

2007 FINANCIAL REPORT

Income

2006 Closing Balance	26499
DET Grants	18187
School Visits	13118
Public Visits	47509
Accommodation	50418
Other	30768
Total Income	186499

Expenditure

Administration	12581
Plant & Equipment	40273
Stock Feed	11772
Capital Works	15820
Other	81812
Total Expenditure.	162258
Balance – carried forward 2008	28634

The school budget is prepared by school staff and ratified by the Landsdale Farm School Council Inc
School Finances are managed in accordance with Department of Education & Training policy & guidelines.

COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

The following Not for Profit Groups are based on the farm under licence as per Community use of Schools.

- Friends of Yellagonga
- Wildflower Association
- Landsdale Family Support Association
- Northern Districts Herb Society
- Interwork

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Students enrolled in the “Difficult to Manage” cohort numbered three.

Student visitors numbered	5063
SWL / Work Experience	383

STAFF ATTENDANCE

All staff attended at an overall rate of 98 %

STAFF RETENTION

All staff bar a special Education Assistance and a social trainer retained their positions.

TEACHER’S QUALIFICATIONS

All teachers (2) are registered with Western Australian College of Teaching

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2007

- Shades over Alfresco area
- New Shade cloth over playground
- Gifted visually impaired donkey Rose
- Purchase of Kanga Mini Skid Steer Loader & various attachments
- Increased number of visitors
- Two Alpacas
- New phone system (Self funded)



2007 ANNUAL REPORT

School Purpose

To provide: -

1. A rich and extensive **learning environment** for all students including those with disabilities
2. A **systems resource**, which enhances the recognition of the Department of Education as a provider of excellence in education, inclusive of **curriculum frameworks and learning outcomes**.
3. An **integral part of the community**, which encourages people to view and enjoy the ambience of the farm environment. A place to continue learning new knowledge.
4. An environment which supports the concept and practice of a collaborative **decision making model** and with a close working partnership with Landsdale Farm School Council.
5. An environment that provides **opportunities** for “authentic learning” for all students and visitors.
6. An organization that is **strong, independent and resourceful** in developing future directions.

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**LANDSDALE FARM SCHOOL
SCHOOL COMMUNITY**

Since 1980 the Landsdale Farm School Incorporated has been the school community group that has developed this site from a “sand plain” to the oasis that it is today. Over the ensuing years the members have worked tirelessly to provide this unique environment, which provides a learning experience for students with disabilities, primary and high school students and members of the community. This group need is recognised for their vision and commitment. Students of all ages and “abilities” as well as many members from the public use the farm. This facility remains open for visits seven days per week, some Public Holidays included. The incumbent principal finds it necessary to spend much extra time at the school to ensure good public relations with visitors.

FARM VISITS

2007 saw a total of 22628 recorded visitors to the farm.

Day Care / Playgroup	1444
Pre Primary	728
Primary	1883
Education Support	1388
Adult Groups with disability	734
Professional Learning	162
Aged / Nursing Home	210
Public	15696

We are extremely pleased that many groups and individuals keep coming back to the farm.

Total Visitors from 2000 when we commenced keeping visitor figures

2000	9017
2001	19198
2002	18720
2003	17545
2004	15324
2005	20537
2006	22628
2007	22758

The drop off of visits from 2001 to 2004 coincided with DET new excursion policy and teachers were reluctant to participate in excursions because of the perceived difficulty and “paper work”

FARM ANIMALS / POULTRY.

The following animals are accessible on the farm:-

- Dexter cows
- Sheep
- Shetland Ponies
- Alpacas
- Goats
- Donkey
- Turkeys
- Ducks
- Chickens
- Bantam Chickens
- Geese
- Pigs

This school reports to and complies with the School Animal Ethics Committee requirements at DET. Murdoch University Vet. Clinic maintains all animal drenching, injury and medical needs.



GARDEN AREAS

All gardens on the farm are organic, thus no chemicals are used. The extensive herb garden is extremely popular with visitors. A gnome trail through the garden entertains and engrosses children. School groups from various Education Support facilities visit the farm on a weekly basis to plant and maintain their garden lots



SCHOOL PRIORITIES 2007

<i>Objective</i>	<i>Complete</i>
OHSW – Kanga	✓
Workshop / Barn	Continue
Garden Festival	✓
Publicity	✓
Increased visits	✓
Paint Buildings	Continue
Sustainability	Continue

SCHOOL PRIORITIES 2008

<i>Objective</i>	<i>Complete</i>
Workshop / Barn	
New Chicken Pens	
Paint Buildings	
Sustainability	
Extended Gnome Trail	