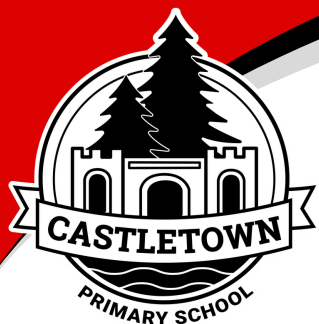




Castletown NEWS

NEWSLETTER 2, TERM 3

24TH SEPTEMBER 2026

A passionate learning community that inspires, challenges, and supports all students to succeed, and empowers them to be resilient and respectful



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The Sounds of Esperance Concert was a wonderful highlight and a fantastic showcase of the talent, commitment and courage of our students. It was inspiring to see our performers take to the stage with such confidence and enthusiasm as part of this special community event. Thank you to every student who participated. The memories they have created and the experiences they have gained will stay with them for many years to come.

A heartfelt thank you to the staff members who generously volunteered their time on Friday and Saturday to support our students at the concerts. Opportunities like this simply would not be possible without your dedication and willingness to go above and beyond for our students.

Thank you to the many parents and family members who attended the concert and supported our performers. Your encouragement and presence helped make the occasion even more special. We are also extremely grateful to Australian Baroque and Maggie Tolman for their expertise, guidance and support during rehearsals and performances. Their work helped our students shine on stage and contributed greatly to the success of the event.

Our Colour Fun Run was another fantastic highlight of the term, bringing plenty of colour, laughter and excitement to our school. A sincere thank you to our P&C for organising this event and for the countless fundraising activities they coordinate throughout the year. Their hard work and

dedication provide valuable support for our students and school, and we are incredibly grateful for everything they do for the Castletown community.

Our Year 6 students enjoyed an incredible camp experience at Camp Quarunup in Albany. Camps provide valuable opportunities for students to build independence, strengthen friendships and challenge themselves in new ways. We have enjoyed hearing all about their adventures.

As we come to the end of Term 3, I would like to thank our entire school community for your ongoing support. I wish all students, staff and families a safe, restful and enjoyable two-week break. We look forward to the weather warming up and to welcoming everyone back for what promises to be a busy, productive and successful Term 4.

Kind regards

David Vooght-Simpson
Principal

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DEPUTY'S DESK

It Takes a Village

They say it takes a village to raise a child and, as we reflect on this term and our community, we can certainly confirm that here at Castletown Primary School.

Some may suggest that living in a regional town, more than 800 kilometres from our capital city, can disadvantage our students. However, we work hard to embrace every opportunity that comes to Esperance, ensuring our students benefit from rich and meaningful experiences that enhance both their lives and their education.

Over the past few weeks, we have been reminded of the power of community. Listening to conversations about the impact that Max Thornton has had on the lives of our students and staff, watching our choir students celebrate Mr Finn, Mr Vooght-Simpson and Maggie Tolman on stage, their classmates performing in the Bijou Theatre along with their own outstanding performance, and seeing our Community Service personnel and dedicated P&C members shower students in colour, slime, foam and water have all brought enormous joy to our school. Equally inspiring has been witnessing our staff generously give up their own time to accompany our Year 6 students on camp, creating memories and experiences that will last a lifetime.

This week, we have welcomed students from Presbyterian Ladies' College who have been working alongside our Year 1/2 classes through the Teach Learn Grow program. They have supported students in developing mathematical concepts, assisted with Breakfast Club, entertained our bus students, organised team games for combined classes and will finish their visit by joining in the fun at our school disco. Now in its fourth year at Castletown, this partnership continues to create meaningful connections between students, with benefits flowing both ways. We are grateful to the PLC students for their enthusiasm and commitment, and to the Teach Learn Grow program for making these valuable opportunities possible.

Our community's contributions extend far beyond these events. This term we have been fortunate to receive a beautiful new bench from Men in Sheds, nestled beneath our pine tree; hear the Esperance Bay Yacht Club Junior Commodore, Shaun Carmichael, share his passion for sailing with our Year 4-6 students; welcome the Every Day Matters team each Tuesday; enjoy performances by Australian Baroque; participate in the Stitches in Time Mental Health Forum; and benefit from our P&C's ever-popular Father's Day

Stall. These are just some of the many ways our students' lives are enriched by the people around them. As we look ahead to Term 4, we are excited to continue building these partnerships and creating new opportunities for our students. We are incredibly fortunate to be part of a community that continually gives its time, expertise, enthusiasm and support. On behalf of our students and staff, thank you to every volunteer, community member, parent, organisation and supporter who contributes to our school. Whether your contribution is large or small, it makes a meaningful difference and helps create the vibrant learning community we are proud to call Castletown. Together, we truly are the village that helps our children learn, grow and thrive.

