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Term Dates

2022

Term 1

Mon 31st Jan - Fri 8th April

Term 2

Tue 26th April – Fri 1st July

Term 3

18th July - Fri 23rd Sept

Term 4

Mon 10th Oct - Thur 15th Dec

School Development Days

Term 1

Tues 8th March

Term 4

Thurs 27th & Fri 28th Oct
Fri 17th Dec

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Term 1, Week 5 2022

A message from our Principal

Well, we have had a very interesting fortnight, with four classes having to be shut down this week due to COVID19. It certainly brings home the importance of mask wearing for everyone. Our wonderful teachers from these classes have certainly adapted well and are using our SeeSaw and Connect platforms to communicate with everyone and ensure that our students from these classes are receiving learning activities to do whilst at home. It has been great to see that so many of our student working from home are accessing SeeSaw and Connect.

If you have a child in Kindy to Year 5 and have not received your SeeSaw login or misplaced it, please contact your class teacher and they will support you with this. It is really important that you do sign up on your child's SeeSaw account in the event that we do have to go to online learning for students. Our Year 6 students will be using Connect and are quite familiar with this platform.

At the moment we are still following the same directions from the Department of Education in regard to COVID and we will keep our community informed via CONNECT if anything changes. There is a reported increase in the number of cases in WA so we are constantly updated with any changes when they have been announced by the State Government or via Health.

At the moment, the following guidelines apply to schools:

- Parents are unable to enter classrooms currently.
- Masks are not mandated when outdoors but encouraged as is social distancing.
- Students are required to wear masks from Year 3-Yr 6 unless they have an exemption. Staff will be wearing masks unless directly teaching.
- Whole school events such as assemblies are cancelled. Interschool events and some excursions are still able to go ahead at this stage.
- If you need to have a meeting with your child's teacher, then please let us know and these will be done by phone, not face to face.

Just a reminder that Tuesday is a Student Free Day for all students. Enjoy the sunshine and have a great long weekend everyone!

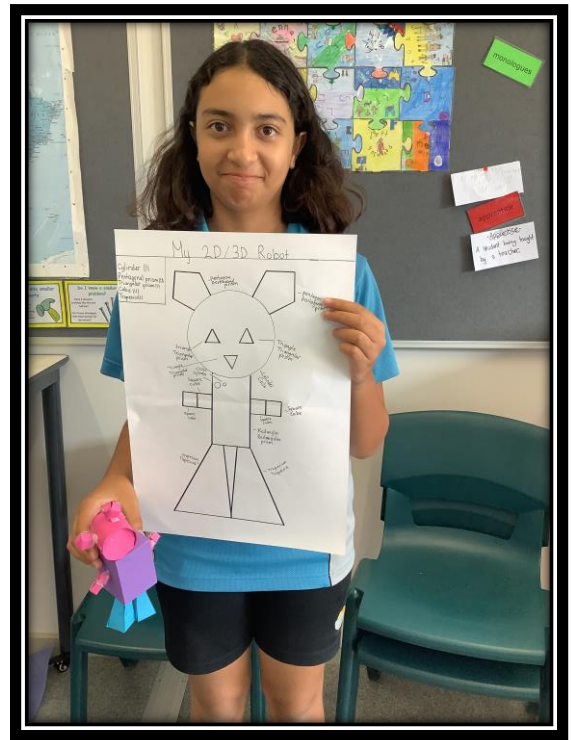
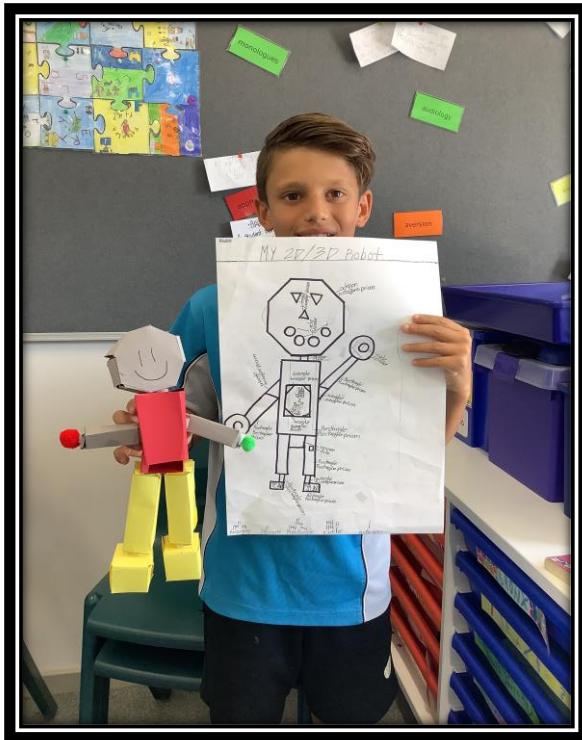
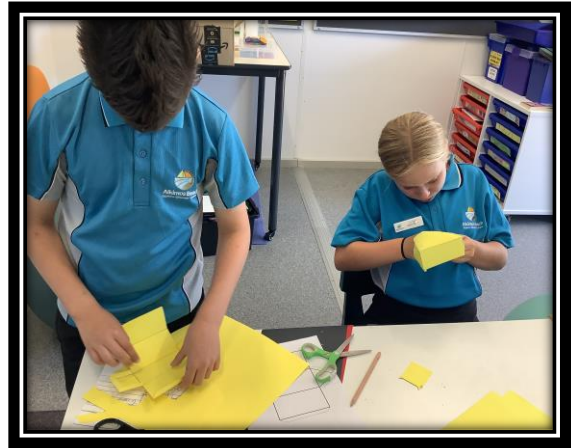
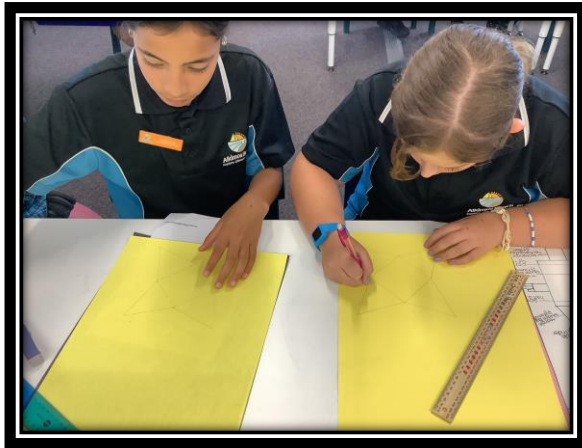
Michelle Wellsted
Principal

