



# Braeside Primary School

## Honour, Pride and Achievement

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*Embrace diversity, realise potential, aim for excellence*

### Principal's News

Hi everyone,

We are pleased to welcome all students back for Term 3. The term has begun positively, with students returning to school enthusiastic and ready to learn.

As many parents are aware, we have introduced a new routine during recess and lunch breaks, where students now play first and eat afterwards. We are pleased to report that this change has been implemented smoothly, and students have adapted to the new schedule with ease.

This revised routine has had a noticeable positive impact - students are returning to class after breaks feeling calmer and more focused, and they are taking the time to eat properly without the rush to get out and play. We will continue to monitor its success.

#### Attendance

School attendance is crucial for academic success, social development and long-term life outcomes. It is vital for ensuring that students achieve their full potential academically and socially. It plays a key role in shaping their future opportunities and overall wellbeing. Every day missed can accumulate quickly leading to significant gaps in knowledge and skills. For example, a student who misses just a few days each month can miss out on critical lessons and fall behind their classmates. This can create a cycle of frustration and disengagement, making it even harder for the student to return to a regular attendance pattern. At Braeside we will be focusing on attendance in an effort to have our students attend regularly and for parents to understand the 'why' of regular attendance.

#### Pre Kindy

3 year old kindy will begin next week, and will run for the term. This is for families who have 3-year-olds and would like to familiarise their child with what happens at Kindy. Mrs Love, our Kindy teacher will be running these sessions. All are welcome. See the advertisement for times and days.

Donna Shepherdson  
Principal

### Important Dates

2025	July
Toastie Day today, orders due back by Tuesday 29th. Fundraising for Year 6 Camp	Wed 30th
	August
Netball WC Fever Cup Yr 4/5/6	Fri 1st
Assembly - Art Commencing at 1.40pm	Mon 4th
3yr old Kindy Transition Sessions commence today 9-10am	Tues 5th
P & C Meeting Commencing at 6.30pm	Tues 5th
K-Yr 2 Sensory play session	Wed 6th
PEAC Testing	Wed 6th
Scholastic Book Club due Ordering via the online LOOP	Thurs 7th
Science Week - Week 3	Mon - Fri
P & C Hot Lunch	Mon 11th
3yr old Kindy Transition Sessions 9-10.30am	Tues 12th
Science Excursion Yr 4/5/6	Wed 13th
Science day activities	Thurs 14th
Assembly LOTE	Mon 18th
School Board meeting 6pm	Mon 18th
Staff Development Day No students at school today	Fri 22nd
3yr old Kindy Transition Sessions 9-10.30am	Tues 26th
Book Week Parade 9am	Fri 29th

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge that our school is on the traditional lands of the Goreng Noongar people.

We respect their continuing connection to land, water, community and their spiritual relationship to Noongar country.

We pay respect to the Elders past, present and emerging.

## Every Day Counts!

Developing the habit of going to school every day is vitally important so your child does not miss out on important ideas, concepts, knowledge and skills they need for future learning.

Going to school every day helps children learn the important life skill of 'showing up' - at school, at work, to sport and other commitments.

## Did You Know?

- Many concepts, such as Literacy and Numeracy, are taught in sequence. This means that if your child is away, it will be difficult to catch up later.
- The Western Australian Telethon Kids Institute has found that the attendance habits set in Kindergarten and Pre-Primary are likely to continue throughout a child's school life, so it is important for them to go to school every day.
- The *School Education Act 1999* requires all enrolled students to attend every day that their school is open. Failure to comply can result in charges being laid.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is my responsibility as a parent/caregiver?

Make sure your child:

- Attends school on ALL school days
- Is on time every day (8.30am)

Make sure you:

- Provide the school with an explanation if your child is away
- Contact the school if your child does not want to go to school
- Arrange doctor and dentist appointments out of school hours
- Arrange personal shopping trips with your child or birthday celebrations out of school hours
- Do not allow your child to stay at home for minor reasons
- Avoid holidays during the school term

### Is regular attendance at school important?

- Yes - from the first day. If your child misses the basic skills in primary school they can experience difficulties in their learning
- Schools help children to develop important social skills, such as friendship building, teamwork, communication skills and a healthy self-esteem.

