



Padbury Primary School

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*Caring for the Future*

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## BELL TIMES

Start of day: 8.55am  
Recess: 10.55am  
Lunch: 12.45pm  
End of day: 3.00pm

## TERM DATES 2024

**Term 1**  
31st Jan to 28th March

**Term 2**  
15th April to 28th June

**Term 3**  
15th July to 20th Sept

**Term 4**  
7th Oct to 12th Dec

## Voluntary School Contributions

### **Kindy:**

\$40 per child

### **PP-Yr 6:**

\$60 per child

## P&C Contribution

\$40 per child

Please make your payment  
through the office.

We accept  
Cash, Eftpos & Direct Debit.

Direct Debit  
BSB: 066160  
ACCT: 009 000 80  
Padbury Primary School  
Surname/Year as reference

Thankyou

## Principal's Message

Dear parents and carers,

It's hard to believe we have reached the end of the year. The final weeks at Padbury Primary School has been exciting with some special whole school events. This has included our Presentation assembly, the Year 6 Graduation, the whole school lunch and our Big Dig time capsule reveal.

### 2024 Preliminary Student Class Lists

The 2024 preliminary class lists were published yesterday and are available on our school website until tomorrow at midday. Final class lists will also be posted on classroom windows when school resumes on Wednesday 31 January 2024. Please be aware that these lists may be subject to change should enrolment numbers change before day one in 2024.

The 2024 preliminary class structure is below for your information.

2024 Preliminary Class Structure (Subject to change)			
Room	Year	Estimated Class size	Teacher/s
Rm 10	Kindy	18	Jackie Thomas
Room 8	P/1	25	Heather Sage/Karon Patterson
Room 14	1/2	22	Sandy Aravidis/Donna Reid
Room 18	2/3	23	Jaclyn Mitanoski
Room 15	3/4	26	Kim Atkins/Susie Holgate
Room 17	5/6	26	Rick Gillett

Specialist Teachers	
Physical Education	Karen Holmes
Science	Eva Viola
Visual Arts	Karon Patterson
Music	Kiki McCormack

### Parents of Year 1 Students

To ensure continuity of learning and social and emotional development, Year 1 teachers will engage in shared planning, programs and activities. Students in Year 1 will play in the main school playground.

Composite classes commonly occur in schools, constructed with careful consideration by teachers and administration staff based on their professional judgement. Staff draw upon their knowledge of students academic, social and emotional development, friendships, additional needs and previous placements to make these informed decisions.

It is important to note students are not grouped only according to their academic performance in the class above or below their year level. The sizes of the classes vary according to the industrial agreement for public schools of which we receive funding for. At Padbury Primary School we structure our classes to ensure student numbers fall within the recommended size where possible, taking into consideration our enrolment numbers.

Importantly, collaboration with staff about the learning programs and important events is essential to ensure the continuity of learning and social development of students in the same cohort.



### **Administration**

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### **Semester 2 Reports 2023**

The Semester 2 reports were emailed on Tuesday. When assessing your child's report, we suggest you download it as a pdf and save it to your device. The link will remain for 4 weeks only. Please check your junk folder if you did not receive your email link. You can contact the school office if you still did not receive it.

#### **Pre primary to Year 6**

In Pre-primary to Year 6 academic achievement is reported using the A-E grades (Year 3-6) or grade descriptors (Pre primary to Year 2). These are:

- Excellent
- High
- Satisfactory
- Limited Very Low

Your child's grade is determined by the Western Australian Curriculum standards. These standards describe the expected knowledge and skills for students who have been taught the content for the full year of schooling. Teachers are required to make a professional judgment drawing upon assessment data, work samples and observations.

At times parents query a report where a different grade has been previously attained. It is important to recognise that often children progress at different rates throughout their schooling, which can be reflected in their grades. If a change in grade is significant, your child's teacher may contact you before the report is issued to request an interview.

#### **Kindergarten**

The Kindergarten student progress report is based on the West Australian Kindergarten Guidelines and the Early Years Learning Framework. The assessment criteria is different to the Pre primary to Year 6 report. Details about the criteria including learning descriptors will be included in your child's kindergarten report.

#### **Presentation Assembly**

It was wonderful seeing the school community come together to celebrate the success of our students. I also enjoyed seeing all the happy faces of the award recipients. Thank you to Anjali and Millie for their superb job at hosting the event.

#### **Graduation Assembly**

This week we farewelled our amazing group of Year 6 students at the graduation ceremony. The 2023 graduating class leave our school to embark on the next chapter of their schooling journey. We wish them all the best in secondary school and know they will make the most of the opportunities ahead of them.

#### **Work over the holidays**

Pleasingly, the old undercover area will be re surfaced over the summer holiday. The surface will improve the aesthetics of the school whilst including some painted on games for the students to play. I look forward to giving the students opportunities to engage in games such as handball, hopscotch etc, which will be fun. Additionally, the benched seating will be ungraded and replaced.

Furthermore, our mural to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be completed by day one next year. This is being painted in the new undercover area by the artist Paul Deej. The mural will include aspects of the local flora and fauna.

