

The Karratha Key Edition 4



Unlocking Key Messages for our School Community: Issue 4 2026

At Karratha Primary School we have high expectations.

We value care, personal best and responsibility.

We embrace diversity and inclusivity.

Our school community nurtures a sense of belonging.



A Note from Mrs Austin

As you are aware a merit select process was completed for a new principal during this term. I am thrilled to announce that I was successful and will be remaining at Karratha Primary School.

We have had an extremely busy term which has included our Year 6 Cohort attending their school camp in Broome. Please see further in the newsletter to read all about their amazing experiences.

Just a reminder that our Good Standing Reward is coming up on Friday 3 July for all students who have continued to show and follow the behaviour expectations at Karratha Primary School. We are all looking forward to our popcorn while we watch a movie.

A reminder to parents and students that all bikes and scooters must not be ridden once you have arrived at the school gates. Please ensure you dismount prior to entering our grounds.

Parents/Caregivers please note that students are not supervised prior to 8am on school grounds. If your child is walking/riding to school, please discuss an appropriate time to leave home so they are not arriving at school incredibly early.

Further staffing changes for the community to be aware of are;

Miss Jaimee Johnson is returning to Perth at the end of Term 2 and Miss Yasmin Matthews will be taking over in Room 10. I am sure you will all make her feel very welcome.

Our incredible school officer Cally Reynolds has taken a position at Wickham Primary School - a lot closer to home and we wish her all the very best.

Ms Jost will be continuing in Room 5 on a full-time basis as Mrs Newton-Cearns takes off on a lifetime adventure around Australia with her family.

As we finish off Term 2 next week, I, along with the staff, wish you all a relaxing and safe break on the holidays and we look forward to welcoming you back when Term 3 commences for students on Tuesday 21 July.

To the staff at Karratha Primary School, thank you for your incredible work in what has been a busy (and longer than normal) term and for the amazing learning experiences you create every single day for our students. Your hard work and dedication has not gone unnoticed. Enjoy your holidays.

School Dress Code

The school uniform is a visible representation of the standards expected of students and plays an important role in promoting a positive image of our school. We ask for your cooperation in seeing that your child comes to school wearing the school uniform. The

Karratha Primary School Board have set the following requirements regarding school dress. The dress code is reviewed annually by the School Board, with consultation occurring before any significant changes are made.

Students of Karratha Primary School wear the following uniform:

- Royal blue polo shirts with the school logo.
- Plain, modest navy blue shorts, skorts or tracksuit pants. Denim, bike shorts, leggings and tights are not permitted.
- Broad-brimmed navy blue school hat when outdoors.
- Navy blue jacket with school logo.
- Completely enclosed shoes (eg sneakers) or appropriate sandals. Due to health and safety reasons, thongs and slip-on shoes are inappropriate. Please ensure your child has sneakers they can run in on the day they have Phys Ed, so they are able to easily run, jump, skip and hop safely!
- The relevant Student Leadership shirt as appropriate.
- Faction shirts with the school logo on Fridays, and for faction events.
- Simple studs or sleeper earrings are the only acceptable pieces of jewellery, and no makeup.
- Hair that touches shoulders is tied up out of the face.

These requirements apply to all students unless a special exemption is granted.

If you require additional uniforms or winter jackets please visit our uniform shop on Wednesday morning, complete an order through QuickCliQ or fill out a form in the front office of the school.

Notification of School Closure

Tuesday 25 August, schools across the Karratha Region will be closing to hold Reporting to Parent meetings. Parents will be given the opportunity to book a 15-minute appointment with their child's classroom teacher. Further details to come early in Term 3.

If parent's need to bring their child/ren with them, they will be supervised during the 15 minutes slot. Please note non-school aged children will be required to remain with the parent during the interview.

Family Muster

On Tuesday 26 May we had another successful Family Muster. Thank you to everyone who joined us on a very chilly morning for an incredible breakfast. Particular mention must go to Miss Siena Pasquale and the Wellbeing Team, we thank you in particular for the effort and organisation of our morning.

We look forward to seeing you join us at the next Family Muster on Tuesday 18 August. Further details will be coming soon.

Student Leadership Alliance

Barking Gecko “Find My Voice” Confidence building workshop

Primary School students with aspirations of improving their public speaking skills were invited to participate in a confidence building workshop, a collaboration between the Student Leadership Alliance and the Barking Gecko Arts Company.

Residence teaching artists Ariana and David Williams delivered the workshop, designed specifically for the group of Karratha student leaders and had a focus on finding your voice, building your confidence, and managing nerves when working with a large group or public speaking.

Students welcomed the opportunity to explore and embrace their authentic selves through experimenting with different communication styles, leadership approaches, the decision-making processes through improvisation and role-playing scenarios.

This opportunity was made possible through the KREI which aims to strengthen education opportunities and positive outcomes for students and educators, and is supported by @WoodsideNorthWest and its joint venture partners.