### What can I expect from school?

- Monitoring of student attendance and review progress on a weekly basis
- Strategies to help you as a parent encourage your child to go to school

### Must I send my child to school every day?

Yes, unless:

- your child is too sick or injured to go to school
- your child has an infectious disease
- the principal is provided with any other genuine and acceptable reason for absence

### Do I need to let the school know if my child has been away?

Yes - for the wellbeing of your child, the Department of Education has an attendance policy and teachers and schools are required to follow up on student absences



School success starts  
with attendance



# NAIDOC

Thursday the 24th July was a bit of a wet day for our NAIDOC 'Walkabout' but everyone had a fabulous day and had fun participating in all of the activities, such as storytelling, turtle painting, cooking damper, message stick walk and story, bookmark colouring and kangaroo stew on the campfire. Woodanilling PS students came to enjoy the day with Braeside PS.

Clontarf students from the High School came to show students how to play football and practice football skills.

The Early Years Badgebup Aboriginal Corporation came to visit and enjoy the day with our students. Leanne Eades' family came to assist with the day and we thank them for visiting for the day.







## BRAESIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

### KINDY TRANSITION PROGRAM



**Transport available to and from school**

Tuesdays in Term 3

Our learning program is based on a set of evidence-based teaching and learning strategies using play to prepare children for kindergarten and the school years ahead.

Through the program, children develop:

- Social emotional skills
- Self-care and responsibility
- Fine and gross motor skills
- Cognitive development
- Language skills
- Independence

Session dates:

- 5<sup>th</sup> August 9-10am
- 12<sup>th</sup> August 9-10.30 am
- 19<sup>th</sup> August 9-10.30 am
- 26<sup>th</sup> August 9-10.30 am
- 2<sup>nd</sup> September 9-10.30am
- 9<sup>th</sup> September 9-10.30am
- 16<sup>th</sup> September 9-10.30am

You will be learning with our experienced Early Childhood Teacher, Mialanda Love.

**MORE INFORMATION**

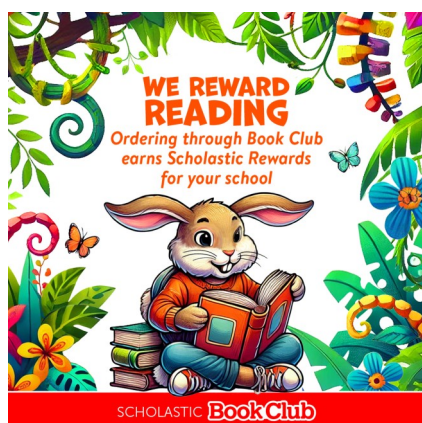
Please call the school on 9821 3500 or email [mialanda.love@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:mialanda.love@education.wa.edu.au)



This year the Maths books for student in Pre-primary through to Year 6 needed to be purchased by the school, this was noted on the Booklist for PP to Year 6.

An invoice has been sent out for your child's Maths book, can you please forward payment to the office as soon as possible. Alternatively, payment can be direct debited to BSB: 066040 ACC:19907881 with your child's name and "Maths book" as the reference.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB



Issue 5 orders have been sent home and orders are due via online LOOP below Thursday 7th August 2025.



[www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/](http://www.scholastic.com.au/book-club/book-club-parents/)

## SCHOOL NURSE

### Colds

Upper respiratory tract infections or colds are everywhere, especially in winter, so it is almost impossible to stop children from catching them. Here are some points which may help:



- Teach your child to cover his/her nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, and to wash hands straight afterwards.
- Hands should be washed after blowing noses and before eating.
- Use tissues once and then throw them in the bin. (Avoid using handkerchiefs.)
- Keep your child home from school if he/she has a cold/cough/fever/pain.
- Make sure that your children eat a balanced diet of plenty of healthy foods.
- Keep children away from smoke – it irritates their eyes and nasal passages, making it more likely that they will catch a cold.

### What to do if your child gets a cold

No treatment will cure a cold or make it go away more quickly, but you can help your child feel more comfortable:

- Rest: This need not be in bed.
- Provide extra drinks: If your child doesn't want to drink much, try giving lots of small sips of water, milk or juice, or iceblocks to suck for older children.



# YOUTHCARE - CHAPLAIN

Let your creativity flow and enter YouthCARE's annual Art Competition today!!!

**WIN** amazing prizes and the opportunity to feature in our **2025 Annual Report**.

To win, create a piece of art that reflects what '**TRUST**' means to you.

Any size artwork and medium can be submitted.

