Term 1 - Week 5 2026

Canning Vale School Scoop

Important Dates or Events

- 11 - 23 Mar - NAPLAN Year 3 & 5
- 16 - 20 Mar - Year 6 Swimming
- 25 Mar - Water Corp Free Incursion Year 1 / 2
- 27 Mar - Gold Industry Group Free Incursion Year 4
- 1 Apr - Assembly - Year 2
- 2 Apr - Edu Dance Concerts
- 2 Apr - Last Day of School
- 3 Apr - Good Friday
- 5 Apr - Easter Sunday
- 6 Apr - Easter Monday
- 3 Apr - 19 Apr - School Holidays
- 20 Apr - Students First Day

CANNING VALE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal Update

Welcome to a new school year at CVPS! It has been wonderful to see our students returning with big smiles, ready to reconnect with classmates and teachers. A special welcome to all new families joining us for the first time. We are delighted to have you as part of our community.

At Canning Vale Primary School, our motto guides everything we do: ***"We empower our community to be life-long learners who are respectful, resilient, courageous, and strive to achieve their best."***
This year, we will continue to embed these values in our learning programs, our relationships, and the way we work together. We are proud of the rich cultural diversity within our school, and we warmly welcome the unique perspectives and strengths this brings to our community.

The start of the year is a busy time, and I would like to thank our staff for their hard work preparing welcoming classrooms that help our students feel safe and ready to learn.

I look forward to another year of learning, growth and connection. Together, we will continue to empower every child to be the best they can be.

Mrs Hayley Taylor

Associate Principal Update

K-2 Update: Our new Kindergarten students have made a fantastic start to school! They've been busy crafting, building, and exploring our wonderful outdoor play spaces as they settle into the routines of school life. It's been lovely watching their confidence grow each day.

3-6 Update: Congratulations to the Year 4s who did a great job starting off assemblies for the year. We have a busy couple of weeks coming up with NAPLAN for Year 3 and 5 students in Week 6 and 7 and the Year 6s swimming at Cottesloe Beach.

Whole School: Our teachers are already hard at work collaborating to bring our 2026 priorities to life. This year, we're focusing on:

1. Implementation of the school's Instructional Lesson Framework
2. Clear school expectations and procedures to support accountability and growth
3. Recognise and respond to individual differences, building an inclusive and culturally responsive school community

This year, we are excited to deepen our commitment to **The Resilience Project** by embedding its principles into everyday school life. Each term, our whole school will focus on one of the key **GEM values** **Gratitude**, **Empathy**, and **Mindfulness,** to help students build emotional resilience and positive well-being habits.

Alongside our GEM focus, we will also continue to highlight a weekly whole-school **Behaviour Expectation**, helping us create a shared understanding of what it looks like to be safe, respectful, and responsible across all areas of our school.

Our values are:

Kindness

Respect

Resilience

Strive to Achieve

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Term 1 GEM Focus: Empathy

Whole School Behaviour Expectations:

Kindness: I include others in play and learning

I know that everyone is different and unique and special

Respect- I follow the instructions given by all staff members

Attendance Update

Every Day at School Matters

At Canning Vale Primary School, we know that every day of learning helps your child grow, learn, and feel connected. Building strong attendance habits in the early years sets children up for success—now and into the future.

We kindly ask families to avoid planning holidays during the school term, so children don't miss valuable learning experiences.

Why Regular Attendance Is So Important

Every day of learning counts

When children attend regularly, they benefit from rich early learning experiences that build essential literacy, numeracy, and social skills. Research shows that children who miss many days of kindergarten often begin full-time school with weaker foundational skills.

Attendance is a school-readiness skill

Just like developing social-emotional skills, independence, and positive learning behaviours, attending school every day is a habit that lasts. Children who are frequently absent in the early years are much more likely to continue experiencing attendance challenges later in school.

Faces of Our School

We are delighted to introduce a number of new staff members who have joined CVPS this year.

Mr Darcy Sunter

TEACHER - A1 YEAR 2

What was your favourite memory from primary school?
My favourite memory from primary school is playing footy with my mates during recess and lunch. During primary school I also had some great teachers who I have fond memories of.

What was your favourite subject in school, and why?
My favourite subject in school was English, because I love to read and to write my own stories.

What job did you want to do when you were a kid?
I'm not sure I was thinking about my future career an awful lot as a kid, so I would probably say I had my heart set on being an AFL player.

Where is your favourite place you have travelled to?
My favourite place I have travelled to is a tricky one to answer! I would say Portugal and Italy, but I also loved visiting Vietnam.

