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Chalkdust Chat

YOUR GUIDE TO THE SCHOOL NEWS, INFORMATION AND EVENTS



Interschool Swimming Carnival 2021

Congratulations to the Interschool team who proudly represented Kellerberrin DHS at the carnival in Dowerin. You all represented our school displaying the Keller Way values in being respectful, engaged and resilient.

Congratulations to you all in winning the Handicap Primary Shield and congratulations to our individual award recipients:

Liam Askew
Maya Ryan

Champion Year 3-4 Boy
Champion Year 3-4 Girl

Admin Update

Kaya!

I blinked and the term was over! However, the end of a term is always an amazing time to think about the special part we all play in the education of our students. A gentle reminder that together, we are the fabric of the Kellerberrin District High School community.

On Wednesday 24th, we welcomed our school community in for our first whole school assembly of 2021. Our assembly was certainly one of celebration. Celebration of our student's progress and achievement, celebration of our staff and the efforts they go to in supporting our learners and a celebration of our whole school community. A celebration of all that is Kellerberrin DHS; and I hope that you are getting a sense of who we are as a school in 2021.



Visitors to Admin

We always welcome our students to the office to show their fantastic work. Above is Mrs Cox with Maya, Chelsie and Stephanie.

Youth Focus Visit

On Monday 29th March we welcomed Mike from Youth Focus. Youth Focus believe in equipping young people and community members with the confidence, willingness and ability to respond to their own mental health needs, and of those around them, at the earliest opportunity. Mike presented three sessions – to students, staff and the wider community. The conversation around mental health is increasingly important and one that we must all take responsibility for.

New Hats

Part of our transitioning to two factions has been the purchase of our reversible hats. The gold and royal blue represent our new factions of Djilba and Bunuru. Don't we look smart!



I have recently read a really beautiful picture book called *An Awesome Book of Thanks*.

This book was a reminder to me about not only how beautiful our world is, but how to be grateful and appreciate the wonder we have right in front of us.



As we embark on the end of the first term, can I express how grateful and appreciative I am. Grateful for our committed and passionate staff team, who work together to pave successful pathways for each and every learner.

Appreciative of our parents and school community for their feedback, support and commitment to their child's education. Mostly I am grateful to our learners. They are all so special in so many ways and it is a great privilege to see them all grow and make progress.

I wish you all a fabulous Easter break, may the holidays be a special time for you all.

Tish Clarke
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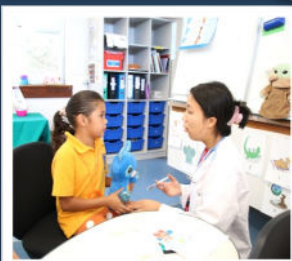


Teddy Bear Hospital

Notre Dame and Curtin Medical Student Visit

On the 17th March, we welcomed a group of Notre Dame and Curtin Medical students. This visit is a highlight for our littlest learners who participated in a Teddy Bear Hospital. The student doctors helped the learners heal their teddy bears and we saw lots of teddies with bandages and prescriptions!

The student doctors also participated in a Q&A session with the Middle School students. A common theme of these conversations was perseverance and resilience. All of the student doctors had to work really hard to pursue their pathways and no two journeys were the same.



Early Development Census



Playing our part to build a national picture of child health.

In early 2021, our school, along with thousands of others across the country will begin preparations for the fifth Australian Early Development Census (AEDC).

The AEDC gives us a national picture of the development, health and wellbeing of children in their first year of full-time school. Since 2009, the census results have helped communities, schools and governments plan services and develop better policies to target support for children and families.

Children don't miss any class time, and parents/carers don't need to supply schools with any new information for the census. The AEDC gives us data at a school and community level - it isn't an assessment of individual children.

Some teachers have also noticed that completing the assessments made them more aware of the needs of individual children and the class as a whole and that the census results are useful in planning for transitions to Year 1 and developing class programs.

Participation in the AEDC is voluntary. Parents/carers don't need to take any action unless they choose not to include their children in the census.

To find out more about the census and how communities are using the data to help children and families visit the AEDC website: www.aedc.gov.au.

If you have any questions, you can contact Tish on 9045 6300 or latisha.clarke@education.wa.edu.au





Harmony Week

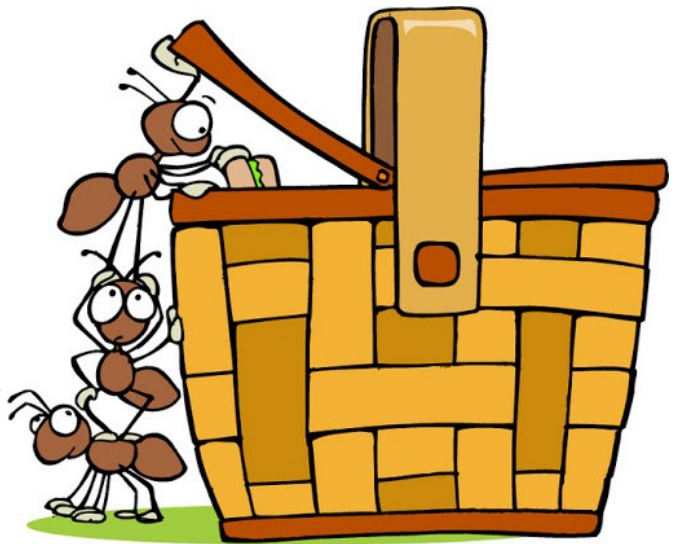
Harmony Week saw rays of orange on Wednesday and pops of colour on Friday. The whole school dressed in shades of orange on Wednesday. Orange is the colour chosen for Harmony Day as it signifies social communication and two way conversations. As a school we were able to facilitate meaningful conversations about inclusivity, respect and a sense of belonging for all.

On Friday, each class dressed in a different colour and we were able to create a whole school rainbow. The students split in to multi-age groups and participated in a range of activities celebrating many cultures. On Friday our wonderful Student Leadership team raised funds by selling cupcakes for the Perth Children's Hospital, thank you to everyone who supported their fundraising efforts.



Kindy, Pre Primary and Year One End of Term Picnic

To celebrate the end of term one, our Kindy Pre-Primary and Year One learners invited their loved ones in for a family picnic to celebrate *Successful Students* and a *Connected Community*.



TERM PLANNER—TERM 2

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday Early Close Day 2.30pm | Thursday | Friday |
|----|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1 | 19 Staff Professional Learning Day | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 School ANZAC Service |
| 2 | 26 ANZAC Day Public Holiday | 27 | 28 | 29 SIDE Visit to Leederville Yr 9/10 | 30 |
| 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 4 | 10 | 11 NAPLAN | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 5 | 17 NAPLAN | 18 School Board Meeting 6pm | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 6 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 Primary Winter Carnival - Wylie |
| 7 | 31 | 1 JUNE | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 8 | 7 WA Day Public Holiday | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 9 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Sec Winter Carnival - Keller |
| 10 | 21 | 22 | 23 Year 5/6 & Year 1/2 Assembly | 24 | 25 |
| 11 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 1 JULY | 2 LAST DAY TERM 2 |