Submit your entry by completing the form below by:

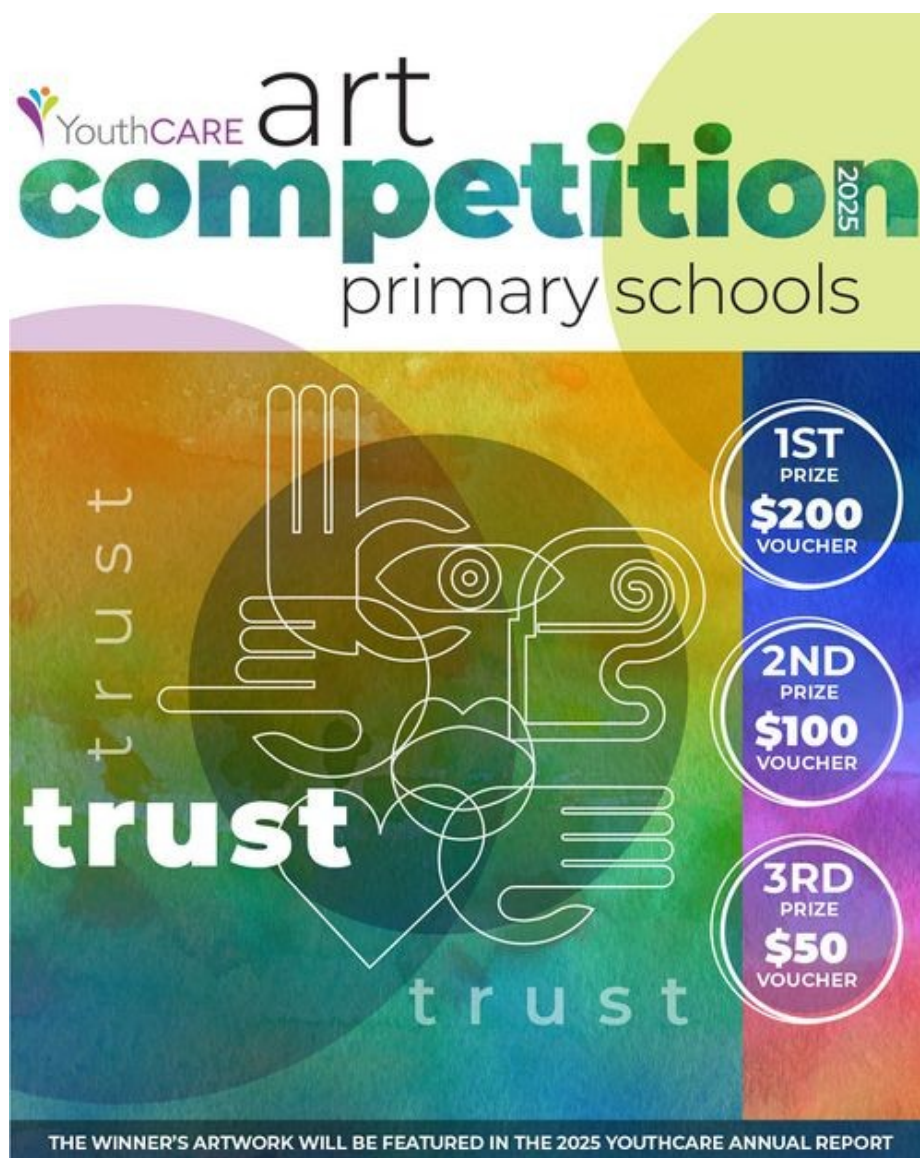
**Friday, 24th October 2025**

Winners will be announced on:

**Monday, 3rd November 2025**

For queries, please speak to your local YouthCARE Chaplain/Student Services staff member or email us at:

[competition@youthcare.org.au](mailto:competition@youthcare.org.au)



# COMMUNITY NOTICES



Shaping the future

## Free online parent workshops Term 3, 2025 Calendar

Facilitated by School Psychologist Consultants from the Department of Education WA

The Triple P and Child and Parent Centre teams are excited to offer a series of free, live online workshops for families.

### What is Triple P?

The Triple P - Positive Parenting Program provides parents and carers with ideas and strategies to help children develop essential skills and behaviours for a healthy childhood. Learn more about Triple P on the [Education in WA](#) website. To register for face-to-face workshops, visit the [Triple P in WA](#) website and search for upcoming sessions by location. Parents can also access a range of self-paced Triple P Online programs for free.

### What is a Child and Parent Centre?

Child and Parent Centres support families across WA through a range of early learning programs, maternal and health services, and child support activities. Visit [Child and Parent Centres Western Australia](#) to find centre locations and enquire about programs.

