

AESC's Newsletter

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From our Principal - Sandra Boyd

As we reach the end of term 2 it is time to reflect on our achievements as a school community. I would like to commend all our staff and students for all the hard work they put in to make our Market Day so successful. Thank you to all the parents who made the effort to attend and support our school community. The stalls were full of quality hand made products and the students learned many skills making and presenting the products for sale which included team work skills and problem solving. Students had to use their numeracy skills when making the products to ensure it was suitably priced compared to the cost of making the product. On the day students had the pleasure of both buying and selling, making cash and school credit voucher purchases. It was a fun and enjoyable learning experience.

The Market Day coincided with the NDIS information morning which was organised by our Workplace Learning Team and Family Support Officer. This event was well attended and we hope you were able to find the information you need to make informed decisions about your children's NDIS plan.

Term 2 saw the introduction of our Auslan Signing Choir led by our talented Auslan specialist Heidi Dvorak. Auslan is the language of the deaf community in Australia and is a very useful communication tool for students who have difficulty speaking. Students who have expressed interest have been learning Auslan in class and are enjoying it so much they have formed a choir that will be performing at our assemblies.

Two of our teachers, Mr McGoldrick and Mr Adamson recently trained as Drumbeat facilitators. The name DRUMBEAT is an abbreviation for Discovering Relationships Using Music, Beliefs, Emotions, Attitudes, and Thoughts. The school already has a set of djembe drums so term 3 we will be adding Drumbeat to our programs.

I have been busy reading end of semester reports and have been impressed with how much students have achieved this term. They have all earned a good holiday!



Our students were very excited to have their Leavers Jackets.

Important Dates and Notices

Dates to Remember!

22/06/18	Market Day 12:30pm
26/06/18	Assembly 09:00am
28/06/18	Land Care Tree Planting Yrs. 10-13
29/06/18	Term 2 Finishes
16/07/18	Pupil free day
17/07/18	Students return Term 3

Positive Behaviour Support

This year we have introduced a new whole school program called the PBS. Students earn tokens as they display the expected behaviours. These tokens can then be traded for tangible rewards, free-time and prizes.

We will catch them being good! All staff will have tokens on them at all times and these tokens are in orange, blue and white. Each colour represents our three core values—

Growth

Respect

Opportunity

Everyone is now a part of this amazing program that encourages positive, happy and enthusiastic students to do their best.

Congratulations to the winners of this Semester's PBS awards. These students were consistently showing Growth – Respect or Opportunity for others and they were nominated by the administration team to win this award.

Middle school winner – Curtis Melling collects a Scooter Hut Voucher!

Senior school winner – Karlee Griffiths collects a sequined pillow and fluffy winter blanket!

All students have the opportunity to collect tokens and trade them in. The last few weeks of this term we have been concentrating on using polite words like please, thank you and excuse me. The students in year 7 can also sign these words in AUSLAN and use them often and appropriately. These are the ways we promoting positive behaviours in our school and students are really responding!

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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.

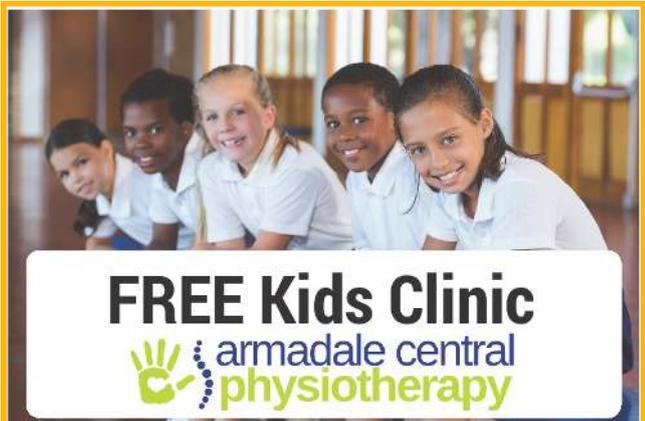
Armadale Education Support Centre
BSB: 066 040

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.



