South Kalgoorlie Primary School Newsletter

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

July 31

Welcome Back to Term Three!

A very warm welcome back to all of our students, families and staff. I hope everyone enjoyed a well-earned break and had the opportunity to rest, recharge and spend time with family and friends.

What a wonderful start we have had to the term! From the moment staff returned for our Staff Development Day, there has been an incredible sense of energy, collaboration and shared purpose across our school. Together, our staff rolled up their sleeves and began the important work of shaping the next stage of South Kalgoorlie Primary School's journey as we prepare for our Public School Review. It was a day filled with rich discussion, teamwork and a collective commitment to providing the very best outcomes for our students.

Our students then returned ready to learn, and they certainly hit the ground running! Last week we proudly celebrated NAIDOC Week, with students participating in a range of meaningful cultural learning experiences. Embracing every opportunity to learn about, celebrate and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and achievements. It was wonderful to see so much enthusiasm, creativity and respect throughout the week.

As we look ahead, there is so much to be excited about. Term Three promises to be filled with engaging learning experiences, memorable events and opportunities for every student to grow academically, socially and personally. We look forward to another term of learning, connection and achievement as we continue working together to help every child thrive.

Thank you, as always, for your ongoing support of our school. We are excited for everything this term has in store and can't wait to share it with you.





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Kindergarten Enrolments for 2027 Are Filling Fast!

Our 2027 Kindergarten enrolments are now open, and places in our highly sought-after 5-Day Kindy Program are filling incredibly quickly.

If you have a child born between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023 or know a family living within the South Kalgoorlie Primary School local intake area with a child starting Kindy next year, now is the time to enrol.

Enrolments close during Term Three, and we are already approaching capacity. Once all places have been filled, no additional enrolments will be accepted. We cannot stress this enough, if you are planning to enrol your child, please don't wait until the deadline.

Enrolling is easy:

- Visit the South Kalgoorlie Primary School website to download an enrolment pack and email your completed forms to the school; or
- Drop into our Front Office to collect a paper enrolment pack and speak with our friendly team.

Our 5-Day Kindy Program provides young learners with a nurturing, engaging and play-based learning environment that builds strong foundations for future success. With limited places available, we encourage families to secure their child's enrolment as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

If you have any questions, please contact our Front Office on 9092 5800. We look forward to welcoming our newest little learners to the SKPS family in 2027



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Celebrating NAIDOC Week at SKPS

Our school community proudly celebrated NAIDOC Week 2026 with fantastic events, learning, culture and connection. Students participated in a range of engaging activities, including learning rotations, damper making, Kurlakurla planting, art and colouring competitions, all while celebrating this year's theme, "50 Years of Deadly."

A heartfelt thank you to Amanda Sambo, Renea Craig, Zaleah Sambo, Tam Kelly, Nicole Pestell, Kim Eckert (KBULG), Terri Ashwin (Bega Garnbirringu), and Gavin Murray (Goldfields Education Regional Office) for their outstanding leadership, organisation and support. Your knowledge, generosity and commitment helped create a truly memorable event for our students.

A special thank you also to Mrs Emma Hosken for creating our beautiful NAIDOC displays in the library, which provided students with another wonderful opportunity to celebrate and learn throughout the week.
















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Uniform Reminder – Semester Two

As we settle into Semester Two, we'd like to take the opportunity to remind families of our school uniform expectations and thank you for your ongoing support in helping our students take pride in being part of the South Kalgoorlie Primary School community.

Wearing the school uniform every day helps foster a sense of belonging, promotes school pride and ensures all students are dressed safely and appropriately for learning. Our wonderful P&C operates the Uniform Shop, with additional items available to order through the school website or by visiting the Uniform Shop each Friday from 2:30 pm – 3:15 pm.

With the cooler weather continuing, we encourage students to wear our winter uniform, including school jumpers, hoodies and tracksuit pants, to stay warm and comfortable throughout the day. Students choosing to wear the school dress are encouraged to wear tights or leggings underneath for warmth and modesty.

A few friendly reminders:

- Please ensure students wear school uniform shorts, rather than branded alternatives.
- Enclosed shoes or shoes with back straps should be worn every day. Slides, thongs and Crocs are not suitable for school, as they do not provide the support or safety needed for running, climbing and active play.
- Acrylic nails and excessive jewellery can pose a safety risk and should not be worn at school.