UP IN LIGHTS

WEDGE ISLAND 6

Wedge Island 6 are currently immersed in the world of 2D and 3D shapes. We have been exploring real world shapes, building nets, and describing their properties.

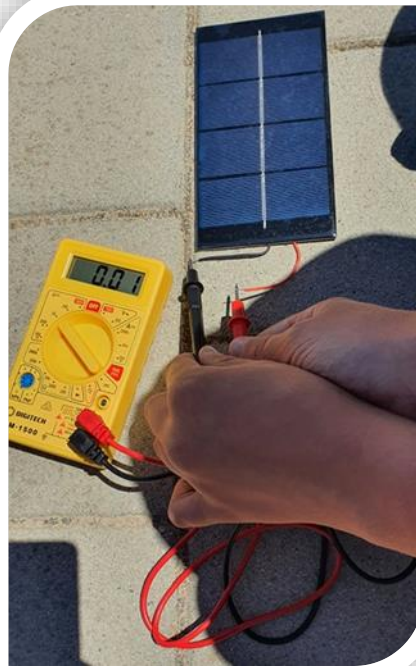
To demonstrate our knowledge, we drew a 2D robot diagram and turned it into a 3D robot!



STEM-tastic Work

Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

In preparation for our Solar Car Challenge, later in the term, the Year 6s of Ningaloo Reef 2 used a multimeter to measure the voltage of energy produced by the solar panels. These are the same panels they will use to build their solar car for the Challenge. We then graphed and analysed our results for the best angle to position their solar panel to allow their car to be the fastest.



Leadership Group



Councillors



Eco Warriors



Music Maestros



Faction Captains and Vice Captains



Batavia



Cervantes



Endeavour



Zedora



Recycling News



SCHOOL BATTERY RECYCLING PROGRAM

As part of our Whole School Sustainability Program, we will be continuing with our School Battery Recycling Program this year. Batteries are an important example of demonstrating how energy can transform from one form to another through recycling. They can be turned into light poles and other batteries.

Since commencing our battery recycling program in 2019, we have collected over 30kgs of used batteries. Thank you to everyone that sent them in with your child or dropped them in at the front office.

We would love as many people as possible to start bringing in their used batteries again this year.

If we all work together, small changes can make a big difference.



We are so excited to announce that Containers for Change has arrived at Alkimos Beach Primary School. All children's juice boxes and water bottles can now be recycled to help fund our vegetable gardens and sustainable projects and not be placed in land fill. ❤️

CANTEEN SERVICE

Please note the new canteen service Alkimos Café will commence next week on Wednesday 9th March. We will send out a CONNECT notice with the new menu, ordering will be online through www.quickcliq.com.au. Please note orders must be in by 9am the previous day so if you are ordering lunch for a Wednesday the order needs to be in by 9am on the Tuesday. The canteen service will be available on Wednesdays and Fridays.

STAFF CAR PARK CABLE GATE

Please note the **staff car park** (which is the car park to the left of the admin office) has had a cable gate barrier installed so please do not use the staff car park for pick up and drop off of students. Visitor and parent parking is available in the car park to the right of the admin office and around the school.