Miss Caitlin Messercola

TEACHER - B4 PRE PRIMARY

What was your favourite memory from primary school?
My favourite memory was going to Rotto for year 6 camp, I had the absolute best time!

What was your favourite subject in school, and why?
My favourite subjects were English and Art. I have always loved all types of writing, mainly creative and persuasive. Art has also always been a passion of mine!

What job did you want to do when you were a child?
When I was young I wanted to be a vet. I loved animals and I am very nurturing. As I grew older it was always between working with animals and children.

Where is your favourite place you have travelled too?
My favourite place I have travelled to is Italy. I love the food, the culture and history.

Harmony Day at CVPS

Harmony Day at Canning Vale Primary School was a joyful celebration of diversity, inclusion, and belonging. Students gathered for a whole-school assembly, proudly wearing traditional cultural outfits or bright orange to symbolise respect and unity. Each year group showcased their attire, highlighting the rich variety of cultures within our community.

A highlight of the assembly was a captivating Silambam performance by Iniyan. Silambam is a traditional martial art from Tamil Nadu, known for its dynamic movements and skilful use of a long bamboo staff. Iniyan demonstrated impressive agility, coordination, and discipline, giving students a fascinating glimpse into this ancient cultural practice. The performance not only entertained the audience but also deepened our appreciation for the traditions that form part of our diverse community.

Harmony Day at CVPS was a meaningful reminder that everyone belongs. Through celebration, learning, and shared experiences, we strengthened our understanding of one another and celebrated the many cultures that enrich our school every day.

P&C Update

Building Community. Supporting Students. Making a Difference.

What is the P&C?
The Parents & Citizens (P&C) Association is a group of parents, carers and community members who work together to support Canning Vale Primary School and enhance opportunities for our children.

🌟 **Why Join the P&C?**
✔ Have a voice in your child's school community
✔ Help fundraise for resources, programs and improvements
✔ Connect with other families and build friendships
✔ Support events that bring our school together
✔ Contribute ideas that make a real impact

💡 **How the P&C Supports Our School**

- Funding playground equipment and learning resources
- Supporting special programs and student initiatives
- Organising community events and fundraisers
- Enhancing the school environment for all students

Every contribution big or small helps make our school even better.

⚠️ **We Need You**
The P&C is a registered association and operates as a volunteer run, not for profit organisation. To continue operating, we must have key executive roles filled, including a President and Secretary. Unfortunately, our AGM had to be postponed this week and these positions have not yet been filled. Without a President and Secretary, the P&C cannot legally operate. If we are unable to fill these roles, the P&C will no longer be able to continue at CVPS, which would have a significant impact on the programs, fundraising and support we provide to the school.
Our school community needs you!!

🙌 **Get Involved!**
You don't need special skills or lots of time, just a willingness to help and support our school.
📅 **AGM Booked: Tuesday 24 March at 6:30pm**
📍 **Location: Staff Room**

Come along, meet other parents and carers, and help make a difference at our school.
✉️ Contact: president@cvpspc.com
🌐 Follow us: Canning Vale P&C Facebook Page

Chaplain Chat

What does a YouthCare Chaplain do?
YouthCARE Chaplains are there to listen and provide a supportive place to talk. We offer confidential, non-judgmental pastoral care and programs based on respect, compassion, service and hope.

What does that look like at CVPS?
I am at the school on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, located in Room H1. I see students for one-to-one pastoral care sessions, providing a listening ear and social and emotional support.

One of the programs I am trained to facilitate is Seasons for Growth — a small group education program that supports children and young people to develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes to understand and respond well to experiences of change, loss and grief.

At recess, students are welcome to come into the Chaplain Room (H1) for play time. It's a safe space where students can relax, read a book, play Jenga, do colouring, or simply have a chat.

How to get in touch?
I use a referral-based system. You can contact me directly, speak with administration, or talk to your child's classroom teacher to request a Chaplain Referral Form or show interest in the Seasons for Growth program.

Email: emma.caccetta@guest.education.wa.edu.au

Please note that I will be on leave during Weeks 6 and 7. During this time, students can speak with their classroom teacher or contact the school administration team if support is needed.

Emma Caccetta
Chaplain

OSHClub Update

Dear Families,

We have had a busy and exciting January Vacation Care period.

