



Kaya to all our families,

We hope that you all had the opportunity to get some rest and relaxation with your families over the school holidays.

Huge thanks to all our families for attending our *Sports Day* at the end of last term, as always it was a wonderful day filled with displays of great sportsmanship and achievement. It is always a high spot to see family members compete in some games and races, and 2024 was no exception thanks to those that added to the fun of the day. Congratulations to Ngaank (Gold) Faction – with 1938 points, for taking out the 2024 honours. Just pipping Boodja (Red) Faction on 1844 by 94 points!

Another highlight at the end of Term 3 was the *Inaugural Student Photography Exhibition*, Ngaany Miyal Kwobidak (My Eyes See Beauty) and Silent Auction. Students have worked throughout 2023/24 with Russell and Cat Ord from the Desert Light Foundation to build individual portfolios. The students got to select their photos that would go on display and their favourite to be put up for the silent auction. The auction proved not only competitive but highly successful, raising money for the school's multimedia room renovations. Special guests, alongside family members and wider school community got to chat with the student photographers as well as meet Russell and Cat. The response was overwhelmingly positive, and we look so forward to continuing the highly regarded program that Desert Light provide throughout Term 4 and into 2025.

The start to Term 4 has been busy, it was wonderful to see so many students participate in swimming lessons, developing their swimming skills and knowledge of water safety is vitally important. By the time you read this Yongka Class will have performed at their Assembly, and I have little doubt they will be fantastic!

Teachers will now be reaching out to families to arrange a catch up to discuss your child's progress before reports go home at the end of term. Towards the end of Term 4 there is so much to look forward to, with the School Concert and Year 6 Graduation it can get busy. We will continue to keep you informed through class notes home, our Website and the Djidi Djidi Facebook page.

We also look forward to welcoming back our Principal, Karen Augustson from her LSL, I am sure she will have some wonderful stories to share with us all. On behalf of Deb Parkes, Brenda, Terrina and I we want to thank staff and families for a smooth start to Term 4 and look forward to a terrific final term.

Boorda

Bronwyn Mumme
Acting Principal

2024 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Term 4 4	28 October	29	30	31 Halloween Disco 1 to 2:30pm	1 November Wattle Interschool Carnival
5	4 Setagaya Student Visit	5	6 Desert Light	7	8
6	11	12	13	14	15
7	18	19	20	21	22 Desert Light

YONGKA CLASS NEWS

Yongka class are hosting a Spooktacular Halloween Disco tomorrow (Thurs. 31st October) from 1-2:30pm (during school) from lunchtime onwards.

All students are able to attend. **If you paid \$5 your child will receive a glow stick and sausage sizzle for lunch.**

If not, please send lunch from home. Other treats are available to buy so bring some change. **Come along in your scary fancy dress costumes. There are prizes awarded to the best dressed costume in each classroom.** All funds raised will go towards our next Year 5/6 school camp.



CHARACTER STRENGTHS

Weeks 1-3 our students were learning about Curiosity. During weeks 4 to 6 the Character Strength that children are learning across the school is FORGIVENESS. Forgiveness is letting go of grudges and forgiving those who have made mistakes.



KINDILINK INFORMATION

Kaya KindiLink families,

Old Mc Donald had a Farm this term we have been exploring farms, what we see, what we hear and what things from a farm taste like. We have had lots of fun discovering oats, corn, carrots, tractors and scarecrows. We have enjoyed cooking Cheesy Carrot Balls and making popcorn.



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. Hope to see all our regular families and some new ones too!

Boorda
Sharen and Glenda

DERMOKALITJ CLASS NEWS

So far this term we have been learning about where our food comes from. We are growing strawberries and cucumbers along with a range of herbs such as thyme, mint and dill.



Rachael Murphy
Early Childhood Teacher

SCHOOL WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

Families can check out our website and Facebook page for regular updates and photos of what is happening at the school.

Facebook:

[Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School](#)

Website:

www.djidiaboriginalschool@education.wa.edu.au

WHAT'S COMING UP AT DJIDI DJIDI

WATTLE INTERSCHOOL CARNIVAL

Some of our students will be attending the Interschool Carnival at River Valley PS (Burekup) on Friday 1st November. If any families would like to make the trip out to Burekup, you are more than welcome to do so and cheer on our Djidi Djidi team. The carnival starts at 9:30am.



BUSWEST UPDATES/INFORMATION

For those families who are unaware or just need a little reminder, the bus service is provided by Buswest to Djidi Djidi and is a registered bus service which has established routes. It is important that we can maintain and value this service as it is a privilege to travel on our buses. The rules below apply to all families and students travelling on our buses.

RED CARDS

Poor behaviour choices being made by some of the students on the buses result in Red Cards being given out. If your child receives 3 Red Cards during a school term, they will be suspended from using the bus service (usually 1-5 days) depending on the behaviour. Parents and carers are then expected to transport their child to and from school during the bus suspension if this is the case.

ADDRESS CHANGES

The school office must be notified of any address changes **at least 48 hours** in advance and **only permanent changes can be made.**

We want to make all families aware that our bus service does not make short term or temporary changes for the buses. This can get confusing for Buswest and School Office staff.

Please do not call the office to make any bus changes unless it is permanent.

AFTERNOON DROP OFF

Please phone the school **before 1pm** (No changes will be made after this time) if you are not going to be home for bus drop off but will be picking children up. Children need to be picked up when school finishes at 2:35pm. Staff are busy after school with meetings etc, and office staff are busy working too so picking your children up in a timely fashion is a must. We find any children left waiting in the office get anxious and upset if they think they have been forgotten.

Can parents and carers make sure they are home in the afternoon for drop off. If you are not home the office gets a call, we call you to find out where you are and if you are too far away from home then your children will be brought back to the school for you to come and pick them up.

Thank you everyone for your co-operation.
Djidi Djidi Admin.

SCIENCE NEWS

Yongka class is learning about Forces during science this term. Here the class is investigating the way different forces impact the movement of a variety of balls.



Sallyanne Cantwell
Primary Teacher

KINDERGARTEN 2025 ORIENTATION DAYS



Kaya Families,

All 2025 Kindergarten children are invited to join us on Wednesday the 27th and Thursday the 28th November from 9am till 11am. This is a fantastic opportunity to meet the teachers and have fun with their friends.

Early Childhood staff can't wait to see and meet you all.

Boorda

Rachael Murphy

Dermokalitj Teacher



WAGYL IN OUR LIBRARY

In Term 3, Djidi Djidi students studied signs and symbols used by Aboriginal people for centuries. The students drew their own designs on a fabric circle which was then sewn on to brown felt. This was then sewn into a large, stuffed Wagyl. It can be found in the library and will be a great place to curl up with a book.

CYBER SAFETY – BEACON APP

Beacon is a cyber safety educational app designed to keep parents and carers up to date with trusted, tailored information, to help keep their kids safe online. Designed specifically for parents as a personalised, one-stop-shop for reliable information about the online world. It arms parents and carers with the knowledge they need to confidently help navigate their children's digital behaviour and reduce harms we know are associated with being online.

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