Year 6 Camp to Broome

Our Year 6 students recently returned from an unforgettable camp in Broome, where they enjoyed a week filled with adventure, personal growth and plenty of fun. Accompanied by four staff members, the group stayed at the beautiful Broome Camp School and embraced every opportunity that came their way.

A huge thank you goes to our camp leaders, **Tom and Jason**, who led an outstanding program of activities throughout the week, encouraging students to challenge themselves and make the most of every experience. We also extend our thanks to the wonderful camp chefs, who kept everyone well fed with delicious meals, including lasagne and homemade pizza.

Throughout the week, students demonstrated the camp school values of **Respect, Responsibility and Challenge Yourself**. Highlights included boogie boarding, camel riding, rock wall climbing and riding fat bikes along the iconic Cable Beach. Students embraced each challenge with enthusiasm and resilience.

Beyond the exciting adventures, camp provided valuable opportunities for students to build independence, strengthen existing friendships and form new ones. Of course, no camp would be complete without a few unexpected visitors - our resident frogs certainly kept everyone entertained!

It was a fantastic week filled with laughter, new experiences and memories that will last a lifetime. Most importantly, the camp strengthened the bond of our Year 6 cohort as they continue their final year of primary school together.













Boogie Bounce Incursion



We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Saipem Clough Joint Venture for generously funding our Boogie Bounce incursion in Week 5.

Students thoroughly enjoyed participating in the energetic and engaging sessions, which promoted physical activity, coordination, fitness, and wellbeing in a fun and inclusive environment. The excitement and enthusiasm displayed by students throughout the day highlighted the positive impact of this experience.

We are incredibly grateful for Saipem Clough Joint Venture's support of our school community and for helping to provide our students with this memorable opportunity.

Winter Carnival

Friday 19 June saw our Year 4 - 6 students compete in the Winter Carnival. Our student's displayed our school values of Care, Personal Responsibility and Personal Best as they participated in Hockey, Touch Tag, T-Ball and Tennis.

Congratulations to our team of girls who won the Touch Tag 5 - 0 against Baynton West in the Grandfinal.







Lost Histories Incursion

Students participated in the Lost Histories Incursion, organised by Ms Sheedy. They were given the opportunity to participate in a live performance and explored the reasons people make music across different cultures. There was a lot of excitement around as everyone enjoyed the show immensely. Thanks to Ms Sheedy for ensuring our students were able to participate in the event.







P&C School Disco

The P&C held our Country and Western themed school disco on Friday 19 June. A great time was had by everyone as they line danced and grooved the night away. Thank you to our sponsors Winyama who kindly sponsored the disco, Cindy Zanker for the food preparation and Danielle Donohoe who helped us learn how to line dance so we could dance the night away.









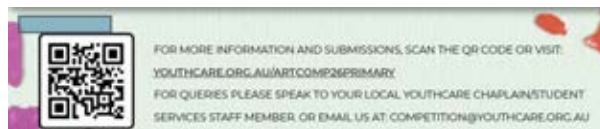
YouthCARE Art Competition

YouthCARE are holding an art competition over the school holidays with the theme being "What does support mean to you?"

To win, create a piece of art and 100 words or less state how it communicates "support."

Any size artwork and any visual art medium may be submitted. It is open to students in Year 1-6 across Western Australia.

Final days for entry is Friday 31st July.



Looking Ahead

During Week 11 next week, we will be celebrating NAIDOC Week.

Our Term 3 Planner will be released next week outlining upcoming events. There is a lot happening with our Pilbara Arts Festival, Twilight Learning Journey, Family Muster and the Athletics Carnivals to name a few.

Our 2026 Twilight Learning Journey in Term 3, Week 5 will look a little different this year. Classrooms will be holding staggered times as per the following;

ECE Classrooms (K - 3) will be open from 4.30 - 5.30pm, Year 4-6 Classes 5.00pm - 6.00pm and Specialists Classes 4.45pm - 5.45pm. We are hoping this will make it easier for families to be able to visit classrooms and would love your feedback after the event if it worked well for you.

Care ~ Personal Best ~ Responsibility

22 Jun	School Psych in Last Minutes Inspection 17:00hrs Check	23	School Psych in 10:00 Vlat check	24	School Psych in School Chaplain in 2 All the Primary Parent Home Reading Workshop	25	School Chaplain in 10:00 Culture Kids 1:20 All in House Meeting Debating Tournament Grand Final 10:30	26	KPS X Country
29 Jun	HOLIDAY WEEK	30	School Psych in 10:00 AM (all week)	1 Jul	School Psych in School Chaplain in 10:00 School X Country	2	Flag Day School Chaplain in Good Standing Reward	3	LAST DATE 8:30 Hours 1st Parent Assembly Reports Distributed 10:00 AM



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