Thank you for partnering with us to maintain the high standards that make SKPS such a positive and welcoming place to learn. Your support is greatly appreciated and helps ensure every student is safe, comfortable and ready to learn each day.

Denim for a Difference – Jeans for Genes Day!



Pull on your favourite denim and join us for Jeans for Genes Day on Thursday 6 August (Week 3)!

Students and staff are invited to wear their favourite jeans, denim jackets, shirts or skirts as we come together to support an important cause.

Jeans for Genes Day raises funds for life-changing medical research into childhood genetic diseases. Every day, children and families across Australia are impacted by genetic conditions, and the money raised helps scientists improve diagnosis, develop new treatments and work towards better outcomes for children living with these conditions.

Whether it's blue jeans, a denim jacket or double denim if you're feeling brave, we'd love to see our school community get involved! Simply wear your denim and bring along a gold coin donation to support this worthy cause.

When: **Thursday 6 August (Week 3)**
What: **Wear your favourite denim**
Why: **Gold coin donation**

Let's fill SKPS with denim, smiles and community spirit as we help make a difference for children and families across Australia. Every pair of jeans worn helps shine a light on an important cause!

Jeans for Genes®

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Week Four 🤪 Crazy Hair Day is Coming!

Get ready to tease it, twist it, spray it, colour it and style it because Crazy Hair Day is back!

On **Tuesday 11 August (Week 4)**, we're inviting all students to come to school with their wildest, wackiest and most creative hairstyles as we raise money for our Year 6 BOSS Week celebrations.

A gold coin donation is all it takes to join in the fun, and there are awesome prizes up for grabs for the Best Crazy Hair in each cluster!

Think bright colours, crazy plaits, glitter, ribbons, pipe cleaners, pom poms, crazy buns, spikes or anything else your imagination can dream up. The crazier, the better!

When: **Tuesday 11 August (Week 4)**

Cost: **Gold coin donation (optional)**

Prizes: **Best Crazy Hair in each cluster**

So grab the hairspray, unleash your creativity and let's fill SKPS with colour, laughter and outrageous hairstyles, all while supporting our amazing Year 6 students as they prepare for BOSS Week!

We can't wait to see just how crazy your hair can be!



Week Six - Book Week is Coming!

The countdown is on... Book Week 2026 is almost here!

It's time to start planning those costumes because our much-loved SKPS Book Week Parade is just around the corner. This is one of the biggest highlights of the school year, where our Kindergarten to Year 6 students (and staff!) transform into their favourite book characters for a morning full of colour, creativity and fun.

Date: **Monday 24 August (Week 6)**

Time: **9:00 am**

Location: **Centre Green**

Families are warmly invited to join us as we kick off Book Week in true SKPS style. We'll crank up the music, celebrate the joy of reading and watch our students proudly parade their amazing costumes.

Whether your child chooses a classic character, a modern favourite or something completely unexpected, we can't wait to see the imagination and creativity on display.

So dust off the costume box, get those creative ideas flowing and save the date, we're looking forward to another unforgettable Book Week Parade!

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Green and Gold, Through and Through!

Congratulations to our amazing SKPS Cross Country Team on their outstanding efforts at the Goldfields Interschool Cross Country Carnival.

Behind every race was weeks of commitment, with students and staff braving cold winter mornings to train, improve and prepare. Their hard work certainly paid off.

On carnival day, our students wore the green and gold with pride, demonstrating determination, resilience, sportsmanship and outstanding school spirit. No matter where they finished, they represented South Kalgoorlie Primary School with pride and should be incredibly proud of their efforts.

A special thank you to Mrs Jess Watson for her outstanding planning, preparation and coordination of the event. We also thank Ms Renea Craig and Mrs Boucaut for their support and encouragement on the day.

Well done, Team SKPS! You represented our school brilliantly, and we couldn't be prouder. 💚💛💚



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A Smoother Ride into SKPS!

If you've driven into our Palmerston Street carpark since the start of Term Three, you may have noticed your coffee stayed in the cup and your suspension wasn't given quite the same workout!

Over the school holidays, the wonderful City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder visited SKPS and filled our ever-growing collection of potholes (which, if left much longer, may well have qualified as local landmarks).

This is a temporary fix while SKPS continues to work closely with the City to plan the complete resurfacing of our carpark during the December/January school holidays. We can't wait to welcome families back in 2027 to a smooth, shiny new carpark.

We'd also like to thank our families for their patience, understanding and good humour while we've navigated this bumpy journey together. Your support has been greatly appreciated, and we're looking forward to the permanent solution being in place.

