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PEEL LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL



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This term we have seen the seasons change to Djilba (Aug – Sept). The Noongar Season 'Djilba' is represented by the colour pink as it symbolises growth of wildflowers and plants. This is the time when we observe a mixture of wet, cold days and warmer days, often the nights are cool.

As we wrap up Term 3 there is much to celebrate. It has been a busy and productive term. During the last few weeks, we have celebrated our Annual Sports Carnivals, R U OK? Day and our wonderful artwork at Artacular. I would like to thank Mr Ben Voges (RLPS) and Mrs Ange Regler (Mandurah) and their team of helpers in successfully organising our Annual Sports Carnivals.

Open Nights took place in week 7/8 at our Pinjarra and Bungaree campus. We enjoyed seeing our families at the Open Nights and sharing your child's learning journey. Open Night at RLPS will be held on the 20th September 5-6:30pm. Artacular is also on display at Open Night and we welcome all parents/caregivers to view our amazing artwork on display in the library and undercover area. Many thanks to Mrs Hirsiger and her team of helpers for making this event so spectacular and keeping visual arts alive for our students and the community. The artwork students produced across all our campuses is outstanding.

R U OK? Day was acknowledged across all campuses on Thursday 14th September. The day is a reminder that we are all here to help each other and offer positive help seeking assistance when needed. This is a whole community responsibility. Thank you for being involved and wearing yellow in support.

Our annual School Survey has been sent to all PLDS families via Connect and Seesaw. Could you please take the time to offer your feedback about our wonderful school. Your feedback about our school community is very important to us in our ongoing journey of school improvement. The Survey will close on **Friday 22nd September.**

Term 3 is always one of our busiest, so I would like to thank our staff, students and members of the school community who work together to make our school as great as it is. Many thanks to parents and caregivers for your continued support of your children ensuring they come to school every day ready to learn, well rested, with healthy lunches, in uniform and home practice completed.



Thank you to our Teachers and Education Assistants for their relentless commitment to the learning programs they deliver, always full of fun and enthusiasm and successful outcomes. Thanks also to the Admin Team and support staff in the office at all our sites, the Speech Pathology Team and the Outreach Team. Finally, a big thanks to all our students who bring energy and excitement for learning and smiles to school every day.

At the end of this term, we wish Mrs Dubbelman and Mrs Butt all the very best for the upcoming birth of their children. Thank you both for all your hard work and dedication to the students, teachers, and community at Peel LDS.

I would like to wish everyone a well-deserved safe and happy holiday break. We look forward to seeing you all back for an exciting term 4. All four campuses of Peel LDS resume school for **Term 4 on Tuesday 10th Oct.**

Stay safe and well,

Anita Neeson Deputy Principal



PLDS Admin | Book Week 2023



ROOM 3.3

In Team 3.3 we have had an amazing Term 3 with an incursion from Scitech where one of our activities was to design, make and test a space shuttle prototype. We found this both exciting, challenging and gave us a small insight into what Scientists do and how persistent they need to be.



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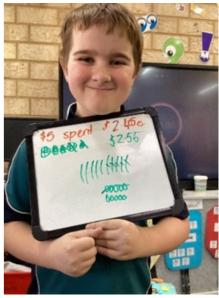
Shortly after that we celebrated Book Week where we all dressed up in as a book character and paraded around the oval. We loved sharing our books with our families and friends.

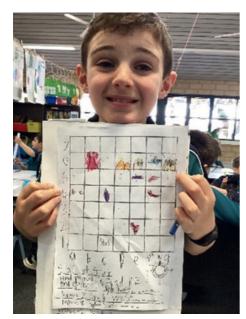


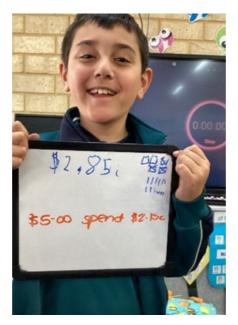
Moreover, in Maths, we have been learning lots of new concepts in class such as reading and writing compass directions so we can follow and create maps and directions, comparing the size of fractions by cutting up fruit and how to count money and calculate change.

