


**Term 3 Newsletter 13     23rd August 2023**

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**August/September is Djilba season**

Kaya Families,

Book week this week and you will notice the focus across the school. As is the practice at Djidi Djidi during book week we will have a shared story reading on Thursday with all the students, On Friday we have visiting author, Sally Murphy, in to coach and mentor our year 3 - 6 students.

Please take every opportunity you can to read to your children, sharing stories is another way to connect and it is proven to increase literacy development along with opportunities to develop vocabulary. We have been putting up ideas on Facebook to continue to develop literacy time at home, please check out the Djidi Djidi Facebook page.

As many of you may know, there has been some disruption in the community in regard to Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School. I would like to assure you all that Djidi Djidi continues to educate the students in our care, and we will continue to do this. Djidi Djidi provides all students with rich cultural experiences and Noongar language along with the Western Australian curriculum. Our students are showing great improvement in their learning, and we should all be proud. I would also like to personally thank the school parents and community for your kind words of support.

As I have always said, please come in at any time to discuss any issues that you would like, or just drop in for a cuppa and a yarn and share good news stories. I know the staff appreciate good news stories.

We are looking at collating stories of success from our ex-students. We know so many of our students who are now grown and have young families, and bright futures. If you would like to share your story, please contact me.

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Karen Augustson

**2023 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

| WEEK      | MONDAY                          | TUESDAY                    | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  |
|-----------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|---|
| <b>6</b>  | 21 August<br><b>Book Week</b> → | 22                         | 23<br><br>Newsletter                             | 24<br><b>Book Week Story Reading 10-11am in Undercover area</b> | 25<br><b>Boox Kid Workshop with Choir 11am – 1pm</b>        |
| <b>7</b>  | 28<br><b>EARBUS Onsite</b>      | 29<br><b>EARBUS Onsite</b> | 30<br><b>Dermokaliŋj Class Assembly @ 1:40pm</b> | 31  | 1 September   |
| <b>8</b>  | 4                               | 5                          | 6<br><br>Newsletter                              | 7<br><b>Dental Staff onsite</b>                                 | 8<br><b>Wattle Winter Carnival</b>                          |
| <b>9</b>  | 11                              | 12                         | 13   | 14<br><b>NATIONAL RUOK DAY</b>                                  | 15  |
| <b>10</b> | 18                              | 19                         | 20<br><b>JUMPS DAY</b><br><br>Newsletter         | 21  | 22<br><b>FACTION SPORTS DAY</b><br>Students last day Term 3 |

## WHAT'S THE LATEST NEWS!!!



### Dental Forms

We have been reminding parents/carers via Facebook, Newsletter or SMS to make sure you have handed in Dental Permission Forms back to the school. If you have lost the form or didn't receive one, please call the office and we can send one home with your child/ren. Dental staff will not be able to see children who do not have permission for them to check their teeth. They will be here onsite at Djidi Djidi on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you to the families who have handed their forms in.

### Father's Day Raffle – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September



Our annual Father's Day raffle is in full swing, and all our families will have received a little booklet of 5 raffle tickets. The tickets are \$1.00 each so if you wish to purchase any just send the tickets and money back to the school by Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August. The raffle will be drawn at recess time on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

If you would like more tickets, you are more than welcome to phone the office and we can send them home with your child or come in and purchase them from the office. There is a photo of the raffle prize on our Facebook page, check it out. Good luck all you Dad's, Grandad's, Uncles, Brothers, Cousins etc. as they say, "You have to be in it to win it!"

### 2024 School Camp

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 next year, they can attend our biannual school camp to Fairbridge Camp in Pinjarra. The camp is going to be during Week 9 in Term 1 at a cost of \$200 per student. Attending school camp is dependent on your child's Good Standing and Attendance at school. Now is the time for parents and carers to start thinking about payment and putting some money aside for not only the camp payment but personal items that your child will need for camp. More information for families will be sent out next term.

### KINDERGARTEN 2024 ENROLMENTS



If your child is turning four between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024, then they are eligible to start Kindy next year.

If you are thinking of enrolling your child in Kindy at Djidi Djidi, we have changed the date so please get your enrolment in by the 31<sup>st</sup> August to guarantee a place in Kindy.

\*If you know of anyone who has a child, that is Kindy age and ready to start school next year get them to call us now.

Come into the front office, phone or email us and we are very happy to help get the enrolment process started for you. It is so lovely to see so many new families coming in to enrol their children in Kindy at our beautiful school.

### WINTER CANTEEN MENU FOR FRIDAYS

We have an updated canteen winter menu for the rest of this term. **As we need to collect the lunches from South Bunbury, there will be no recess available, only lunch.** This will allow us to be able to collect warm lunches for our students. Please just send in a piece of fruit or something easy for your child to eat at recess time. When packing food for school please always consider a healthy alternative where possible. The students are very good at eating healthy and we do notice the difference in behaviours when preservatives are reduced.

**Red food and drinks:** Lack adequate nutritional value are high in saturated fat and/or added sugar and/or salt and can contribute to excess energy.

As part of the departments school policy, we will not have Red foods on the canteen menu. We do not allow soft drinks or prime drinks in the school at all and suggest water is the cheapest and best option at all times for our students.

If you need a canteen menu, please call the office.

### CHARACTER STRENGTH - LEADERSHIP

For the next fortnight, our students are going to learn about the character strength of **Leadership**.

Leadership is making things happen and supporting others to be their best.



### NOONGAR "WORD OF THE FORTNIGHT"

Seeing as Father's Day is coming up we thought a great word of the fortnight would be ...

**Maambart/maaman**  
Father



### FACTION SPORTS CARNIVAL

It's fast approaching that time of the year again for our annual Faction Sports Carnival Day. This year the carnival is on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September (Week 10, last day of school)**, out on the oval starting at 9am. All parents, carers and families are most welcome to come along and enjoy the day. More information to follow in the next newsletter.