Julie Fetherston
Deputy Principal



In Loving Memory of Max Thornton

To Max,

Max, you were so much more than a teacher. You were a valued colleague, friend, and an important part of the fabric of our school community. Your impact reached far beyond the classroom walls and into the hearts of students, staff, families, and everyone fortunate enough to know you.

You had a remarkable gift for inspiring curiosity and a genuine love of learning. You encouraged students to ask questions, think deeply, challenge ideas, and see the world through fresh eyes. Learning in your classroom was never just about finding the right answer. It was about wondering, exploring, discovering, and finding joy in the journey. You helped students develop confidence in their thinking and showed them that curiosity is one of life's greatest strengths.

At the same time, you never took yourself too seriously. You brought humour, warmth, and a wonderful sense of fun to our school. You were happy to be silly, to share a joke, tell a story, pull a funny face, or create a moment of laughter when it was needed most. Those moments brought people together and reminded us all that learning and joy belong side by side.

What made you truly special was the way you made people feel. You made students feel valued and capable. You made colleagues feel supported and respected. You made families feel welcome and heard. Your kindness, generosity, patience, and genuine care for others left a lasting impression on everyone around you. We are grateful for the time we shared with you and for the difference you made in so many lives. You will be deeply missed, fondly remembered, and forever hold a special place in the heart of Castletown Primary School.

With gratitude, respect, and love,

The Castletown Primary School Community



Sounds of Esperance

Wow, wow, wow! What an incredible celebration of music, talent and community the Sounds of Esperance Festival turned out to be.

Our talented Castletown students took part in the Sounds of Esperance Festival alongside students from Nulsen Primary School performing with energy, enthusiasm and plenty of smiles, entertaining audiences with Revolting Children, Can't Stop This Feeling, Believer, I'm Still Standing and Let Me Entertain You. It was fantastic to see the confidence our students showed on stage and the joy they brought to every performance.

A special congratulations goes to Lily Edwards, Georgia Gordon and Ella-Grace Truncali, who performed beautifully as part of the Bijou Theatre performance. Their hard work, confidence and talent shone through.

We were also incredibly proud of Mr Finn, who performed brilliantly with Prisoners of the Sun, amazing audiences with his outstanding vocal performances.

A special mention must also go to our IMSS teachers, particularly Minky Gardner, whose beautiful singing performances captivated audiences, and to both Geoff Collins and Minky for their contributions as part of the outstanding festival orchestra. Their talent and dedication helped make the entire event something truly special. Events like Sounds of Esperance don't happen without a great deal of support behind the scenes. A huge thank you goes to the staff who generously gave up their evenings to supervise and support students throughout the festival. Your commitment ensures these opportunities are possible for our children.

A very special thank you must also go to Maggie Tolman, who trained the choir with endless patience, enthusiasm and encouragement. Maggie's dedication made a tremendous difference and helped our students perform with confidence and pride. Finally, we would like to thank Australian Baroque and the Shire of Esperance for creating such a wonderful opportunity for our students and the broader community. The Arts have a unique way of bringing people together, and it was fantastic to see so many young people involved in such a high-quality community event.

Well done to all of our students. We are incredibly proud of the way you represented Castletown Primary School and embraced every opportunity to learn, perform and have fun. Experiences like these create memories that will last a lifetime and remind us of the amazing talent we have in our school and community.



Book Week *Parade*

Our Book Week Parade was a wonderful celebration of reading, with students bringing favourite characters to life through their creative costumes. The imagination on display was outstanding and choosing winners was no easy task. Congratulations to our winning classes:

- 🏆 EC7 (K-P)
- 🏆 Room 6 (Years 1-3)
- 🏆 Room 10 (Years 4-6)

Thank you to our students, families and staff for making Book Week such a memorable event. 🌟📖

INSPIRE • EDUCATE • SUCCEED

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ASSEMBLY HIGHLIGHTS

A Symphony of Stories... with a Surprise Guest!

Rooms 4 and 5 proudly hosted this week's Book Week Assembly, celebrating the theme "A Symphony of Stories."

Our students spoke confidently and thoughtfully about how stories began and why they continue to play such an important role in our lives. They also delighted the audience with a beautiful performance of I Am Australian in Noongar, showcasing both talent and cultural appreciation.

