



Week 3, Term 1, 2022

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Kerry Street Community School Term 1, 2022

Term Focus: We act with trust, honesty, *integrity* and courage.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat / Sun
	24 January	Australia Day 25	26	Staff PL Day 27	Orientation 28	29 30
1	First Day Term 1 31	1 February	2	3	4	5 6
2	7	8	9	10	11	12 13
3	14	15	16	17	18	19 Busy Bee 20
4	21	22	23	24	25	26 27
5	28	1 March	2	3	4	5 6
6	Labour Day 7	8	9	10	11	12 13
7	14	15	16	17	18	19 20
8	Neurodiversity Week					26 27
	Harmony Day 21	22	23	24	25	2
9	28	29	30	31	1 April	3
10		Spare Parts Excursion				9
	4	5	6	7	8	10
	11	12	13	14	Good Friday 15	16 17

*Whole School Events appear in bold

**Tentative Events appear in italics

Apologies that the wrong calendar was included last week! Our calendars are also accessible on our website [Calendar and Timetable - Kerry Street Community School](#).

Please note our Busy Bee has been postponed due to current restrictions.

Term 2 Calendar

Term 3 Calendar

Term 4 Calendar



Message from Melissa

What a busy first few weeks we have had!

Our whole school has spent time exploring our focus value for this term:

We act with trust, honesty, integrity and courage

All of the classes have now discussed, decided upon and implemented classroom agreements. These are displayed in classrooms and most classes have shared these via Seesaw. If you are interested in learning more about the agreements in your child/ren's class/es please don't hesitate to speak with their teachers.

Another exciting development in the early part of Term 1 has been classes selecting names. This year staff discussed the importance of classes selecting names for themselves rather than going by titles such as, 'Year 5/6' or 'Jacey's class'. Through this process we aim to embed more ownership of the class for all students and staff within each team. We are also trying to move away from the use of possessive pronouns to describe classes as we know that each class is made of a team and all team members are represented and contribute to the class as a whole.

In line with our Reconciliation Action Plan and embedding Indigenous perspectives in our school, we have decided to choose Nyungar names for our classes. Classes have researched Nyungar words, brainstormed ideas and meanings behind the words, and together have selected names to represent them. Finally, we sought

some guidance from Nyungar Elders regarding spelling and grammar. I am very excited to share our chosen class names with our community!

Kindy / Pre-Primary

Bindi-bindi Mia

Willy Wagtail House



Year 1/2

Moorditj Yonga Mia

Strong Kangaroo House

Year 3/4

Yokine Mia

Dingo House



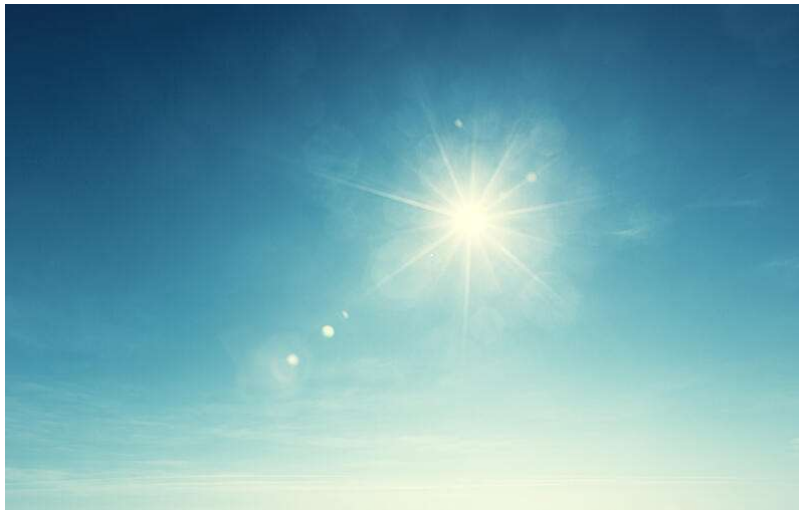
Year 5/6
Kaarla Mia
Fire House

You can help support us by referring to our new class names rather than old titles. This is something we are all working on, it takes some time to become second nature!

Our next step is to create signage displaying these names for each class, once complete we will be sure to share with you all!

Melissa Kennedy

Principal



Board News

Welcome back for the new school year to all returning and new families and students to Kerry Street!

As we move forward into 2022, the Board looks a little different due to the resignation of our long-standing Chairperson Tania Ivey, who officially resigned over the summer holidays. We would like to thank Tania for her huge efforts, hard work and dedication to the community over the past eight years.