FREE Kids Clinic

armadale central
physiotherapy

Our physiotherapists will be looking at:

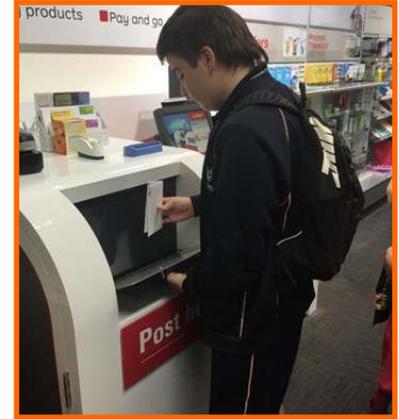
- is it really just growing pains
- correct school back packs
- checks for spinal health
- flexibility in childrens sports

Appointments available between 9am - 3pm

It's a great opportunity to ask those nagging questions you have. Just ask our friendly reception staff to book your child in and receive some professional advice. Places are limited so call early to get your free spot.

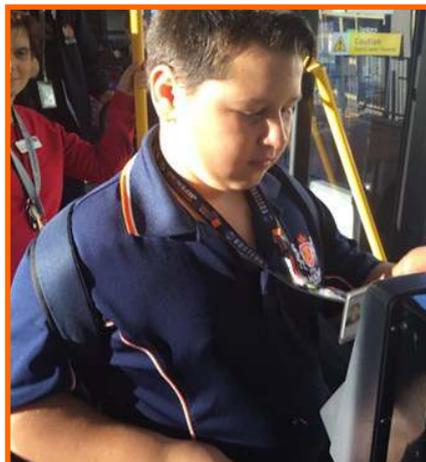
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MS1—Mrs Kannan

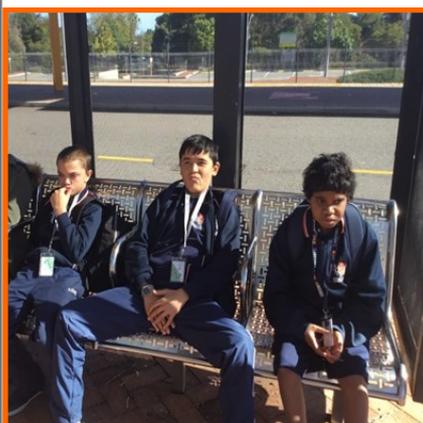


We started Term two with great inspiration and I am delighted to see the excitement going on through to Week 9. Year 7 students had a great opportunity to develop literacy skills through a variety of formats and by engaging in a range of learning experiences. Our focus this Term was to get our students to create a PowerPoint on staying fit as part of our HASS – New Horizon ASDAN program. It has been wonderful to see our young minds take on their “Keeping Fit” PowerPoint preparation sincerely and working hard to research on their topic of interest. We are well underway in completing our PowerPoint presentations and students will have an opportunity to showcase their PowerPoint soon.

During our “Out in the Community” sessions students visited the Armadale Library, Armadale Info Centre and the Post Office. Students were exposed to different facilities that were available to them in their local community. Besides learning how to use public transport, students also learnt how to tag on and tag off on the bus. In addition, as part of Bush Rangers, MS1 students participated in a tree planting activity at Araluen Botanical Park. During this activity students learnt how to dig and plant to enrich the environment. They had fun getting grubby, planting native plants and shrubs. Through this excursion I can proudly say that our Year 7 students have made a difference fostering a love for nature and created a positive environmental change.



In addition, we have been committed in making our enterprise items to sell during Market Day. Students have been doing the final touches on the mosaic coasters, monster key rings, decorative glass jars, poppers and monster lollies which they have made for the Market Day sale.



MS2—Mr Lush

MS2 has had an enjoyable term and we welcome Mr Glen Lush and Mrs Natalie Gillett to the class. We have been involved in a number of programs and activities throughout this term. MS2 enjoyed a wonderful day out at Araluen for the Bushrangers programme learning about flora and fauna and had a lovely walk around the park looking at various types of plants and animals. The group then enjoyed a yummy sausage sizzle for lunch. In week 7 various classes were also involved in a Tree Planting Day at Roleystone for Bushrangers.

