

AESC's Newsletter

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From our Principal - Sandra Boyd

Our staff started the term by participating in a full day of learning at the Education Support South Network (ESSN) conference. Days like these are important to ensure our skills and knowledge are up to date in order to provide the most current and suitable learning programs for your children. Our links to the Education Support South Network (ESSN) meant we were amongst 700 of our colleagues, from 24 different schools joining in to share in a range of topics to support our development and growth.

We have now taken ownership of our Senior School demountables and the students have settled into their new classrooms. The addition of these classrooms has allowed us to permanently set up our school music equipment in SS2. Students learning an instrument through Music Rocks are encouraged to practice at lunch and recess. Music Rocks is a private provider that the school pays to deliver our music program. Ben Cremer teaches at our school on Tuesday mornings. The music groups will be showcasing their skills at assembly on the 26th June, the last Tuesday of term in the undercover area. After assembly classrooms will be open to parents so please stay for some refreshments and take up this opportunity to see your child's work.

The Middle School refurbishments are complete. These classes now have more teaching areas to enable students to access more specific individualised programs. Also, we have a fully functioning student services area, which has allowed us to extend our therapy services.

The NDIS Info session and Market Day is coming up on the 22nd June. Hopefully you will be able to come along, get the information you need and visit your child's class stall.

With the onset of Autumn and Winter, we start to see an increase in colds and flu. Our staff are just as prone to getting sick and make an effort to stay home if unwell. We certainly appreciate when



WIN, WIN, WIN!

Congratulations to **Feraidon Ahmadi** the Middle School winner and **Seth Wereik-Mounsey** - the Senior School winner of the Samsung Tablets for Students who had paid their fees by the end of Term 1.

Important Dates and Notices

Dates to Remember!

8/06/18	Armadale Museum <small>ss3/4.</small>
14/06/18	Land Care Tree Planting Yrs. 7-9
26/06/18	Assembly 09:00am
26/06/18	Market Day 12:30pm
28/06/18	Land Care Tree Planting Yrs. 10-13
29/06/18	Term 2 Finishes
16/07/18	Pupil free day

Uniform Shop Hours

During School Terms

Wednesday 8.15am – 11.15am

Friday 8.15am – 11.15am

ANNUAL INFORMATION SESSION

You are invited to our annual Parent Information Morning
9.30am to 12pm 22nd June 2018

(New Demountable Area)

This Year the focus is on **NDIS**

(National Disabilities Insurance Scheme)

Armadale District is changing from **WANDIS** to **NDIS**. Come to our Information session with Guest speakers from WAI S (WA Individualised Services) to find out how these changes will affect you.

Afterwards enjoy light refreshments and have a chat to the different service providers in our area and find out how they can assist you and your child.

Armadale Education Support Centre, Armadale

RSVP by 15th June 2018

by phoning the administration office on 9497 6435/ txt 0472 502 616

or by email to : audrey.wright@education.wa.edu.au

169 South West Highway, Armadale WA 6112

08 94907 6435 <http://armadaleesc.wa.edu.au>



ARMADALE
EDUCATION SUPPORT CENTRE

Voluntary Contributions & Charges 2018

A very big thankyou to those that have paid their school fees already.

Your contribution towards your child's fees is relied upon strongly. Every little bit helps in us being able to provide quality education and experiences for our students.

Payments can be made by: Cash, Credit Card, EFTPOS or Direct Debit.

Armadale Education Support Centre

BSB: 066 040

Account: 19900559

Ref: (Student name)

If you are having trouble paying your fees, please call Karen on

9497 6435 so you can make arrangements to pay instalments.

Armadale ESC Market Day

22nd June 2018

12.30pm – 2.00pm

Come join us to help celebrate Market Day 2018.



The Market Day is to celebrate our student's success in a fun and collaborative school community environment.

The aim of this event is to showcase and sell a variety of classroom enterprise products such as: art and craft, leather goods, soaps, candles and plants in a Market Day setting.

