



Week 5, 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.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat / Sun
	18 April	19	20	21	22	23 24
1	ANZAC Day 25	<i>First Day Term 2</i> 26	27	28	29	30 1 May
2	2	3	4	5	6	7 8
3	9	NAPLAN Online Test Window				14 Busy Bee 15
4	16	17	18	5/6 Community Meeting 19	20	21 22
5	23	24	Whole School Indigenous Incursion 25	Sorry Day 3/4 Community Meeting 26	NRW 27	28 29
6	30	31	1 June	2	3	4 5
7	Western Australia Day 6	7	8	K/PP Community Meeting 9	10	11 12
8	13	14	15	16	17	18 19
9	20	21	22	1/2 Community Meeting 23	24	25 26
10	27	28	29	30	1 July	2 3
11	NAIDOC Week					9 10

*Whole School Events appear in bold

**Tentative Events appear in italics

Term 2 Calendar

Term 3 Calendar

Term 4 Calendar



Message from Melissa

Wow where has the term gone? We are officially at the half-way point of Term 2! Lots has been happening recently, classes have been busy not only with their everyday learning, investigations and Inquiries but we are also starting to get busy with writing reports. Reporting to parents is an integral part of the teaching and learning cycle and reports are distributed biannually. Please be mindful that teachers are super busy during this time ensuring they get the opportunity to reflect on every student.

This week sees the start of a commemoration that is very special for us all, National Reconciliation Week. This is a time for all Australians to share histories, culture, traditions and language and to contribute to reconciliation for all. For the next seven days, Kerry Street students will engage with Indigenous culture through texts and respond in different ways including art, discussion and action.

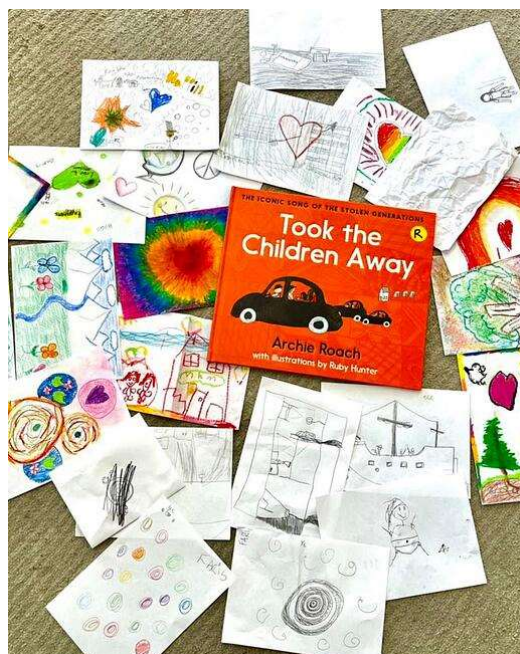
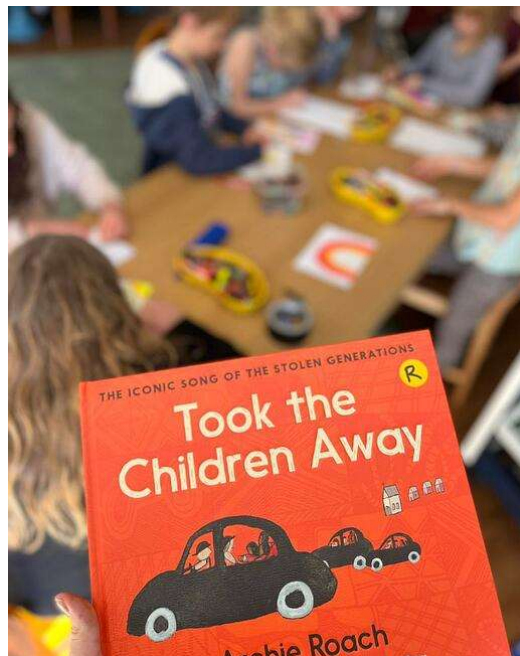
Kerry Street began our focus on National Reconciliation Week on Wednesday the 25th of May, with an excursion to Bibra Lake. We met with Greg Nannup, son of Noel Nannup, a well-respected Nyungar elder. Greg has visited us at school previously to share Nyungar culture and stories. Greg focused on the local area of Bibra Lake, he introduced us to the kinship system and shared information about Nyungar moieties- Manatj (White Cockatoo) and Wardong (Crow/Raven). We learnt about local plants used for medicines, cooking and tools- Djiridji (Zamia Palm), Wonnill (Peppermint Tree) and Waakal Ngaranak (Knotted Club Rush). We were

also privileged to hear the Creation story of the Swan River and Point Walter: Dyoondalup. We also read the book Sorry Day by Coral Vass and discussed what Sorry Day is and what it represents. Students had the opportunity to reflect on the book through water colour Art. We finished off our day playing at Bibra Lake Regional Playground.



