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# South Kalgoorlie Primary School



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## Dates to Remember

**May 13th—**

You Can Do It! Day

**May 18th—**

P & C Meeting

**May 20th—**

Room 2 Assembly

**May 27th—**

Wear Red Day for Cystic

Fibrosis (Gold Coin Donation)

More pictures on page 5/6.



## Room 5's Assembly

Because the students had to do a MacGyver Challenge on Star Wars day, it was only fair that the teachers should have a go too! So for our assembly we decided to give them a challenge. We got two teams of teachers and parents and we asked them to see who could build the biggest tower in 5 minutes. Mr Corbett, Mrs Grant and Ms Botha were on one team and Mrs Abey, Mr Matt and Ms Billiam were on another team.

The first thing we asked them to do was come up with a group name and choose a manager. They had 30 seconds to do this. Then they had to build the tallest tower in front of everyone! All the kids cheered for their favourite team. It was very exciting to watch!



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Dear Parents/Caregivers

In every newsletter we celebrate many activities and events that are occurring across this dynamic and wonderful school. This week has been NAPLAN. For many of our children NAPLAN is a test of resilience. All the tests are extremely hard and they are designed that way but it is wonderful to see those children who have learnt our "You Can Do It!" lessons and just keep having a go. Upon reflection, I am sure that I would not have done very well in NAPLAN as a child. I was a terrible reader but I was a hard worker. I had resilience and persistence.....

Tomorrow is our "You Can Do It!" Heart of Gold Festival. We are celebrating the end of NAPLAN by wearing yellow or gold and participating in lots of art activities across the school. I am going to bring a gold coin donation for "Ang the Fairy" to have my face painted! It would be wonderful to see mums, dads, grandparents and anyone else who would like to share the fun!

Yesterday I was speaking to our lovely School Psychologist Kadi Turner and she was commenting on the fantastic expertise of the teachers that she had been observing across the school. Yes South Kalgoorlie Primary School has a wonderful team. From Gwenda in the office who knows all our families and makes everyone welcome, Suzanne, who controls a 5 million dollar budget and oversees the entire running of the office and all the organisational processes of the school, Steve, our fantastic gardener and handyman, June and Leonie who organise books and resources, Giselle and our hard working cleaners, Matt, the kindest chaplain a school could have, every education assistant and teacher who are totally committed to ensure that your children receive the best education and achieve the best outcomes possible and last but certainly not least Kath, Robyn and Jenny, my three deputy principals, who passionately strive each day to support everyone across this school.

Another arm of the South Kalgoorlie Team is our P&C and of course Sandra and Jenny in the canteen all of whom do a tremendous amount of work for the school and make extremely tasty lunches! Over the next few weeks the canteen will be trialling different portion sizes and menu options to cater better for children's needs so I encourage families to give new things a try and let us know whether you like them. Surveys will be sent home to determine what options families would prefer on the canteen menu. Please remember that we are a healthy canteen and that there are strict guidelines about what the school can and should sell. Unfortunately research is showing that nearly 30% of a child's daily calorie intake is from "junk" food. That is food that is high in fat, salt and sugar.....