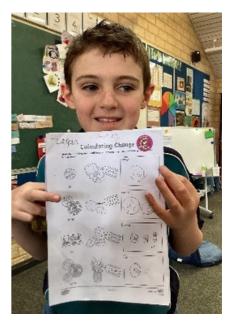














ROOM 3.4

What a busy term we have had in 3.4! This term we have participated in NAIDOC Week, the Women's Soccer World Cup, Pyjama Day, Science Week, Book Week, Speech Pathologist and EA Appreciation weeks and have been busy getting ready for our faction carnival in Week 9 and Open Night in Week 10!



In Week 6, we participated in Book Week with the whole school. We got to dress up as our favourite character from a story and then parade our costumes around on the oval in front of parents and all the other classes. When the parade was over, we read our story with our parents or friends during 'Books on a Blanket'. We were able to share our love of reading with each other by sharing our favourite books. When 'Books on a Blanket' was finished, we went back into class to write a book review of our story to put on a class tree.







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A big congratulations to Arlo from 3.4 and Eliza from 3.3 for having the winning team in the Women's World Cup – Spain. The students have enjoyed learning about the different countries that participated in the World Cup. Each student chose 2 countries out of a hat and they became the teams the students followed and researched.





A big thank you to Mrs Bullock from all of us in 3.4 for being an amazing educator, for being kind and caring, for having a calming nature and for always helping us!! We appreciate you!!

Thank You Mrs Bullock



Term 3 in D2 has been busy, busy, busy!! We have been researching a sea creature each week and have looked at starfish, jellyfish, stingrays, sea snakes, turtles, crayfish and sea urchins. We have found out some very interesting and amazing facts for these creatures and it has motivated some children to do extra project work at home as well.

We also had our Book Week dress up parade and Books on Blankets earlier this term. There were many different characters and costumes, in all colours shapes and sizes. There were a lot of parents that were able to come to the parade and then also stayed on to read with their children back at the classroom. It was definitely an exciting and energetic day.



We had a construction site set up in D2 this term where the children were able to put on their safety gear before entering the work site to build and tinker with tools and other equipment.



We enjoyed it so much that we even learnt about brick laying and built ourselves our own, edible wall with biscuits and chocolate. Delicious!!



Our most recent big adventure has been our Kindy and Pre-Primary Sports Carnival. Every Kindy and Pre-Primary child ran in a 50m race and then we split into class groups to complete 8 different activities as rotations. The sack race and bean bag balancing were big favourites. A super effort was put in on the day from everyone in D2. Great enthusiasm, sportsmanship, perseverance, and enjoyment shown and modelled throughout the activities. Great to see so many parents there to help support, encourage and cheer on their kids too.

So now a quieter few days before the holidays and D2 are all very much looking forward to see what Term 4 holds in store for them!









Operation Christmas Child - 2023

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Since 2014, Rockingham Lakes and Peel Language Development School has packed and posted 380 shoeboxes. This year we plan to send 50 shoeboxes. We hope we can help and make a difference to support some more children this year! Thank you Staff, Students and Families for supporting Support Your Sport dress up fundraising day on Friday 30th June 2023.

This is such a valuable teaching tool for our children showing them the values of generosity, caring and volunteering. This is a whole school project. Let's join in.

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If you would like more information or wish to assist in some way, please contact Mrs. D'Souza (School Chaplain) on site, on Tuesdays and Thursdays or Lisa Russell (P&C Representative).

Should you wish to participate, we would ask that you donate ONE of the following items. Each of the gifts must be new and most importantly, fit into the shoeboxes which are relatively small. We are

\$5.00

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\$2.00

hoping to have all donated items brought into the school and dropped into the Canteen / Office by the end of Week 10 in Term 3.

- We will be packing the Boxes in Term 4 Week 1 Friday 13th October from 12 to 2 pm in the Chaplain's Office.
- Parents if you are available to help, please contact me -Mrs. D'Souza - mariza.dsouza@education.wa.edu.au

For our Shoebox Appeal for 2023, we are encouraging donations of Money, to *Sponsor a Box*

\$10.00

Donations of:

or Any other amount...

We encourage you to bring your donation in an envelope, or a Ziploc bag, that is clearly marked, for <u>"Operation Christmas Child"</u> and hand it in to the Canteen/Office or place it in the P&C lock box in the undercover area, either before school or at lunchtime, or your family can also use the P&C Quickcliq app - via <u>www.Quickcliq.com.au</u>

This can be done any time between now and Friday 13th October.