#### **In conclusion**

I'd like to acknowledge the hard working commitment of the staff at Padbury Primary School for their investment in your children's learning and development. I know the students are central to our decision making and practice at Padbury Primary School.

I would also like to acknowledge the work of the P&C who give up their time to support your children's educational experience. I would encourage you to consider joining this amazing group of parents next year. In addition, thank you to our School Council for their governance and overseeing school improvement directions. This is much appreciated.

Thank you for welcoming me to Padbury Primary School as the newly appointed Principal. I feel very privileged to lead this school as I work in partnership with everyone to focus on our students first. I'd like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to welcoming you back in 2024, for an exciting year ahead.

Best wishes

Leah Clegg - Principal



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### Term 1

Monday 29th January  
Tuesday 30th January

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Friday 31st May

### Term 3

Monday 15th July

### Term 4

Monday 7th October



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## Vaping

Please see letter below from the Education Minister Dr Tony Buti, for all Public schools, addressing vaping.



## Hon Dr Tony Buti MLA Minister for Education; Aboriginal Affairs; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

Dear Parent

### STRENGTHENING SUPPORT FOR SCHOOLS TO ADDRESS VAPING

It is hard to believe another school year is coming to an end.

Can I say a big thank you to all parents and carers for supporting their school communities - without your commitment the education system simply would not work. I am writing to ask for your support on a crucial issue. You may have recently seen my announcement about the new measures we are implementing to address vaping in schools. The prevalence of vapes in our community is a serious issue.

The biggest misunderstanding is they are harmless compared to cigarettes - this is not true - vapes are not safe and they are contributing to a new generation of nicotine dependency. It is a growing concern for school communities, with incidents of students being found in possession of vapes or caught vaping at school becoming a serious disruption to the education of our kids. To strengthen our response and to continue to support principals and teachers to effectively address vaping in our schools, we have now implemented further measures.

In collaboration with the Department of Health and the Minister for Health, new teaching and learning resources now apply for students in Years 5 to 7, which will complement those launched in the original Vaping Toolkit. We are also taking strong action in expanding the Student Behaviour in Public Schools policy. Principals have now been given additional powers to address vaping, whereby a student can lose good standing under this policy for use or possession of vapes at school.

This means, students caught vaping risk not being able to attend school events like balls, graduations, and other extra-curricular activities. We consulted with the Department of Health and several organisations, including the WA Student Council, in the development of these initiatives to make sure our approach is appropriate and meets the needs of students, and we believe a whole school approach is the most impactful way to address this issue.

We are confident these new measures, alongside other initiatives across Government, will help to reduce the impact these dangerous products are having on our community particularly our children and young people.

I encourage all parents to speak with your children about vaping. The facts can be found at <https://www.education.wa.edu.au/drug-education>.

Thank you again for your support of these measures to ensure the future health and wellbeing of our young people. I hope you all enjoy the summer holidays and have a safe festive season.

Yours sincerely

Dr Tony Buti MLA  
MINISTER FOR EDUCATION





# PRESENTATION ASSEMBLY

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR BOOK AWARD RECIPIENTS





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A big thank you to all our families at Padbury Primary School and the West Coast Language Development Centre for donating so many items to our Salvation Army Christmas Appeal.

A Salvation Army representative collected the items on Friday and they passed on their gratitude for the kindness we have shown to others in need.



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**TIME CAPSULE**

On Wednesday 6th December, our Gardener Mr Max attempted to locate a time capsule buried 50 years ago with only one clue, that is was 6 metres due north of our front office.

We were so excited when he located a white plastic bucket containing materials wrapped in multiple layers of plastic.



We were surprised to find letters from students from 1998, 25 years ago.

This means that the 50 year time capsule could still be buried on the school grounds.

We celebrated the occasion with cupcakes for all the students.

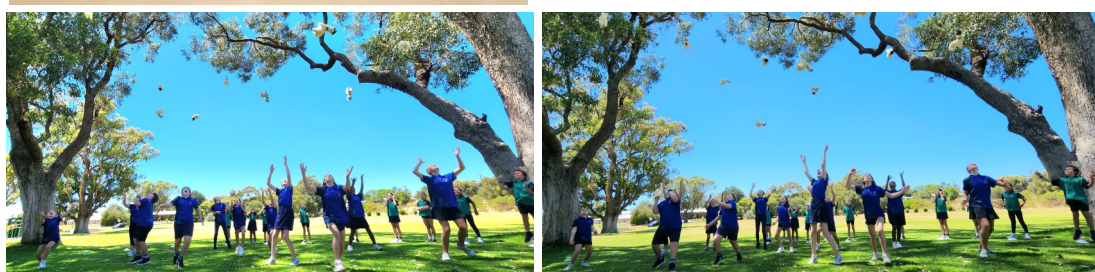








# Year 6 Graduation— Congratulations to our Class of 2023



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# A CHRISTMAS TREAT

On the last Monday of school the year ones and twos were treated to some traditional Christmas activities. Mrs Mocke came in to ice Christmas biscuits. Mrs Heales made a Lolly Holly activity and Mrs Rodgers assisted. Mrs Adamson played a Christmas board game with the children and Mrs Cooney helped them make their Christmas cards. It was a fun and relaxing afternoon for everyone and a lovely way to get excited about Christmas!