Kath Grant  
Principal

**Merit Certificate Winners**  
**8th April 2016**

|                |                                     |                |   |                            |   |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| <b>Room 1</b>  | Chloe Rich<br>Daisy Bleu Molloy     | <b>Room 12</b> | Tristan Taylor<br>Sam Sutherland        | <b>Science</b>             | Luke Oldham<br>Mark Salazar   |
| <b>Room 2</b>  | Annabel Abby<br>Deegan Jones        | <b>Room 13</b> | Izak Bottrell<br>Emerson Donnelly       | <b>Health/PE</b>           | Jaxon Trinidad<br>Aiden McNamara  |
| <b>Room 3</b>  | Aiden Sloane<br>Jazzmine Griffiths  | <b>Room 17</b> | Nikita Mereyato<br>David Waai           | <b>Health/<br/>English</b> |   |
| <b>Room 4</b>  | Kate McKenzie<br>Alyssa Keeley      | <b>Room 18</b> | Alex Franklin<br>Shaynee Ashwin         | <b>PE/Maths</b>            | Bilby<br>Nikita Mereyato  |
| <b>Room 5</b>  | Crystal Spicer<br>Duncan Cameron    | <b>Room 19</b> | Zoe Welham<br>Zeke Jones                | <b>Bilby</b>               | Angus Corkery<br>Logan Dudarko  |
| <b>Room 6</b>  | Nyha Soloman<br>Seth Pearson        | <b>Room 20</b> | Caleb Brookes<br>Ella Coxon             | <b>Gecko</b>               | Kataraina Minhinnick  |
| <b>Room 7</b>  | Myles Martin<br>Lavinia Stubbs      | <b>Room 21</b> | Charlie Dickinson<br>Brooke Moerua-Bell | <b>Koala</b>               | Gary Yarran<br>Amelia Manning   |
| <b>Room 8</b>  | Jessica Newland<br>Georgie Anderson | <b>Room 22</b> | Demo Cameron<br>Jasmine Crogan          |                            |  |
| <b>Room 11</b> | Trevor Hansen<br>Astral Ferreira    | <b>Art</b>     | Decaln Baker<br>Mihi Werahiko           |                            |   |



Congratulations to Ainslie Forsyth, who was the winner of last week's **WELCOME** award. Ainslie's daughter Bree drew this beautiful picture of her mother and herself.

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## Golf WA Incursion

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May, Billie May, from Golf WA came out to our school to run a Golf workshop. As she was only in Kalgoorlie for a limited amount of time for the WAPGA Tournament, the lucky classes that got to attend were Rooms 8 and 17. Billie taught our students how to hit a golf ball and ran a fun competition to see which group could earn the most amount of points for their shots. The students loved being able to try out a new sport that was different to what they usually play. 'Kids Only Clubhouse Golf' flyers are in the front office should you like any information on the Golf Programs that are available to kids in Kalgoorlie.

Jessica Watt

Physical Education Specialist





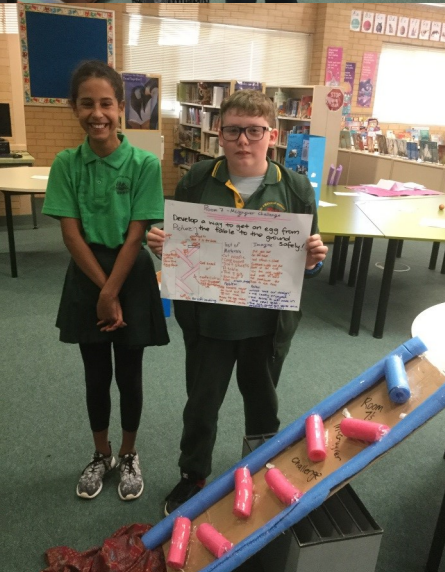
South Kalgoorlie Primary school celebrated May the Fourth Be With You day.

We dressed up in costumes of famous people or characters who used Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths in their lives.

In the morning we had to complete a MacGyver Challenge. We had to get an egg from the table to the ground without breaking it. We were given two items that we had to use in the challenge somehow. These were a pool noodle and blu-tack. We were also allowed to use anything else we could find in our classroom just like MacGyver would. Many of the classes came up with very inventive and creative ideas. Check out our creativity! Our guest Judges George and Sandra Wasiun gave away some amazing STEM challenge prizes to the winning classes.

The School Canteen even got in on the creativity, becoming Admiral Ackbar's Snackbar making special Star Wars themed food for the day, such as Wookiee Cookies, Chewbacca Cheesies and Fruit Lightsabers. There were also reports that Grand Master Jedi Yoda himself was spotted around the school with him making special announcements over the school intercom.