### How to register

Scan the QR code or [click here](#) to register for a workshop. You will receive email confirmation and a link to join, along with a reminder before the workshop. For the best experience, we recommend downloading the [Webex app](#) ahead of the workshop. Please note that these webinars are not recorded.



Workshop	Date and Time
<b>Raising Responsible Teenagers (ages 10-16 years)</b> A challenge for parents is knowing how to encourage teens to develop the skills they need to become independent. During this time, some conflict is normal, disagreements over discipline are inevitable and every parent has to develop their own approach. This workshop will cover six key ingredients to help teens become responsible young adults: taking part in family decision-making, being respectful and considerate, being involved in family activities, developing a healthy lifestyle, being reliable and being assertive.	<b>Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July</b> 7.00pm – 9.00pm
<b>Learning to use the toilet (toddlers and pre-schoolers)</b> Teaching children to use the toilet independently can be challenging for parents. This workshop will provide tips on when your child may be ready, the skills needed to use the toilet, and some common behavioural issues related to using the toilet. This workshop is suitable for parents of children with neurotypical development and does not address any medical problems related to using the toilet.	<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August</b> 8.00pm – 10.00pm
	<b>Power Hour: Lunchtime Session</b> (a condensed, impactful session designed for lunchtime learning) <b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August</b> 12.00pm – 1.00pm
<b>Raising Resilient Children (under 12 years)</b> One of the most important tasks of parenthood is helping children learn to deal with their emotions. Children's emotional resilience, or ability to cope with their feelings, is important to their long-term happiness, wellbeing and success in life. This workshop will cover six key skills: recognising and accepting feelings, expressing feelings appropriately, having a positive outlook, developing effective ways of coping, being able to deal with negative feelings, and being able to manage stressful life events.	<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August</b> 8.00pm – 10.00pm
<b>Fear-Less: Supporting children with anxiety (6-14 years)</b> Everyone feels anxious at times, even children and teenagers. But anxiety may cause distress and get in the way of life. This seminar will help parents to understand how anxiety works, how to manage your child's anxiety effectively and teach your child new coping skills.	<b>Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b> 7.00pm – 9.30pm
<b>Screen smart: Healthy habits for a digital world (ages 4-10 years)</b> Living in a digital age has benefits and risks for children and parents. Digital devices can be a source of fun, connection, entertainment and learning. This workshop gives some suggestions to help families establish healthy screentime habits and respond to common screentime problems and is based on the Triple P tip sheet <i>Healthy Screentime Habits</i> .	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September</b> 8.00pm – 10.00pm
	<b>Power Hour: Lunchtime Session</b> (a condensed, impactful session designed for lunchtime learning) <b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b> 12.00pm – 1.00pm

In addition to the above series, some schools across the state are offering additional online workshops. These can be accessed through the separate registration forms below. Some sessions will be live-streamed from in-person events, while others will be delivered online. The facilitator will contact you directly with a link to join.

Workshop, date and time	Registration link
<b>Stepping Stones Triple P: Positive Parenting for Children with a Disability (under 12 years)</b> Tips to support parents of children with neurodivergence, disability or additional needs, focusing on an overview of positive parenting strategies.	<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August</b> 9:30am – 11.30am <a href="#">Register here</a>
<b>Stepping Stones Triple P: Helping your Child Reach Their Full Potential (under 12 years)</b> For parents of children with neurodivergence, disability or additional needs, focusing on how to teach your child new skills and help them thrive.	<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August</b> 9.30am – 11.30am <a href="#">Register here</a>
<b>Stepping Stone Triple P: Changing Problem Behaviour into Positive Behaviour (under 12 years)</b> For parents of children with neurodivergence, disability or additional needs, focusing on tips for understanding and managing problem or harmful behaviour.	<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August</b> 9.30am – 11.30am <a href="#">Register here</a>
<b>Fear-Less: Supporting children with anxiety (6-14 years)</b> Learn more about anxiety and how to help your child or teenager reduce worry and develop confidence and coping skills.	<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September</b> 9.30am – 11.30am <a href="#">Register here</a>  <b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August</b> 5.00pm – 7.30pm <a href="#">Register here</a>



Child and Parent Centres



## Eligibility

**Parent Pathways is for parents and carers who:**

- ✓ have a child aged under 6
- ✓ are not in paid employment
- ✓ live in an area where there is a Parent Pathways provider