Your help and support is very much appreciated.

Teddy bears, soft toys and dolls Tennis balls, skipping ropes, marbles and yoyos Socks and underwear Face cloths, Hair brushes, combs, hair clips and elastics Carry bags, plastic jewellery, stickers, Coloured pencils, sharpeners, small notebooks and erasers

PINJARRA CAMPUS

For Pinjarra students in Year 1-6, after lots of practising and preparation, the day of the Faction Sports Carnival arrived. Everyone had lots of fun playing team games and competing in races. Unfortunately the weather turned stormy in the afternoon and the final relay and presentations had to be postponed until another day. The K/PP sports day will be held in Term 4.

The recent Constable Care puppet show was entertaining and informative and taught us all important messages about getting to school safely by bike, car and walking. An important reminder on how to stay safe on the road.



Students have been having lots of fun in science developing their oral language and world knowledge through making predictions, experiments and discussions. They have made celery change colour, observed their plants grow and learnt about spiny leaf insects.

K/PP students had LOTS of messy fun at the annual Mud Play Day.







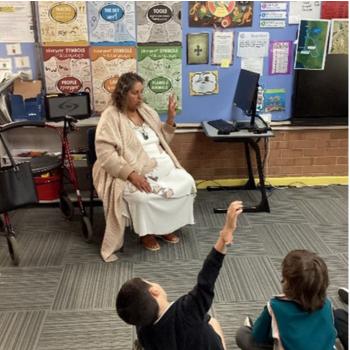


National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. The 2023 National NAIDOC Week theme was **For Our Elders**. Across every generation, Elders have played, and continue to play, an important role and hold a prominent place in communities and families. They are cultural knowledge holders, trailblazers, nurturers, advocates, teachers, survivors, leaders, hard workers and our loved ones. They guide our generations and pave the way for us to take the paths we can take today. Guidance, not only through generations of advocacy and activism, but in everyday life and how to place ourselves in the world.

We were also very privileged to have Steven Bennell's nan Ivy come and share her wonderful experience growing up. This term we have been studying about 'Past' and 'Present' and students had the privileged of asking her about her past. We had lots of very interesting questions from the students who were curious about the toys she played with etc. She even brought in some hand made dolls to show the students. It was an amazing experience for students to sit and listen and learn about her past experiences and compare it with their experience.







This week at PLDS Bungaree we celebrated NAIDOC WEEK by participating in various rotations. The rotations consisted of singing and dancing, dot painting, playing Nongaar games, making friendship bracelets.

One rotation was outside games based on traditional games.

The first game was called Wana and it is played in the southwest of Western Australia by Noongar girls. The students stood behind a cone and threw bean bags into a bucket that was sitting in a hula hoop. A defender is chosen to stand in front of the bucket and block the bean bags.

The second game was called Koolchee and it is played near Lake Eyre South Australia by the Diyari people. They students stood in hoops facing each other. They need to roll their balls at each other at the same time and try to knock each others 'koolchee' away.

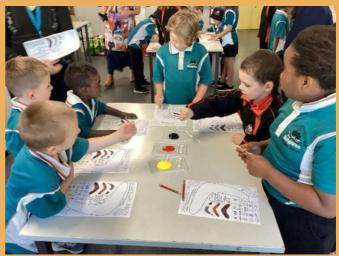






In this NAIDOC activity, we learnt all about the boomerang, which is an Aboriginal hunting tool. Students got to paint and decorate a boomerang template using the Aboriginal flag colours of black, yellow & red, and Aboriginal symbols. The finished boomerang art looked fabulous!





Our last rotation was 'Singing and Dancing.' During this rotations we learned the songs "If you're happy and you know it," "Head, shoulders, knees and toes" and "Twinkle, Twinkle" in Noongar language.





It has been a very busy term at our Bungaree Campus! In Week 8 we had our Edu-Dance concert. We have spent Wednesdays this term learning our dances and then performed them. We all did an amazing job!

ROOM 3

This term all students in Room 3 participated in Edu-Dance. **Edu-Dance** focuses physical on fitness, dance confidence, developing self-esteem in students and teamwork. Students thoroughly enjoyed participating in the program each week. In Week 8 the program concluded with a dance performance. **Parents** were invited to come and view the performance. We were super proud of each and every student who their fantastic put in efforts make to the concert a huge success.





