

# Canning Vale School Scoop



## Important Dates or Events

- 19 Dec - 1 Feb - School Holidays
- 26 Jan - Australia Day
- 27 Jan - Admin Staff Return
- 29 & 30 Jan - Staff Development Days
- 2 Feb - Student's First Day
- 18 Feb - Assembly
- 2 Mar - Labour Day Public Holiday
- 11 - 23 Mar - NAPLAN Year 3 & 5
- 16 - 20 Mar - Year 6 Swimming



**CANNING VALE**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Principal Update

Well, 2025 is a wrap! Thank you to our amazing school community for your support of our great school this year. Educating children is a team effort. It takes a village to raise a child, and we never take for granted the trust you place in us each day as you drop off your babies at school.

Once again, our Year 6 Graduates were farewelled in style. A fabulous day to celebrate their achievements and the wonderful humans they are. A big thank you to the Year 6 Teachers and Mrs Bee for the hours of work that go into making this event so memorable for the students.

2026 is set to be a big one, with another School Review due to be scheduled and a refresh of the Business Plan, ready for 2027. As always, we aim to foster learning brilliance and emotional resilience in students and staff.

Wishing all our families a wonderful Summer break.  
May your break be restful and filled with family and fun.

Looking forward to seeing the students' smiling faces on Monday, 2 Feb 2026.

Mrs Hayley Taylor



# Associate Principal Update

**K-2 Update:** As we come to the close of another fantastic year, we want to take a moment to celebrate the incredible journey we've shared. This year has been filled with laughter, curiosity, and countless "lightbulb" moments. We've watched your children grow in confidence, kindness, and independence, exploring the world with wide eyes and open hearts. Thank you for trusting us with your little ones, for partnering with us in their learning, and for sharing in the joy of their milestones. Every smile, story, and achievement has been a reminder of how special this time in their lives truly is. "A heartfelt congratulations to all our students for their incredible performances at the much-anticipated Christmas Concert!"

**3-6 Update:** We acknowledged and congratulated Madison as the very worthy recipient of the Patron's Award for 2025. This award was started by our late School Patron Dr Collins It acknowledges a student who has the qualities of a great citizen and is committed to making our school a better place. The Year 6 students ended the year on a high with a very successful Graduation. They will be missed as they move on to the next chapter in their education.

**Whole School:** As we wrap up another fantastic year, we wish all our students, families, and staff a happy and safe holiday break. Enjoy this special time with loved ones, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back—happy, healthy, and ready for an amazing 2026!



## Attendance Update

### Every Day at School Matters

Building the habit of attending school every day sets your child up for success, now and in the future. That's why we kindly ask families to avoid planning holidays during the school term.

### Why Regular Attendance is Important

Learning happens in sequence. In subjects like reading, writing, and maths, each lesson builds on the last. Missing even a few days can make it harder for your child to keep up, especially in the early years when the foundations are being laid.

### Start the year strong!

The beginning of the school year is especially important for setting routines and building strong learning habits. A positive start helps children feel settled, confident, and ready to learn. Consistent attendance from day one ensures they don't miss key introductions and expectations that set them up for success all year.

### Back to school checklist

- Label everything – hats, lunch boxes, water bottles, and stationery.
- Check uniforms – make sure they fit and are ready for the first day.
- Set routines – establish regular bedtimes and morning routines before school starts.
- Pack essentials – school bag, lunch, water bottle, and any required supplies.
- Talk about the first day – help your child feel excited and confident.
- Update contact details – ensure the school has your current phone and email.







# 2026 Student Leadership Team

In the final weeks of term, we conducted the process to elect our 2026 Student Leadership Team. Students who wished to apply submitted a written application and presented a speech to their peers. All applicants did an outstanding job and should be extremely proud of their efforts and willingness to step forward as leaders.

We recognise that all of our Year 6 students are leaders, and there will be many opportunities for them to take on leadership roles and support our school community throughout 2026.

Our 2026 Student Leadership Team is pictured below. We look forward to working closely with them in the year ahead.