Just when everyone thought Super Reader might make an appearance, we received a very unexpected visitor... Miss Trunchbull! 🤖 She swiftly ensured everyone was sitting quietly and reminded us that reading is very serious business indeed! Congratulations to all our Merit Certificate recipients, as well as our classroom award winners:

🌟 **Golden Broom: Room 4**

🌟 **Golden Jacket: Room 12**

A huge thank you to the students and staff of Rooms 4 and 5 for presenting such an entertaining and memorable assembly, and for helping our school celebrate the joy and power of books during Book Week. 📖🌟

Miss
Trunchbull!



Congratulations to our **SUPER!** **R.I.B.I.T Readers**

50 Nights of Reading

EC4 - Glaiza Blythman, Pippa Desmond, Lacey Clark, Nala Byrne

80 Nights of Reading

EC4 - Ashton Henderson, Harriet Blacker, Isla Styles, Levi Hillbrick, Fraser Jones, Mienke Haefele, Jasper Kingma

EC6 - Sal King, Grayson Sutton

Room 4 - Cooper Thornton

100 Nights of Reading

EC4 - Morris Holthouse, Lyra Carmody

EC6 - Spencer Wegmann, Romy Heaton, Annelise Hill, Kathryn Hill

Room 4 - Bella Martins, Cooper Thornton

Room 5 - Eloise Edwards, Hamish Eves, Adeline Sullivan

Room 7 - Eddie Nelson, Noah Rose

120 Nights of Reading

EC4 - Lukas Sweetman, Devon Funneman

EC6 - Jude Agenbag & Leo Walker

Room 4 - Eliza Parkin, Hazel Sutton, Ellie Wegmann

Room 5 - Henry Adams

150 Nights of Reading

Room 4 - Kailee Sherriff

Room 5 - Mason Perks, Ysobel Carmody

Room 7 - Maisie Hammond

180 Nights of Reading

Room 5 - Maci Ball

Room 4 - Verety Carmody



RIBIT

Reading in bed is terrific!



Congratulations!

Golden Jacket & Golden Broom Winners



ASSEMBLY HIGHLIGHTS

Rooms 6 and 7 entertained and delighted the audience with their assembly presentation, ***What Do Teachers Really Do After School?*** Students confidently took on the roles of their favourite teachers and delivered their performances with enthusiasm, clear speaking and plenty of pride. Their creativity and humour made for a wonderful assembly. Well done, Year 3! A special congratulations to our Year 5 students, who stepped up admirably to announce the Merit Award winners while the Year 6 students were away at camp. They demonstrated excellent leadership, confidence and maturity, making us all proud. Adding to the excitement, we were treated to a surprise visit from Super Reader Super Nova and apprentice Super Reader Ms Pelly... or was it Miss Trunchbull?



We also welcomed a very special guest, our secret detective, Mrs Mather. She revealed the winner of the Golden Broom Award through a cleverly written poem describing the sparkling standards and impressive tidiness of Room 14.

Congratulations to our award recipients:

🏆 Golden Broom – Room 14

👑 Golden Jacket – Room 3

🇦🇺 Aussie of the Month – Hamish

Colour Fun Run prizes were also announced, with Room 21 raising the highest amount and earning a well-deserved 🍦 class ice cream party. Congratulations to all of our award winners, presenters and fundraisers. We are incredibly proud of your achievements and the positive way you continue to represent Castletown Primary School. Keep up the fantastic work!



Congratulations! Golden Jacket & Golden Broom Winners



Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to Hamish

Hamish consistently demonstrates the Castletown values. He willingly challenges himself and embraces new learning opportunities, always striving to improve and do his best. He shows resilience when tasks become difficult, takes responsibility for his learning and treats others with kindness and respect.



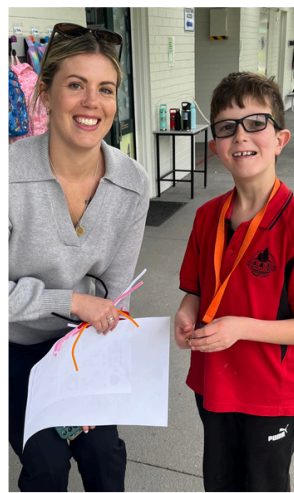
EDUCATION ASSISTANT APPRECIATION WEEK

In week seven, we proudly celebrated Education Assistant Appreciation Week, recognising and thanking the dedicated Education Assistants who make such a valuable contribution to life at Castletown Primary School.

