# **DJIDI DJIDI WAANGKINY**

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Kaya,

As we approach the end of Term 1, I want to take a moment to thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community. We are now in Week 8, and our term has been a busy and exciting time for our students, filled with learning, cultural activities, and special events.

# Highlights from this Term

- **Cultural Activities:** Our students have engaged in meaningful cultural learning experiences, including storytelling, art, and language sessions led by Aunty Charmaine Collard. Two-way science is also being taught by Mrs Tamara Saunders and the students are enjoying these sessions.
- **Student Achievements:** We are incredibly proud of our students for their dedication to learning. A special congratulations to those who have received awards for attendance this term. Our year 6 students are leading the way and developing leadership skills that they learnt on their leadership excursion. Our Kaadadjiny Moorditjabiny kindness postcards are flying out the door with so many students showing the way with our 6 kinds.
- Excursions & Community Engagement:

Please remember to visit Bunbury Regional Art Gallery to see the Noongar Art Awards. The display from some of our students who have been studying photography is a real treat. All of our community are welcome to attend BRAG Noongar Country 2025 - opening and awards presentation on 29<sup>th</sup> March 4pm - 7pm, tickets are free via the BRAG website, enter under the events section.

Swimming is on in week 9 (next week), this will be a week of exhaustion for our students and staff so let's make it a good one. We are absolutely thrilled with the response to swimming lessons, it is an important life skill for our kids.

# **Upcoming Events & Reminders**

- Harmony Day Assembly and Open classrooms (27th March): I would like to invite all families, friends and community to the Nyingarn assembly on tomorrow at 9.30am. All classrooms will be open following the assembly and you are welcome to stay for a yarn and cuppa.
- School Holidays: Term 1 finishes on 11th April, with students returning for Term 2 on Tuesday 29th April. I would like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday.

**School Council** - Our school council would still like new members. If you are interested in what this involves, please ring me or drop in to discuss. This is not alot of your time but an important part of the school. Thank you to our current school council community members; Teresa Khan, Gail Hill, Annette Garlett and Lewis Regan.

Thank you for being a part of our school community. Your involvement and support are what make our school a strong and welcoming place.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

### Boorda

Karen Augustson Principal

| WEEK     MONDAY     TUESDAY     WEDNESDAY     THURSDAY       24 March     25     26     27 Harmony Day       8     Earbus onsite     Newsletter 3     Assembly @ 9:30a | FRIDAY<br>28             |
|--|--------------------------|
|  | 28                       |
| Nyingarn Class   |                          |
| 31 March 1 2 3   9 ◄     Swimming Lessons  | 4                        |
| 7 April     8     9     10   | 11<br>Last Day of Term 1 |

#### **CHARACTER STRENGTHS - HOPE**

Weeks 6-9 Character Strength is HOPE.

Being optimistic and having confidence that something can be done to create a brighter future.



# **CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2025**

On Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup> of March, Djidi Djidi Aboriginal School spent the afternoon caring for country by collecting rubbish on the school site and the nearby park. As a school we collected approximately 7 bags of rubbish and disposed of this correctly. We also found 4 bottles that we added to our containers for change for the school.



#### NYINGARN CLASS NEWS

This week we embraced basketball having lots of fun learning new skills. We explored Australian animals and their habitats and created our own ideas for an Australia zoo.

We have been practicing our assembly item and can't wait to perform our Harmony Day song for you tomorrow. See you all at the assembly at 9:30am.



## NOONGAR WORDS OF THE MONTH

Children have been learning lots of language specially the names of some of our native animals. Here are more words in language for you to learn.

koolbardi - magpie waardong - crow



#### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DJIDI !!!

**EASTER RAFFLE** – Our annual raffle is running now till the end of term. Please send your tickets/money back to the school asap. Donations towards the raffle would be very much appreciated. We have some basket donations displayed in the office.

**SWIMMING LESSONS** – start next week from Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. <u>See attached note for information on recess and lunch.</u>

HARMONY DAY – We are celebrating Harmony Day on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 9:30am in the under covered area with an assembly hosted by the Year 1/2 Nyingarn class. Afterwards the classrooms will be open for all families to go and have a look at what their children have been doing this term. Orange is the colour of Harmony Day so feel free to wear orange to school on this day.

#### SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE, REMINDER TO ENROL!

Recently your child may have brought home an envelope with an enrolment form, FAQ and reply-paid envelope from Dental Health Services. Please remember to fill in the enrolment form, pop it in the reply-paid envelope, and put in in your nearest post box or hand it back to the school office and they can post it off for you. Once we receive your form at DHS our team will register your child and arrange for you to

receive an appointment in the mail. If you would like further information on DHS services or to find your nearest SDS Dental Therapy Centre, please visit our website:



www.dental.wa.gov.au or just scan the QR code.

#### TWO-WAY SCIENCE PROGRAM

This term as part of our Two-Way Science programme we have been learning about animals in our local environment. Last week some classes headed out on country to look at invertebrates. We had a fantastic time in the bush and the wetlands exploring what lives there that we don't always see.

For further information visit our website. Thank you to John and Jodie from Parks and Wildlife for sharing your valuable knowledge with us! Students loved the opportunity to take part in these hands-on activities.





