

Week 3, Term 2, 2022

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Kerry Street Community School Term 2, 2022

Term Focus: We encourage excellence and foster the growth of wonder and wisdom.

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Term 2 Calendar

Term 3 Calendar

Term 4 Calendar



Message from Melissa

Hi Everyone!

We have had a very bust start to Term 2! I would like to start by thanking all the Kerry Street staff that stepped up and ensured the smooth running of the school last week in my absence. Thank you to Taylah for stepping into the Acting Principal role and all the staff who supported by taking relief roles, combining classes and taking on extra jobs. It's wonderful to be back!

Week 3 sees our Year 3 and 5 students taking part in NAPLAN. The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assesses literacy and numeracy skills and provides parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests.

Students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 participated in the annual NAPLAN tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process – it does not replace ongoing assessments made by the teacher's about student performance.

I wanted to take a moment to congratulate all students who participated, you are all amazing! Thank you also to staff who helped facilitate the assessment, it takes a lot

of organisation to make NAPLAN happen.

Community Meetings

With the easing of parent restrictions we are very excited to announce that we will once again be holding regular community meetings. All parents are welcome to attend community meetings, regardless of vaccination statues, attendance does not count as an adhoc visit. Please ensure you sign in at the front office if attending.

Community meetings for Term 2 will take place on Thursdays on the following dates:

- 1. Week 4 19/5/2022- Kaarla Mia
- 2. Week 5 26/5/2022 Yokine Mia
- 3. Week 7 6/6/2022 Bindi-bindi Mia
- 4. Week 9 23/6/2022 Moorditj Yokine Mia

These dates have now been added to our calendar for future reference.

Sustainability

Some very exciting things have been happening at Kerry Street in the Sustainability space! Effie Windberg has established a Sustainability Committee through our Parent Forum. The committee plans to focus on:

- Bins systems and recycling
- Worm farms and compost
- Containers for Change
- Revegetation

The committee have already been successful in receiving an Environmental Education for Schools grant from Cockburn City Council. These funds will go towards new bins, a Biodiversity incursion and resources to support our worm farms and compost bins.

Yokine Mia have come on board to support these efforts. They began the term by conducting a waste audit on our current bins. They found some big problems with the current bin system! Students are currently working on way to better educate the school community about the bin systems we have in place and other sustainability practices. Below are images of some of their class brainstorm and new labels they have created to go on the bins educating everyone about what goes in each bin.

Waste wise schools

- · Paper towel is not recycling.
- .50% of the recycling was general rubbish.
- · Kitchen waste cleaning out tins ete.
- · Lining bins with newspaper.

Bins need organising

* bin near sink is yellow.



Kind regards, **Melissa Kennedy** Principal



Board News

Dear Kerry Street families

The COVID-19 wave has finally washed over the Board! We had four members unwell over the last weeks and this has led to a need to postpone our Board meeting for this month.

As a result, the AGM will also be postponed. Please save the new AGM date of Tuesday June 7th, at the school at 3:30-4:30pm. A representative from each family is asked to attend, although all community members are welcome. At the AGM, the School's Annual Report and Principal's Report will be presented and elections for new Board members will be held. The event is a great opportunity to get an insight on what the school has been doing. I still remember my first Kerry Street AGM and the sense of community and connection it inspired within me through recognising and celebrating all the Board and Staff had achieved throughout that year. Light snacks will also be provided and staff will be on hand to watch the children.

If you are interested in joining the Board, please get in contact with us as soon as possible through the School administration or board@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au so we can present your nomination at the AGM. The Board needs more Members and joining the Board is a powerful and rewarding way to contribute to your child's Primary School years.

Have great weekend and I will see you at the Busy Bee tomorrow!

Beck Mackay

Acting Board Chair



Community Jobs

Term 2 brings easing of parent access restrictions. Under the current guidelines parents are once again able to access the school site to complete volunteer tasks

and unvaccinated visitors can enter on an ad hoc (once per week) basis. This means community jobs are back!

Each family is required to do 10 hours of community jobs in Term 2. Jobs come in a range of forms, and are specific tasks that each family takes on to help our school run smoothly, cooperatively, and fairly. In a larger school, many of these jobs are completed by paid contractors. In order to keep fees low and to foster a sense of belonging at Kerry Street, families are responsible for contributing skills, expertise, and time. Remember, you can always pay the levy if you are unable to participate, though taking on a job is a great way to get to know the school and to feel part of it.

Types of jobs include:

- · school washing once a week
- sweeping/tidying the outside of the school (never ending!)
- join a committee for example marketing, Reconciliation Action Plan working group, event planning
- building / maintenance projects
- helping organise the school camp
- scholastic book order coordination
- grant researching and writing
- graphic design
- shelving library books
- becoming a class rep
- gardening
- rubbish removal
- end of term/year clean up

There are many more opportunities! If you have another idea about how you could contribute to KSCS, don't hesitate to let the Community Job Coordinator know.