Thursday the 26th of May was Sorry Day, or the National Day of Healing, an annual event that has been held in Australia on May 26th since 1998. On this day each year we remember and commemorate the mistreatment of Australian Indigenous peoples as a part of the ongoing process of reconciliation. During our Community Gathering students from Yokine Mia (Year 3/4) read the poem “I am Sorry” by

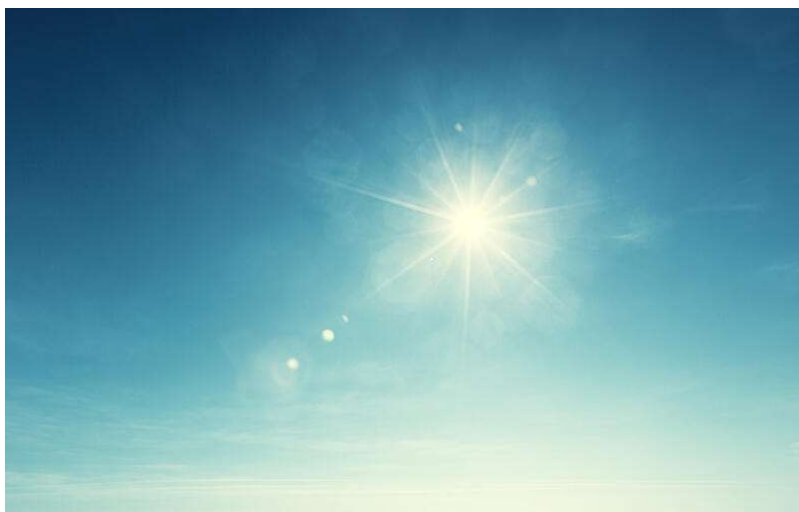
Stephanie Mulrooney. This was a great way to take a moment to recognise Sorry Day, and the start of National Reconciliation Week. In the afternoon Yokine Mia and Kaarla Mia (Year 5/6) explored the Stolen Generation through reading and listening to “Took the Children Away” by [Archie Roach](#). The students brought together their learnings from the song, with their prior knowledge of these injustices and had conversations regarding the importance of family, culture and languages. The students reflected on this, and completed an art response. At Kerry Street we walk with Indigenous Australians on a path of reconciliation and justice. We honour the members of the Stolen Generation and recognise their resilience, endurance and survival.



Today, the 27th of May, is the first day of National Reconciliation Week. Today we shared the book Finding our Heart by Thomas Mayor. This is a story about the Uluru Statement for young Australians. Students discussed the impact of settlement on Indigenous peoples and the journey towards creating the Uluru Statement which was shared at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention. Following this we created a visual representation of the heart of the land on which our school is built. We took a moment to stop and consider what this means to us and Indigenous people across Australia. "For the children who will teach us how to find our collective heart." - Thomas Mayor, dedication from Finding Our Heart.



Kind regards,
Melissa Kennedy
Principal



Board News

**Don't forget our Annual General Meeting is scheduled for 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.



Community Jobs

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our Term 2 busy bee! It was a huge success!

If you still have hours to make up for this term make sure to pop in and see Linda. Some of the regular jobs that need to be completed 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.

Vanessa Kerslake

Community Jobs Coordinator



Community Jobs Timesheet

Community Jobs Handbook



RATs for students

We still have a few boxes of RATs to be distributed. If you have not yet collected your RATs please see Linda at administration.

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>



We are pleased to announce that we are now a member of the [Your Move Schools](#) 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 points. Our goal is to get to 1000! Please email me (Taylah.griffin@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au), to join our committee. This [short video](#) is a great introduction into what the program is all about and the benefits for our school.



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 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.

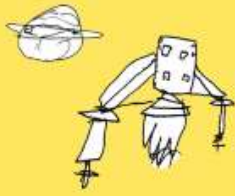
Kerry Street is now registered for Containers for Change. Our scheme ID is: C10356646

For more information or to find a collection point head to
<https://communityrecyclingwa.org.au/>

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 brows...



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