A special thank you to the parents from Mrs Aavidis, for giving up their time to make it possible."



## LOST AND FOUND BOX

Lost property is located in room 13 in our B Block. Items that are clearly labelled will be given back to the students.

**REMEMBER** to clearly label all Personal items.



# WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Such a wonderful way to Celebrate an amazing year, sharing lunch with all of our Students. Thank you to all our parents for your wonderful contributions and sharing this special lunch with us today. Merry Christmas to all our families.



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# Christmas Raffle

Thank you to all our families for your incredible donations to our Christmas Raffle. The P&C would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all next year.



## AND THE WINNERS ARE

1st	Isaiah I	Room 8
2nd	Wanee	Staff
3rd	Bryce N	Room 15
4th	Aine B	Room 15
5th	Carter A	Room 17
6th	Gurshant S	Room 17
7th	Aimee H	Room 8
8th	Van C	Room 14
9th	James A	Room 14

10th	Tommy W	Room 8
11th	Myles G	Room 15
12th	Cody H	Room 18
13th	Juliet M	Room 14
14th	Maddison L	Room 18
15th	Tangkad P	Room 14
16th	Alyx S	Room 14
17th	Olivia L	Room 8

CONGRATULATIONS EVERYONE



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# Term 1 Planner 2024

Term 1 is a 9 week term

Admin open from Wednesday 24th January 8am—4pm



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	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
Week 1	29/01 Staff Development Day - Students do not attend	30/01 Staff Development Day - Students do not attend	31/01 FIRST DAY OF TERM Kindy's do not attend	01/02	02/02
Week 2	05/02 Kindy's First Day	06/02	07/02	08/02	09/02
Week 3	12/02	13/02	14/02 Class Meetings	15/02	16/02
Week 4	19/02	20/02	21/02	22/02	23/02 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations 4-7pm
Week 5	26/02	27/02	28/02	29/02	01/03
Week 6	04/03 Labour Day Public Holiday - Students do not attend	05/03	06/03	07/03	08/03
Week 7	11/03	12/03	13/03 Naplan	14/03 Naplan	15/03 Naplan
Week 8	18/03 GRIP Leadership Conference Yr 6 TBC Naplan	19/03	20/03	21/03	22/03
Week 9	25/03	26/03	27/03	28/03 LAST DAY OF TERM	EASTER FRIDAY





## Did you Know??



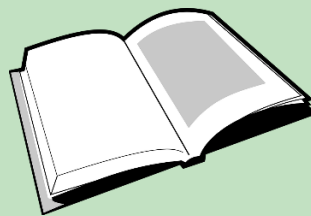
The Kindy Class will be running a stall for pre-loved children's books, on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2024 at our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations!

*(Lots more information to follow!)*

Please put your good quality books aside for us if you do a post-Christmas clean out!

Thank you!

K Staff





# Community News



## A Little About Us

Wonderland has the distinct honour of being a part of the Padbury Primary School Community, proudly providing our services to all families of Padbury and the surrounding area. We are a registered Charitable Not-for-Profit, committed to our mission of providing children the best care possible. We have recently celebrated our 15th year of providing care for School Aged children in the Northern Suburbs.

Our Team of 25 dedicated and fun-loving Educators are led by the Service Director, Adam; two Program Coordinators, Tash and Meg and four Supervisors, Cathy, John, Dayna and Jordy. Together we have accumulated several lifetimes of experience and each bring unique skills and interests to create a truly wonderful program for our kids.

## Our Services

Wonderland provides vibrant onsite care services from the outstanding facilities of Padbury Primary School's Undercover Area and Art Room. Our Operating times are:

**Before School Care:** 7am to start of class  
**After School Care:** End of class to 6pm  
**School Holiday and Pupil Free:** 7am to 6pm

We cater for all ages from our 3 year-olds ready to start their exciting first year of school through to our 13 year-olds transitioning to their High School journey.

Wonderland also offers a full day program from our Duncraig Service for our Kindy kids on the days they do not have school with a shuttle bus between Padbury and Duncraig.



## Our Fees

We believe all Child Care Services should practice complete openness and transparency with their fees. Wonderland's Fees for the commencement of 2024 are below. Fees are reviewed in line with changes to wages, insurance and other costs and any changes are communicated well in advance.

<b>Before School Care:</b>	<b>\$24</b>
<b>After School Care:</b>	<b>\$36</b>
<b>School Holiday Care:</b>	<b>\$80 + Excursion</b>
<b>Kindy Full Days:</b>	<b>\$95</b>

The full Child Care Subsidy of up to 90% applies to all of Wonderland's fees. Contact Centrelink to find out more about the Child Care Subsidy, or check your eligibility.

There are no hidden fees and charges imposed by Wonderland. We do not charge extra for Casual Bookings, Last Minute Bookings, Transport, Late Collection, Breakfast and the list goes on...

## Get in Touch

If you are needing any care for your children or would just like some more information, feel free to reach out via email or phone. Families are welcome to come by and visit any time we are operating, no need to make an appointment.

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