We also have our first Busy Bee for 2022 coming up on Saturday the 14th of May. Read on to find out more.

Please note that our school lunch roster for Term 2 is nearly full. Make sure you add your name ASAP to secure a spot. You can do so by contacting Linda or popping into the office.

If you need help to complete your four hours for Term 2 don't hesitate to speak to Linda.

Vanessa Kerslake

Community Jobs Coordinator





Community Jobs Timesheet

Community Jobs Handbook



Busy Bee

Busy Bee for Term 2 is tomorrow, Saturday 14th May from 9am until 1pm.

Morning tea will be provided from around 11:00am.

Melissa and Taylah will be the Busy Bee Coordinators and the primary points of contact in terms of directing activity, answering questions and providing petty cash funds for any necessary purchases.

A jobs list is available in administration and the jobs that have been highlighted in yellow are our priority tasks for the day. Anything left uncompleted at the end of the day will be forwarded to Vanessa and made available as a Community Job for any families who need to undertake some hours.

Please remember that we only want people to operate within their scope of competency and comfort. If you don't know how to use a specific piece of equipment, or if a job is too much for you to handle on your own, please see Melissa in the first instance and/or ask for help. Alternatively, if you happen to hold a specific "ticket" to undertake any specialist tasks, please also let Melissa know.

If you have them, we would be grateful if you would please bring with you:

- Work/garden gloves
- Tested and tagged or battery-operated power tools
- Hand tools / tool box for things like screw drivers, hammers/mallets, etc

- Garden tools and/or equipment like rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, trolleys, etc
- Trailer
- Tip passes
- Anything else you think might come in handy.

As always, you are very welcome to bring your families with you, however, please remember that you must organise for your children to be fully supervised at all times. We also ask that you and your families come with your water bottles and wearing closed in shoes, sun-safe clothing and hats.

We hope you have a happy time and remember to record your sign in and sign out times for Community Jobs levy purposes.



RATs for students

Free Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) for each student have now been delivered to the school. Read on for information from the WA Government regarding use of these RATs at home.

These free RATs will support our students to continue to attend school for face-to-face learning with the aim to minimise disruption to schooling. RATs can be used to test your child at home if they are feeling unwell. You can also use these RATs if your child is a close contact to enable them to test daily and continue to attend school, as along as they receive a negative result, remain asymptomatic, and wear a mask if they are in Year 7 and above.

We will start handing out these RATs as follows:

- RATs handed out to parents at pickup (Year K to 2).
- Parents/carers can collect from Administration during school hours 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

If your child becomes symptomatic they should stay home and be tested for COVID-19. You should notify the school if your child tests positive for COVID-19. Refer to healthywa.wa.gov.au for information on close contact definition, testing and isolation requirements.

Please contact Melissa if you have any further questions regarding this or any other matter.



Reminders

Please remember it is very important to sign your children in at the front office if you arrive after 8:45am. Doing so ensures we have accurate records of attendance but, more importantly, that we have accurate emergency evacuation lists. This allows us to ensure everyone is accounted for in the event we are required to evacuate the premises.



Parking

Please be aware I have received correspondence from the Council advising that parents who continue to park on the median strip and/or on the verge of neighbouring properties will be fined.

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.

Please click the link below to read more about parking at Kerry Street.

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

Parking Information



We are pleased to announce that we are now a member of the <u>Your Move Schools</u> program.

Your Move is a Department of Transport program that encourages students and their families to get active by walking, scooting and riding to school, or catching public transport, more often.

Simply by changing how your child travels to school a few times each week can deliver lifelong benefits. Increasing active transport to school has been proven to lower childhood obesity, establish healthy habits and improve concentration and academic performance.

Reducing the number of cars around the school at drop off and pick up times also helps improve safety and reduces pollution.

So, join the Your Move movement! By completing activities and posting stories onto the website we earn points, and can translate this into funding for active transport facilities and activities like scooter racks, bike maintenance check-ups, bike education sessions, bike repair kits, and much more! At the moment we have 150 1000! Please points. Our goal is to get to email me (<u>Taylah.griffin@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au</u>), to join our committee. This <u>short video</u> is a great introduction into what the program is all about and the benefits for our school.



Marketing

The Marketing Committee would love your help increasing our schools online reviews. As current Kerry Street Community members your opinions and feedback is of the utmost importance, and your review will assist us in continuing to build our community! If you have a spare moment, we would appreciate your rate and/or review on Edarabia: https://www.edarabia.com/kerry-street-community-school-perth-australia/ and Google Reviews: http://search.google.com/local/writereview? placeid=ChlJjXK4YBaiMioRXXvL6f2_B4g



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/foodsafe-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 payments. 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/

Support your Community





\$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 brows...



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