**Our values are:**

**Kindness**

**Respect**

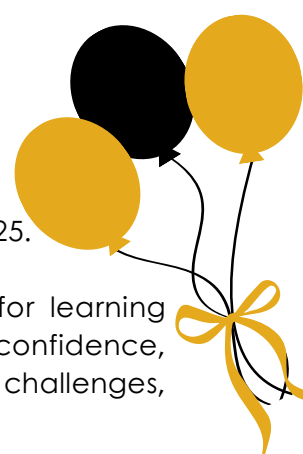
**Resilience**

**Strive to Achieve**





# The Class of 2025



As we celebrate the end of the school year, we proudly farewell our Year 6 Class of 2025.

This remarkable group has shown resilience, kindness, and a genuine enthusiasm for learning throughout their time with us. They have grown not only in knowledge, but in confidence, character, and community spirit. It has been inspiring to watch them take on new challenges, support one another, and discover their unique strengths.

We thank them for the leadership they have shown across the school and for the friendships they have built along the way—friendships that we hope will continue to flourish in the years ahead. Their contributions to our school culture have made a lasting impact, and their presence has enriched our community in countless ways.

As they move on to high school, we know they will carry forward the values, skills, and memories that have shaped their primary years. We are confident they will continue to learn, grow, and achieve great things as they take this exciting next step.

Congratulations, Year 6. We are incredibly proud of you and excited for all that lies ahead.



# Celebrating the Retirement of Mrs Jacqueline Lange & Mr Jon Jonsson

Canning Vale Primary School is marking the end of an era as we celebrate the retirement of two deeply respected and much-loved educators: Jackie Lange and Jon Jonsson.

Mrs Jackie Lange has been a cornerstone of our school community from the very beginning. As a foundation teacher who joined Canning Vale Primary School in 1994, Jackie helped shape the culture, spirit, and educational foundations that continue to define our school today. Over the years, she has taught countless students with compassion, creativity, and unwavering dedication. Her commitment to nurturing young learners and her willingness to go above and beyond have made her a role model for staff and a cherished figure for families throughout the community. Jackie's legacy is woven into the story of Canning Vale PS, and her influence will continue to be felt for generations.

Mr Jon Jonsson joined Canning Vale Primary School in 2009, bringing with him a calm presence, a thoughtful teaching style, and a genuine passion for supporting students to achieve their best. Along with his strong classroom practice, Jon has also played a vital behind-the-scenes role in managing the school's IT assets, ensuring staff and students had the technology, systems, and support they needed to thrive in an increasingly digital learning environment. His steady hand and technical expertise have kept the school running smoothly and have been appreciated by everyone who has relied on his quiet efficiency and willingness to help.

Together, Jackie and Jon represent decades of service, professionalism, kindness, and dedication. Their combined contributions have strengthened our school community and enriched the lives of so many students, families, and colleagues.

As Jackie and Jon step into retirement, we extend our deepest gratitude and warmest wishes. May the next chapter of their lives be filled with joy, rest, new adventures, and all the fulfilment they so richly deserve.

They leave with our admiration, our thanks, and a place forever in the heart of Canning Vale Primary School.



thank you!



# Christmas Concert

Our school community came together on Tuesday, 16 December, for a joyful Christmas Concert that truly captured the spirit of the season. Families gathered on the oval as students from every year level took to the stage, sharing festive songs, dance routines, and musical performances they had worked hard to perfect throughout the term.

The morning was filled with colour, laughter, and plenty of Christmas cheer. A special thank you goes to our dedicated staff for organising the event, and to our students for their enthusiasm and confidence on stage. We also appreciate the wonderful support from our parents and caregivers, whose encouragement helped make the event such a success.

It was a fantastic way to celebrate the end of the school year, and we wish all families a safe and happy holiday season. 🎄





# Chaplain Chat

***"Memories are special because although the moment has past, we can keep it forever and treasure it in our minds". – Year 5 student***

My hope is that in this holiday and Christmas season, we are able to create and cherish joyous, fun-filled memories with our families and friends. Moments that we can look back on with gratitude in the years to come.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!  
May this season bring peace, joy, and blessing to you and those you love.

Emma Caccetta  
Chaplain





# P&C Wrap up for 2025!

Hard to believe another year has come to an end! The P&C has had an incredibly busy and successful year, and we couldn't have done it without you.

## Recap of 2025

Here's a look back at our fundraising events:

- February/March: Ice poles to help beat the summer heat after school.
- April: Our annual Easter Raffle—because Easter without a chocolate bunny just isn't Easter!
- May: Mother's Day Stall followed by our amazing Mother's Day Raffle.
- June: The ever-popular School Disco.
- August: Crazy Hair & Sock Day and our annual Father's Day Stall.
- September: Father's Day Hampers Raffle.
- November: We wrapped up the year with our much-loved Family Picnic.