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Congratulations!

MANDURAH CAMPUS

We have had an action packed and fast paced end to Term 3. It has been fantastic to be able to join our host school peers to take part in so many fun events. We have one more event on Wednesday when we participate in our REACH reward day, to celebrate another term of learning and collabo 3. It has been fantastic to be able to join our host school peers to take part in so many fun events. We have one more event on Wednesday when we participate in our REACH Reward Day, to celebrate another term of learning and collaboration.

During Week 5 we celebrated NAIDOC week with our Community Breakfast event. Everyone came together to have a delicious breakfast of kangaroo burgers, crocodile sausages, lemon myrtle pancakes, fruit platters and many other delicacies. A great morning was had by all.









Students also took part in some fantastic rotations to celebrate NAIDOC on Friday, they learned many amazing things throughout the day.





MANDURAH CAMPUS

During Week 6 we celebrated Book Week, with staff and students dressing up to promote reading.



Students enhanced their swimming ability during Weeks 7 and 8 when they participated in swimming lessons. Students are to be commended on their perseverance and behaviour throughout the lessons. Thank you to our Room 11 friends, for making the amazing thank you for the wonderful swimming teachers.



MANDURAH CAMPUS



We checked in on our peers, looked after ourselves as we wore yellow accessories and checked in with each other, to celebrate R U OK? Day.







Congratulations

It was fantastic to see so many families and friends join us for the Athletics Carnival which was held on Friday the 15th with blue faction winning the day. Congratulations to everyone for the sportsmanship shown on the day. Congratulations also to our Championship medal winners.

COMMUNITY NEWS





Are you a parent with young children looking for help reaching your education and employment goals?



Then ParentsNext is the program for you

Benefits of ParentsNext:

- Connecting you with other parents and local support services
- Helping find and access financial support, including towards the costs of starting work or study and for childcare
- Finding a course or work experience
- Writing a résumé and job interview practice.

We can provide funding for:

- Driving licenses, including lessons and tests
- Mobile phone
- Work tickets, such as First Aid or Police Clearance
- Education courses
- Clothing for work or interviews
- Fuel vouchers and transport assistance
- And more!

ParentsNext is for parents and carers:

Who are receiving a Parenting Payment and whose youngest child is 5 years and 6 months of age or younger.

Locations:

We have ParentsNext offices at:

- Armadale
- Butler
- Byford
- Cannington
 Morley
- Cloverdale
 Rockingham
- Ellenbrook
 Scarborough
- Geraldton
 Success.

Kwinana

Midland

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To sign up for ParentsNext call 9251 5777 or email <u>parentsnext@communicare.org.au</u>. Visit <u>communicare.org.au</u> for more information.

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SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER DROP OFF 9AM / PICK UP 12PM FOLLOWED BY FREE PIZZA AND DRINK FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! 12PM – 12:30PM

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APPLY

To submit an application, please visit: WWW.HEROESACADEMY.COM.AU Spaces are limited. Apply now to avoid disappointment.

FOR MORE INFO, CONTACT EBONY 0419 933 640 / info@heroesacademy.com.au

We understand the unique challenges of having a child with additional needs. Heroes Academy provides free, no-strings-attached, activities for children with additional needs (and their siblings). Our November event has been designed with your child in mind. Let our team of skilled volunteers care for your child within a super fun, activity based program, packed with social inclusion, creative opportunities & community engagement.

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VacSwim

Enrolments now open! Places are limited, so get in early.

Help keep your child safe in the water. Enrol now for the school holidays.



education.wa.edu.au/vacswim





YouthCARE ARTCOMPETITION for primary schools

YouthCARE is hosting an art competition for primary school students in years 1 to 6. The winner will be featured in our Annual Report for 2023 and win a \$200 voucher!

Runners-up will receive a \$100 and \$50 voucher.

The top 12 finalists will be displayed at the YouthCARE art exhibition where the winner will be announced.

The theme for the competition is **FRIENDSHIP**. What does this look like for you and how does this transfer into your art?

Entries close 31st October 2023. GOOD LUCK!!!

