



Kaya to all our families,

As we approach the end of another academic year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey we've had at Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School. It has been a year filled with growth, learning, and remarkable achievements that have made us all proud.

Our students have shown remarkable dedication to their learning, and it's heartening to see the progress they have made throughout the year. The commitment of our teachers and staff to provide a nurturing and enriching learning environment has truly made a positive impact on the academic and personal development of our students. Reading assessment and reporting has shown strong data for all our students in their academic growth. Students who have attended regularly have reached their educational goals withing the classroom.

Cultural enrichment has been at the forefront of our initiatives this year. We have continued to celebrate and embrace the rich cultural heritage of our Aboriginal students, fostering an environment that encourages pride in one's identity. Our cultural programs, events, and activities have played a crucial role in enhancing the sense of belonging and community within our school. Excursions and cultural development have given our students opportunities to experience learning beyond the classroom.

In the spirit of reflection, I would like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of our teachers and staff. Their passion for education and commitment to the well-being of our students have been instrumental in creating a positive and inclusive learning environment. We have also been able to build a wonderful nature playground for our older students. This has allowed more students to climb, play and expand their learning to the outdoor environment.

As we look forward to the upcoming year, we are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead. We will continue to build on our successes, explore new avenues for growth, and strengthen our ties with the broader community. The support we receive from parents, caregivers, and the community is invaluable, and we look forward to continued collaboration in the years to come.

I want to express my deepest gratitude to the entire Djidi Djidi community for your ongoing support and commitment to the success of our students. Together, we have created a learning environment that not only fosters academic excellence but also nurtures the unique talents and cultural identity of each student.

Wishing you all a joyous holiday season and a well-deserved break. May the coming year bring even more opportunities for learning, growth, and community engagement.

Thank you for being an essential part of the Djidi Djidi family.

Warm regards

Karen Augustson
Principal



2024 - CALENDAR OF EVENTS					
WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Term 4 8	25 November	26	27	28	29
9	2 December	3	4	5 School Concert @ 9:30am	6
10	9	10	11 Year 6 Graduation @ 9:30am	12 Students last Day	13

KINDERGARTEN 2025 ORIENTATION DAYS

♥ Welcome to Kindergarten

Kaya Families,

All 2025 Kindergarten children are invited to join us tomorrow on 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
Early Childhood Teacher



CHARACTER STRENGTHS



During weeks 7-9 all the students are learning about CREATIVITY. Creativity is coming up with new and helpful ideas and ways of doing things.

KINDILINK NEWS

Kaya KindiLink families,

KindiLink is having a "Teddy Bear's Christmas Picnic" Morning Tea. We would like to invite all our families and their favourite teddy bear to come along and join us!

When: TUESDAY 10th DECEMBER
Time: 9:30am-11:30am
Place: Sykes Foreshore Playground,
Lyons Cove (next to the Bunbury Powerboat Club) opposite Koombana Bay. If it is raining, we will have our picnic at the school.

We will be supplying a fruit platter and Reindeer Biscuits. Please feel free to add some healthy options to our picnic. There are toilet facilities, tables, and benches. We recommend that children wear shoes and a hat, and the estuary is nearby.

Hope to see you all there.
Sharen and Glenda



DERMOKALITJ CLASS NEWS

In HASS, Dermokalitj have been investigating features of familiar places, with the focus on Bunbury. We have talked about places that are special to our families. Aunty Charmaine talked to us about her connection to Maidens Park Reserve.

We visited Maidens Park Reserve and enjoyed the view across Bunbury from the top viewing platform.



Rachael Murphy
Dermokalitj Teacher

WHITE RIBBON MONTH White Ribbon Australia

In 2024 White Ribbon Australia is expanding our traditional White Ribbon Day to be White Ribbon Month – a month dedicated to broadening our reach, asking the right questions and impacting the thinking of men and boys about violence and abuse against women. The messages out in the community about preventing violence aren't reaching the people who need to hear it most. Starting the 18th November to the 13th December get involved and start a nation-wide conversation where you talk and #welisten. See the website whiteribbon.org.au.

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](https://www.facebook.com/djidi-djidi-aboriginal-school)

Website:

www.djidi-djidi-aboriginal-school@education.wa.edu.au





Cost to play sport survey

If you play and deliver sport or have children that play sport, you can complete the [cost to play survey](#) multiple times (indicating the costs involved for you and your child/ren to play sport).

Further information

Please visit the [Australian Sports Commission website](#) for more information on the survey. If you have any questions about this study, please contact the leader of the research team at Federation University.

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Ethics reference number 2024/179.

How much does it cost to play sport?

COMPLETE THIS SHORT SURVEY

PLAYWELL



PASI



Ho Ho Ho ... tis the season to be lucky!!!

Our annual Christmas Raffle has well and truly started. A booklet of 5 tickets was sent home to each family, the tickets are \$1.00 each. If you wish to



purchase more tickets just give the office a call on 9724 9444, and we can send them home with your children. Make sure you send the tickets/money back by 12pm Tuesday 10th December as the draw will take place the same day to give people the opportunity come and collect their prize.

If you haven't already seen the 3 baskets of goodies to win on display in the office, then get on to our website and check them out.

Some of the proceeds from our raffle will be donated to Foodbank as well as going towards the 2026 School Camp.

Special thank you to the Well Wishers Women's group who donated a huge raffle prize, the Hill family for donating a selection of gift cards and DDAS staff for their donations.

Please help to support our school with this wonderful raffle. Good Luck everyone!!!

WHAT'S COMING UP AT SCHOOL

The pointy end of Term 4 2024 has arrived so please make note of these dates and times below for our End of Year School Concert and Year 6 Graduation.

SCHOOL CONCERT

Our whole school concert is On THURSDAY 5th December Starting at 9:30am in the under covered area.



Come along and enjoy the concert put on by our students. Class Awards plus other special awards will also be presented during the concert. We look forward to seeing our families, friends and community on the day.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION

2024
Class of

The Year 6 Graduation is on WEDNESDAY 11th December starting at 9:30am in the under covered area. We would like to invite Elders, their families, friends and community to come along and say goodbye to the Year 6's as they finish primary school and move on to high school in 2025.