Following on from a jam-packed 2021, that included re-registration as a significant focus for Board members, 2022 promises to be an equally busy year as the Board moves towards building the Strategic Plan for the School after 2023. Before that begins, we thought we'd take the time to provide a brief introduction to the Kerry Street Community School Board.

The Board currently consists of a number of community members and staff who are collectively responsible for governance of the School. This involves operational and long-term strategic planning; financial oversight and guidance; and policy and procedure development among many other things. The Board Consists of both office bearers (Chair, Treasurer, Secretary) and general members who work together to guide the ongoing development of Kerry Street. The Board is currently made up of the following members of our community:

- Beck MacKay
- David Pereira
- Kath Hodgson
- Amanda Kingdon
- Melissa Kennedy
- Jess Forth

- Ronald Gorman

As the year progresses, we would like to extend an invitation to anyone interested in the Kerry Street Community who would like to find out more about the Board and the work that we do. Any member of the Community is welcome to contact the Board to attend meetings and see what happens.

If any of the above tasks sounds like a whole lot of fun to you, if you are passionate about Kerry Street and supporting School community, would like to learn more about how the Board and the School operate and help drive the future of the education of our students, the Board would love to hear from you.

Board members are elected at the Annual General Meeting, usually held in May each year, for a term of three (3) years. After an initial induction process, new Board members are encouraged to act in a General Member capacity they learn the ropes and establish any areas of special interest.

Feel free to contact any of the Board members above, the School administration or board@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au if you would like more information or have questions about Board roles or membership.

Family Support

The Board have been working on ways to support our school community at this time. One of the major effects of the coronavirus situation is the massive impact it has had on the economy and many people have found themselves without work or in other changed financial circumstances. A number of our families have already been directly affected and we know this puts strain on families. The Board would like to stress that any families facing financial hardship are encouraged to let the school know so we can work out a plan with you to ensure that the burden of fees already owing is eased.

We are also aware that the current restrictions to parents entering the school site impact on the ability for families to complete Community Jobs and Kitchen Lunch. The Board has approved a temporary restructure of these levies to ensure families are not adversely affected. For Term 1 2022:

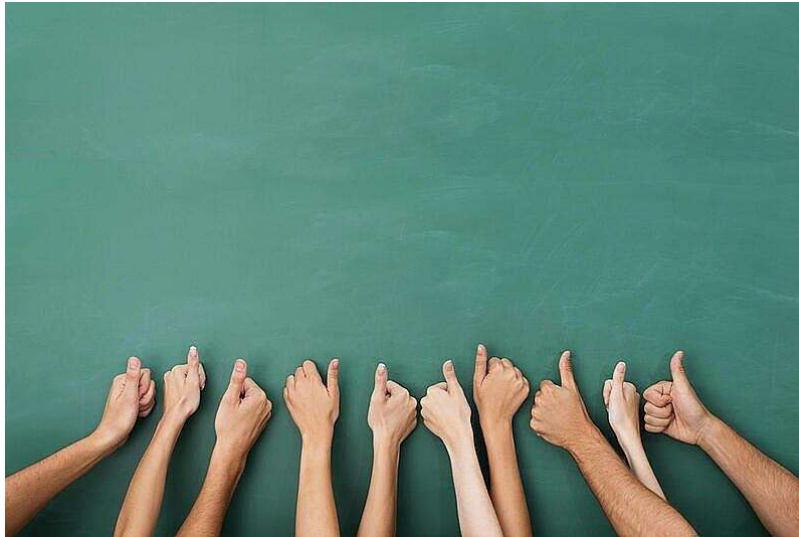
The School Lunch levy (\$100.00 per family) will not be charged.

The contribution requirement for Community Jobs levy will be reduced from 10 hours for Term 1, to 4 hours per family.

Preparing School Lunch will contribute to the 4-hour Community Jobs requirement. Therefore, any family that has completed or will complete a School Lunch, in Term

1, will fill their 4-hour requirement and will not be required to pay the Community Jobs Levy.

Please see emails for more information about this restructure.



Community Jobs

It is with great pleasure that we announce our 2022 Coordinators:

Community Jobs Coordinator: Vanessa Kerslake

jobscoordinator@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au

Kitchen Coordinator: Effie Windberg kitchen@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au

External Maintenance Coordinator: Oscar Riley-Churchill

Internal Maintenance Coordinator: Aariel McNaughton

Public Relations Coordinator: Hannah Warren

Cleaning Coordinators: TBC

For now, we are able to outsource school cleaning to external contractors. Cleaning Coordinator positions will remain open, if anyone is interested, please don't hesitate to let me know.

