myall's Bore.

Thank you to everyone who supported the school disco fundraiser for the Year 7 Camp and our MAGIC Breakfast hosted by Clontarf and Shooting Stars.



We are looking forward to the Cross Country event this Friday and encourage all students to get involved and do their best.



Please also note that school will be closed on Friday 22nd May, as staff will be participating in training.

Thank you for your continued support of our school community.

Mrs Franz & Mrs Dowding





DDHS BAKE SALE



All staff and K-12 students invited!
Sweet treats priced between 50c to \$5

Date: Thursday 4th June (Week 7)

Time*

Location: Block 3

Cash and EFTPOS available



***Speak to your teacher or see the schedule for when
your year group can buy goodies!**

**All raised funds help our Year 7 students
travel to Coral Bay Camp this term!**

Year 6 2-Way Science On Country

Year 6 students recently had the exciting opportunity to take their science learning beyond the classroom with a Two-Way Science excursion to Myalls Bore. This hands-on experience allowed students to apply their scientific inquiry skills in a real-world environment, observing local habitats, exploring environmental features, and making meaningful connections between classroom learning and Country.



Thank you also to Trevor Menmuir for generously sharing his expertise and guiding students through rich environmental discussions and hands-on experiences that brought our learning to life.

We also extend our thanks to Ruby McMaster for her support on the day and for helping make the excursion such a positive and valuable experience for our students.

A special thank you to Farren Wilson for his ongoing support in helping students connect their science learning with local knowledge, seasonal understanding, and respectful learning practices on Country.



Experiences like this are an important part of our Two-Way Science approach at Derby District High School, where students learn through both scientific inquiry and the rich knowledge held within our local community.

Miss Kelsey Salmeri



ShootingStars



ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS

LUNCH

80% - 100%



WHEN: EVERY FRIDAY

WHERE: SHOOTING STARS ROOM

TIME: 12.30PM LUNCH BREAK

Year 7 Disco Fundraiser

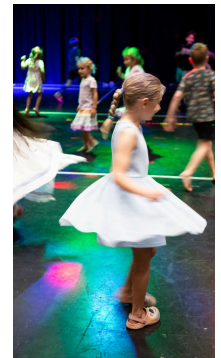
A Huge Success!



The recent Year 7 Disco Fundraiser was a fantastic success, bringing students, staff, and the wider school community together to raise money for the upcoming Coral Bay Camp. The event was filled with music, dancing, games, and plenty of excitement, creating a fun and memorable evening for everyone involved.



A huge thank you goes to all staff who generously gave their time to help organise, supervise, and run the event. Their support and dedication helped make the night enjoyable and successful for all students.



We would also like to thank Rusty's Bakery, Rusty's IGA, Woolworths and Derby Progressive Supplies that kindly donated goods and prizes to support the fundraiser. Your generosity played an important role in helping us raise valuable funds for the camp and is greatly appreciated by the Year 7 cohort.



Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the disco. Your contribution has helped make the Coral Bay Camp experience possible for our students, and we look forward to many more successful community events in the future.

RUN CLUB



TERM 2



EVERY WEDNESDAY



6:45AM - 7:30AM



WHERE:
DDHS OVAL ENTRANCE
VIA EARLY YEARS CARPARK



YEAR 3 - YEAR 12



THE DISTANCE (KILOMETRES) YOU RUN EACH SESSION WILL BE TRACKED!



THE FIRST GROUP OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS TO REACH A SPECIAL SPOT ON A MAP WILL GO IN THE DRAW FOR COOL PRIZES AT THE END OF THE TERM!



RUN TOGETHER. GET FIT. HAVE FUN!



Year 9 Careers Expo

Mr. Cooper

On Friday 1st May, our Year 9's ventured to Broome for this year's West Kimberley Careers Expo. Our students had the opportunity to engage with over 50 different employers, training organisations and universities. Our visit to the careers expo paves the way for our TAFE Taster Camp at the end of this term, where will be visiting several companies and organisations in Broome to see how they operate and then spend several days at TAFE trying out different careers.



CURRICULUM CORNER



SECONDARY TECHNOLOGIES



Art - Mural Project

Miss Alis' Community service class has begun their community project - painting a mural for the town to enjoy. The first steps began this term - priming the wall with white paint ... Watch this space!



Home Economics

Time for a feed!

In Home Economics, students build practical life skills while exploring food, culture and community. Our Year 7 students begin by learning basic cooking skills and kitchen safety, gaining confidence through hands-on recipes. In Year 8, the focus shifts to healthy eating habits and making informed food choices to support wellbeing.



Year 9 students expand their horizons by exploring international cuisines, learning how food reflects culture and identity. Our senior students bring these skills together through hospitality studies, drawing inspiration from the Kimberley and its rich local influences as they prepare for pathways beyond school.



Look at our yummy Satay Beef skewers and rice with garnishes!



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

May

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Wajalakoo Jun. Rangers	2
3	4	5	6 Secondary Cross Country	7 Secondary Assembly	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	16
17	18	19 Cake Stall – Year 4 Fundraiser	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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June

2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	2 Open Night 5-6:30pm	3 Year 3 Assembly	4 Bake Sale – Year 7 Fundraiser	5 Primary Interschool Cross Country BME	6
7	8	9	10	11 Clontarf Cup Yr 5/6 HC	12 Clontarf Cup Yr 5/6 HC	13
14 Year 7 Camp – Coral Bay	15 Year 7 Camp – Coral Bay Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Wajalakoo Jun. Rangers	16 Year 7 Camp – Coral Bay Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Wajalakoo Jun. Rangers	17 Year 7 Camp – Coral Bay Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Wajalakoo Jun. Rangers	18 Year 7 Camp – Coral Bay Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Wajalakoo Jun. Rangers	19 Year 7 Camp – Coral Bay Yr10, 11 & 12 TAFE Block Wajalakoo Jun. Rangers	20
21	22 Year 9 Career Taster Camp -BME	23 Year 9 Career Taster Camp -BME	24 Year 9 Career Taster Camp -BME	25 Year 9 Career Taster Camp -BME Primary Football/Netball Dockers Cup	26 Year 9 Career Taster Camp -BME Secondary School Ball	27
28	29 Secondary Kimberley Cup	30 Secondary Kimberley Cup				