

Week 5, Term 1, 2023

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Kerry Street Community School Term 1, 2023 *Term Focus: We act with trust, honesty, integrity and courage.*

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat / Sun
				Australia Day		28
	23 January	24	25	26	27	29
1	Orientation 30	Staff PL Day	First Day Term 1 1 February	2	3	4 5
2	c 6	Yr 3/4 Parent Meeting 7	8	Women and Girls in Science Day K/PP Parent Meeting 9	10	11 12
3	13	Year 5/6 Community Meeting Yr 5/6 Parent Meeting 14	15	16	17	18 Busy Bee
4	20	21	AQWA Excursion	23	24	25 26
1	CAMP				24	4
5	27	28	1 March	2	3	5
6	Labour Day	Year 3/4 Community Meeting 7	8	9	10	11 12
	Neurodiversity Week 18					
7	NAPLAN					
	13	14	15	16	17	19
		Year 1/2 Community	NAPLAN			25
8	20	Meeting Harmony Day 21	22	23	24	26
9	NAPLAN					1 April
	27	28	29	30	31	2
10	Year 5/6 Excursion	K/PP Community Meeting 4	5	6	Good Friday	8
	Easter Monday	11	12	13	14	15

*Whole School Events appear in bold

**Tentative Events appear in italics

Term 2 Calendar

Term 3 Calendar

Term 4 Calendar



Message from Melissa

Wow what a week we have had on our 2023 whole school camp to Wooditjup (Margaret River) on Wadandi Boodja! At the beginning of the school year, this is the perfect opportunity to build and strengthen connections with one another and connect with the beautiful natural environment around us.

On day one we explored our environment with time to settle in and went for a walk along the sensory path. Jacey led games of King and Hide-and-Seek. We shared our first meal together lovingly prepared by our parents, delicious curry! We ended the night with a game of spotlight, a Kerry Street Camp tradition.









Day two began with a Welcome to Country with Josh Whiteland from <u>Koomal</u> <u>Dreaming</u>, a cultural custodian of the Wadandi and Bibbulmun people. The students

also engaged in cultural sessions with Josh where he shared his knowledge of the local Wooditjup area and the traditional lifestyles of the Wadandi people. Josh shared a detailed explanation of the 6 Aboriginal seasons and how these influence what is foraged and eaten. He also presented a range of artefacts and tools and discussed their uses. Finally students had the opportunity to participate in interactive music sessions, where the students played tapping sticks and learnt the Yonga (kangaroo) and Weitj (emu) dances.

Alongside cultural sessions students engaged with Art and Drama activities led by Eylish and Caroline. Students shared mini performances and worked on items in preparation for camp concert tonight.

After lunch we visited the beautiful Gnarabup Beach and spent the afternoon splashing in the waves and enjoying the sunshine. In the afternoon we relaxed with kids and parents yoga sessions run by our amazing parents.

After a delicious Mexican feast, we had our camp concert, another annual Kerry Street camp tradition. Students performed amazing acts and we all danced the night away!











Our last day of camp began with class activities, this is an opportunity to extend learning beyond the classroom and interact with the environment around our campsite.

Bindi-Bindi Mia went on a scavenger hunt around the campsite, searching for living and non-living things and finished with art activities on the grass. Children and adults worked together, forming bonds and supporting each other.

Moorditj Yonga Mia went on an excursion to <u>Discover Deadly</u> Education Centre. "We saw snakes." "We learnt that a group of turtles is called a 'bale'". "Turtles live longer than 60 years."- Moorditj Yonga Mia students.

Yokine Mia visited Lake and Mammoth Caves and participated in a Megafauna Tour. They got the opportunity to excavate rocks and touch and hold real bones and fossils. Inside the cave they saw stalactites, stalagmites, crystals and fossils! "After we left the cave, we went on a bush walk and saw the top parts of the trees whose roots we saw underground."- Penelope.

Kaarla Mia students participated in an orienteering challenge. Students showed great perseverance to follow a set of instructions and used compasses to find clues. They built teamwork and resilience skills to find a password to complete their quest.

Following lunch, we had a crafternoon! Activities included whittling, wet felting, nature clay and yarn creations. It was amazing seeing everyone's creativity blossom. We ended the night with a delicious BBQ and relaxing movie night.



















Our camp was a huge success! We would like to thank our staff and families for all their support in creating an experience that will be remembered fondly for years to come.

Kind regards,

Melissa Kennedy

Principal



Wellbeing

Join our new Wellbeing Coordinator Lisa next week for an interactive workshop and morning tea.

Lisa is looking forward to getting to know our parent community and will be discussing the Wellbeing Coordinator role and referral processes and running a workshop around Parent Identity and the helpful and harmful expectations in parenthood.

Please ensure you register via the link below for catering purposes:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parent-wellbeing-workshop-tickets-570242930957





March 13th

9:00 - 10:30am



Kerry Street Community School Hall

Join our new Wellbeing Coordinator Lisa for an interactive workshop and morning

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EVERYONE WELCOME

PLEASE REGISTER ATTENDANCE FOR CATERING

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Illness at School

I just wanted to advise everyone that we have had a number of confirmed COVID cases amongst staff and students recently. We are urging families to be vigilant in monitoring children for illness and keeping your children home if they are unwell. This is particularly important as we have both staff and students that are immunocompromised. Furthermore, we are finding it challenging to find relief for staff as illness makes its way through classrooms. We know how our students thrive on relationships with known staff and consistency and appreciate your support in helping to keep illness from being transmitted at school.