On Wednesday the 16th of February, we held our Community Jobs Induction via Zoom. This session was recorded for those who couldn't make it and is accessible on the School Announcements page on Seesaw. Due to the file size I am unable to email the video directly.. We hope this helps our new families learn more about our school and how everything works. The Community Jobs Handbook also contains much of this information which has been sent via email and is available in the front office. Please contact our Coordinators or Linda if you have any questions.

Click on the buttons below to access our community jobs timesheet, which is used to record your community hours. You are welcome to organise with Linda to keep your records in administration so they don't get lost or misplaced. Time sheets are due Monday of Week 10, the 4th of April, so there's plenty of time to complete hours. You can also read more in our Community Jobs handbook.

[Community Jobs Timesheet](#)

[Community Jobs Handbook](#)



KSCS Goods and Services Directory



Calling all small business owners and providers of goods and services!

We want to support our community! At the community workshop we had on the 25th of January we discussed how important it is to come together and support each other and find ways to do this within the mandates and directions we are required to follow.

Therefore, **we will be assisting with the development of a Goods and Services Directory**. We want to feature those in our community who are providing goods and services and are looking for more business. This will be released through Parent Forum and we will also be encouraging individuals to share across their networks.

Please send through your details. Whether you are growing a small business, are well established or offering every day services, let us know! This may include, but is not limited to:

- Gardening services
- Cleaning
- Dog walking
- Tech support
- Nannying / babysitting
- Cooking / Food preparation
- Consulting
- So much more!

Please be considerate of Government and Industry regulations when developing advertising material.

Please send through a description of the goods or services you offer and/or a flyer/advertisement before next Friday, the 25th of February (deadline has been extended). If you would like help developing advertising material, please let me know. I am by no means an expert but, I am more than willing to support our community to develop simple flyers / advertisements using Canva.



2022 Committees

We are seeking community input on our Marketing Committee and RAP Working Group. Time contributes to Community Jobs requirements and this is a great opportunity to share expertise and take part in effecting change for our school. Read on to find out more!

[Marketing Committee](#)

We are looking to grow our Marketing Sub-Committee to solicit input, recommendations and feedback on marketing, brand and communication initiatives for our school. Our Marketing Sub-Committee is composed of staff and community members whose input will assist us in identifying opportunities to promote our school's philosophies and values, and help us to better engage with our broader community and prospective families.

The Sub-Committee members will meet on a termly basis, however, communication will occur more regularly. Please be aware that a role as a Marketing Sub-Committee member is a voluntary position, however, your participation can be credited towards your families Community Jobs hours.

Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday the 2nd of March at 1:30pm – 2:30pm. If you have any experience or a special interest in marketing, communications and/or graphic design, we'd love to hear from you!

Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group

Two years ago Kerry Street Community School committed to developing and maintaining a [Reconciliation Action Plan \(RAP\)](#). Our RAP aims to support our school community in developing an educational environment that fosters higher levels of knowledge and pride in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and contributions. Through our RAP, we commit to strengthening relationships, respect and opportunities in the classroom, around the school and within the community.

Some of our achievements with our RAP so far have been installing the 4 flag poles at the front of the school, planting and maintaining our Bush Tucker Garden, participating in Aboriginal experiences (incursions, excursions, Welcome to Country's, Smoking Ceremonies), celebrating National Reconciliation Week, create a mural with local Aboriginal aspects, and many learning experiences and projects within our classes.

This year our first goal is to republish our RAP, and highlight new priorities for this year. Within our community, there is unique knowledge and valuable experience that we would love to see reflected in the Actions that we commit to in our RAP. Therefore, to ensure our RAP creates meaningful and sustainable change, we would like your support in driving our RAP development and implementation journey.

The RAP Working Group will meet on a termly basis, however, communication and tasks will occur more regularly. Please note that this role is a voluntary position. Participation can be credited towards your families Community Jobs hours.

Our first Reconciliation Action Plan working group meeting will be on Thursday the 3rd March 2022 from 1:30 – 2:30pm online via Zoom.

Please email me at Taylah.griffin@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au to express your interest in either committee. I look forward to hearing from you.

Taylah Griffin

Deputy of Teaching and Learning



Parking

Like parking at every school, ours is limited in terms of its availability, making school drop offs and pick ups a bit of a headache from time-to-time. We are aware of the issues our site causes and are investigating options for additional parking.

We strongly encourage families to use active transport, such as walking and riding to school. Cockburn City Council has lots of resources to support this, you can find out more at [Walking, Cycling and Public Transport - City of Cockburn](#)

Please note that parking for school drop off and pick up is located in the Kerry Street car park, or on the vacant lot behind the Wilderness Space. See green areas marked on the map below. Limited additional parking may be available at the Pear Tree Café or there is plenty of space to park at Baker's Square.

