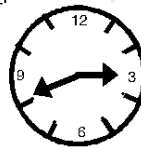


Welcome back to another busy school year. We have had a great start in each of our classes with both staff and students getting to know their new teams. This year we will graduate 2 year 6 students alongside their Primary School peers and we have enrolled 8 new students and their families. Welcome to the following students and their families: Millie, Adam, Keanu, Ashlee, Riley, Noah, Coby and Toby.

Regards
Jarna Wright

School Times—drop offs and pick ups

Technically our school day starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.00pm. We do however work around our school buses which means Room 16 is open to students from 8.30am and classroom programs shutdown for ALL students at 2.30pm. Please ensure you check the signage around school in the mornings which will indicate either "Room 16" or "Straight to Class". At 2.30pm you may collect your child directly from class, but if later students will be waiting for you in Room 16. All students must be collected by 3pm unless school is otherwise notified"

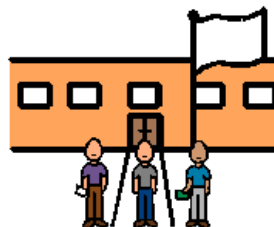


Documented Plans (DP) and meetings

Class staff are working hard with students to ensure that they know what they know and what they need to learn next. Classroom teachers will be contacting you (if they have not already done so) to make meeting times to sit down and discuss your child's curriculum for this semester. Your child's DP is their curriculum and it is what we report on to you at the end of the Semester.

Open House Feedback

Thankyou to our families for providing us with feedback about Open House. It is important that we constantly seek feedback so that we know if we are on the right track and how we can improve. One suggestion made was to have a Parent Night early in the term for parents to meet all class staff and to be informed of the years plan. This is definitely something we can look at, however in the meantime you will have the opportunity to meet staff during the Documented Planning meeting. This meeting is also a great time to touch base with staff regarding the year and your hopes and dreams for the future.



Dates to Remember

Friday 17th Feb	1.30pm	NDIS/NDIA update with Bronia Holyoake of Valued Lives
Monday 20th Feb	12.05pm	Swimming lessons for all students start (2 week program)
Monday 6th March		Public Holliday
Monday 13th March		Holly-Ann in from Safe4Kids Protective Behaviours
Wed 15th March		KPS and ESC Swimming Carnival for all students
Friday 7th April		ANZAC day assembly and last day of school for term 1
Wed 27th April		First Day back at school for students—term 2

Swimming Lessons

Next week our students are heading off to the Kalamunda Waterpark for their annual swimming lessons. Most of our students will attend and I have ensured that those students who require support get it. This means we will have 17 staff in the pool with students, either working with students in a small group or one on one. Swimming forms were collected by the Instructors today, so am assuming that those parents who have not returned forms **DO NOT** want their student to participate in swimming this year. Please contact me immediately if this is not the case.



Welcome Picnic

Our annual Welcome Picnic had been scheduled for yesterday, however with last weeks weather, the amount of water sitting on our oval and the septic tank work being completed in our Middle Play area we all thought it best to reschedule. We are yet to set the date, but it will be some time in the 2nd half of this term. Please stay tuned and keep an eye on **Skoolbag** for more details.

P&C News

The P&C started a tradition last year, hosting an outdoor movie night. This year, families are invited to come along to school on Saturday the 25th February.

For more information and booking details please like the P&C FB page by searching for

[kalamunda primary and ed support centre p & c](#)



OUTDOOR CINEMA
Feb 25, from 5.30pm
"ZOOTOPIA"

FOOD VANS | POPCORN | DRINKS | FAMILY FUN

\$25 per family (up to 5 people), \$10 extra adult, \$5 extra child
Online purchase ONLY at <https://www.trybooking.com/OQTQ>

Family friendly food vans will be serving dinner from 5.30pm onwards, movie will start at 7.30pm.
Gluten free and vegan options available.

School Programs and Supports:

This year our school has a number of supplementary programs that support our teachers and our students holistic learning programs. They include:

- Home Economics Program with Mrs Gall
- Physical Therapy Programs with Mrs Hughes, Miss T and Mrs Whitelaw
- Physical Education (PE) with the Therapy Team
- Art with Ms Boniface
- Music with Mrs Cecich
- Speech Pathology with Miss Shannon (Stirling Speech Pathology)
- Psychology services both through our School Psych Claire Watson and private services with Amy Campbell (Charles St Clinic)
- Physiotherapy with Mr Steve (also with Therapy Focus)
- OT with Miss Bec (OT4Kids)
- Social Training with Mrs Hicks, Mrs Nicholls and Ms Caroline
- LOTE (Key Word Sign) with Mrs Wright
- Protective Behaviours supported by Holly-Ann From Safe4Kidz
- A multitude of providers through the NDIS (for individual students)

Charges and Contributions

Please ensure that all families have paid their \$60.00 parent contribution by the end of this term. Some of you may have chosen to pay it through OfficeMax with your booklist order, whilst others may simply have forgotten or its not in this month's budget. For those of you who have paid through OfficeMax can you please let us know either via email or in your communication book so that we can track your payment.

For those of you yet to do so, you may want to pay \$10.00 a week or fortnight and still be eligible for the draw.

For those families that have paid their voluntary contribution by the end of this term, you will be entered into the draw to have your contribution refunded or allocated to another area of your choice!

Allergies

We have a number of students who have **allergies to eggs and nuts**. Some with severe allergies that may see them have an anaphylactic reaction. For this reason we are asking our families to consider carefully the foods that families pack in students lunchboxes. Thanking you in advance as safety for all students is our primary concern.

SKOOLBAG

I strongly encourage all families to download the Kalamunda PS Education Support Centre SKOOLBAG app so that you can keep abreast of all things KPS ESC. This newsletter is also posted on SKOOLBAG fortnightly.

The Primary School also have their own SKOOLBAG app that you may also want to download so that you can read their newsletters and ensure that you know what is happening at all times across the entire school site. Download instructions for SKOOLBAG will be emailed to families with this newsletter.



NDIS update

Bronia Holyoake from Valued Lives will be in this **Friday at 1pm (tomorrow)** to chat to our families about the changes to the NDIS. This is a very important meeting for all families as this will significantly impact on you, your child/ren and the way you currently manage your plan. There is a FB group called **#nodisadvantage** that you may like to take a look at so that you know what people are talking about.

