



Re-introducing...

## FACTION FRIDAY!!

Years 1 – 6

Starting Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March, wear your faction shirt, along with your faction hat, **EVERY FRIDAY!**

Show your support for your Faction

Visit the uniform shop for all your faction needs



### HARMONY DAY—WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH

Please join your child for lunch.

Bring a picnic lunch to share with your child and a blanket or chair.

**The canteen will be open for recess and lunch as normal.**

**Orders must be received by 9am to be accepted online.**

**Lunch begins at 12.20pm.**

Please wear **ORANGE** and bring a gold coin donation. Funds raised will go to our sister school in Cambodia.

**Orange** is the colour of Harmony Day and the **orange** ribbon originated as a symbol of anti-racism and positive harmony. Wearing **orange** on Harmony Day is a simple and effective way of illustrating that you believe in living in harmony, in a culturally diverse community and that racial intolerance is not acceptable.



# Term 1 Planner

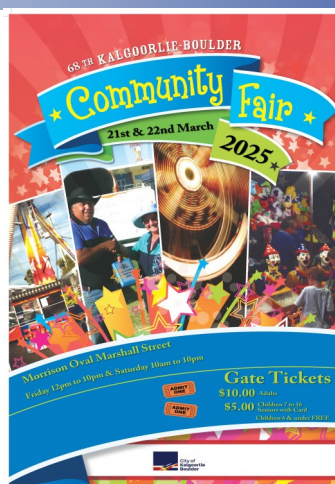
WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6	Mar 10 <b>BOOKFAIR—14/3</b>	11 Newsletter School Board Meeting @ 6pm	12 NAPLAN	13 NAPLAN	14 Assembly Rm 21 NAPLAN
7	17 NAPLAN	18 NAPLAN	19 Harmony Day NAPLAN	20 NAPLAN	21 Ride/Scooter to School Day NAPLAN
8	24	25 Newsletter	26	27 <b>Swimming Carnival Yr 3-Yr 6</b>	28 Assembly Rm 10

## SCHOLASTIC BOOKFAIR

Thursday 6th March—Friday 14th March  
in the School Hall.

The Book Fair will be open from  
**8.15am-8.35am each morning**  
and after school until **3.15pm each**  
**afternoon.**

All monies raised will go towards Year 6 Camp.



## SWIMMING CARNIVAL



The Swimming Carnival for Year 3-6 is coming up on **Thursday 27th March**  
at **the Kambalda Pool.**

Following are some points to remember:

- There will not be an opportunity to change before the beginning of the carnival, so students will need to wear their bathers under their sports faction uniform.
- Students must remember to bring a towel, goggles (optional) and a dry uniform if required.
- Please label all students' items.
- Please do not use coloured hairspray or bring paper streamers to the carnival.
- Only students who are participating will be attending the carnival, all others will remain at school.
- Please ensure students are at school prior to 8.45am as students who arrive late will be left at school.
- Students must have their recess and lunch with them, they will NOT be able to purchase anything on the day. Please **do not** order lunch at the canteen if your child is attending the carnival.

**Parents are welcome to attend but must remain in the spectator bays.**

## From the Principal

Starting this Wednesday and continuing into next week, Years Three and Five students will be undertaking the annual National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). The results provide parents with a point of reference for academic achievement compared to expected levels. The results should also be viewed alongside school reports, to get a more complete picture of your child's performance. As a school, we're regularly assessing and analysing student progress across the course of the year, so the results should not come as a surprise if we're doing our job right. Over time, I've found there may be variations with individual student results, with some performing above or below their own standards on testing day, but it does give us an accurate view of the school population.

On the front cover you will notice we have re-introduced 'Faction Friday,' which gives another reason to wear the school faction colours outside of just our carnival days (I'm hearing you Oroya mums and dads - I know the yellow shirts get dirty quickly!) At this Friday's assembly, the faction captains will be "revving up the troops" with their team chants, in preparation for the swimming carnival. I look forward to seeing a splash of colour at assembly.

On the good news front, our P&C has been re-energized, with a healthy turnout of 15+ to the first meetings. They have some plans in place for providing services to the school and raising funds for school resources. Last year a band of volunteers raised funds that have gone towards replacing one of our play forts and some of the funds raised this year will complete this project.



*David Roberts - Principal*

### CANTEEN and UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

For all of your online ordering please head to <https://spriggy.schools.com.au>.

**Orders must be received by 9am** to be accepted online.

The Canteen is open Monday to Friday from 8:15am for recess and lunch.

#### Current Uniform Shop Hours

**Tuesday: 8.25am—8.45am and Thursday: 8.25am—8.45am**

**reopening at 2.45pm—3.10pm.**

Paper copies of the Canteen Menu and Uniform Shop Order Forms are available from the front office.



#### RIDE /SCOOTER TO SCHOOL DAY

**Friday 21st March**

Reminder Friday 21st March is

Ride your Bike or Scooter to school day.

Please decorate your bike/scooter to be included in the judging of the best dressed bike or scooter on the day.

Judging will take place on the basketball court before school at 8.20am if you wish to be involved.

**Hope to see everyone there to support this event.**

#### 2025 Voluntary Contributions

Contributions of \$60.00 can now be taken at the front office. We accept cash and EFTPOS facility is also available for payment.

Direct Deposit can be made to Bank Account details:

**BSB-066040 A/C -19901551**

**Reference: Childs full name.**

Thankyou to all those families that have already paid their contributions for 2025.

## Faction Captain News

This is a reminder from your faction captains to please bring back your Swimming Carnival notes back before the end of Week 7.

The Carnival is on Thursday 27th of March which is in Week 8. We hope to see as many people there as possible.

Please remember to wear sunscreen, wear a wide brimmed hat and bring water bottles every day.  
Thank you.

By Reif and Will



## Student Council Corner

Hi I am William and I am a councillor for 2025. I am a Sparty Spice. I love cricket.

Hi I am Charlotte one of your student councillors for 2025. I am a bookworm and my friends call me Slowmo, who loves to read books. I am always out and about ready to help anyone in the school.

We would just like to remind you about a couple of things:

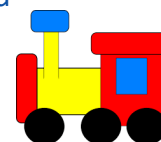
Book fair is on this week in the hall. This is a year 6 camp fundraising event so please come and buy your books.

We would like to remind everyone that Wednesday 19th is Harmony Day so please wear your Orange to school.

**Joke:** What is the difference between a train and a teacher?

The Teacher says spit your gum out and the train says chew chew.

William Wooley and Charlotte Dalton



## Parent Communication

At the end of last year, North Kalgoorlie PS transitioned to a new attendance system. This system from the Department of Education also includes parent communication.

North Kalgoorlie PS will no longer be using Connect for parent communication and have transitioned to the new system for 2025.

We now use Compass School Manager as our Parent Portal. Using our Parent Portal you will be able to:

- View up-to-date class and school attendance information
- Approve or enter upcoming or past absences for your child
- Update your registered email and mobile number (used for SMS alerts) details
- Access information regarding upcoming events and news

### Accessing Compass

Compass is a web-based system that is accessible on any modern web browser or by using the 'Compass School Manager' app available for iOS or Android. To access our Parent Portal, go to

<https://northkalgoorlieps-wa.compass.education>



The details are also available on the school website

<https://www.northkalgoorlieps.wa.edu.au/compass>

Your login details will be emailed to your registered email address on Monday 10th February.

If you do not receive these details by the end of this date, please contact the school on

[northkalgoorlie.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:northkalgoorlie.ps@education.wa.edu.au), call us on 9092 5850, or pop into the school office.