Canning Vale OSHClub was nominated and awarded 2025 Service of the Year at our Junior Adventures Group awards night. The award is a testament to the wonderful team and program they operate. Then in early January we were notified that the Assessment and Rating process had started for the service. An officer from the Education and Care Regulatory Unit attended the service for a day to assess us against the 7 Quality Standards and then met with Susanne and Ang the following day to discuss the service practices. We were able to submit our Quality Improvement Plan with a lot of exceeding evidence and the assessor noted how visible and embedded the practices were. We are eagerly awaiting our draft report and results and will share them as soon as we receive them.

We have also reflected on our holiday program offerings and taken into consideration some feedback we have received around excursions. We have decided to go ahead and plan for excursions again from April and hope to be able to support the families to ensure the program remains inclusive for all.

2026 Family Calendar WA

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Term Programming

Term 1: 2 Feb → 2 Apr
Play Your Way & Sound Safari
17 Feb - Pancake Day
20 Mar - Int'l Day of Happiness

Term 2: 20 Apr → 3 Jul
Move Masters & Taste Trek
8 May - Mother's Day Celebrations
5 Jun - World Environment Day

Term 3: 20 Jul → 25 Sep
Passport to Play & Lab Inventors
30 Jul - OSHC Educators Day
18 → 23 Aug - Science Week
22 → 28 Aug - Book week
4 Sep - Father's Day Celebration
7 → 13 Sept - Child Protection week
10 Sept - R U OK? Day

Term 4: 6 Oct → 17 Dec
Lights, Camera, Action & Festive Countdown
26 Oct → 1st Nov - Children's Week
30 Oct - Halloween Celebrations
20 Nov - World Children's Day

Don't miss out! Book all of your 2026 sessions now

Where play *meets* potential

Public Holidays

Sporting Events

30 Jan → 1 Feb - Australian Open Finals
6 → 22 Feb - Winter Olympics
19 Jul - FIFA World Cup Final
23 Jul → 2 Aug - Comm Games
26 Sep - AFL Grand Final
4 Oct - NRL Grand Final
15 Nov - Rugby League World Cup Final

Significant Dates & Religious Events

20 Mar - Eid ul Fitr
3 → 6 April - Easter
25 April - ANZAC Day
10 May - Mother's Day
4 Sep - Father's Day
31 Oct - Halloween
8 Nov - Diwali
25 Dec - Christmas Day

Holiday Programming

5 → 23 Jan
Summer Camp
7 → 17 Apr The Great Outdoors
29 Jun → 10 Jul Holiday HQ World Cup
21 Sept - 2nd Oct Animal Kingdom
21 Dec '26 - 29 Jan '27 Summer Camp

All public holiday dates are accurate at the time of publishing, but may be subject to change.

A note from the Community Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. I am the nurse that will be visiting your school throughout the year.

School Health nurses support children's healthy development and wellbeing in primary schools. We offer a free health check (School Entry Health Assessment) for all children in the year that they start school. You may receive a School Entry Health Assessment form via your child's teacher. If you sign and return it, we can check your child's vision, hearing, teeth, growth, and development.

School Health Nurses provide feedback and support to families and schools after assessment and connect you with services in the community. We promote parenting programs and help with health care plans for students with identified and chronic health needs. Additionally, we may provide advice and support for some areas of the curriculum delivery on request by the school.

Further information about the role of the nurse in primary schools can be found here:
Primary-School-Health-Nurse
Child and Adolescent Health Service | CAHS - School Health

If you have any concerns about your child's health, development, or well-being, please contact me through the school office, or on 92588053. You can also email me at lily.vanderwacht@health.wa.gov.au

The services provided are free and confidential.

