



Kaya and welcome to all our families and community members,

We are thrilled to announce a fantastic start to the school year, and we extend our heartfelt congratulations to everyone for commencing 2024 with curiosity, confidence, and connection. The energy around the school is palpable as students reunite with old friends and forge new friendships. To our new families, a warm welcome! We eagerly anticipate getting to know each and every one of you.

Effective communication is vital. We employ various channels to keep parents and carers informed about classroom activities and school-wide events. Please stay connected with us through our Facebook page and website, where we regularly update school news. Additionally, our newsletter will be distributed twice per term and posted on our website. Look out for notes in your child's bag, which will be sent home with the eldest student in each family.

If I could offer one piece of advice to all parents, it would be to communicate with your child's teacher regularly. Should you encounter difficulty reaching your child's teacher, my door is always open. Please feel free to approach me at any time. Successful learning is a collaborative effort, and together, we can ensure every student receives the support they need to thrive.

Attendance is paramount. Every school day counts, and we understand that regular attendance significantly enhances students' chances of success. If your child is unwell or unable to attend school, please notify us by phone or through the absentee request form on our website.

Updating medical records is crucial for the safety and well-being of our students. The Department of Education mandates annual updates for Asthma Action Plans and Anaphylaxis Plans. Please ensure that your child's Asthma Action Plan is current and notify Terrina if your child no longer requires one. If your child requires medication during school hours, please complete a Medication Authorization form, available from the front office. All medication must be submitted to the office and signed over by a parent or carer.

Lastly, our commitment to Kaadadjiny Moordijabiny, the 6 kinds of best, remains unwavering:

I am one of a kind.

I am kind to myself.

I am kind to others.

I am kind to country.

I am the learning kind.

I am the achieving kind.

Remember, your kindness has the power to change lives, inspire hope, bring joy, and make someone's day. Let us all choose kindness each day. Enjoy reading this newsletter and seeing the fabulous work that our students have already completed.

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Karen Augustson

2024 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5	26 February	27	28	29 Scitech Incursion (K-6) 8:45-12:20pm	1 MARCH
6	4 March Labour Day Public Holiday	5	6	7 EARBUS visit	8
7	11 March	12	13	14	15

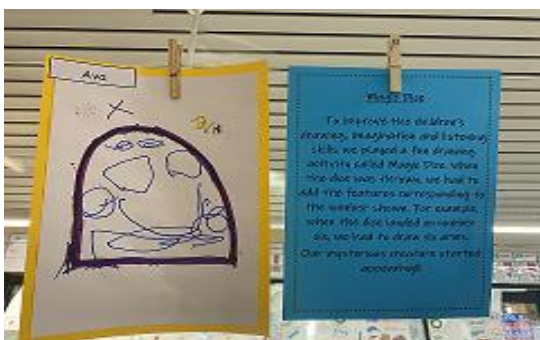
SCIENCE AND ART CLASSES

This Semester students are learning about Chemical Science. Classes will be engaging in investigations about the states of matter (solids, liquids and gas) and about types of materials, their uses and properties. Staff and students are excited to see what the team from SciTech have planned for their visit on the 29th of February.

Wetj and Yongka class have started the year with a graphic artwork about their own name and Kaarda class have drawn themselves at the beach and mounted this on a watercolour background. Students in Dermokalityj have been creating a crayon and water colour background to use for a portrait photo of themselves.

The contribution that Yongka and Wetj students made to the dragon lantern, that was included in Bunbury's Chinese Lantern Festival, was on display in the January school holidays. The finished lantern was very effective and looked beautiful alight.

Sallyanne Cantwell
Primary Teacher



KINDILINK NEWS

Kaya Families,

We have had a busy start to 2024 KindiLink with many new families joining us. We are learning about Marvellous Me and have been enjoying exploring things about ourselves. Such as making our face with face stones and playdough and building our house with paper bags. We also had fun making heart fairy bread, using collage materials and painting hearts for Valentine.

MESSY PLAY WEEK IN WA - On Monday 26th February between 9:00am and 12pm we will be having our MESSY PLAY DAY. Please make sure your children are dressed in old clothes and bring a change of clothes too. Don't forget your hat, water bottle and a piece of fruit to share.

A Djidi Djidi KindiLink Facebook page has been set up for KindiLink families, you will need to request to join.

Sharen Stewart & Audrey Woods
KindiLink Staff



KAARDA CLASS NEWS

We have had a very busy start to the year in Kaarda class, we have really enjoyed getting to know some new faces, seeing how much we've grown and having fun. We have shared stories about different cultures and what people enjoy eating for dinner, pizza is a big favourite! We ventured to the canteen and cooked our own pancakes, luckily no one flipped any onto the floor!

Tamara Saunders
Class Teacher



WETJ CLASS NEWS

In Wetj we have been enjoying lots of hands-on activities this term, with STEM challenges and Song writing sessions. Some of our challenges have been somewhat sticky, but they have all shown that we have some highly creative thinkers in year 5/6! We look forward to doing even more challenges as we learn about the creative process and more about strong engineering structures.

Deb Parkes
Class Teacher



AUTHOR VISIT – “KAAL TACKLES ECZEMA”

We were privileged enough to have the authors of the book “Kaal Tackles Eczema” visit our school and read to us on Wednesday 14 February. Please see the QR code on the attached colouring in page to hear the book. Thank you to the Telethon Institute for this wonderful resource.



HEALTHY LUNCHBOX: KEEP IT SIMPLE

With the unpredictable nature of our day to day lives, preparing and packing a healthy lunchbox can be a difficult task. Finding time to shop and prepare interesting and healthy meals for school lunches can be stressful. But the foods we send to school with our kids can contribute up to 1/3 of their daily intake of nutrients. So, it's important to pack a balanced lunch to ensure they're getting the nutrients they need.

Things you need to know:

What is in a balanced lunchbox?



Pack the core 4

- Main Lunch
- Core Snack
- Piece of fruit (seasonal)
- Water with an additional small, reduced fat milk drink or 99% fruit juice.

Add extra core snacks or one small 'extra' pre-packaged snack **once a week.**

Keep “occasional” foods such snack food bars, sweet biscuits, flavoured or coated popcorn and savoury biscuits and chips out of the lunch box. Although they can offer a practical convenient solution for lunchboxes, they should not replace the core snack and should be kept for special occasions.