(Prices \$1 - \$15)

*This will be held on **Friday 22th June, 2018 - Term 2 Week 8**, at Armadale Education Support Centre (Undercover Area)*

Sausage Sizzle will be available for \$2.50 and drinks for \$1

MS1—Mrs Kannan

What a fabulous way to start the term, with swimming lessons at Thornlie Leisureplex. The Year 7 students had an amazing experience learning various swimming techniques. As part of our preparation for swimming, we used class activities to help fully prepare the students before swimming lessons were carried out.

Students learned how to pack items for their swimming lessons, the changing routines, safety signs and precautions at the pool. Our students were excited and proud to receive their swimming certificates at the end of the program.



In the classroom, we have been working very hard on our literacy, comprehension and spelling programs. Students completed the assigned Reading and Direct Instruction Spelling tasks diligently. We also looked at some digital time and clock activities aiming to get our students to be able to read time. In addition, during Woodwork lessons students attentively completed their metal butterflies and were very keen to show their parents. Some of our Year 7 students sat for NAPLAN testing. They cooperated and completed most parts of the test to the best of their ability.

In weeks to come the students will get busier completing the Out in the Community program and Market Day preparations.



MS2—Ms Jenkins

We would like to welcome Storm Riley and Alex Wolf to our class this term.

This term MS2 has been involved in Community Access every Friday. Our students are learning travel training by catching the bus to the Armadale Shops and spending time in small group activities whilst at the shops. The students are enjoying researching ingredients for cooking activities, comparing prices in the various supermarkets and where to find ingredients.

As part of their maths programme they have been learning rounding off prices and in their worksheets using calculators to add up pricings and compare prices and as part of their Health programme where you would find items for good hygiene practices.

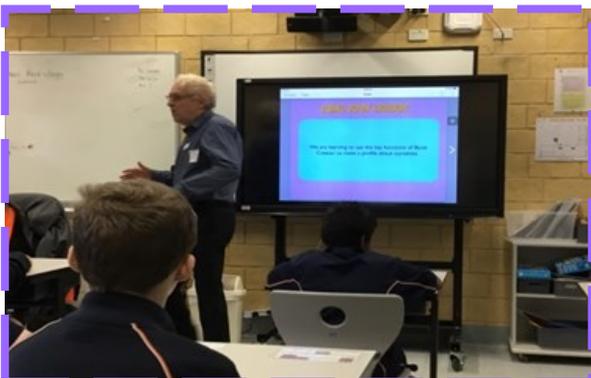


Our students have been utilising their cooking skills every week and practising making various types of toasties for independence and life skills.

MS2 attended a Bullying/Cyberbullying play in the PAC Centre which they really enjoyed. This play was by actors from outside the school who really engaged the students for one and half hours in what can happen in a group bullying situation at school. Matthew and Natoya were the stars of the show and just loved being asked to play a part showing much confidence in public speaking. Our class also enjoyed a morning with Mark Hennessy coming in to show the students how to use Book Creator and Cool Pics programmes on their iPads. They were shown how to take photos and incorporate them into their stories.

We now look forward to Market Day on the 22nd June 2018. The students have been busy making bright paper chains and planning what they are going to sell on their stall that day. It has been a busy term so far with the students really developing their story writing, speaking and listening and money skills.

As part of our Bushranger activities we were able to spend an enjoyable day at Araluen Botanical Park recently. Every Friday our students have been involved in a Bushrangers programme learning about the Aboriginal culture and various activities with Mr Thowless, Mrs Hansen, & Ms Cornwall.



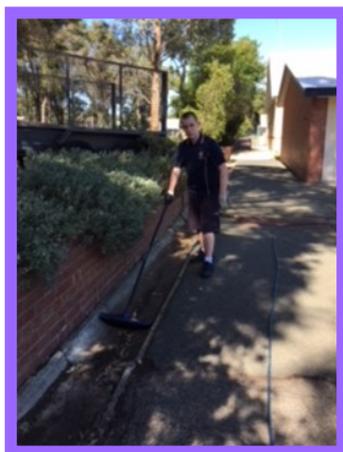
SS1— Ms Jesionek

Recently in SS1 our students have been working extremely hard to achieve individual and whole class goals. As part of our Enterprise we have been making lavender wheat bags. Our class have also recently started a car wash as another enterprise venture, which have been both extremely fun and successful.