Lily Van Der Wacht
School Health Nurse

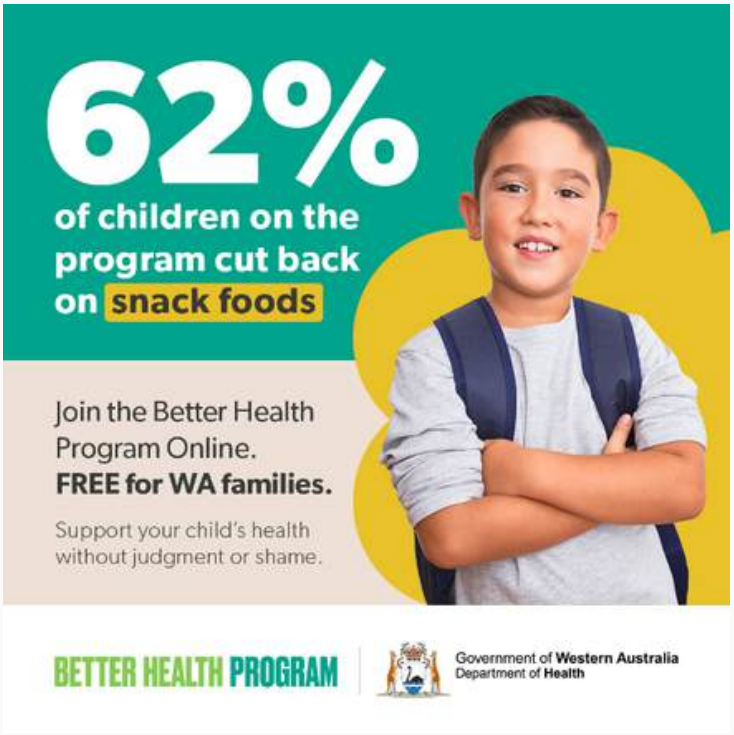
Better Health Program

Are you concerned about your child's health or just wanting to give them the skills to live a happy and healthy life? Then the Better Health Program is for you.

Available for families with children 6 – 12, the Better Health Program provides free and accessible support alongside a health professional. They can help you in areas like:

- Quality nutrition & mindfulness,
- Active movement & sleep-routines,
- Reducing screen-time, & more!

The program is completely free and runs online all year round. After your first call, you'll be sent a resource pack valued at over $300 including everything you need to build a healthy family routine. You will also get access to a suite of online activities and resources to help put advice into practice.



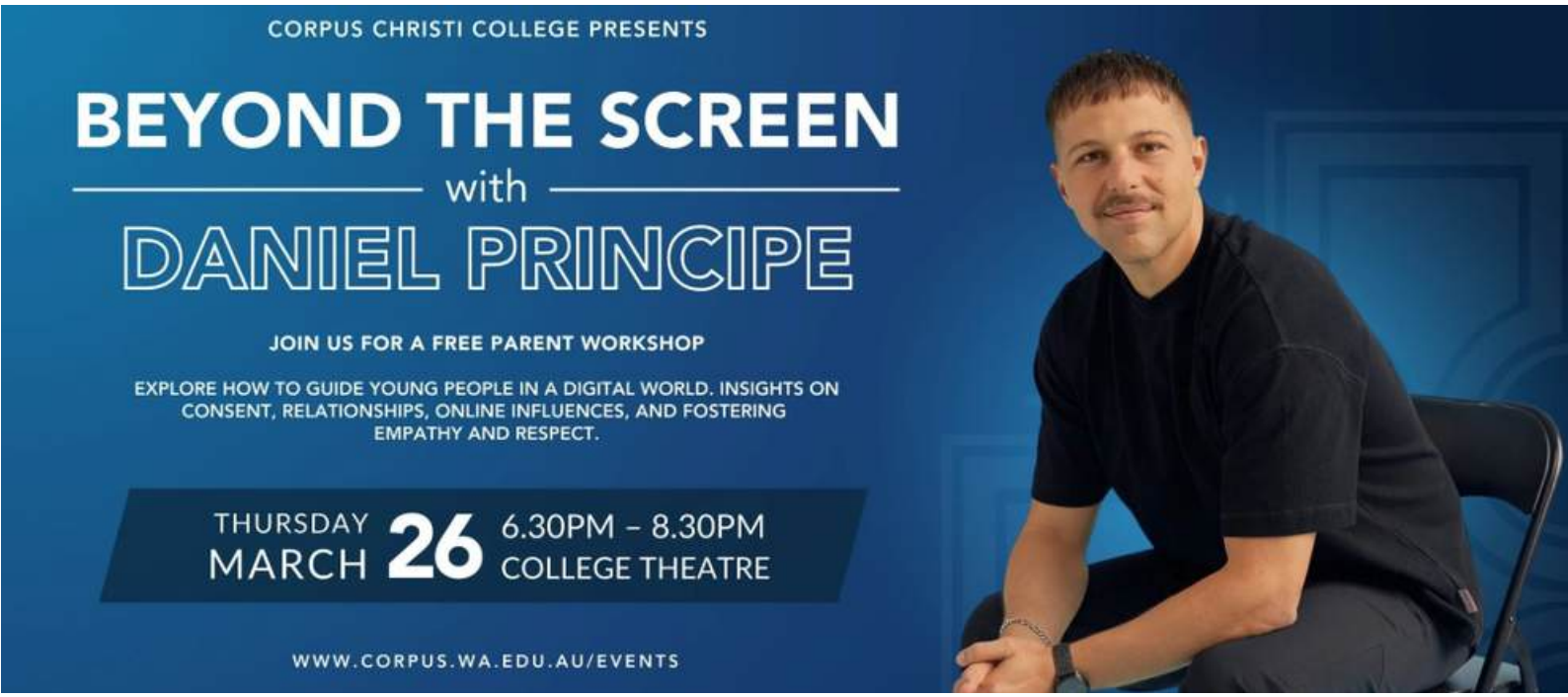
If this sounds like something our family will enjoy, head to the Better Health Program - https://betterhealthprogram.org/ - or give the team a call on 1300 822 953. But be quick, spots are filling up fast

