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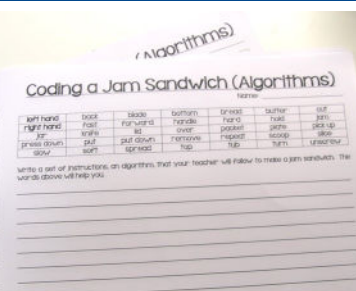
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Chalkdust Chat

YOUR GUIDE TO THE SCHOOL NEWS, INFORMATION AND EVENTS

Digital Technology in our Classrooms



Mrs Wilkins provides support across our school in the Digital Technologies curriculum. This term the students are focussing on coding and game design. To introduce the students to this concept and engage them in the learning program the students were asked to participate in an unplugged coding activity. The instruction was simple—write the 'algorithm' (instructions) to tell Mrs Wilkins how to make a jam sandwich. Mrs Wilkins then followed the algorithm to the letter and the results were interesting to say the least! The students were then set the challenge of 'debugging' (fixing) their algorithms before Mrs Wilkins had another attempt at making the sandwich. This real life experience gave the students an insight in to the digital technologies process and the importance of providing explicit instructions.

DON'T FORGET....

ASSEMBLY PRE PRIMARY/YEAR 1 | Wednesday 1st August 1.45pm

SCHOOL BOARD | Wednesday 1st August

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY & COLOUR EXPLOSION | Friday 3rd August

MUSICA VIVA INCURSION | Tuesday 14th August 2-3pm

INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY | Friday 17th August (Meckering)

BOOKWEEK ASSEMBLY& CELEBRATIONS | Wednesday 22nd August

FACTION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL | Friday 31st August

'Successful Students, Quality Staff, A Connected Community'

From the Principal

As I walk around the school I continue to be impressed with the positive attitude and diligence our students are displaying. As a whole school we are continuing to focus on our PBS focus behaviours of 'Be engaged' and 'Following instructions' and the students are highly motivated by the newly adopted token system. Congratulations to Chloe Forsyth who was drawn out as our very first KDHS Super Student. I look forward to seeing who our Super Student will be each week.

Business Plan

I am pleased to announce that our 2018-2020 Business Plan has moved through the final endorsement process and is now available to our school community. The Business Plan has been developed with significant input from teaching and non-teaching staff and our School Board and it outlines our strategic direction and what we aim to achieve across the next three years. The tireless work that the staff have afforded this plan has ensured we have a powerful consensus and shared commitment for the future direction of Kellerberrin DHS.

Hard copies of the Business Plan are available from administration and a digital copy is available from the school website.

School Development Day & School Priorities

On Monday the 16th of July the staff engaged in a School Development Day. They participated in professional learning in the area of Digital Technologies which is a newly mandated curriculum area. They also worked together to begin the development of PBS lesson plans to support our students in learning the behaviours that we expect of all students at our school.

In early close meetings in term three staff will be finalising the Aboriginal Education Plan and whole school Numeracy Plan and reviewing our shared beliefs about teaching and learning.

It is exciting to see whole school approaches being adopted at Kellerberrin and this level of consistency and high expectations will support our students in making greater progress.

Staffing

As you many of you are aware Miss Rachel Forknall secured a position in Darwin for the remainder of 2018. We are very fortunate to welcome Mrs Emma Crofts and Mrs Rachel Luers to our Middle School classroom. Together they have a wealth of knowledge and I am excited to see the growth and innovation that will be brought to our Middle School.

Breakfast Club

Our school is very fortunate to be able to offer a Breakfast Club five days a week to our students. Our Chaplain Miss Michelle coordinates our Breakfast Club with the support of Miss Smith, our Aboriginal Education Officer. This year we are enormously lucky to have the support of our local police in providing food donations. Constable Mel Pitout regularly drops an assortment of food to us at school to support us in providing nutritional breakfasts and Crunch and Sip options to our students. We would like to publicly acknowledge Mel, Kellerberrin Police and Foodbank for their generous support of our Breakfast Club program.

Cross Country

On Friday the 3rd of August we will participate in our annual Cross Country carnival at the base of the Kellerberrin Hill. I am excited to welcome Tammin Primary School to our carnival this year and look forward to sharing a fantastic day with them. The students have been preparing for the carnival and training each morning and it has been great seeing the students set individual goals to run a little further and a little faster each day.

As with all carnivals, we rely heavily on parent and community help on the day. If you're able to support us by timing, setting up, packing away or supervising on the track please let us know – any help would be greatly appreciated.

Tish Clarke
Principal

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

SPELLING BEE MASTERS

The Year 1/2 class are practising their spelling through different mediums. Creatively through craft, using chalk on the quadrangle and in sand. "Mistakes are proof you are trying"



PRE PRIMARY & YEAR 1

Mrs Cox has made a fabulous camping ground for their room and has been teaching our students about time. Miss McAlinden was busy on Friday working with the students on "Natural v Built" activities.