While we're talking carparks, here's one friendly reminder. Please pull into a parking bay before your child exits the vehicle. Stopping in the middle of the carpark can create a safety risk, particularly for vehicles reversing out of bays with limited visibility. By using the parking bays as intended, we can keep traffic flowing and help ensure everyone arrives safely each morning.

A huge thank you again to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder for saving both our tyres and our coffee while we wait for the full upgrade and thank you to our wonderful SKPS families for helping us keep the carpark safe for everyone.

School Board Open Meeting – You're Invited

Our Term Three School Board Meeting will be held on Monday 10 August (Week 4) at 5:00 pm, and we are pleased to invite members of our school community to attend.

The School Board plays an important role in the governance of South Kalgoorlie Primary School. Working alongside the Principal and staff, the Board helps shape the strategic direction of the school, endorses key policies and plans, and ensures school priorities reflect the needs and aspirations of our community. While the Board does not manage the day-to-day operations of the school, it provides valuable oversight, advice and community perspective.

This meeting has been scheduled as an Open Board Meeting, meaning parents, carers and members of our school community are welcome to attend as observers. Open meetings provide an opportunity to see how the School Board operates, hear about the important work being undertaken and gain a greater understanding of the Board's role in supporting our school.

Observers are welcome to attend; however, they do not participate in discussion or decision-making unless invited to do so by the Chair.

We warmly welcome anyone with an interest in our school to come along and learn more about the valuable work of the South Kalgoorlie Primary School Board. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Free Coffee Friday – YouthCARE



Make sure to stop by on the morning of Friday 21 August from 7:45am to grab a coffee and hang out before school.







Coffee with the School Psychologist

Parenting doesn't come with a handbook, and sometimes it's helpful to simply have someone to talk to.

Throughout Term 3, our School Psychologist will be hosting Coffee with the School Psychologist—an informal opportunity for parents and carers to enjoy a coffee, ask questions, seek advice or simply have a chat in a relaxed and welcoming environment. Whether you'd like to discuss your child's learning, behaviour, wellbeing, friendships, emotional development, or you're just looking for some guidance, everyone is welcome.

There's no formal agenda—just coffee, conversation and support.

We'd love to see you there! Join us in the School Library at 8:30 am on the advertised dates.

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P&C News

Support Our P&C Coolgardie Rodeo Raffle!

Our amazing SKPS P&C is once again raising funds for our students, and we'd love your support!

This year's Coolgardie Rodeo Raffle features 11 fantastic prizes, including a $1,000 Family VIP Pass and ten $150 Family Passes.

The oldest child in each family has brought home a book of raffle tickets. Tickets are $5 each, with all ticket stubs and money to be returned to the school in a labelled ziplock bag or envelope by Tuesday, 11 August. The draw will take place on Wednesday, 12 August.

Every dollar raised by our P&C goes straight back into our school, providing valuable resources and opportunities for our students.

A huge thank you to our dedicated P&C, especially Toni-Anne Whittaker and Natasha Clark for organising this wonderful fundraiser. We also extend our sincere thanks to Bodean Buckingham and the Coolgardie Outback Festival and Rodeo for generously donating the prizes, and to Mrs Tamara Kelly for keeping everything running smoothly.

It truly does take a village. Thank you for supporting our school and good luck to everyone who enters!





Please be advised that the prices of our school uniform items will increase from Friday 31 July 2026.

This adjustment is due to increased supplier and production costs. We have worked to keep the increase as minimal as possible while continuing to provide families with good-quality and affordable uniform options.

Updated pricing will be available on the school uniform order form and through the school office.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Upcoming Events



Thursday, 6 August	Jeans for Genes
Friday, 7 August	Principals Day
Monday, 10 August	Board Meeting
Tuesday, 11 August	Crazy Hair Day
Friday, 14 August	Room 4 Assembly



STAY IN TOUCH

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Front Office Displays

Room 5



Room 7



Community Notices

WA Student Assistance Payment

2026 - what you need to claim

Ali Kent MLA
MEMBER FOR KALGOORLIE

Claims open: 20 July 2026

$150	$250
Kindergarten & primary students	Secondary students

Have these ready before you claim:

- **ServiceWA app**
  Download or update the app.
- **Digital ID (myID)**
  Log in through the ServiceWA app.
- **WA student number (WASN)**
  Needed for each eligible child.
- **Student details**
  Name **at enrolment**, date of birth, school name and year level.
- **Bank account details**
  For the payment to be deposited.

