



South Kalgoorlie Primary School

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From the Principal



Dear Parents/Caregivers

Welcome to an amazing new year and a warm welcome to the many new families who have joined our wonderful South Kalgoorlie Primary School community.

Attached to the newsletter is already very busy term planner. Please keep it handy but remember there can always be changes. Up-to-date information is regularly sent through texts on Facebook and through our website. Newsletters can be found on our website. This year we will no longer be using the schoolbag app.

On Wednesday, February 20, parent information sessions will be from 3:00pm until 4:00pm across the school. The Junior primary will be from 3.00 to 3:30 and Year 3 to Year 6 will be from 3:30 until 4:00. I strongly urge all parents to come along and meet your child's teacher and support your child's learning. For those of you who have two children in the early childhood or in the upper primary areas, moving from one area to the other in the 3 to 4 o'clock time slot is very acceptable. All teachers are available during this time for the information session. If you would like to discuss your child in detail, you are very welcome to make an appointment at any time.

Please remember to send your child to school with sunscreen each day. While we have hats and encourage children to stay in the shade, sunscreen is strongly encouraged. However the school cannot supply sunscreen for every child.

Our first assembly is next Friday, 15th February, and Student Councilors and Faction Leaders will be given their badges. We will also be introducing our new Positive Behaviour in Schools Program. Please come along.

Kath Grant
Principal

**WELCOME BACK
TO SCHOOL**

Triple P - Positive Parenting Program-

This 2 hours seminar will leave parents feeling more confident and better able to deal positively and effectively with common child behavioural and emotional issues. A Triple P seminar will be offered in the first semester 2019 on these dates:

Seminar : The Power of Positive Parenting:

Wednesday 13 February 2019 10 am - 12 pm

Wednesday 3 April 2019 10 am – 12 pm

Wednesday 12 June 2019 10 am – 12 pm

There is no cost to attend, however, bookings are essential. A crèche is available by arrangement. For more information or to register, please contact Population Health on 9080 8200

Canteen

A reminder that the Canteen is NOT open on Mondays or Tuesdays. We are still in desperate need of volunteers to help out in the canteen. If you can spare an hour or two during the mornings please call in and see Laura at the canteen.

Breakfast is available for the children from 8.10am in the mornings. Breakfasts supplied by Foodbank.



VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

In order to enrich the opportunities available to your child in school, the Department of Education under section 99 of the School Education Act 1999, permits schools to request that all parents/caregivers pay a voluntary contribution. The amount requested is determined in consultation with the School Board. Contributions for 2019 are set at a flat rate of \$50 per student from Kindergarten to Year 6. This amount has not changed for the last 7 years.

These funds are important if a school is to be able to budget effectively. Parents are requested to pay the contribution during the first two weeks of school. Other fees will be called for during the year for specific activities. A summary of proposed costs is produced annually and distributed to parents with the stationary lists.

Payment can be made by at the front office.

Term Planner

The Term 1 Planner has been sent home with students today. Whilst we have endeavoured to add all events there is a possibility that there may be new ones to add during the term. Parent will be advised of these events via the Newsletter, the school app and our Facebook page.

Facebook

Did you know that South Kalgoorlie Primary School has a Facebook page. This page is updated daily with school news, photos and general information. To keep up to date with school news and activities got to Facebook, like and follow our page, "South Kalgoorlie Primary School".

Student Details

It is very important that your contact details are kept up to date. The school needs to be able to contact parent/caregivers if a child falls ill or has an accident. If your details have changed please let the office know so that we can change your contact details .



About Crunch&Sip

The Crunch&Sip program is an easy way to help kids stay healthy and happy!

Crunch&Sip is a set time during the school day to eat vegetables and fruit and drink water in the classroom. Students bring vegetables or fruit to school each day for the Crunch&Sip break. Each child also has a small clear bottle of water in the classroom to drink throughout the day to prevent dehydration.

Giving students the chance to re-fuel with fruit or vegetables helps to improve physical and mental performance and concentration in the classroom, as well as promoting long term health.

Crunch&Sip is a well-established program in Western Australia, with over 44% of eligible schools across the state currently certified.

The **objectives** of Crunch&Sip are to:

- increase awareness of the importance of eating vegetables and fruit and drinking water
- give students, teachers and staff an opportunity to eat vegetables and fruit during an allocated Crunch&Sip break in the classroom
- encourage students, teachers and staff to drink water throughout the day in the classroom, during break times and at sports, excursions and camps
- encourage parents to provide students with fruit or vegetables every day
- develop strategies to help students who don't have regular access to fruit and vegetables