SCHOOL NAME:

STUDENT NAME:

CHAPLAIN/STUDENT SERVICES NAME:

YEAR LEVEL:

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ARTWORK TITLE:

_ parent/guardian of _

hereby give permission for my son/daughter to compete in the 2023 YouthCARE art competition and for the artwork to be used by YouthCARE for publicity/marketing/advertising purposes including their annual report. I agree that neither myself nor my child will receive any royalties for the artwork.

Signature: _____

_____ Date: ___

To enter please complete an application form, attach a photograph or PDF file no larger than 10MB, and email competition@youthcare.org.au. Students must attend a West Australian state school for their entry to be valid.

youthcare.org.au

Sensory Kids



9:20am, Tues 31st October, Darius Centre, Kwinana, Creche Available

Bookings at <u>www.trybooking.com/CLMKL</u> or scan below





For Parents/Carers of Children aged from 2 to 17

Where there are concerns about a child's development, behaviour or emotional regulation.

This session is designed to help parents/carers better understand their child's sensory preferences, support their children to organise sensory input, basic strategies and coping mechanisms for different sensory preferences, when to seek further support and correct referral pathways for support and therapy if needed.

KEYS PARENTING WORKSHOPS TERM 4 2023

Free workshops for parents/carers living in the Cities of Kwinana, Rockingham, Cockburn, Melville & Fremantle, with children aged from birth to 18 years.

123 MAGIC AND EMOTION COACHING

A 4-week program for parents/carers of children aged from 3 to 10. Strategies for positively guiding children's behaviour and emotions from 'what not to do', to 'what to do' instead.

Monday evenings 16th Oct to 6th Nov, 5:30 - 7:30pm

Call KEYS on 9439 1838 to register your interest and for further queries, Please note that a \$10 resource fee per family applies for this workshop





STARTING STRONG – KINDY

For parents/carers of children starting Kindy in 2024. Learn strategies to support your child to manage big feelings around change, separation, and anxiety associated with starting school. Learn how you can equip your child for a strong and confident start to school.

Wednesday 8th Nov, 9:30 - 11:30am. Creche available.

Bookings at www.trybooking.com/CLQCY or



STARTING STRONG - HIGH SCHOOL

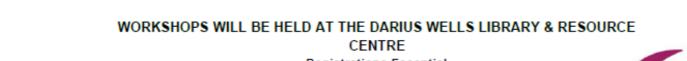
For parents/carers of pre-teens starting high school in 2024. Learn strategies to support your pre-teen in managing the anxiety and overwhelm of significant changes to their schooling, social life, and bodies; using their strengths to help them develop the skills needed for a strong and successful start to high school.



Wednesday 22nd Nov, 9:30 - 11:30am. Creche available.



Bookings at <u>www.trybooking.com/CLQXF</u> or





Resources for Parents & Carers



Helplines

Lifeline 13 11 14 A free 24 hour crisis support and suicide prevention service

Kids Helpline 1800 551 800 Free and confidential 24/7 phone counselling service for young people aged 5-25 years old

Crisis Care 1800 199 008 Contact Crisis Care if you are concerned about the wellbeing of a child, are escaping domestic violence or experiencing homelessness

Ngala Parenting Line 9368 9368 or 1800 111 546

A free support service for WA parents and caregivers of children from conception to 18 years

13 Yarn 13 92 76 24/7 crisis support line for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This service is run by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

Thirrili 1800 805 801

is a 24/7 postvention phone service for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are bereaving after losing someone from suicide.

Contact

Meerilinga Parenting Service 0418 792 121 meerilinga.org.au

Cockburn Parenting Service 08 9411 3855 cockburn.wa.gov.au

KEYS Parenting Service 08 9439 1838 keyswa.org

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Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS) 13 14 50

This is a free interpreting service provided by the Australian Government for people who do not speak English. They can connect you with the service of your choice and interpret for you.

Resources

Raising Children raisingchildren.net.au

Hand in Hand Parenting handinhandparenting.org

Zero to Three zerotothree.org

Better Beginnings better-beginnings.com.au

Beyond Blue's Healthy Families healthyfamilies.beyondblue.org.au

The Fathering Project thefatheringproject.org

Australian Childhood Foundation COVID-19 Resources childhood.org.au/covid-19

Scan this QR code to visit the South West Metropolitan Parenting Service website hosted by Meerilinga.





