

# Kalamunda Primary ESC Newsletter

Students in Areas 1, 3, 4 and 7 have been working on “being the best friend they can be” in the playground, which saw them earn a visit to Stirk Park today. We had a brilliant morning taking risks and playing on different. Three of the most popular pieces were the old style horse merry-go-round, a regular “wizzy dizzy” and a stand up version. The stand up version was great for students as they had to hang on and engage their core strength all whilst flying around. It was a challenge for them as they fell off and grazed their knees, to wipe themselves off and have another go, yet all great practise at building resilience.

Speaking of resilience, a number of our students have found it difficult to return to school following the Easter break. For many of our students (and staff, me included) we had a taste of the holidays only to have to return to school for a further 8 days before we get to enjoy the real thing. We are asking families to work with us as we navigate this last week and support all of our students to finish on a positive note.

Thanks  
Jarna Wright  
Principal

NDIS update

On Monday afternoon I met with a number of parents to discuss the **NDIS**. Most of you have plans or are in preparedness to negotiate and I have encouraged all families to:

- Engage a coordinator/advocate to support you as nobody knows what we don't know
- PLAN PLAN PLAN and PLAN some more
- Evaluate the value of what services you are purchasing and ask yourself if you would spend your own money if you had to?
- Ask lots of questions of your service providers and if you don't feel that it meets your child's needs, request a change
- Ensure that you remain focussed on what is typical for other children of the same age and if what you are seeking would be considered “reasonable and necessary” by your NDIS planner

Then today I was chatting with Kristen, who works with Valued Lives and both her and Bronia have knowledge of the scheme that far exceeds my own and could be invaluable to families. If people are interested I would be more than happy to get them to come in and have a chat so that everyone can feel confident in their ability to negotiate and implement a plan that meets the unique needs of their child. Please let me know via email if this is something you would like to explore?

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# Dates to remember

<b>Tomorrow</b>	FREE DRESS DAY and a fundraising cake stall (Gold coin donations)
<b>Fri 13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	ANZAC Day Assembly and final day of term 1
<b>Tues 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	Day one of Term 2 for students
<b>Fri 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Mr Jiggle Jam visiting Kalamunda
<b>Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Dare to be a Hero Dressup day (fundraising)
<b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	WA Day (public holiday)
<b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Cross Country Carnival with the PS
<b>Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Yirra Yakkin performance for all students
<b>Fri 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Last day of school and NAIDOC celebration BBQ for all students
<b>Tues 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	First day of Term 3 for students
<b>Term 3</b>	Edudance program for selected students (Thurs & Fri classes)
<b>Tues 31<sup>st</sup> July</b>	WASO incursion – Harmony Music Program for ESC students



## ANZAC Day Service

This Friday is our **Annual Service** that will begin at **9am**. Area 4 students are preparing our wreath so please send in any flowers you may have in your garden tomorrow. Jessica and Tai have been selected to lay the wreath on behalf of all staff and students

## Razzamatazz Show 2018 Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May

Reminder to all families that I need to know by Friday if you are wanting tickets!