Who can claim?

Parents and carers of WA students from Kindergarten to Year 12 with a valid WA student number.

How to claim

The fastest way is through the ServiceWA app. Alternative claim options will be available via the Department of Education website when needed.

Need help?

Please contact us on 9021 6766 or pop into Ali Kent's office at 227 Hannan Street.

Information current at creation. Please check ServiceWA / Department of Education for the latest details.

NEED HELP?

Claim the support you're entitled to.

Need help claiming the $100 Fuel Credit or the WA Student Assistance Payment?

My team is here to help! 🙌

Pop into the office or give us a call if you need assistance with your application.

$100 FUEL CREDIT

Starts 1st July

To complete your application, please bring:

- Driver's Licence
- Bank details including BSB and Account Number



WA STUDENT ASSISTANCE PAYMENT

Starts 20th July

To complete your application, please bring:

- Child's school ID number
- Driver's Licence
- Bank details including BSB and Account Number



Please note these details are required each time you apply — even if you've received previous payments. 💛

Please note: we do not keep any personal or banking details on file and applications cannot be processed without them.

OFFICE HOURS
Monday to Friday, 9am – 4pm
227 Hannan Street,
Kalgoorlie WA 6430
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Department of Education

Shaping the future

Free online workshops for parents
Term 3, 2026

Who is running the workshops?
School Psychologist Consultants from the Department of Education WA.

What are the workshops about?
We are offering free, live online workshops to help parents and carers support their children. Most workshops are part of the **Triple P – Positive Parenting Program**, which gives simple ideas to help children learn skills, behave well, and feel confident. Some workshops may focus on other topics to support families.

Who can join?
All parents and carers are welcome. The workshops are free and online.

How do I join a workshop?
Scan the QR code or click here to register. You will receive a confirmation email with a Webex link and reminder before the session.

Note: Webinars are live and not recorded. For the best experience, we recommend downloading the Webex app before the session.

Want to learn more?
You can register for a range of free face-to-face, live online, or self-paced parenting programs via the Department of Education WA website: https://www.education.wa.edu.au/triple-p.

Child and Parent Centres also support families across WA with early learning programs, health services, and family support. Visit the Child and Parent Centres WA website to find a centre near you: https://childandparentcentres.wa.edu.au.

Triple P | Child and Parent Centres

Workshop	Date and Time
Promoting digital wellbeing (Triple P) Pre-teens & teenagers A challenge for parents is knowing how to monitor and manage their teenager's use of technology. This workshop will help you set rules and appropriate limits to encourage responsible, safe use of these evolving opportunities.	**Tuesday 4th August** 7.00pm – 9.00pm
Helping children develop healthy screentime habits (Triple P) up to 12 years Screens are everywhere we turn and essential to daily life. We all need to work out how to use them in ways that help children's development. Problems can occur when we are using screens too much in a passive way. This workshop will provide practical tips and strategies to help develop healthy screentime habits for your family.	**Friday 7th August** 9.30am - 11.30am
Responding to Bullying 6-12 years Bullying is a common experience for many primary school children and can happen both online and in person. This workshop helps parents understand what bullying is, why it happens, and the impact it can have on a child's wellbeing and school experience. You will learn how to recognise the signs your child may be being bullied, what to do if concerns arise, and how to work with the school. A key focus of the session is practical strategies to help your child respond to bullying.	**Tuesday 18th August** 7.00pm – 9.00pm
Raising Resilient Children (Triple P) 2-12 years This workshop explores emotional resilience in children, including what it means, why it's important and how it benefits children. There are six important life skills that help children manage their emotions, and this workshop provides strategies for how parents can promote these skills.	**Friday 21st August** 9.30am - 11.30am
Fear-Less (Triple P) 6-14 years: Supporting children with anxiety Everyone feels anxious at times, even children and teenagers. But anxiety may cause distress and get in the way of life. This seminar will help parents to understand how anxiety works, how to manage your child's anxiety effectively and teach new coping skills.	**Tuesday 1st September** 7.00pm – 9.30pm
Starting School Successfully – for children going into their first year of school This workshop provides a range of strategies that are helpful for families of children starting school in the next school year. Topics covered include supporting independence, learning to use the toilet and separation.	**Power Hour:** *A condensed, impactful session* **Friday 4th September** 9.30am - 10.30am ***Repeat session:*** 1.30pm - 2.30pm
Building Skills for School Success – for children in their first year of School This workshop provides a range of strategies that are helpful for families of children in their first year of school. Topics covered include tricky social skills such as sharing and losing and supporting academic learning.	**Power Hour:** *A condensed, impactful session* **Friday 18th September** 9.30am - 10.30am ***Repeat session:*** 1.30pm - 2.30pm