2022 SCHOOL VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

A big thank you to those families who have already paid.

This “one-off” payment is voluntary however it will be used to supplement expenditure in the following curriculum areas: reading resources, maths resources and ICT equipment. Over the course of the school year, the contribution of \$30 equates to 0.75c per week.

Payment can be made directly into the school’s bank account (**this is our preferred method of payment**). **Details as follows:**

Account Name: Alkimos Beach Primary School

BSB: 306-182

Account Number: 0085426

Please use your child’s name as a reference. If using this method of payment, please ensure that you pay monies into the school account (as above) as we have had a few parents paying money into the P & C account in error.

Alternatively, you can pay by cash or EFTPOS in the office between 8am and 4pm daily.

If you would like to set up a payment plan for 2022 at any time, for any of the fees requested, including incursions/excursions, please call into the office and see me.

Tina Barton
Manager Corporate Services

ACROD Parking Bays.

Just a friendly reminder to please be vigilant when selecting a parking bay. Please leave all ACROD parking bays available for those who require one.

Vehicles using an ACROD bay must display a current ACROD parking permit, visible through the front windscreen.

Thank you.

STATE GOVERNMENT DIRECTIONS FOR COVID-19 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware, all school staff are required to be double dose vaccinated before Term 1, 2022 starts.

The State Government has issued [Education Worker \(Restrictions on Access\) Directions \(No. 3\)](#), which are published on [wa.gov.au](#). These Directions include vaccination requirements for visitors entering school sites.

Students are not required to be vaccinated.

Parents/carers **are not required** to be vaccinated when:

- dropping off or picking up their child from school;
- volunteering at school on an ad hoc basis;
- attending an event such as an assembly or parent teacher interview; or
- entering the school after hours.

'Ad hoc basis' means attendance at no more than one education facility no more than once per week.

Parents/carers **are required** to provide vaccination evidence (single dose vaccinated from 1 January 2022 and double dose vaccinated from 31 January 2022) or exemption when:

- volunteering at the school more than once a week (this includes volunteering at the school canteen, uniform store or an in-class literacy or numeracy program);
- working in an unpaid capacity at the school more than once a week.

The following are acceptable forms of evidence of COVID-19 vaccination or exemption:

- written confirmation of the COVID-19 vaccination issued by the Department of Health;
- the COVID-19 digital certificate, which shows only your COVID-19 vaccinations. Services Australia has information on how to [get your COVID-19 digital certificate](#);
- your immunisation history statement, which shows all vaccinations you've had. Services Australia has information on how to [get your immunisation history statement](#);
- an International COVID-19 Vaccination Certificate issued by the Commonwealth Government. This shows the COVID-19 vaccination recorded on the Australian Immunisation Register;
- medical exemption issued by the Australian Immunisation Register; or
- temporary exemption granted by the WA Chief Health Officer.

We are committed to ensuring our school is a COVID-19 safe space. We have been provided with a clear direction of what we all need to do to keep students, colleagues, and our community safe. If you have any queries, please contact the school on 9561 7200.

Thank you for your support.

ALKIMOS SAFETY BEACH

Find the **FUN**
between the flags!



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AUSTRALIA

Free game
download!



This summer's hottest new game is
Safety Beach, helping teach kids essential
beach safety tips.

Play anywhere on a touchscreen device
and level up your lessons about surf safety.

INTERACTIVE

Learn the rules of the beach and become a hero by saving the swimmers on screen. Each rescue puts you higher on the leaderboard.

FUN

Enjoy beach fun even when you're no where near the surf. Great gameplay gives you the experience of what it's like to be a real lifesaver.

FREE

Plus, no towel or bathers needed! Download the app from the App Store or Google Play and play for free, with no in-game purchases.

Each level helps
you learn about
the beach.



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Getting Results

By Professor Matt Sanders

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Getting Results

By Professor Matt Sanders

It's natural to want your child to do well at school and some parents use a reward such as money to encourage their children to get better grades. I've often heard of parents offering their child money for every "A" on their end of term report card.

One of the problems with giving children financial incentives for good end-of-term grades is that the reward comes too long after the effort is made.

Rather than waiting till the end of term, it's much more effective to set up a system of rewards which are brief and frequent and which encourage positive daily habits. These daily habits then build towards an eventual outcome, such as a good homework and study routine.

However, you can encourage children to build good study and homework habits without having to resort to offering money.

Why not try a reward such as spending time with your child doing an activity they really like? Or you could offer a special treat you know they'll enjoy. The object is to encourage good routines by giving extra attention and praise or small frequent rewards when they are doing the right thing.

When kids are struggling that little bit of extra attention can encourage them into new patterns of behaviour – and they may end up getting that A after all!

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