Our Education Assistants play an essential role in supporting students every day. Through their patience, commitment, kindness, and encouragement, they help create positive learning experiences and support every child to achieve their potential. Their impact is felt across our classrooms and throughout the school community.

To show our gratitude, staff gathered for a special morning tea and presented our Education Assistants with small gift bags as a token of appreciation.

We sincerely thank our wonderful Education Assistants for all they do. Your hard work, dedication, and ongoing support are greatly valued and truly make a difference in the lives of our students every day.



NUMERO 2026

On Friday, 11th of September, Castletown Primary School hosted the Numero competition. We had groups from Esperance Primary School, Mallee schools, and 4 groups from Castletown Primary. It was a very competitive day with Esperance Primary taking out the top position to travel to Perth.

Ms Linden is very proud of the competitors and the stewards that helped on the day.

Start practising now so that you can try out for the competition next year.





HELP OUR GARDEN GROW:

Adopt a Fruit Tree

Hey Castletown Families!

We are excited to launch a brand new initiative in our **Sustainability Garden**, and we need your help to bring it to life!

We are inviting Castletown Families and local Businesses to **Sponsor a Fruit tree** in our school orchard.

By sponsoring a tree, you'll be helping us teach our students about **sustainable gardening**, where their food comes from and the **joy** of watching something **grow**!

SPONSOR A TREE GROW OUR FUTURE

TOGETHER, WE CAN GROW SOMETHING AMAZING!

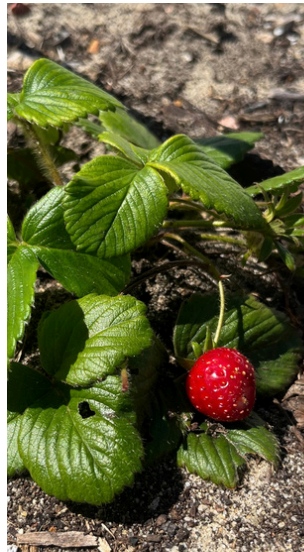
Our Garden. Our Future.

BANKING DETAILS

Account Name: Castletown Primary School P&C
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 Account: 226368
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SUSTAINABILITY GARDEN NEWS

Our sustainable garden has been thriving this term, providing students with the opportunity to harvest a variety of fresh produce while learning about sustainability and healthy food choices. As the current crop comes to an end, students have been busy clearing garden beds, enriching the soil, and preparing the space for the warmer months ahead. This week, we are getting everything ready so that planting can begin early next term, ensuring another successful summer crop and continuing our hands-on learning journey in the garden.



WORDS MATTER FRIENDS MATTER KINDNESS MATTERS YOU MATTER

Everyday Matters
 a fun lunchtime program
 Games Activities Craft Bible Stories

Everyday Matters

We have a dedicated team who put together a weekly program and activities following Youthcare approved materials to teach life and values with a faith perspective. This is a short, high energy time with games, dress up dramas, stories and crafts to reinforce values that are threaded through our lives, homes and school. Last term values included Acceptance, Uniqueness and Purposefulness and a unit on Courage. It was lovely to see children involved in the Moses story. We talked about having courage and pushing through even when it's hard to do, especially when we feel like giving up. We also talked about encouragement and we can see many students in school showing strong leadership skills in this area. Well done parents and teachers.

This term we covered values of Integrity ... doing the right thing when no one is watching, which also crossed into the value of Honesty and then we finished this term with the value of Compassion. Children saw stories of children living in Thailand and Kenya and how different their lives are to ours.

So we thank the wonderful students for their participation and contribution and hope they have enjoyed our activities on Tuesdays.





A massive thank you to
all volunteers who
helped make the day
very special.

COLOUR FUN RUN 2026

Together we raised over

\$15,000

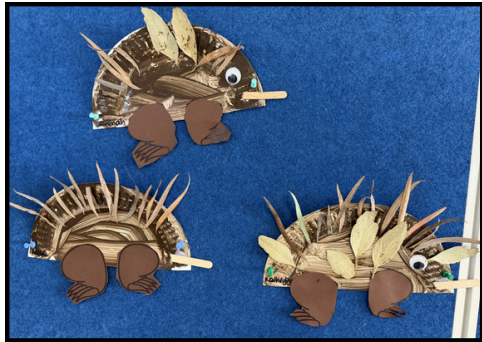
Congratulations to Miss Kidd's
room for the highest amount
fundraised



EC 6 EXPLORES AUSTRALIAN ANIMALS

This term, the students in EC6 have thoroughly enjoyed learning about Australian animals. Throughout the term, we have explored the unique characteristics of a variety of Australian animals, including where they live, what they eat, and many interesting facts about their habitats and behaviours.