Our class has enjoyed cooking this term and have made various types of toasties and pasta dishes. Their confidence in the kitchen has really grown this term. For Enterprise MS2A and B have planned out their market day ideas and came up with the idea of a Birthday Party themed stall. For this they have enjoyed making cupcakes, honey joys, chocolate crackles, card making and lucky dip bags and will sell these items at Market Day this Friday.

We have also been enjoying maths lessons covering division and times tables with the use of counters. This term has also seen the class involved in learning about various health topics as part of the ASDAN New Horizons programme. The students really enjoying researching and then presenting a Powerpoint Presentation of their chosen topic relating to alcohol or drugs and how they can be harmful to us. As part of this health programme they have enjoyed learning about how to look after their bodies, health issues and diseases, healthy food menus and learning about the Healthy Food Pyramid.

Auslan sign lessons have also been enjoyed by the students on a weekly basis with Ms D and they are certainly growing in confidence with their use of sign language.

Our class has just commenced Art and they are experimenting making Tiki portraits of themselves in a humorous way. Woodwork is another subject of lots of enjoyment for our class as the students learn the use of saws, drills, sandpaper, hammers and nails. They loved making a boat and also a pencil holder.



MS2A enjoying making Tiki Portraits of themselves for Art



Woodwork with Mr McMillan in Term 2 making pencil boxes

Every Friday Community Access to the Armadale Shopping Centre has been loved by the students. They have developed lots of confidence being out in public, using public transport, handling smart-riders, small group activities in supermarkets looking for various items and recording costs. They have loved using their own money to purchase lunch from various outlets and their confidence has grown in being able to purchase independently their own meals. Well done guys!!



Secondary:

Friday 20 July is an important date in your child's education.

You need to apply to enrol your children in a public school for 2019 if they are:

starting Year 7 (first year of secondary school)

changing schools.

All children from Pre-primary to Year 12 are guaranteed a place at their local public school.

Come and see us to enrol your children today.

Secondary:

If you have children starting Year 7, or they are changing schools, come and see us to enrol them today.

Applications
for
enrolment
now open!

education.wa.edu.au



SS1 Ms Jesionek

Term two has been very busy for the SS1 students.

Our students continue to work hard in order to achieve their individual and whole class goals.

I would like to include few photos from our new enterprise project.

The Monday car wash is particularly popular amongst our staff.

Students and staff are working hard to make sure our customers are happy with the quality of our work.

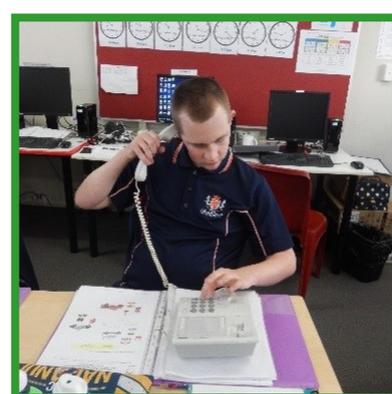


As part of Meal Preparation and Bush Rangers we have been learning about the importance of health and safety.

In class, the students used St John app on iPads to learn allergic reactions, asthma attacks, practiced recovery position and made mock emergency phone calls to the 000 number.



I would like to take the opportunity to thank all the parents for your ongoing support throughout the term. Have a safe and enjoyable winter holidays.



MS3—Ms Mila

With the cold and wet weather setting in you would think things would slow down a little but it has been quite the opposite for MS3. We have had two outings to Perth city, catching the bus and train both ways and spent the days exploring various places of interest.

The first outing saw us exploring the Western Australian Art Gallery, the kids were both impressed and surprised by the various styles of art and the old court house that now houses some of the work.



The second trip was spent at Kailis Fish Market in Leederville where students were shown the various seafood sold and given a demonstration of how to fillet and prepare it. This was followed by a feed of fish and chips, YUM!



More recently the class spent a sunny day in Roleystone on the banks of the Canning River planting native seedlings as part of a rehabilitation program. This was a fun day for the students to get a little muddy and help the environment.



In the last couple of weeks we were very busy in preparation for Market Day, our sideshow themed stall provided lots of entertainment for all!

SS1 & SS2 - Salvation Army Workshop excursion for Community Service

The community service program challenges young people to bring about positive change and encourages students to raise awareness about issues like homelessness. This term the Salvation Army's schools team visited Armadale and conducted their 'Beyond the classroom' program which consisted of a full day workshop about homelessness in Australia, and later gave us a tour of their facilities.