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Triple P

FREE PARENT SEMINAR
- Empowering Every Ability -
Empowering Families, Celebrating Abilities



FIND OUT ANSWERS FOR:

1. What is neuroaffirming positive parenting?
2. How do I support my child to reach their potential?
3. How do I support my child to change problem behaviour into positive behaviour?

WHEN & WHERE
Monday, 29th June 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 10th Aug 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 24th Aug 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Goldfields Education Regional Office
Or online via Teams

HOW TO REGISTER
Scan the QR Code
or email
alisha.davis@education.wa.edu.au

No child-minding will be available, and it is recommended that children not be brought to seminars.

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Triple P

FREE PARENT SEMINAR
-TEENS READY TO THRIVE-
Empowering Today's Teenagers



FIND OUT ANSWERS FOR:

1. How do I support my teen to be responsible?
2. How do I support my teen to be competent?
3. How do I support my teen to connect with others?

WHEN & WHERE
Monday, 14th Sep 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 21st Sep 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 19th Oct 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Goldfields Education Regional Office
Or online via Teams

HOW TO REGISTER
Scan the QR Code
or email
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The Northern Star

Elimination Final

NSR Giants v Lakeside Lightning

DOORS - 6PM

BAR, CANTEEN & VIP ROOM - 630PM

TIP OFF - 7PM

EVOLUTION MINING STADIUM

2 Brookman Street



First 200 people through the door get ***free giants clappers and merch*** – first in best dressed

First 50 arrivals on Saturday in General seating will go in the ***draw for a courtside seating upgrade for the game***

GOLDFIELDS GIANTS

LAKESIDE LIGHTNING EST. 1995

FREE TERM 3

PARENT WORKSHOPS

REGISTER NOW

We are offering **free**, **live online workshops** to help parents and carers support their children.

Healthy habits in a digital world

Practical strategies to help children and teenagers develop healthy screen habits, balance online and offline activities, and use technology safely and responsibly. **2 workshops**

Building confident, resilient kids

Learn evidence-based parenting strategies that build emotional resilience, confidence and coping skills, while supporting children through worries, anxiety and challenges such as bullying. **3 workshops**

Supporting school success

Gain practical tips to help children confidently transition into school, develop independence, build friendships and establish the skills they need to succeed in their first years of learning. **2 workshops**

Evidence-based, practical sessions designed to give parents and carers simple strategies they can use every day to support their child's wellbeing, learning and development.

Delivered by School Psychologist Consultants from the Department of Education

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Safe at Home

Centrecare
People making time for people

A service offered by Centrecare in Kalgoorlie-Boulder for women and children who have experienced family and domestic violence and are assessed as low to medium risk.

The Safe at Home service is designed to help women and children remain in their homes or in a residence of their choice when it is safe to do so. This allows them to continue accessing their usual support networks, such as work and school.

Centrecare provides assistance with the following:

- Risk assessment
- Safety planning
- Security upgrades for clients' homes
- Court support
- Liaison with police and other services
- Counselling
- Case management to address financial and other issues



To access support, individuals can self-refer or be referred by other services, including Kalgoorlie Police, hospital, and other community organisations.

For assistance, you can contact Centrecare by calling (08) 9080 0333 or visit our office at 168 Egan Street, Kalgoorlie.

Follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram and YouTube www.centrecare.com.au



Circle of Security Parenting

An 8-week Relationship-Based Parenting Online Program

Circle of Security Parenting (COSP) is a FREE 8-session series that focuses on supporting and strengthening parent-child relationships and teaches new ways to understand and respond to your child's needs. It is based on decades of attachment research, and how secure parent-child relationships can be supported and strengthened.

You will learn to:

- Understand your child's emotional world & emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
- Enhance the development of your child's self-esteem

Goldfields Esperance - Online
Starting Monday 3 August for 8 weeks | 6.30 - 8.30pm
Bookings essential:
https://parentingconnectionwa.com.au/event/cospol/2026-08-03/
Enquiries: 08 9068 1857 | E: GoldfieldsEsperance.PCWA@anglicarewa.org.au

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