The Kalgoorlie Miner and GWN7 news even came to visit with some of our students ending up on the news that evening!







The two teams of teachers building their towers.

The Superstars team's first tower fell down so they to try again! Just as well they persisted as they ended up winning!



The winning team won a big bag of 'coffee'.

They also won a free trip to Bali... poster!





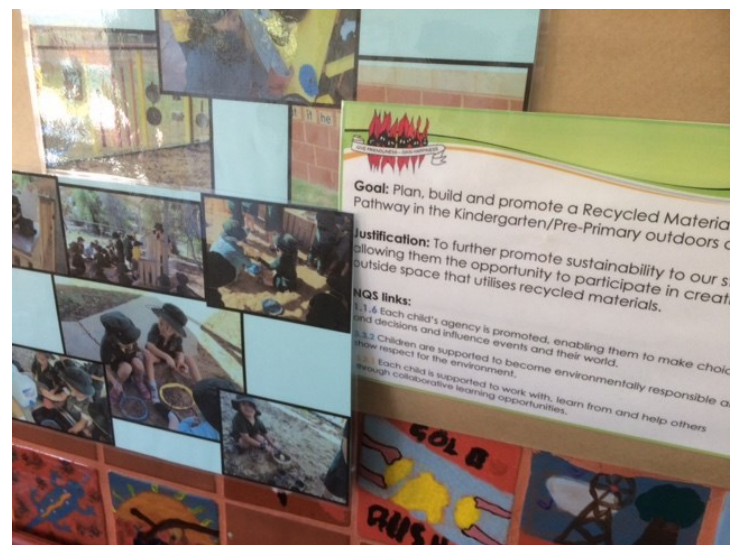
# National Quality Standards

## *South Kalgoorlie Primary School*

The *National Quality Standard (NQS)* sets a national benchmark for quality in education and care services across Australia and establishes a set of Standards that all service types are expected to meet. It also gives the Western Australian schooling sector a Standard and procedures to allow them to demonstrate how they are meeting the NQS in early childhood education programs, Kindergarten to Year 2.

Western Australia's approach to implementing the NQS in schools has been jointly developed by the Departments of Education Services in consultation with the Catholic and Independent school sectors. (*Guide to the NQS—Department of Education WA*)

Our wonderful Early Childhood staff have placed a display in the office and also in the Kindergarten outlining the areas and how South Kalgoorlie Primary School has implemented the standards at our school. Call in and have a look!





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# multicultural festival

11am-3pm  
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12 June 2016

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## Talking Drugs – an Information Session for Parents

Parents have an important role to play in preventing and reducing their children's risk of harm from drug use.

As part of the national and state strategy to address methamphetamine and other drug use behaviour, the Department of Education and SDERA will offer a *Talking Drugs* information session for parents. The *Talking Drugs* session will be held for parents on **Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> May** at **Lotteries House**, Corner Wilson and Macdonald Street, **Kalgoorlie** with welcome tea and coffee available from 6:15pm.

Places are limited. To register go to

<http://www.eventbrite.com.au>.



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**GEMIA PRESENTS**

**MINI KALGOORLIE ASTROFEST**

**11 May 2016**

Come on down to this community astronomy night to search the night sky and observe the Moon, Venus and the stars. We will have a number of high powered telescopes and experts on hand to answer all your questions.

Open to everyone in the community. Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

6pm to 9pm  
11 May 2016  
Families welcome to leave at any time.

North Kalgoorlie Primary School Oval  
Campbell Street  
Entry through the carpark.

- Bring your own telescopes or binoculars and a torch
- Download a free smartphone app before you come down such as Star Rover, Sky Map or Star Chart (via App Store or Google Play)
- RSVP or any questions to [info@gemia.com.au](mailto:info@gemia.com.au)

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**Walk Safely to School Day**  
**Friday 20 May 2016**

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