Doorways (Perth) - Emergency Relief and Family Support Services
 Bridge House - Drug and Alcohol Intervention Centre
 The Beacon - Men's Homelessness Facility

The students thoroughly enjoyed the immersive educational experience that took them on an engaging and often moving journey that explored some of the drivers of homelessness, addiction and urban poverty in Australia, providing real insight into the fantastic work that *The Salvation Army* is doing.

As a result of their experience the students were inspired to move beyond the classroom and they have resolved to become part of the solution for those struggling with life's challenges and urban poverty.

Next term the students will commence collecting toiletries as part of the 'Winter Appeal' and their goal is to make 70 toiletry bags, so that a select few students, who have volunteered to, hand out them out to people in need along with The Salvation Army's soup patrol team.

Please support our students and The Salvation Army this winter by donating;

- deodorants
- toothpaste and toothbrushes
- shampoo
- soaps



WINTER APPEAL

Transforming lives this winter.

Handy Hints

- *Ring Pull Tins
- *Long Expiry Dates
- *Avoid 'no-name' brands

Food you can assist us with.

- Cereals and Muesli
- Rice
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Instant Noodles
- Muesli Bars
- Tinned Vegies, Fruits, Soups
- Baked Beans / Spaghetti
- Tinned Fish, Ham etc.

Drinks you can assist us with.

- Tea, Coffee and Sugar
- Milo, Nesquik
- UHT Milk
- Long Life Juice
- Cordials and Soft Drinks

Treats people may like.

- Chocolate
- Biscuits
- Potato Chips
- Popcorn
- Vegemite

Hygiene items people may need.

- Deodorants
- Toothpaste and Toothbrushes
- Shampoo
- Soaps

Other helpful items.

- Blankets
- Sleeping Bags

More Information:

Thank God for the Salvos.

SS1 - Market Day 2018

What a fabulous way to finish the term, with the Armadale ESC Market Day celebration.

At Armadale Education Support Centre we strive to improve not only student knowledge but also their attitude, creativity and behaviours so they can become productive members of our community.

It was exciting to see all the energetic, vibrant young minds in action while buying, selling and giving out change. It was great to see the way the students conducted themselves responsibly and with such maturity while interacting with others.

We were all blown away with such a variety of beautifully designed and colourful products created by our students under the close supervision of our talented staff. Well done Armadale ESC!



Thank you to all parents and carers for supporting us during this event!

SS2 & SS3 & SS4

"Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself." - Chinese Proverb

Students from SS3 and SS4 had an opportunity to visit the Perth Mint in Perth CBD where they observed the process of coin making for the Australian currency. They also experienced the wonder of gold and learned about Western Australia's gold mining past through an extraordinary collection of interactive multimedia displays. Students were taken on a tour of the premises and given a talk on the process. They were able to go to the shops which showcase valuable Jewellery and Gold nuggets.



ARALUEN BOTANIC GARDEN EXCURSION

On Thursday 17th May the Senior School – SS1, SS2, SS3 and SS4 – visited the scenic, historic and very beautiful Araluen Botanic Garden for most of the day.

This garden and the surrounding land and properties have a mixture of native plants and trees and introduced plants and trees and, with Autumn well progressed, the landscape was breathtakingly beautiful with the changing leaves of the exotics.

On arrival we set up near the barbeque area which had seating and shelter and had some morning tea. We then divided up into groups and toured the garden, the students taking photos on their iPad of both the native and exotic vegetation.

Even in Autumn there was splendid colour other than in the Autumn leaves, with camellias, azaleas, rhododendrons and roses flowering seemingly everywhere.

The students had a lot of fun negotiating stones and logs on the waterways, with some even venturing a rolling competition down a very inviting sloped lawn .

The students enjoyed the walk and each other's company.

After an hour or so we returned to the barbeque area where Mr Vincent and Eric had cooked onions and sausages perfectly. We all made our own hot dogs and ate them with relish, washed down with spring water. Some of us then enjoyed sitting and chatting after lunch, whilst others explored our surroundings some more before getting into formation to make sure we had left no rubbish.