Other exciting projects include a weekly Community Access, Community Service, and Cooking session where the students learn life skills as they navigate through school.



← Brad crossing the road during Community access outing.

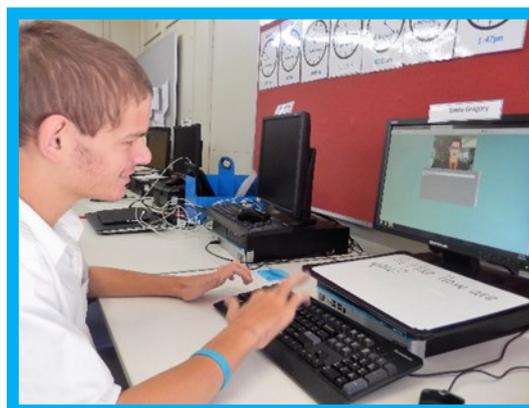


← Eric cleaning the garden area during Community Service activities.

Karlee and Shane making and decorating chocolate cake during cooking session. ↓



Jedd and Chelsea making their sandwiches during cooking session →



↑ Jamie booking an appointment using school computer.



We are looking forward to another successful term!!

***Please join us to help celebrate
Market Day on Friday 22 June 2018
between 12-2pm***



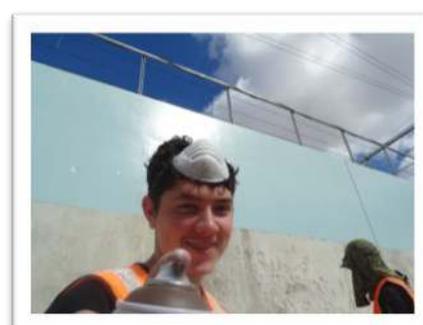
SS2 & SS4—Ms Pritchard & Ms Fleay

ART AND ENTERPRISE

In week 1 of Term 2 some of the students from SS2 and SS4 were fortunate enough to participate in the Urban Art project which SS3 was part of at end of last Term. Celebrated Urban Artist, Drew Straker, led our students in helping to decorate the huge wall along the Forrestfield Airport link. They were all able to create an artwork for themselves.

This was a terrific Community Service opportunity and the students in our classes who weren't otherwise committed to WPL made the most of it.

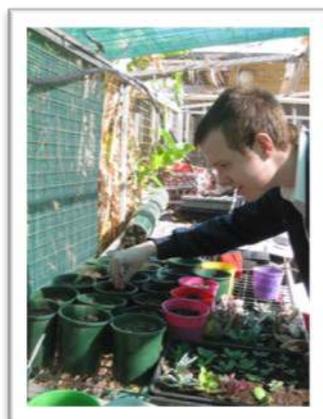
Well done everyone!



The Centre is gearing up for Market Day in Week 8 of this term.

SS4 has planted out and are tending small succulent plants to give to SS2 to plant in some fabulous concrete sculptures that they will have for sale. These will make delightful decorations for outdoor settings and to brighten up any office or classroom.

SS4 is also raising some bright, sunny and cheery sunflowers for sale on Market Day, perfect for brightening up the late winter, spring and early summer days.



SS3—Ms Mila

'The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates.
The great teacher inspires.' *William Arthur Ward*

Once again life in the Secondary School has been very busy moving to our wonderful new Demountable.

As we have lot of things going on this short term, let me share some of the things that have been happening over the past few weeks. All our programs provide great opportunities for our students to improve their skills of leadership, collaboration and teamwork, commitment and responsibility, resilience, problem-solving, and persistence.



As part of the Community Access Programme, the Year 12's and 13's had a productive time together at various community activities. It was great to see students working effectively together on all outings. The Francis Burt Law Education Programme provided an opportunity for our students to understand the law, legal principles and the court system in Western Australia. The students acted as court personnel in an empty court. Our students also learned that all people must understand the law and the legal system, which affects their daily lives. The best part was students had an opportunity to be a part of an improvised court scenario at the Old Court House and observe a Magistrate's Court in session. They accepted each challenge with a positive attitude, and they certainly became very competitive. They tackled each challenge together as a team to achieve the goal.