As part of our Talk 4 Writing program, students used the knowledge they had gained to create and present Information Reports about an Australian animal of their choice. It has been wonderful to see the students' enthusiasm and curiosity grow as they discovered more about Australia's amazing wildlife.



2027 P&C TREASURER

Are you organised, reliable, and keen to support our school community? The P&C is looking for a Treasurer in 2027 to help manage our finances and contribute to the success of school events and initiatives.

About the role:

- Manage P&C accounts and financial records
- Prepare simple financial reports for meetings
- Process payments and banking
- Assist with budgeting and fundraising activities
- Work alongside a friendly and supportive committee

Interested? Contact the P&C for more information or come along to our next meeting. We'd love to have you on board!

2027 P&C SECRETARY

Are you organised, a good communicator, and passionate about supporting our school community? The P&C is seeking a Secretary in 2027 to join our team.

About the role:

- Prepare and distribute meeting agendas
- Take and circulate meeting minutes
- Manage correspondence and committee communications
- Maintain records and important documents
- Support the smooth operation of the P&C

Contact the P&C for more information or join us at our next meeting. We'd love to welcome you to the team!



ROOM 3 NEWS

Room 3 has been busy in the best possible way!

In Mathematics, we have been collaborating to collect information for our data unit. Students have been formulating questions, politely asking others, and recording responses using tally marks and graphs. It has been wonderful to see their growing confidence in gathering and interpreting data.

In English, we recently completed our *Talk for Writing* unit based on the narrative text *Super Tato*. Students created fantastic stories featuring characters with flaws who learned valuable lessons and became better versions of themselves. As part of this learning, we also created self-portraits as superheroes, flying over cities to save the day. We are proud to have some of this work displayed in the front office for our school community to enjoy. Be sure to stop by and take a look at these amazing creations during the final weeks of term.

We also thoroughly enjoyed participating in the CPS Colour Fun Run. Not only did we help raise funds for our school, but we also had lots of fun getting colourful and messy, which was definitely a highlight for many of us!



If Term 3 was this exciting, we can't wait to see what Term 4 has in store. The learning superstars of Room 3 are ready for another term of growth, achievement and fun!

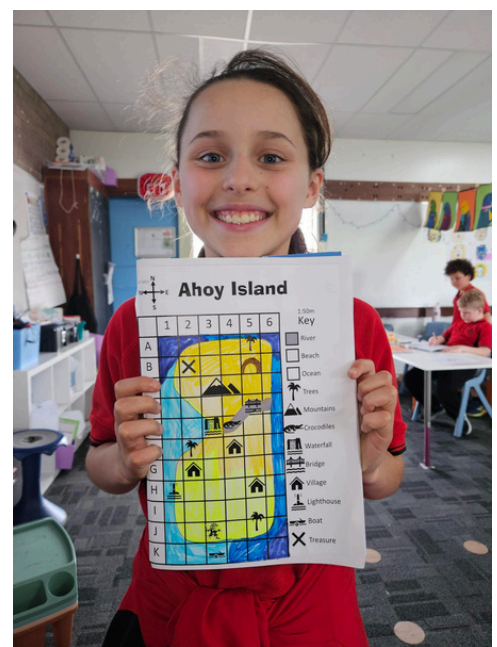
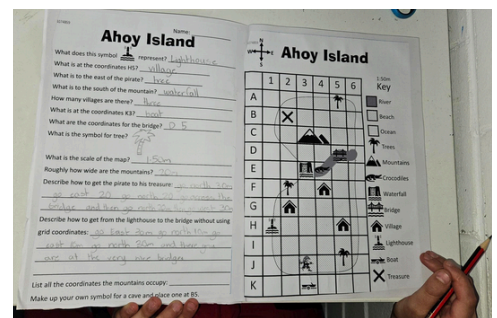
ROOM 13 NEWS

Room 13 has been busy exploring maps and learning all about grid referencing. To bring our learning to life, we created a giant grid on the classroom floor and practised identifying grid locations for different objects. This hands-on activity helped us develop our understanding of how maps and coordinates work.

We have also been enjoying games of Battleships with our maths partners.

Through this fun and engaging activity, students have been building their confidence in using grid references while developing their strategic thinking and teamwork skills.

We look forward to continuing our map-making adventures and strengthening our grid-referencing skills in the weeks ahead!