What a thoroughly splendid, worthwhile day! Not only did we appreciate the astonishing beauty of the gardens but we also learned something of the history of the place. From a period of neglect, it has been worked on by an amazing variety of volunteers to become a world class botanic garden, hosting not only day trippers but festivals such as the Spring Tulip Festival and the February Chilli Festival as well as functions such as weddings.

Conservation heritage is well and truly exemplified in the Araluen Botanic Garden.



Market Day - SS2, SS3 & SS4

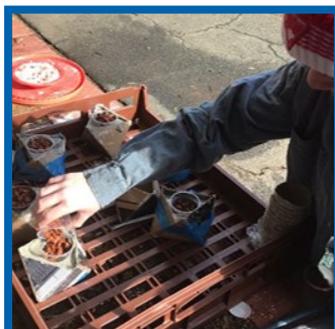
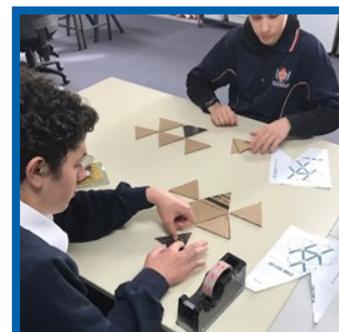
On Friday 22nd June Armadale Education Support Centre had its annual Market Day.

SS3 capitalised on the great skills they mastered in their course, ASDAN Meal Preparation and made delicious Butter Chicken for sale.

SS4 set up a Sunflower stall, selling sunflower plants they have raised from seed and packets of sunflower seeds. Anyone who made a purchase was also automatically entered in a raffle draw, with an attractive plate featuring sunflowers that was made in Italy as the prize.

As a part of their Maths program the students of MS2 applied their mathematical knowledge of shape and designed 3D geometric cement plant pots for Market Day in which they planted small, attractive succulent plants. These make great decorations for both indoors and outdoors, looking really effective on an outdoor table setting.

These decorations are currently very popular with cafes and restaurants as more or less permanent table decorations. SS4 assisted their fellow senior school students in this exercise by planting out a selection of succulents in trays for their use.



Music Rock



Senior Music Rock (SCSA) program is well underway this term!

The senior school music rock students have been practising two new songs this term, 'What's my scene?' by Hoodoo Gurus and 'Tomorrow' by Silver Chair in preparation to perform at the next assembly.

It was outstanding to see the seniors school music rock group had taken responsibility of their learning and organised extra practise times during their lunch breaks. *FANTASTIC ENTHUSIASM!!*

On the theory side, they have been given a task to create an, "Artist Profile". The students will prepare a presentation that sells them as a musician, including a 2min video of each playing their favourite instrument, 10 songs from the same genre and a written biography of their musical history. They can be creative in their own way.

It has been an entertaining term and we look forward to seeing the progress of our senior students throughout the year.

If you want to see what MUSIC ROCK is all about, come to our next assembly and see them in action.



DADAA – Youth Performance Workshop

Three of our senior school students Harry Leclair, Jarrod Zappelli and Seth Wereik-Mounsey are participating every Thursday in a youth performance workshop named "Sight Unseen", at DADAA in Fremantle.

This program is suitable for emerging artists between the ages of 16 and 25 and no previous formal experience of drama, acting or the arts is required.



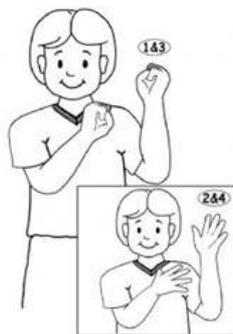
The workshop provides students a perfect opportunity to try performance for the first time, or continue to build their skills even with no prior experience. The workshop is focused on contemporary performance and ideally working towards a show in late 2018 or early 2019. Participants develop performance skills such as movement, voice and working with microphones, plus other media such as projection and film. The current theme our students are working with is good and bad behaviour and the shades of grey in between. The group have been devising content together but also looking at film scripts and how these can be reworked in different ways to create new meanings. Our students had been thoroughly enjoying the program in Term 2 and wish to continue until the end of the year.