Our students are busy planning for our Market day. As a part of ASDAN Meal Preparation course our students will be preparing Meals from Other Cultures. So come and be a part of our Market day by placing your order for Rice and Butter Chicken well before Friday 22nd June if you would like some for only \$5.00.



MUSIC ROCKS

MUSIC ROCKS. COOLPERTH NIGHTS AND KWIK KOPY CANNING VALE PROUDLY PRESENT



TERM 2 PERFORMANCE

MOJOS BAR

NORTH FREMANTLE
JUNE 23RD + 24TH

TICKETS AT [MUSICROCKS.COM.AU](https://www.musicrocks.com.au)

Music Rocks also offers out of school services including an end of term concert on a weekend, However, this is a private event and not part of the school program. You are welcome to contact Music Rocks privately if you are interested in your child participating in this out of school activity. Please see Music Rocks flyer in this newsletter or the website <https://www.musicrocks.com.au/coming-up> for further information about upcoming events.

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Eric's Story— Commonwealth Games 2018

I went with my Dad to the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast.

I went to see netball, hockey, rugby league, swimming, beach volley ball, running and athletics.

I loved cheering for Australia and would chant "Aussie, Aussie, Aussie, Oi, Oi, Oi".



Beach volleyball, great but really hot



Rugby League 7s (night game) was awesome but a late night

Sometimes it was loud and there was a lot of people there. Some lines were long to get on the bus to go back to the car. Rugby was at night and it was a long night.

I had a great time and loved watching all the sports.

I stayed with my grandma and pop near the Gold Coast.

I saw my cousins, and we went to the movies.



"Aussie, Aussie, Aussie, Oi, Oi, Oi"

Hills Basketball Carnival 2018

On the 29th of May our students participated in the Hills Basketball Carnival at Ray Owen Sports Centre. The students have been preparing for this carnival since the beginning of term under the coaching direction of Shukran Bassford (yr 12) and Mr Adamson. Armadale had 3 teams involved this year with a total of 23 students ranging from year 8 to year 13. The students all performed fantastically and participated in a friendly and sportsmanlike manner. Our division 1 team finished in the top 4, our division 2 team finished undefeated, a solid effort from all the students. Each year there are awards for nominated students based on teamwork, defence and being a star player. The awarded students include:

Team ARMADALE 3

Best Playmaker: Storm Riley
Most Valued Player: Matthew Bennett
Strongest Defence: Jason Isitt

Team ARMADALE 2

Best Playmaker: Niamh Cavanagh
Most Valued Player: Seth Watkins
Strongest Defence: Jarell Kawlaytoo

Team ARMADALE 1

All Star: Seth Weirek-Mounsey
Best Team Member: Brent Mitting
Best Defence: Danielle O'Donnell



Well done to all the students who participated and special acknowledgements to our senior school students for taking the time to train our middle school teams during their recess and lunch breaks!

Notes from a Nurse: Information on Scabies

General Facts:

- Scabies is a parasitic skin infestation, caused by the scabies mite; *Sarcoptes scabiei*.
- The mite is very tiny (0.2-0.4mm long) which burrows beneath the skin.
- The person will be infectious until the mites and eggs are destroyed by treatment.
- Anyone can get scabies regardless of age, gender or standards of personal hygiene.
- Itching between the fingers, on the front of the wrists, in the folds of Elbows, armpits, buttocks and genitalia.

Treatment:

- Treated through use of cream, prescribed by your Doctor.
- Apply cream after a shower, from the chin down.
- Keep your child out of School, until after the first day of treatment
- all family members should be treated for scabies.
- Underwear, clothing, towels, bed linen and personal effects such as slippers and dressing gowns used by the affected person in the 72 hours prior to treatment should be laundered using a hot wash cycle.



Community Notices

NDIS PLANNING

for people who are non verbal & have developmental disability

A WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is all about having choice and control. However, you might be one of the many families who wonder how your family member who cannot speak can be included in planning for the NDIS.

DDWA are pleased to invite parents and family members to come along to this workshop which will explore how to include people with developmental disability and complex communication needs in their NDIS planning process.