**You must also be getting:**

- Parenting Payment
- Carer Payment
- Special Benefit

**You are also eligible if you're not getting a Centrelink payment, and are either:**

- ✓ under 22 years old
- ✓ an early school leaver (parents who don't have a Year 12 qualification)
- ✓ a First Nations parent or carer



### Where to find more information



You can find more information on Parent Pathways at:  
[dewr.gov.au/parentpathways](http://dewr.gov.au/parentpathways)

### Need extra support?

Many parents and carers experience extra challenges from time to time. You can talk to your mentor about finding practical, emotional, or personal support, as well as information and advice. If you need to exit Parent Pathways or take a break you can do that too.

If you need immediate help you can call Lifeline Australia on 13 11 14.



## Supporting parents and carers in planning their future

We're here to support parents' goals while they're doing the most important job of all.



[dewr.gov.au/parentpathways](http://dewr.gov.au/parentpathways)

Voluntary. Personalised. Flexible.



## MAKE YOUR OWN TERRAZZO SIDE PLATES

Learn about mixing and making terrazzo with Concreto artist, Margaret Dillon.

Begin by exploring the *Underneath/Overlooked* exhibition by Penny Bovell and Gabby Howlett, then put theory to practice creating your own terrazzo side plates inspired by the incredible Scolaro colour palette.

### Workshop Details:

This workshop will be conducted across two days, participants must attend both workshops to complete their side plates

Part 1: Saturday 9 August 9am–12pm  
Part 2: Sunday 10 August 1pm–4pm

Location: Katanning Gallery  
16 Austral Terrace, Katanning, WA 6317

RSVP: [katlib@katanning.wa.gov.au](mailto:katlib@katanning.wa.gov.au)

Suitable for young adults and adults. Limited spaces available.



This project is made possible through the Regional Exhibition Touring Boost with funding managed by Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport and from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and delivered by ART ON THE MOVE | Photography by Tessa Eckersley at Cabin Creative





# Create memories together

Delight in singing with your little one.  
Have fun learning together.  
Make new friends.  
Your child will enjoy the play time.  
Relax with a drink and snack.

**Come along.**

Wednesday mornings, fortnightly during school term  
St Stephen's Lutheran Church  
19 Hassell Street, Katanning WA 6317

For more information, contact Val on 0427 041 116  
or scan the QR code and search: Katanning, WA

**Find our group here**



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# 2025 WAFL TROPHY TOUR

## KATANNING

Proudly supported by WAFL Naming Rights Partner - Sullivan Logistics.

**Venue:** Katanning Wanderers Football Club / Clubrooms  
located at the rear of the Katanning Recreation Centre on Pemble Street.  
**Date:** Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2025

Join us at the Katanning Wanderers Football Club for a fun-filled evening featuring a kids' footy clinic and a special showcase of the WAFL Premiership Trophy.


**Event Schedule:**  
Event Starts / 3:45PM  
Sullivan Sports Deck Open / 4:00PM  
Skills Clinic / 4:00PM - 5:00PM  
Sausage Sizzle / 5:00PM - 6:00PM  
Colts vs Narrogin / 6:00PM  
Photo with Trophy / 5:30PM - 6:30PM




REGISTER  
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AND BBQ









An ART ON THE MOVE  
Touring Exhibition

# UNDERNEATH/ OVERLOOKED

— Penny Bovell & Gabby Howlett —

In the 1950s, postwar Italian immigrants Giuseppe and Anna Sclaro founded the Universal Tile Factory in Wyalup (Fremantle). Giuseppe, a self-taught artisan, crafted decorative terrazzo tiles using vibrant pigments and Italian marble, creating intricate patterns that have become even more beautiful over time.

*Underneath/Overlooked* began as a search for homes and buildings that still feature these unique floors and has evolved into an exhibition that explores the artistry of terrazzo and reflects on what makes a home.

Join us for an interactive experience that invites you to take a closer look at your surroundings and consider the hidden stories within.

**Exhibition Dates**




Opens: Saturday 9 August 2025  
Closes: Saturday 20 September 2025

**Venue**

Katanning Public Library & Gallery  
16 Austral Terrace  
Katanning WA 6317

**Opening Times**

Mon/Tue/Thur/Fri: 10am - 5pm  
Wed: 1pm - 5pm  
Sat: 10am - 1pm  
Sun: Closed



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Photography by Rebecca Mansell | Design elements by Betty Joy Richards



# Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops



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