Camp Quaranup 2026

A week to remember!

What do you get when you combine 68 excited Year 6 students, 8 legendary staff, a busload of snacks and one epic week away?

You get an unforgettable adventure at Camp Quaranup!



From 14–18 September, our Year 6 students headed off for a week packed with adventure, teamwork, laughter, a little bit of competition and plenty of memories that will last well beyond their primary school years.

The Journey Begins

The adventure started with the much-anticipated bus trip to Quaranup. With 68 students on board, the bus was certainly never quiet!

Along the way, we made stops at Ravensthorpe and Jerramungup parks, giving everyone a chance to stretch their legs, refuel and, of course, have a bit of fun before continuing the journey to camp. When we finally arrived at Quaranup, the excitement levels went through the roof as students discovered their dorms and settled into their home for the week.

Dorm Life & The Dorm Points Competition

Dorm life quickly became one of the biggest parts of the camp experience. Students had to work together, keep their spaces tidy and show off their best organisational skills as they battled it out in the highly competitive Dorm Points Competition.

And there was one person who was not easily fooled... Mrs Watt!

Armed with her inspection checklist and an eagle eye for anything out of place, Mrs Watt conducted regular dorm inspections. Beds had to be made, belongings organised and floors kept clear. The competition became serious business, with students desperate to earn those valuable points for their dorm!

Adventure Around Every Corner

There was certainly no shortage of things to do at Quaranup.

Students took on raft building, working together to design and construct rafts before putting their creations to the ultimate test. There was plenty of teamwork, problem-solving and the occasional splash!

Archery brought out the competitive side of everyone as students tested their aim and concentration.

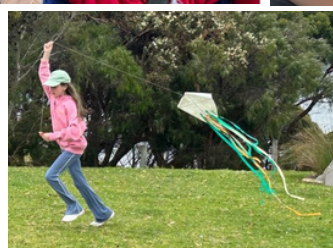
Rogaining challenged students to navigate, communicate and work as a team as they explored the beautiful surroundings.

There was also kite building, where students put their creativity and engineering skills to the test before heading outside to see whether their creations would actually fly!

Bushwalks & Exploring

The stunning Quaranup environment provided the perfect backdrop for bush walks and exploring. Students had the opportunity to experience the natural surroundings, learn about the environment and enjoy some time away from the classroom.

Whether walking, climbing, searching, building or simply enjoying the scenery, there was always something new to discover.



Camp Quararup 2026 *Continued*

Pizza, Ten Pin Bowling & Night-Time Fun

When the sun went down, the fun certainly didn't stop!

One evening saw everyone head out for ten pin bowling, with plenty of strikes, gutter balls, celebrations and friendly competition.

And, of course, no big night out would be complete without pizza!

After a busy day of activities, there was nothing better than sitting down together, enjoying a delicious feed and sharing plenty of laughs.

The Spotlight Game

Then came one of the camp favourites – the Spotlight Game!

As darkness settled in, students took on the challenge of staying hidden while trying to avoid being caught in the spotlight. There were plenty of sneaky hiding places, strategic moves and very excited students!

It was one of those simple camp activities that created some of the biggest laughs and best memories.

Laserscapes – The HUGE Highlight!

But if there was one activity that had everyone talking, it was undoubtedly Laserscapes!

The competition, strategy and excitement went to another level as students battled it out in an epic laser adventure.

Teams worked together, planned their attacks, ducked, dodged and raced around the course. The energy was incredible, and the excitement could be heard from a very long way away! Laserscapes was definitely one of the HUGE highlights of the entire week.

★ A Week of Memories

Of course, camp wasn't just about the activities. It was about the friendships, the laughs, the late-night conversations, the shared experiences and the moments that students will remember for years to come.

For our 68 Year 6 students, it was an opportunity to become more independent, challenge themselves, work as a team and create memories together as they approach the end of their primary school journey. And none of it would have been possible without our 8 legendary staff, who gave up their own week to supervise, encourage, organise, referee, inspect dorms, navigate buses, solve problems, keep everyone safe and somehow survive 68 Year 6 students for five days.





This Term at Esperance SHS

It's been a busy and exciting term at Esperance Senior High School! Our students have embraced opportunities to learn, explore, compete and prepare for their futures. A major highlight was our music students joining students from other local schools and community musicians for the Baroque Music Showcase. We love seeing our students take their talents beyond the classroom and onto the community stage!