We've developed some resources to share with you which explore:

- why we now believe that everyone can communicate, regardless of their disability
- how people with complex communication needs can understand and prepare to plan for the NDIS
- how to explore concepts relating to the NDIS with people who appear to be disinterested or have limited ability to pay attention
- what supporters can do to help people to understand the NDIS
- what supporters can do to help people with complex communication needs prepare for their NDIS plan
- how people with complex communication needs can explore having language relating to the NDIS in their communication systems and devices
- how to think about setting communication goals

The resources, which will be available online, have been co-designed and trialled successfully with a group of people with complex communication needs.

10AM—1.00PM 6 JUNE MANDURAH
FUTURE SESSIONS IN: BUNBURY 13 JUNE, HILTON 19 JUNE

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About the presenters:

Jaquie Mills — Jaquie is the parent of four children, two with disability. Her eldest son Eli has complex communication needs and Jaquie has worked extensively to find and promote good practice around communication, including the development of the Graduate Certificate of Education in Complex Communication Needs, at Edith Cowan University. Jaquie is a Project Co-ordinator at DDWA and was a West Australian finalist in the 2018 Australian of the Year Awards for her work developing microboards and supporting people with complex communication needs and challenging behaviour.

Bronwyn Pike — Bronwyn has worked for over 20 years within a variety of human services with her focus on supporting individuals and families to plan, develop and self-direct their supports. Her current role as Side by Side Coordinator at Developmental Disability WA has seen her working closely with families to co-design a family partnership model of support specifically targeted towards families who are living with challenging behaviour.

Eli Dickenson — Eli is a young man with complex communication needs and the host of Merger of Minds, a group of adults with complex communication needs who have been meeting with their workers, friends and families members for the past three years to explore communication, literacy and decision making. Eli loves technology and as a teenager lead the process of Panasonic Toughbooks being used in WA for people who experience challenging behaviour to access technology. Eli won the ISAAC award for community service in 2016 for his work promoting Alternative and Augmentative Communication. His interests include presenting at workshops using his communication system, ska music, playing the drums, live music, travel, trains and train crossings.

Matt James — Matt is a former high school teacher specialising in assisting people with complex communication needs. Matt's focus is the essential foundation of communication that is needed for anyone to have real choice and control, and how families and social networks can support this communication. Matt has spent the last eight years working directly for people with complex communication needs and their families. Matt is currently employed by Eli Dickenson's microboard Blazing Condor Soul Explosions (Inc).

These workshops have been supported by: Government of Western Australia
National Disability Insurance Scheme

Venue: Meadow Springs Sporting Facility: Meeting Room
Address: Oakmont Avenue, Meadow Springs, Mandurah

Online Registration: <https://ddwa.org.au/events/>

Info: mary.butterworth@ddwa.org.au or 9420 7230 (Mon, Wed, Fri)

Cost: (including GST)
DDWA members—\$10 Non members—\$15
Registration includes morning tea

DDWA Membership: **FREE** for People with Disability, Family, Friends and Individuals. Go to <https://ddwa.org.au/membership/>

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Workplace Learning

Student Spotlight

Niall Cavanagh



MT Crates School Based Traineeship Certificate II Construction.

Working at MT Crates is very relaxing, the people are supportive and considerate and generally nice.

I have always had an interest in wood work, but I have learnt how to use new equipment such as the grinder, nail gun and a few other machines.

The work is primarily physical with a bit of common sense.

I am doing my study for this traineeship at Tafe in block sessions (two weeks at a time) Going to Tafe was nerve-racking to start but after I got into the swing of things it was easy.

My lecturers were helpful and easy to get along with very different from school, we were treated as adults. The best thing about my traineeship is being paid for what I enjoy doing.

Autism Study—Can you help?



Find all the details and links for these worthwhile studies here:

<https://ddwa.org.au/telethonkids-autism-study-may2018/>

Link to full newsletter:

<https://mailchi.mp/c71e7e165d3f/ddwas-may-2018-newsletter?e=f065fbc7ce>

Research Studies

The Telethon Kids Institute is recruiting eligible families to join their current research projects.

Can you help with either or both of these two studies that The Autism Research Team are conducting?

- [Oxytocin Nasal Spray Clinical Trial](#)
- [Grandparents Study](#)