REPORT WRITING

A visit to Miss Talbot's Year 4/5 class resulted in learning about how to write reports. We are looking forward to some awesome work for us to report on in the next newsletter!



NOUNS & ADJECTIVES

Mr Berliner is working with his Year 3/4 class on nouns, verbs and adjectives as part of their learning in Grammar.



NEW BOOKS

Mrs Morgan in the Library wishes to share that she has lots of new books for our students. Don't forget if there is something you would like to read and it is not in the Library please let her know.



WONDER

The Year 5/6 class are reading the book "Wonder" by R.J. Palacio. We are now wondering about all the activities the class are doing to support their novel study.

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

ELEPHANTS

Our Kindy students were warming up for their day being big grey elephants balancing, as they sing along to the song.

Mrs Johnson always has lots of awesome activities to keep her class busy during their day.



PBS SUPERHEROES

As a part of our PBS journey we are working towards increasing the engagement of all students. The students have opportunity to earn tokens throughout the week and then at Monday Mini

Assembly we draw the weekly Super Student.

Week 1
CHLOE FORSYTH

Week 2
MACKENZIE SILVER



Captain AttendANT

Attendance at our school is vitally important.

At KDHS we present Captain AttendANT to the class who receives the highest attendance percentage each week.



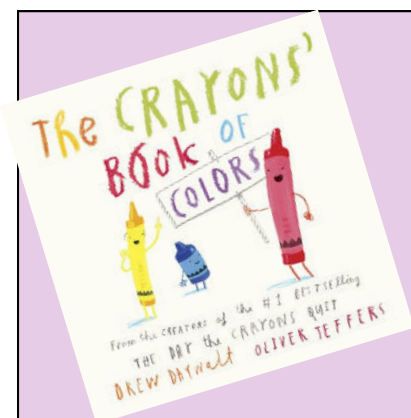
CAPTAIN AttendANT – Term 3

Week 1	PP/1
Week 2	PP/1
Week 3	
Week 4	
Week 5	
Week 6	
Week 7	
Week 8	
Week 9	
Week 10	

0-4 LITTLE LEARNERS

Little Learners have had a wonderful start back with lots of happy faces. Our theme of colours for this week was based on "The Crayons' Book of Colours" Book.

We've been working on items for our Kellerberrin Show display, our paintings of fireworks. With the sunshine out for our first session we had some fun with bubbles outside and took turns being the wolf for "what's the time Mr Wolf?" Inside we made nature bracelets using fresh flowers which we were able to smell and identify their colours. We loved our rainbow blowers, what a shame they didn't make a big noise as we blew our streamers out from them. Looking forward to seeing you all back next week.





HOT TOPICS

HOW TO BOOST KIDS' CONFIDENCE AND COPE WITH DISAPPOINTMENT

It's natural to want to keep your children safe – to protect them with a layer of bubble wrap may appeal to some parents. But you can't shield them from every hurt and disappointment. What you can do though, is help them learn to cope. They'll be better off if you give them the skills to bounce back after a challenge and to deal with their emotions.

You can start by letting them know that feeling stressed, upset or angry is healthy and normal. Help them understand that feelings like this will pass.

Your child might be facing something that's making them feel anxious, such as a sports day at school. They might even try to avoid it. Encourage them to step up to the challenge. If they've got your support, they are more likely to rise to the occasion.

And if they do come home disappointed, let them know that's okay, too. Your child will learn that distressing events happen and they can get over them.

Remember that you are a role model for your kids. They'll have hope if they see you talking your problems through and moving forward again. They'll grow up knowing that challenges can be overcome and disappointment can be resolved.



Homework

Homework Class

- Who:** All KDHS students – parents are encouraged to stay and support the students
- When:** Every Thursday commencing 2nd August 2018
- Where:** School library
- What:** Come along and complete your homework with the support of school staff
- Who to ask:** For more information contact Fiona or Tish at school



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SCHOOL
BANKING

Wednesdays 8.35am

School Library

Term 3 Dates:

8 August 22 August

3 September 18 September



Learning Journey Night

We are a "Nut Friendly" School

Please think of others when packing food for your children.



**Nut and Peanut
Allergy**

Wednesday

5th September 2018

4.30pm to 6.00pm

Free Sausage Sizzle



VACSWIM OCTOBER 2018

Enrol your children in swimming lessons during the October school holidays.

VACSWIM 2018

With swimming pools and beaches a big part of the Western Australian lifestyle, ensuring your children can swim competently and safely is essential.

You can now enrol your children in VacSwim swimming lessons during the October and December/January school holidays.

VacSwim is for all children - from beginners to more advanced swimmers and young people doing their Bronze Medallion. Your children can start as young as five years old.

Your children can join in the fun of learning to swim at pools and open water venues across the State.

Enrol your children in VacSwim now at education.wa.edu.au/swimming