

Dates to Remember

Thurs 20th July	Edudance starts
Tues 25th July	Year 5 family meeting to discuss High School Options for 2019
Thurs 3rd August	NAIDOC DAY celebrations
Tues 8th August	Holy Ann in with students Protective Behaviours
Wed 30th August	School Visit by Local MLA Matthew Hughes and the Minister for Education, Sue Ellery
Fri 1st September	Fathers Day stall
Mon 4th September	Jiggle Jam Extravaganza at South Ballajura ESC
Wed 13th September	Athletics Carnival
Thurs 14th September	Edudance Concert
Fri 22nd September	Last Day of Term 3

Welcome back, or welcome for the first time, to term 3! Welcome to Wyatt's and Brayden's families who have joined our Kalamunda family. Lovely to have you all on board.

This term we have a number of events including: Edudance lessons and concert, NAIDOC day, a visit from our local Member of Parliament, Matthew Hughes with the Minister for Education, Sue Ellery, Athletics Carnival, Fathers Day stall plus the Jiggle Jam Extravaganza. As you can see, it is going to be busy so it is vital that during these winter months we keep students well and healthy.

Thanks in advance

Jarna Wright

Principal

Filming Students

We have many school events that are a perfect opportunity to get some happy snaps of memorable moments; carnivals, concerts, excursions and so on. It is so easy to take a photo or some video footage and then within seconds share these images electronically, whether it is via Facebook, SMS or another method of speedy delivery. It can also be very difficult to ensure your photography does not include pictures of other students. What we ask as a school, is for anyone taking photos or footage of their own children, to please be mindful of the fact that many other parents would not appreciate images of their own child being captured, let alone uploaded to the web or shared with others. This is an invasion of privacy. Please make an effort to only capture images of your own children and in doing so respect the privacy of all members of our school community.



Nature Play

For those of you that drop students at school and come in through the rear entry, yesterday you would have seen an amazing change taking place in our middle playground space. Over the holidays the long awaited nature play stage two began in earnest with Andrew Osenton leading the charge. There is still a mountain of work to be done and the more help that people can give the quicker we can let the kids loose. The overwhelming level of support for stage one was truly mind blowing and now that stage two has started it would be fantastic if people could volunteer to get it completed. P&C run a Facebook page with details put up for busy bees, volunteer special projects etc so please keep an eye open and support the P&C if you are able.

Circus Quirkus

Reminder to all families to let me know before THIS FRIDAY if you would like tickets for this year's performance of Circus Quirkus. This year they are performing on Sunday the 20th August. Show times are 11am, 2pm and 5pm. Details were emailed last term and can also be found on Skoolbag.



Jiggle Jam Extravaganza

Each morning in assembly our students finish with a song or 2 from the Jiggle Jam franchise. Jiggle Jam is a program that introduces our students to, timing, rhythm, counting, cross crawling patterning, coordination, imagery, directionality, fine and gross motor skills, moderate to vigorous cardiovascular fitness, a mat routine for posture and upper body exercises and our final routine offers slow and gentle movements for hand eye coordination, balance and calmness. On top of all of these benefits, it is also something that our students love and look forward to.

In September, our students have been invited to attend a Jiggle Jam Extravaganza at South Ballajura ESC where we will perform 2 routines with a maximum of 15 students per routine. This morning I divided our students into Juniors and Seniors and we have chosen the 2 routines: Seniors will perform "Who let the dogs out?" whilst our Juniors will perform "I like to move it".

I am yet to determine who will be attending the Extravaganza with me as the students are expected to be able to perform the routines to the music only, without following the video. This is not as easy as it sounds, so over the next 6 weeks I will be fine tuning our performances with students and finalizing who will come with me to perform. Parents and friends will all be invited and more information will be sent home once finalized.

Allergies

A number of our students have diagnosed or suspected allergies to nuts and/or eggs. As a community it is vital that we are aware of this and do everything we can to minimize the chances of these students having a reaction. Therefore, I am asking all families to consider carefully what they are packing in students lunch boxes and be mindful that we do have students with significant allergies in our school. Thanks in advance.

Head Lice Alert

Head lice has been detected in the school. Please check your child's hair as soon as possible and take the appropriate action if necessary.



New name for Kalamunda Education Support Centre

Up until the 21st of June this year, our formal name was Kalamunda Education Support Centre. As you can see, KESC does not identify us as a high school or primary school and this would often lead to confusion within the community resulting in us receiving mail, phone calls and at times funding for the high school ESC. In some instances, families actually thought we were one and the same.

Our School Council discussed the option of changing our name officially, which was signed off by the Minister for Education, the Honorary Sue Ellery on the 21st June 2017. From this point onwards you will now see us branded as KP ESC. Exciting times ahead!