In total, we raised **\$13,119.60** - an incredible achievement!  
We cannot thank our school community enough for your generosity and support.

## Here's what we supported in 2025:

1. House Athletics Carnival
2. Playground Upgrades
3. Education Support Centre



## Important Dates – Term 1, 2026

P&C Meeting: Tuesday, 10 February @ 6:30 PM (Staff Room)  
AGM: Tuesday, 3 March @ 6:30 PM (Staff Room)

## A Big Thank You

We'd like to take this opportunity to say a massive **THANK YOU** to our amazing school community, staff and local businesses. Your support allows us to create the best possible experience for all students.

If you'd like events like these to continue in 2026, please consider volunteering — even 30 minutes of your time makes a huge difference!

We wish you all a safe, joyful, and festive Christmas season. Thank you for being part of our journey, and we look forward to your support again in 2026!





# West Oz Life Incursion

In Week 7, the Year 5's had the pleasure of experiencing a West Oz Wildlife incursion at CVPS.

We learnt so much about these amazing animals including what they like to eat, where they live and why they look the way they do. We discussed their habits and environmental needs, the special features they have to survive in the wild, offspring, snake safety and much more.

The students were extremely mature and well-behaved (as well as VERY brave as you can see by the pictures). They were quiet when needed, polite and well-mannered throughout making it a very pleasant experience for the animals as well.

We met a beautiful 4 year old Koala named Hazel, a 16 year old Carpet python named Willow, a 5 year old Woma python named Honey, a Bobtail lizard name Lizzy and a Sugar glider named Caesar. It was an amazing experience!

Thank you to Bek from West Oz Wildlife for coming and giving us the experience of a lifetime!





# Art Update

During Term 4, these talented Year 6 graduates created a vibrant mural inspired by Western Australian artist Helen Ansell. The colourful tiles celebrate the rich colours and patterns of Western Australia's unique plants and wildlife, while beautifully reflecting the students' creativity.

They are now proudly displayed at the school's entrance and were officially gifted to the school at their graduation ceremony.



## OSH Club Holiday HQ

OSH Club is hosting Holiday HQ with Festive Celebrations and Summer Camp, right here at Canning Vale Primary through these school holidays.

Festive Celebrations commence Monday 15 December - Friday 19 December.

Summer Camp runs from Monday 5 January - Friday 30 January they have fun filled activities planned and some special events. For more information or to book please visit OSH Club.

Please note the service is closed on Monday 26 January.



### Merry Christmas!

As Christmas time draws close this year,  
Our school is filled with warmth and cheer.  
Students shine with all they've learned,  
And celebrate the growth they've earned.

From reading tales to maths we've tried,  
From curious questions to quiet pride,  
Each classroom buzzed with bright ideas,  
And memories made across the year.

We farewell our Year 6s with pride,  
Ready for the journey on life's next stride.  
They leave us strong, prepared, and tall,  
Our graduates, we'll miss you all.

Through busy terms and moments bright,  
We've shared our laughter, reached new heights.  
Now festive joy begins to call,  
Merry Christmas from Canning Vale Primary to all. 🌟🌟



# What's Happening in the Local Community

Zoo Years Eve is coming to Perth Zoo! They also have various School Holiday programs available  
Winni Wizard and Her Magical Smells is coming to Perth Fringe World Festival suitable for child 4+  
Murdoch University Active Kids school holiday program is back for the December / January holidays  
Mandoon Estate are hosting Family New Years Eve  
Peach and Polly Markets are hosting their Food Truck Nights on Wednesdays at Sutherlands YES  
Rooftop Movies are back again until March 2026



## School holiday program

Murdoch Active Kids program at Murdoch University is open for bookings over the December and January holidays.

LEGO	Futsal & Soccer
Athletics	Movies
Aussie rules	Team games
Badminton	Tennis
Basketball	Ultimate Frisbee
Board Games	Volleyball
Esports & Gaming	Yoga and Meditation

Limited spaces, book now.

For any questions, please email [activekids@murdoch.edu.au](mailto:activekids@murdoch.edu.au)



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