If you are unsure whether to bring your child to school please feel free to contact reception or you can find more information regarding isolation recommendations at COVID-19 in WA (www.wa.gov.au).



Community Jobs

We are still looking for a **Public Relations Coordinator.** This role is focused on getting parent forum up and running for 2023 and organising parent led events.

Please email me if you are interested in this role.

To find out more about Parent Coordinators please take a look at our Community Jobs Handbook attached below. If you have any queries at all relating to community jobs please chat with your buddy family, speak with Linda or send us an email.

A new term means new community jobs timesheets! Each family is required to do 10 hours of community jobs in Term 4. 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.

- 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 us know.

Community Jobs Handbook

Community Jobs Timesheet



Annual Forms

If you have not yet completed the forms below, please do so ASAP.

Annual Excursion Permission Form

Kerry Street values the ability to take advantage of emergent learning opportunities in the local area. Therefore this annual permission form seeks your permission for your child/ren to attend regular, ongoing park excursions and local area walking excursions.

Students in PP-6 visit Baker's Square most Friday afternoons to engage with participate in a range of team sports sessions. In the past we have done Basketball, netball, gymnastics, cricket, and many more.

Please follow the link to complete the form:

https://forms.office.com/r/AQvjBxTVb8

Social Media and Photo Permission Form

Each year we ask parents to consider whether you are comfortable and willing to allow us to use images of your child on our social media. This is completely voluntary and we are very careful not to use images for students who we do not have permission for. If we do not have parent permission we will only use unidentifiable images, eg. taken from behind or with face blurred. However, occasionally we capture beautiful moments of smiles, focus and learning that include faces. We love to share these with our local and wider community, where parents have provided permission.

Please follow the link to read more and complete the form:

https://forms.office.com/r/b4M4y56BHx



KSCS Goods and Services Directory

Hi everyone, a reminder that we have a Kerry Street Goods and Services directory where we can find and support the many businesses and folk within our community.

You can find this document in the files section of the Kerry Street Community Facebook group, using the button below or email Hannah to receive a copy.

If you would like to be included in this directory, please email me at publicrelations@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au

Goods and Serices Directory



Reminders

Invoices

Invoices are due on the 10th of March. Please see Linda if you have any questions.

Arrivals

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.

Please note that absences should be emailed to:-

kerrystreet@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au



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

Parking Information



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@kerrystreet.wa.edu.au kitchen coordinator at the link 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/

Happy collecting!

Support your Community

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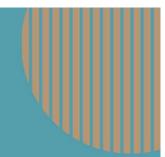
Fremantle Speech Pathology
Services is offering speech,
language and literacy screening
assessments for children who are in
Kindergarten,
Pre-primary or Year 1 in 2022.

WHEN

WHERE

Fremantle Speech Pathology Services Unit 1/14 Cockburn Road Hamilton Hill





HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE Between 30-60 minutes

COST Kindergarten \$90

Price includes the cost of the assessment and report. These screening assessments can be claimed through private health

HOW CAN I BOOK

Contact the clinic or book on our website

CONTACT US
CONTACT@FREOSPEECH.COM.AU
9433 4595

ROCK ET BOY



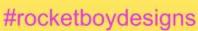
\$15 each



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 Ts for Xmas or Birthday gifts, come to our studio in Beaconsfield and have a brows...



Sam 0432 406 954

















SUPPORTING CHILDREN WITH ANXIETY

WHAT DOES THIS COURSE OFFER?

- In the moment activities to do with your child to self regulate.
- Communication strategies to help understand your child's needs
- Proactive approaches to supporting your child
- Practical activities to try
- Help for parents to manage tantrums and communicate effectively with their child,

Childhood anxiety is one of the most important mental health challenges of our time.

When a child is struggling with anxiety it is natural to want to FIX it. Unfortunately, some intuitive solutions can actually make the problem worse.

It is important to spot signs of anxiety in the early stages so they can get the right support.

The Supporting children with anxiety course offers an alternative way of thinking about anxiety and provides practical strategies to try to help support your child through this difficult time.

COURSE DETAILS

Online Self Paced

Cost: \$49.00 + 15% discount using the code

"WELCOME" at checkout

Bookings: www.hiddenworldofyou.com.au

For More Information

Email: info@hiddenworldofyou.com.au https://hiddenworldofyou.com.au/

Cockburn City Council Programs



www.cockburn.wa.gov.au | 08 9411 3444



Planning for Sustainability in the Early Years Setting

Wednesday 22 February 2023 5.30pm - 8.00pm

Coogee Community Centre, 19 Arlington Loc

This workshop from Little Green Steps WA will provide EY Teachers, Service Directors and Sustainability Coordinators with a step by step framework for creating a Sustainability Actions Plan for their setting.

Workshop Includes:

- Ideas and inspiration for involving children in practical activities and routines
 Links with the EYLF and NQS

- Planning tips
 A chance to connect with other early years professionals and share ideas.

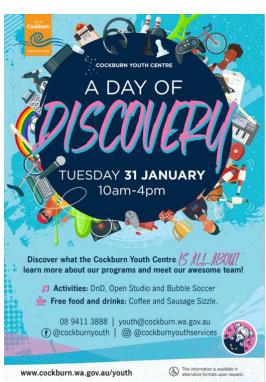


Please register at:
https://www.trybooking.com/CEZVN
by Tuesday 21 February 2025
Enquiries about the workshop contact:
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