

Kalamunda Primary ESC Newsletter

Welcome back or welcome, if you are new to our school. It has been a great start to the year and considering today is only day 4 with students, I am happily surprised by how settled everyone is looking.

This year we have welcomed 3 new teachers: Miss O'Neill into Area 2, Miss Franklin into Area 4 and Miss Jessie (Coremans) into Area 7. Miss Jessie will work on Monday's in Area 7 when Mrs Deo is out teaching LOTE (Key Word Sign) to all of our students. We also welcome a number of new families to our community including the Haidary's, the Hickey's, the Jones, the Maan's, the Maekivi's, the Petersen's, the Schelfhout's, the Schutze's and the Shearing's. We sincerely welcome everyone and hope that you enjoy the Kalamunda community as much as we do.



This year promises to be another busy one with a number of new initiatives being implemented:

- As I mentioned last year, we have been working with Amy Campbell, psychologist with the Charles St Clinic on Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) and working to educate our students about behaviour and to explicitly teach them more socially appropriate behaviours, rather than just focus on the authoritarian model of “make good choices” and traditional behaviour management. Using PBS we will explicitly map their choices, their behaviours and the outcomes of those behaviours. It is something that we have been working on and evolving over the past year and are excited to continue into 2018. I have attached copies of our updated school rules for your reference at the end of this newsletter.
- This year we are implementing 2 new specialist areas across the entire Centre. Firstly, Mrs Deo will be delivering Key Word Sign to all students on Monday's and Mrs B and Mrs Hood will be delivering STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) with a primary focus on Science and Technology on Friday's.
- We have identified a team of 6 people; including Miss Shannon our Speech Pathologist and Miss Maddy from Therapy Focus, to convene a working party to determine a whole school approach to Communication (multimodal). It is our aim that every student will leave Kalamunda Primary ESC with a system of communication in place with a plan for further development. This group will also coordinate professional learning for families on the multiple modes of communication including PODD and Key Word Sign.

Jarna Wright

Principal

Dates to remember

Monday 5th Feb	Swimming lessons start – standard 2 week DOE program at Kalamunda Water Park
Tuesday 6th Feb	Autism Swimming Program starts for those students who were in the program in 2017
Tuesday 20th Feb	Welcome Picnic – TBC
Tuesday 27th Feb	First KPS and ESC P&C Meeting 7pm in the Staffroom
Monday 5th March	Public Holiday
Wednesday 7th March	Faction Swimming Carnival with our KPS peers at Kalamunda Water Park
Friday 30th March	Good Friday
Tuesday 3rd April	Easter Tuesday – NO SCHOOL
Friday 13th April	ANZAC Day Assembly and final day of term 1
Tuesday 1st May	Day one of Term 2 for students

**Student Permission
Forms
DUE NOW!**


Swimming Lessons

Please ensure students are ready for swimming EVERY day for the next 2 weeks.

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Focus on my engine running JUST RIGHT

How do I feel?
How do the people around me feel?
How can I express my emotions appropriately?

Personal and Social Capability Learning Continuum
SELF-AWARENESS: Recognize emotions
SELF-MANAGEMENT: Express emotions appropriately



Work hard to do my BEST

Did I try my hardest?
Could I have worked harder?

Personal and Social Capability Learning Continuum
SELF-MANAGEMENT: Recognize emotions and Express emotions appropriately



FOLLOW my guide/boss

Who is your guide?
Have my 'bosses' asked me to do something?
Am I being respectful?
Can I 'think it' without 'saying it'?

Personal and Social Capability Learning Continuum
SOCIAL AWARENESS: Understanding Relationships



Be the best friend I can be

Did I think about what my friends need & want?
Did I wait for my turn?

Personal and Social Capability Learning Continuum
SOCIAL MANAGEMENT: Communicate effectively

The School Canteen needs you!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR REGULAR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP IN THE SCHOOL CANTEEN. CAN YOU HELP US OUT?

- **MONDAY IS OUR BUSIEST DAY, SO WE REALLY NEED TO FIND SOMEONE TO HELP EVERY MONDAY FROM 8.30AM TO 1PM**
- **WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS**
- **YOU WILL NEED TO HELP COVER SICK LEAVE FROM TIME TO TIME**
- **NO PRIOR EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY. YOU WILL BE WORKING WITH A STAFF MEMBER WHO WILL SHOW YOU EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW**

To find out more you can chat with Kelly at the School Canteen or email us at kalamundapande@gmail.com