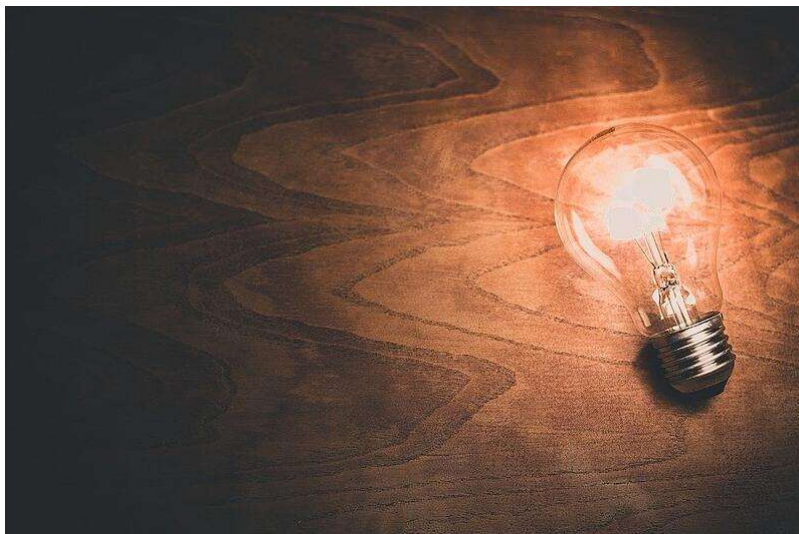
Whilst waiting for children, please turn off your engines rather than idling in the carpark. I know that in this warm weather the air con is tempting but our carpark is a busy place and we would like to keep the air clean and fresh. If you are waiting for

your children, feel free to come into the playground from 3:15pm and enjoy the (hopefully) cool breeze.

For your safety and as a courtesy to our neighbours, **we ask that you refrain from parking on median strips and street corners**, as identified in red in the map below. We are aware of two previous incidences where vehicles have collided with cars parked on the median strip outside the administration building.

We also ask that you are mindful of our neighbours by **not parking in or blocking access to driveways of adjacent homes**. Please note that under Cockburn City Council regulations *“if you are parking or stopping on the verge of a home that isn’t yours, you must first obtain permission from the adjoining landowner.”*

Please be aware that you may be fined for parking illegally, we have had rangers visit our area at drop off and pick up times. For more information please see <https://www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/Health-Safety-and-Rangers/Parking-and-Vehicle-Control/Parking-Laws-and-Guidelines>



Reminders

Parent sign in - All parents attending school beyond dropping off / picking up children **MUST** sign in at administration.

Student sign in/out - please remember to sign you child in at the office if you are running late in the morning, this will save you receiving an SMS that your child is not at school. If you are picking your child up for an appointment or any other reason please sign them out at the office before collecting them.



School Lunch

The school lunch roster is located in administration. If you would like to sign up either email or speak with Linda to choose a date.

If you are new to cooking school lunch you will need to complete the Food Handling Course online and forward the certificate showing this has been completed to the kitchen coordinator at kitchen@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au the link is <https://www.ehawa.org.au/events/category/foodsafety-online-43>. On the payment page use the City's unique discount voucher "FSCBURN315" **and you will receive FoodSafe Online free of charge.**

Please note the following bank details for school lunch. You can make transfers as you child/ren sign up and/or all families will be invoiced at the end of each term.

BSB: 016307

Account: 263330626

Name: Kerry Street Community School (Inc)

Please include student name/surname in the description



Containers for Change

Did you know that the Containers for Change Scheme is a great way for your organisation to fundraise?

Community Recycling WA is already working with a large number of community organisations and schools in supporting fundraising efforts.

Kerry Street is now registered for Containers for Change. Our scheme ID is: C10356646

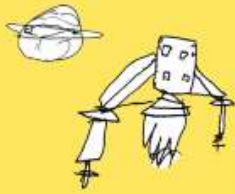
For more information or to find a collection point head to

<https://communityrecyclingwa.org.au/>

Happy collecting!

Support your Community

ROCKET BOY DESIGNS



\$15 each



Jesse has been spending time here and there working on his T-shirt business over the last 6 years. We have a lot of stock at the moment so if anyone is looking for some colourful and fun kids T's for Xmas or Birthday gifts, come to our studio in Beaconsfield and have a browse...



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Kids Yoga & Art



School Holiday Workshops
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20/12
Calm Minds

21/12
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22/12
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