Beyond the Screen - Free Parent Workshop

Corpus Christi College invites parents, carers, and community members to a free workshop, Beyond the Screen with Daniel Principe.

Discover practical ways to support young people in a digital world, with insights into online influences, consent, relationships, and fostering empathy and respect.

Thursday, March 26
6.30pm – 8.30pm
College Theatre, Corpus Christi College
For more information, visit www.corpus.wa.edu.au/events



Local Sporting Clubs

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PERTH GOJU KARATE

Beginners programs starting now.
Four weeks free!

New beginners classes near you.
For children and adults.

All classes run after school.
Classes are grouped according to age and experience.

Sensei Johnny Moran has a wealth of knowledge and experience teaching karate to children and adults.

Perth Goju Karate classes build self-confidence, karate skill, respect and self-defense with an emphasis on fun and friendship.

info@perthgojukarate.com **0402 830 402**

SOUTHERN DISTRICTS NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Woolworths

NET SET GO!

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NetSetGo Term 2 & 3 – 10 sessions

Woolworths NetSetGO introduces children to the basics of netball in a fun, safe, and supportive environment. It helps build confidence, teamwork, and a love of being active.

Southern Districts Netball Association
Cnr of Langford Ave and Wingrove Road
Langford

$160
Includes Netball WA membership & Patricipation pack

SESSION DATES
Saturday mornings 9:30am–10:30am

Saturday 2nd May
Saturday 9th May
Saturday 16th May
Saturday 23rd May
WA DAY LONG WEEKEND BREAK
Saturday 6th June
Saturday 13th June
Saturday 20th June
Saturday 27th June
JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY BREAK
Saturday 25th July
Saturday 1st August

REGISTER NOW!

For more information, please visit our wesbite:
www.southerndistrictsnetball.com.au

CANNING VALE COUGARS

CANNING VALE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

2026 AUSKICK SEASON

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SUNDAY MORNINGS, MAY - AUG

CANNING VALE PRIMARY SCHOOL OVAL

PRE PRIMARY to YEAR 2

YOUR AUSKICK FEE* INCLUDES:

- Team shorts & socks (new players only)
- Junior AFL club membership
- AFL Auskick welcome pack
- Mid-season social event
- End of season trophy & wind up!

*KidSport vouchers accepted

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FLEXIBLE PAYMENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE

कैनिंग वेल जूनियर फुटबॉल क्लब (AFL) सेजुडें – प्राथमिक विद्यालयों में सिखायाजाता है
加入 Canning Vale 少年足球會（AFL）– 在小學教授

ALL ABILITIES **ALL WELCOME** **ALL THE FUN!**

JOIN US TODAY!

SCAN THE QR CODE OR HEAD TO WWW.PLAYHQ.COM (CANNING VALE JFC)
QUESTIONS? REGISTRAR.YOUTH@CVJFC.COM.AU

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CANNING VALE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

JOIN THE COUGAR PACK TODAY!

- WELCOMING ALL NEW & RETURNING PLAYERS
- YEAR 3 to YEAR 12
- BOYS, GIRLS & MIXED TEAMS
- ALL SKILL LEVELS
- FLEXIBLE PAYMENT OPTIONS*

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Canning Vale Junior Football Club
@canningvale_jfc
www.cvjfc.com.au
registrar.youth@cvjfc.com.au

Premiership Level Champion Club Program (WA Football - Metro Juniors)

What's Happening in the Local Community

Joondalup Festival is running from the 7 - 22 March with 16 days of wonder across Joondalup
WA Museums have multiple school holiday programs running across various locations. Some bookings required
Helen O'Grady Drama Academy have a drama programme for 3 - 17 year olds
Future Football Foundation have programs running
Friday Night Bites is back in Piara Waters and Coogee in March
Murdoch University Active Kids school holiday program is back for the April holidays

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