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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 7 2022

## A message from our Principal

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had a super busy fortnight, with Mr Libbis' class trialling the NAPLAN Digital Technologies assessment, National Simultaneous Storytime, Farmer Mick visiting our Kindy classes with his gorgeous farm animals and our student leadership team attending the GRIP conference in Perth. Unfortunately, our Mini Beast incursion had to be postponed for our Pre-Primary students, but this will occur before the end of the term.

The Year 2-6 Cross Country has also been postponed due to the weather and an alternative day will be identified with this event being run before the end of the term - weather permitting. We will be posting a new date for this event so please keep an eye on the Connect notices.

Mr Innes' Running Club for Year 4-6 students has proven to be a very popular after school event with over 60 students joining in for Running Club last Thursday. A big thank you to Mr Innes and the other staff that attended our first Running Club meeting. It was great to see the number of parents that came along to watch their child.

Our P&C have been super excited, raising funds for the purchase of a 3D Printer for the Science / STEM room. The P&C are running a coin challenge, with each class having a container for small change, with the class with the most change winning a prize. Funds raised from this will support the P&C in the purchase of this printer which would be a wonderful acquisition for the school. A big thank you to our dedicated P&C for their efforts so far.

Don't forget our **Open Night next week Wednesday (15<sup>th</sup> June)**. Classrooms are open from **5.00pm to 6.30pm** for all parents to come and view the work that your child has been doing in class. Teachers and the students are super excited to be able to share the wonderful things that have been occurring in the classrooms.

Just a reminder, if your child develops COVID -19, please let the office know. We do have a number of RAT tests available for parents to use on your children. If you require RAT tests and haven't collected any, 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.

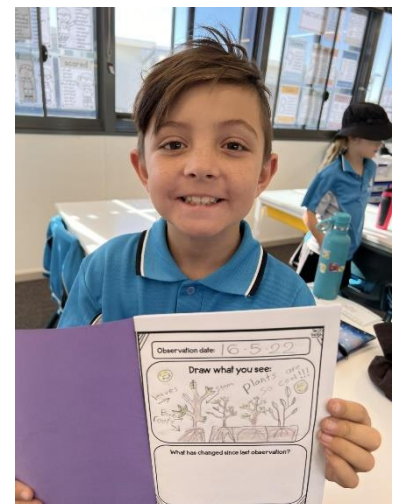
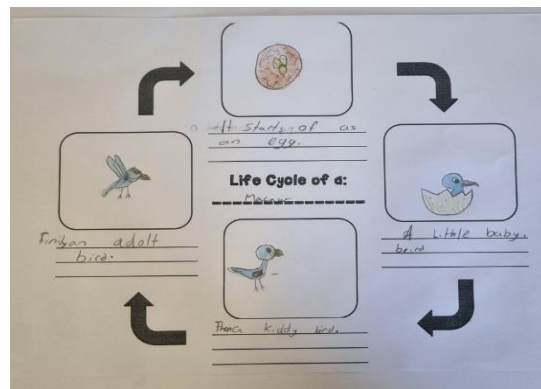
We are now getting into the cold and flu season. If your child is away from school, please notify the school either via Connect, a text message or by email so that we can mark your child's absence appropriately.

Have a great fortnight everyone!

Kind regards  
*Michelle Wellsted*  
Principal

# UP IN LIGHTS

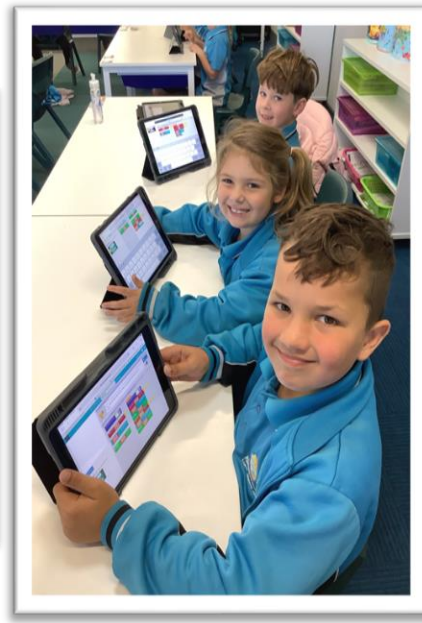
In Science this term, Abrolhos 2 & 5 have been learning all about living and non-living things, using the acronym MRS GREN to help with our classification. We then investigated life cycles by planting different types of flowers and seeds, which we have been observing weekly. We have also been researching an animal of our choice and using this information to write a scientific report in Talk 4 Writing. Additionally, we are currently completing a STEM project where we are designing and constructing an animal enclosure, using the information we have discovered about our animals' habitat and needs. We are very excited for our families to come and see our amazing designs at the Parent Open Night next week!



# STEM-tastic Work

Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

The Year Two students in Shark Bay 3, with Mrs Edworthy, have been experimenting with Coding. They have had a great time exploring and learning how to code. We have been using the website 'Hour of Code' which helps them navigate through the beginning processes of coding. They have learnt how to move a sprite (character) to different locations, how to make them speak and how to make the backgrounds change. Each level teaches them a new skill and they are given numerous opportunities to perfect each skill. It has given them insight into how apps and video games are made. It is so exciting to watch these young minds develop their problem-solving skills and to see them persevere until they get the level right.



# National Simultaneous Storytime 2022

## Family Tree by Josh Pyke

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> May, Alkimos Beach Primary School participated in the annual National Simultaneous Storytime event. Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops, and many other places around the country. Now in its 22nd successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote value of reading and literacy.

Here are some pictures of Mrs Hill's (Year 2), Mrs Kay's (Year 3) and Mrs Wood's (Year 6) students completing an activity following the reading and viewing of the text.



# Premier's Reading Challenge

Premier Mark McGowan and Education Minister Sue Ellery have 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.





## RESPECT

**Meaning:** Admire someone or something as a result of their abilities, qualities or achievements.

**Synonyms:** admire, approve, appreciate, value, honour

**You are practising RESPECT when you:**

1. Show gratitude. Thank people for their help on a regular basis.
2. Celebrate the achievements of others.
3. Speak from the heart. Be sincere in your thanks.
4. Do what you say you'll do.
5. Value other people's efforts by being on time, being prepared, and being enthusiastic.
6. Always come to school ready to go. Have your materials prepared use time effectively.

## P&C NEWS

The P&C have been working hard planning some exciting new events. We have a book stall, read-a-thon, coin challenge and so much more coming soon!

The Mother's Day stall was an absolute pleasure to run. Seeing all the children choosing their gifts with so much thought and enjoyment, and how very well-mannered they all were. We hope you all loved your presents. We cannot wait for the Father's Day stall too.

We started the uniform stall this week which has been a huge success. Thank you to everyone who donated their uniforms to us. If you would like to donate any uniforms, please let us know.

With the money we have raised so far from events and raffles, we have decided to buy the school a 3D printer for the students, which is very exciting for the children and teachers. Thank you for contributing and helping us raise funds for the students.

The P&C are always looking for new members to get involved with the planning of events for the school. If you would like to become a member, please send \$1 to P&C account, and fill out the enrolment form. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us.

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Thank you for your continued support.

P&C

## 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

# ALKIMOS SAFETY BEACH

Find the **FUN**  
between the flags!



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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.

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you learn about  
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