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### Term Dates 2022

**Term 2**  
Tue 26<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 1<sup>st</sup> July

**Term 3**  
18<sup>th</sup> July - Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept

**Term 4**  
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Oct - Thur 15<sup>th</sup> Dec

**School Development Days**  
**Term 4**  
Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> & Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Dec

# News

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Term 2, Week 3 2022

## A message from our Principal

Dear Parents & Carers,

With the State Government relaxing restrictions, things have returned to a much more normal approach and it has been great to see so many faces again, I think we were all starting to forget what we looked like! The following apply:

- Students, parents and staff are no longer required to wear masks on the school site. Anyone that still wishes to wear a mask, may do so.
- Parents may enter classrooms if they wish, when dropping off their child.
- We will be returning to our normal format for assemblies and our first assembly for this term will be held in Week 5 27<sup>th</sup> May and will be led by two of our Year 1 classes.

If your child develops COVID -19, please let the office know. Students who are now identified as a Household contact e.g. another family member has tested positive are able to come to school provided that they do not have any symptoms and have tested negative on a RAT each day. We do have a number of RAT tests available for parents to use on your children. If you require RAT tests please call into the office and the office staff will provide you with some. If you are unsure, please call the school before sending your child.

We are now getting into the cold and flu season. If your child is away from school, please notify the school either via Connect, a text message or by email so that we can mark your child's absence appropriately.

Walk to School Day is being held again this year on the 20<sup>th</sup> May. Information about this is being sent out on Connect with a map. This was well represented last year and Mr Allbury, Mr De Wit and Mr Innes will be walking with the students from our designated start point at the corner of Sanderling Street and Polar Way.

This week sees the start of NAPLAN for our Year 3 and Year 5 students with Writing being the first assessment for students tomorrow. Please make sure that your child gets a good night sleep and has breakfast before coming to school.

Sensei has been working with the Admin team in the design and build needs for a Japanese garden. This will be a really exciting venture and something that our students will be contributing to. Sensei has been busy with students painting rocks with Hiragana symbols for their names which will form part of the design. As a PPP school, Spotless are assisting us with the project, which we hope will be underway shortly. The garden will be located near the transportable buildings and the Crab Trap on the North-Eastern side of the school.

Our nominations for the two positions on our School Board closed on Friday and our two new members for a two-year tenure are Deb Giles and Fiona Sullivan-Brown. A big thank you to all of our nominees and to all of those parents that took the time to vote on Survey Monkey.

*Kind regards*  
*Michelle Wellsted*  
*Principal*

# STEM-tastic Work

Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths

Ningaloo Reef 2 took part in the 2022 Synergy Schools Solar Challenge! As the race-day events were unable to go ahead this year due to Covid, we are used the guided lesson plans and challenges to continue to learn about solar energy, battery technology and basic engineering principles. We also built our own model solar powered car/s using the kits provided by Synergy and Science Teachers Association of WA (STAWA) – a great hands-on way to learn about renewable energy! Congratulations to our winning team.





# Japanese News

May 5<sup>th</sup> is Children's Day in Japan and it is an opportunity to celebrate children for their individual strengths. We also wish they have a happy childhood, and they develop a sense of honour, loyalty and persistence. This celebration started in ancient times as "Tango no Sekku" (Boys' Day) but it is now known as Children's Day as it is a public holiday.

Year 2 students learned about the symbolism of the koi fish kites and worked collaboratively in pairs to make their own koi no bori. Year 3 to 5 students also learned about the symbolism of the samurai dolls, used to inspire bravery and loyalty.





# UP IN LIGHTS

## Montebello Islands 3 & 4



In MI3 and MI4 this term, the Year 4s are using Talk4Writing to learn how to create an information report. Our topic is Amazing Aliens.

We started the unit by creating our own pictures of aliens- some had spots, some had stripes and lots of them were green!

We then wrote down all the things we knew about aliens on sticky notes.

We grouped all those pieces of information into the headings of diet, appearance, behaviour, habitat and fascinating facts.

The next step is to create our own alien and describe it in a report. We can't wait to find out how badly the children's aliens behave, the disgusting things they eat and the odd places they sleep in!





# Premier's Reading Challenge

Premier Mark McGowan and Education Minister Sue Ellery have today launched the Premier's Reading Challenge, encouraging young Western Australians to get reading.

The challenge will run from Thursday May 5 to Friday September 9, 2022 and is open to all students from Kindergarten to Year 10. This year's theme is 'Reading can take you anywhere', showcasing to students that a love of reading can open the door to a world of opportunities. Books can be read across all formats, including audiobooks, Braille and books in any language, and in all genres, including comics and graphic novels.

Students participating in the challenge must read at least 12 books over the five-month period to be in the running to win major prizes. Prizes include a family holiday for the winner in each of the four year group categories, and are available for students who read the most books, as well as those who have shown a significant improvement in their reading habits. Weekly prizes are also on offer. Students can go in the draw by logging a book per week.

Visit the Premier's Reading Challenge website at [www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au](http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.wa.edu.au) to register, search over 7,000 book titles and log books read.



## ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2023

Kindy Enrolment Applications for 2023 are now open. Please complete the Application for Enrolment Form at the school's Admin office.

Please ensure the following supporting documents are provided at the time of application:

- Original Birth Certificate
- Passport and visa (if applicable)
- Medicare Immunisation History Statement <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/services/medicare/australian-immunisation-register>
- Current Proof of Address (utility usage bill e.g. gas or electricity or lease agreement). Please note: phone accounts/licences/rates notices cannot be accepted.

We encourage applications to be submitted this term to ensure your child receives a placement. Enrolments will close on Friday 22nd July 2022.

If you have any friends or family who do not currently have children attending our school and will be looking for a Kindergarten placement, please feel free to pass on this information.

## 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.

# ALKIMOS SAFETY BEACH

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between the flags!



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