SCIENCE WEEK

EXPERIMENT | DISCOVER

Students across the school got hands-on with Science Week activities, including an Egg Drop Challenge, paper-plane competitions and the Year 12 Chemistry King of the Lab. These experiences built problem-solving, collaboration and practical skills.



BOOK WEEK AT ESHS

EVERYONE HAS A STORY

Book week was celebrated with stories, games and plenty of creativity! Our students have taken on the Selfie Quest, battled it out at Library Game Day, enjoyed dress-ups, played Book Bingo and set off on a Story Quest.



PATHWAYS & FUTURES

UPPER SCHOOL ODE | YEAR12

Our Upper School Outdoor Education students travelled to Hopetoun, to paddle the canoe trail in the Fitzgerald River National Park. As our Year 12 students finish their final week at ESHS, we celebrate their achievements, growth and the contribution they have made to our school community.



YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAYS

Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd December 2026
Week 8, Term 4

We're excited to welcome our 2027 Year 7 students to ESHS for two days of fun, connection and discovery. Students will explore the school, meet new friends and experience a taste of high school life through a range of activities.



Enrolment must be completed before students can attend.

If your child is starting Year 7 in 2027, please ensure their enrolment is completed as soon as possible so they can take part in this exciting experience.



2027 ENROLMENTS

Is your child starting Year 7 in 2027?

Discover the opportunities, support and community that make ESHS the right choice.



Find out more
and, enrol online



esperanceshs.wa.edu.au/enrol/

Creating opportunities for personal excellence

Dates to Remember

Monday 12 th October 2026	First Day of Term 4
Thursday 15 th October 2026	ESHS Taster Day
Friday 16 th October 2026	School Development Day - <i>Students do not attend</i>
Friday 23 rd October 2026	Assembly
Monday 26 th October - 5 th November 2026	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Lessons
Monday 2 nd - 6 th November 2026	Book Fair in the Library
Friday 6 th November 2026	Year 4 - 6 Swimming Carnival
Thursday 12 th November 2026	EACS Transition Day
Friday 20 th November 2026	Year 4/5 Summer Carnival
Thursday 26 th November 2026	Ear Bus Visit
Friday 27 th November 2026	Assembly
Tuesday 1 st - Wednesday 2 nd December 2026	ESHS Transition Day
Thursday 3 rd December 2026	School Board
Monday 7 th - Thursday 17 th December 2026	Year PP-3 Swimming Lessons
Friday 11 th December 2026	Presentation Assembly 11.15am
Monday 14 th December 2026	Year 6 Graduation Assembly and Graduation Dinner
Thursday 17 th December 2026	Step Up Day Last Day Term 4
Friday 18 th December 2026	School Development Day - <i>Students do not attend</i>

Breakfast Club

NOW
EVERY
DAY

From 8.10am
in Room 19

Everyone is welcome!



After School Care – Term 4 Enrolments Open

Term 4: Monday 12 October – Thursday 17 December 2026

Our After School Care program operates Monday to Friday during school terms, from 2:45pm to 5:45pm.

We also offer Vacation Care during the school holidays, operating from 8:30am to 5:30pm.

We collect children from:

Esperance Primary School

Castletown Primary School

Nulsen Primary School

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School

New families can enrol by scanning the QR code or visiting:

<https://ggr.sh/v6ee>

Current families can book sessions through the Xplor Home App.

For more information, please contact:

Luciana Steinle

Coordinator

0409 832 125

eoshc@escare.org.au





SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED
Tuesday 29th September
9am-3pm
Football, Fun & Friends!

Auskick Age 5-7 Superkick Age 8-12

ESPERANCE

AFL PLAY



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED
Wednesday 30th September
9am-3pm
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ESPERANCE

AFL PLAY

All Girls Program



U11
GAMES ON SATURDAY MORNINGS

U14
GAMES ON SATURDAY MORNINGS

U17
GAMES ON WEDNESDAY EVENING

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ESPERANCE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

SUMMER HOCKEY
PLAY HOCKEY THIS SUMMER!

TUESDAY
Summer 7s Junior Competition
Years 2 - 4 and Years 5 - 7
Start time - 3:45pm

WEDNESDAY
Summer 7s Open Competition
Year 8s and above
Start time - 5:15pm

MODIFIED RULES. HALF FIELD.

HOCKEY STICKS AVAILABLE TO HIRE FOR \$5 IF REQUIRED.

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!

Contact Nia Stevens | EHA.summerhockey@gmail.com | 0459 526 116

COME AND PLAY SUMMER HOCKEY ON OUR BRAND NEW TURF!



