# **DJIDI DJIDI WAANGKINY**

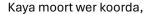
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Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School



We are now well into Term 2 and we were all excited about the rain last week. We hope the rain replenishes our water supplies and feeds this beautiful Wardandi country.

Our Year 5 and 6 students had a wonderful time at camp in week 1. They were exhausted on their return and full of awe and wonderful stories to tell. This will be a fantastic memory for the students to hold onto as they move to secondary school. The senior block, Yongka and Wetj classes, went on a Koomal Dreaming Excursion to Dunsborough in week 3 and had a fabulous time on country and learning about their culture. We continue to provide all our students with Aboriginal cultural learning and language.

As we all know attendance is a focus at Djidi Djidi and we will continue to make this a priority to give all our students the best possible opportunities to learn and grow to reach their potential. Parents and carers must make this a priority also, ensuring that your children meet all their educational needs to move onto high school and beyond. As a special attendance and behaviour reward, we have managed to organise a three-day camp to Rottnest Island for our Years 4 – 6 students in Term 3. Our early years and junior primary students will also have a special excursion in Term 3 recognising high attendance throughout the year. Further information and notes will be sent home in the next few weeks. These are an attendance reward excursion and will be free to each student attending who has met the criteria.

I would like to invite any interested community members to join our school council. We meet once a term to discuss school issues and gain advice from the community members and parents. It is important that we have as many community members as possible on our council, so we are able to have a broad representation of our families. Our school survey that was given to parents and community members at our last Harmony Day Assembly indicated that all families were happy with the direction of the school and the way we communicate with families. The survey also indicated that many parents were unsure of what the school council does. If you are unsure, please come in for a cuppa and yarn with me or come to the next school council meeting which will be held on 25th June at 3.30pm A couple of our staff have been in training for the HBF Run 4 a Reason, me included!! We hope to run 12km on Sunday 19th May 2024. Our reason for running is the Perth Children's Hospital, we all feel very grateful to this hospital as many of our students have been through their doors and we value and respect the great health initiatives they have. Reconciliation Walk is on 31st May 2024 and our students and staff from Years 3 -6 will attend the walk as part of an excursion plan. Please send in the permission forms as soon as possible. We welcome parents and community members to join us on the day. We would also like any parents that would like to bring their Kindergarten – Year 2 students with them to collect them from school and supervise them during the walk with the whole school.

NAIDOC Week is at the end of this term, and we are planning lots of activities and community inclusion over that week. I would like to invite any community members who can support us on the day and volunteer their time to please contact Kristy Carriage or myself to advise their availability. As always, we welcome all volunteers into our school and hope that we can build the knowledge of our students through community involvement.

Finally, a very Happy Mother's Day to all the women in our lives that support and nurture us and our families, enjoy the day and I hope you are all surrounded by the ones you love on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

# Boorda Karen Augustson

2024 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS					
WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5	13 MAY	14	15	16	17 <b>AFL</b>
6	20 MAY	21 Eyes@optometry – Vision Screening Years 1-6 only	22	23 Wetj Class Assembly @ 1:40pm/Meat Raffle Drawn	24 <b>AF</b> L
7	27 MAY	28	29	30	31 Reconciliation Walk 11-1:45pm Yrs 3-6

#### **WETJ CLASS NEWS**

What an amazing group of students that went on camp during week 1 to Camp Fairbridge Pinjarra. Everyone had the best time away making new memories that will last a lifetime. Photos were posted on our Facebook page.

As the year rolls on, Wetj Year 6s are getting to investigate what the local high schools have to offer, starting with Newton Moore Senior High School and their fun and engaging presentation on all that the school has to offer including some of their specialist programs.





### **SCHOOL NEWS UPDATES**

# **MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE**

Get your Mother's Day raffle tickets/money in by 9:30am tomorrow (Friday) morning for the draw at recess. There are 3 prizes this year, we normally only have one prize but two of the prizes were donated to the school. We have a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize for the raffle. We wish all our mother's out there in the community a Happy Mother's Day on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

# WINTER BLANKETS

The school has been given some donations of blankets/doonas so if anyone is interested, come into the office and have a look. Please do not ring the office and ask for items to be put aside, you must come in to see what we have. Thank you.

# **EASTER RAFFLE**

Congratulations to all our lucky Easter Raffle winners from last term. We hope you all had a lovely Easter and enjoyed those choccies!

# **VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

All families that pay their children's voluntary contributions by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May will go into our meat raffle draw. The draw will take place during our Wet Class Assembly on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

Payments from our Voluntary Contributions go towards hosting cultural and educational events at our school e.g. NAIDOC, Harmony Day.

<b>VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS</b>				
	Kindergarten	Pre-Primary to Yr 6		
TOTAL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS	\$20.00	\$40.00		

# **GAMING - FORTNITE**

# Do you know who your kids are talking to online? What is Fortnite?

Fortnite is a third-person shooter game where up to 100 players compete to be the last person or team standing. You can compete alone or join a team of up to four players. You progress through the game by exploring the island, collecting weapons, building fortifications and engaging in combat with other players. You can make purchases for access to the full game or for bonus weapons. Players communicate with other players through online messaging or voice chat. Fortnite Battle Royale is a free version of the Fortnite game.

How to report a player who is being abusive or behaving inappropriately.

# Block a Player!

https://www.epicgames.com/help/en-US/epic-gamesstore-c5719341124379/epic-accountsc5719350930075/block-and-unblock-a-friend-in-theepic-games-launcher-a5720400522779

# Protect your account!

https://www.epicgames.com/help/en-US/epic-accounts-c5719348850459/account-security-c5719366891291/securing-your-epic-account-a5720275985435

Learn how to make your account as secure as possible and what to do if your account has been hacked or breached. At Djidi Djidi classes use the safety guide to support lessons and discussions with students.

# **NOONGAR WORD OF THE MONTH**

Our Noongar word of the month is:

miyal – eyes



Nidja nyangany miyal – This is my eyes.

# **CHARACTER STRENGTH - PERSISTENCE**

During weeks 4 to 6 the Character Strength that children are learning across the school is Persistence.

Persistence is working hard and sticking with something valuable that you've started.



# **KINDILINK NEWS**

Kaya KindiLink families,

On Tuesday in recognition of Mother's Day we had our Yorgas Yarning Morning Tea. Families had a great time making crowns, flowers, decorating cupcakes and gifts to take home. We all enjoyed a yummy morning

tea together.





Come along and join us in KindiLink every Monday and Tuesday during a school term from 9am to 12pm. We have our own Djidi Djidi KindiLink Facebook page, but you will need to request to join.

Boorda Sharen and Audrey

# **RECLAIMING THE VOID**

Djidi Djidi staff spent a Saturday morning making rag rugs to contribute to the Reclaiming the Void Community Project.

Reclaim the Void was born from Ngalia elders in Leonora, Western Australia, expressing their pain and grief at 'those gaping mining holes left all over our country'. The vision, conceived by Vivienne Robertson, and elaborated with Kado & Deeva Muir from the Ngalia Heritage Research Council Aboriginal Corporation, over 10 years of yarning, is to create a huge 'dot' artwork, to lay on land affected by mining. The finished artwork, inspired by a painting by passed Ngalia elder and custodian for country, DW, will express a story of country by people from all walks of life from around Australia and beyond.

# **RECLAIMING THE VOID**



Below are some pictures of staff and what they made during that Saturday morning.





# **VISUAL ART – CLAY WORK**

Students will begin artworks using clay this term. They will make fish mobiles, flower bowls and hanging wall

platers