DADAA is an organisation that provides access to arts and culture for people with disability. DADAA provides for people with disability an opportunity to explore the many access points and pathways to pursue their dream of becoming a professional artist.



Auslan Signing Choir



MS2 – SS3 Auslan Choir



The Students from Armadale Education Support Centre have been learning Auslan this year (Australian Sign Language). We invited a handful of students ranging from MS2 through to SS3 to join the Auslan choir and I say with great honour it has been a huge success.

The students have worked hard and have been very dedicated. They have practiced with enthusiasm a song from the Movie: The Greatest Showman, the song being 'This is me'. We all brainstormed and came up with Auslan signs that best represented the meaning of the song! We then performed it at our assembly on the 26th June!

I am proud to say that the students have learnt to sign the song in a short amount of time! Well done! We all look forward to learning another song for next term!

Congratulations and well done to the Auslan Choir!

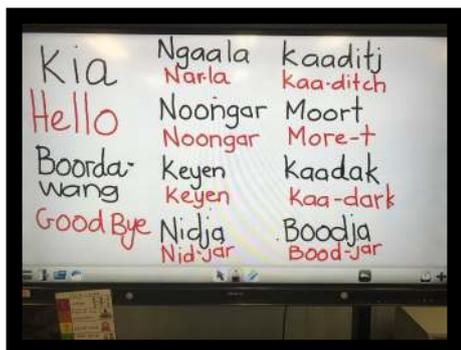


Student Services

We have been lucky enough to continue with our Aboriginal Cultural awareness this term with the teaching from Aboriginal Cultural Elder Koodah and Delvene.

They have now implemented some of their knowledge towards the Bushrangers program including the Acknowledgement to Country taught in Noongar language and a Dreamtime story between a Noorn and Karda. Some students also got to experience how to make a didgeridoo.

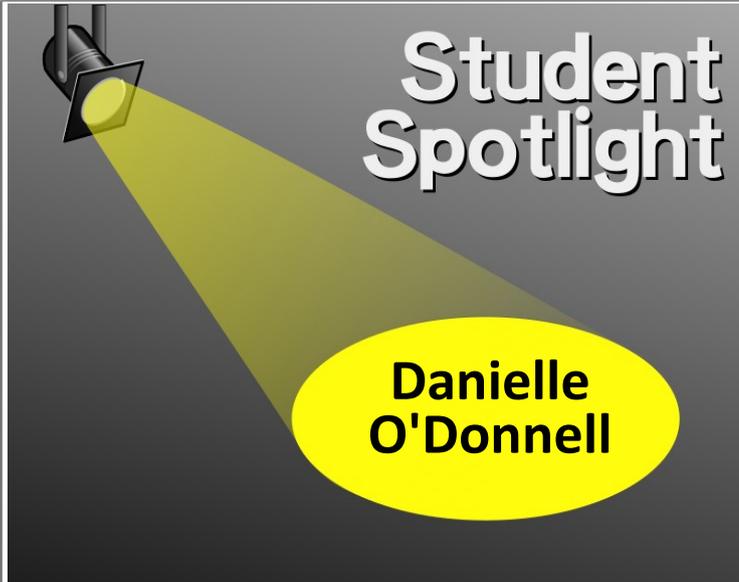
Delvene started a Girls Power Program which included students from Ed Support and Main stream classes.



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Workplace Learning



I am doing a Certificate II Hospitality School Based Traineeship at Sizzler in Kelmscott.

I enjoy working with the staff. I stack and unstack the dishwasher, clean tables and prepare food for the salad bar.

It's good working for Sizzler and knowing how they want things done.

I have units to complete in work books, sometimes I find the questions a bit difficult but the school staff will help me during class. The best thing about having a traineeship is getting paid and having more independence.

I hope it will lead to a full time job when I finish school.

Entertainment Book– Available Now!!!



Armadale Education Support Centre is fundraising with the Entertainment fundraiser this year, and we'd appreciate your support.

Please support our School by purchasing the 2018 | 2019 Entertainment Membership from us today.

Hundreds of great value offers are ready for your enjoyment, while also helping our fundraising!

We have books available at the office. Order yours today: <http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/9513r54>