The Dental Therapy Centre

As of next term (term 4) the Esperance Dental Therapy Centre will operate Monday to Thursday and close every Friday until further notice.

Our opening hours are 8am - 4 pm.

If you have recently changed address, please contact the clinic to update your details.

THANK YOU

Esperance Dental Therapy Centre
C/ Esperance Primary School,
Windich Street Esperance W.A. 6450
T: (08) 90711781



WONGUTHA CAPS

OPEN DAY

SAVE THE DATE:
Friday 30th October
Term 4 week 3

Kick'ARTS

workshops

**Spring
Djilba/
Kambarang
2026**

Ceramic Flower Dish
with Jess Kaye
Tuesday 29 September
10am-12pm 5+ years

Ceramic Bee Flower Waterer
with Jess Kaye
Tuesday 29 September
1pm-3pm 8+ years

Watercolour Wildflowers
with Laeti Da Costa
Tuesday 6 October
10am-12pm 7+ years

Watercolour Banksias
with Laeti Da Costa
Tuesday 6 October
1pm-3pm 10+ years

Seashell Canvas
with Sparkle Sisters
Wednesday 7 October
10am-12pm 5+ years

Petals and Paint
with Sparkle Sisters
Wednesday 7 October
1pm-3pm 5+ years

Paper Nautilus
with Pat McCarthy
Friday 9 October
10am-12pm 5+ years

Painting Flowers on timber
with Pat McCarthy
Friday 9 October
1pm-3pm 8+ years

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FREE PARENT SEMINAR

-HIGH SCHOOL READY- DOING WELL IN HIGH SCHOOL

For Parents of Year 6 Students

FIND OUT ANSWERS FOR:

- How do I encourage my teen to make the most of high school?
- How do I support my teen to develop self-discipline?
- How do I help my teen to be a good problem solver?
- What should I do if my teen is missing school?

WHEN & WHERE
Monday, 23rd November 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Goldfields Education Regional Office
Or online via Teams

HOW TO REGISTER
Scan the QR Code
or email
alisha.davis@education.wa.edu.au

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FREE PARENT SEMINAR

-BEING SCHOOL READY- STARTING SCHOOL SUCCESSFULLY

For Parents of Children Starting School in 2027

FIND OUT ANSWERS FOR:

- How do I prepare my child for school in 2027?
- What skills should I be teaching my child for school?
- What steps should I take on the first day of school in 2027?
- Is there anything I should do to look after myself during this big milestone?

WHEN & WHERE
Monday, 7th December 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
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FREE PARENT SEMINAR

-FEAR-LESS- MANAGING CHILDHOOD ANXIETY

FIND OUT ANSWERS FOR:

- What skills can I teach my child to manage their anxiety?
- How does anxiety work?
- How can I help my child face their fears?
- How to manage my child's avoidance behaviours?

WHEN & WHERE
Monday, 22nd June 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am **OR**
Monday, 9 November 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
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FREE PARENT SEMINAR

-TEENS READY TO THRIVE- Empowering Today's Teenagers

FIND OUT ANSWERS FOR:

- How do I support my teen to be responsible?
- How do I support my teen to be competent?
- How do I support my teen to connect with others?

WHEN & WHERE
Monday, 14th Sep 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 21st Sep 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 19th Oct 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
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Child Contact Services
Esperance

A safe, supportive place where children can maintain meaningful relationships with the important people in their lives.

Helping Families

Stay Connected

Supervised Contact Visits
Supporting children to spend time safely with family members in a welcoming, child-friendly environment.

Supervised Changeovers
Helping families with calm, respectful handovers in a friendly environment so children experience less conflict and greater security.

Post Separation Parenting Support Programs
Supporting parents with practical strategies that place children's wellbeing at the centre of co-parenting.

Every child deserves to feel safe, connected and supported.
Our experienced Child Contact Team provides a welcoming and neutral place for families to hang out together. We work respectfully with all family members and understand that everyone's circumstances are different.
Our goal is to help families move forward with greater confidence, stronger communication and less reliance on our service over time.

What to expect
Our team understands that attending Child Contact Services can feel daunting. We aim to create a calm, welcoming environment where children feel comfortable and families are treated with dignity, respect and compassion.

Child Focused
Every decision is guided by the needs and wellbeing of the child.

Safe & Neutral
A calm environment where children can feel comfortable.

Respectful
Supporting positive relationships while remaining impartial.

Local
Proudly supporting Esperance and surrounding communities.

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