

PARENT INFORMATION



2023



OUR VISION

Kambalda Primary School aims to provide a safe, warm and friendly learning environment that supports each child to develop the essential academic, creative, social and physical skills necessary to become a worthwhile member of a rapidly changing society. We want our students to be socially competent, resilient and caring of others.

OUR VALUES

Confidence
Organisation
Persistence
Getting Along
Resilience



OFFICE HOURS

8:00am - 4:00pm
9027 2900

SCHOOL TIMES

EVERY WEEKDAY

8:20am	Jump Jam / Running
8:30am	Classes commence
10:40am	RECESS
11:00am	Classes commence
12:40pm	LUNCH
1:20pm	Classes commence
2:50pm	Students dismissed

Students **should not be at school prior to 8:15am** as supervision will not be provided until 8:15am.

Students are **not permitted to leave school grounds** during the school day without being signed out through the office.

OUR BELIEFS AND UNDERSTANDINGS

At Kambalda Primary School we believe students learn best when:

1. The school provides a caring, safe and supportive environment.
2. There is a balance between explicit teaching and student centered learning.
3. Teachers develop programs that cater for students' developmental needs.
4. Parents and community work in partnership with the school.
5. There is a strong focus on early intervention in Literacy and Numeracy.
6. Children are motivated and engaged in authentic learning opportunities.
7. There are clear expectations of appropriate behavior and consequences are determined by the needs of the individual.
8. Students attend school regularly and in a receptive frame of mind.

OUR MORAL PURPOSE

We have a commitment to making a positive difference in the lives and outcomes of our students as a result of their experiences at Kambalda Primary School.

Parents & Citizen Association

If you are interested in joining the P&C or finding out more about it, contact the P & C President
Sam Hoarau
0431 740 315



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

School Uniform

Although not compulsory, we strongly encourage students to wear the school uniform. School colours are navy and light blue.

Faction colours are red, gold and green.

The following items can be purchased through the P&C Uniform Shop.

- ✓ navy hats with school logo
- ✓ navy & light blue shorts
- ✓ navy blue skorts and skirts
- ✓ navy blue tracksuit pants
- ✓ navy & light blue windcheater
- ✓ navy & light blue jackets
- ✓ navy & light blue school polo shirts
- ✓ faction colour polo shirts

School Factions

There are 3 factions:

LINGIARA
NAMATJIRA
CLAGUE

Site Requirements

Visitors are welcome to the school at any time, however, entry must be through the office at the front of the school and the register **must** be signed on arrival; this includes parents.

This is a security measure in order to ensure we can keep our school a **safe place for all our students**. The register must be signed as the school is exited via the office.



Reporting to Parents

Parents are welcome to make appointments to meet classroom teachers or the Principal at **any time during the year** to discuss your child's progress.

Formal reporting is scheduled each term:

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| Term 1 | 3-way interviews |
| Term 2 | Semester 1 Formal reports |
| Term 3 | Learning Journey |
| Term 4 | Semester 2 Formal reports |

Parents' Role

Parents have a significant role in the education of their child, especially in assisting with the development of attitudes and skills.

We believe that the school and parents should work hand in hand to improve student learning outcomes.



Term Dates

	Start Date	End Date
Term 1	Wed 1 Feb	Thurs 6 April
Holidays	Fri 7 April	Sun 23 April
Term 2	Mon 24 April	Fri 30 June
Holidays	Sat 1 July	Sun 16 July
Term 3	Mon 17 July	Fri 22 Sept
Holidays	Sat 23 Sept	Sun 8 Oct
Term 4	Mon 9 Oct	Thurs 14 Dec
Holidays	Fri 15 Dec	Tue 30 Jan

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

It is very important that the details in the official file are kept up to date at all times so that parents or the emergency contact person can be contacted if needed. Please advise office staff of any change of address, phone number, place of employment, medical history or other relevant information as soon as possible.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

As per the school's Student Behaviour Policy, students must hand phones or other electronic devices to the office at the start of the day and may collect them at the end of the day. Noncompliance will result in confiscation and parent contact.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can my child come to school with nits or lice?

Head lice can infect anyone and it often spreads through the community. Parents are encouraged to check hair regularly and if necessary treat their child's hair.

Parents will be contacted immediately if lice or nits are detected and a general advice notice will be distributed to all students in the class. **Students can return to school when hair has been treated and all nits and lice have been removed.** For more information, contact the School Office, your doctor or Community Health Centre.

How do I send money to school?

Money being sent to school should be put in a well-sealed envelope, clearly marked with the purpose, the child's name, year level and amount you have enclosed. Usually a school payment envelope will be sent home with notes that ask for payment to be made. Students must hand money straight to their classroom teacher at the start of the day. Payments are taken to the office for receipting and banking.

Is there a canteen?

The school does not run a canteen so students must come to school each day with their recess snack, lunch, and a piece of fruit or vegetable to eat during crunch and sip time. If it is necessary for food to be dropped off at school, it can be brought to the office and will be delivered at recess or lunch.

We promote healthy eating to align with Healthy Food and Drink guidelines and our Healthy Food & Drink Policy; food and drink consumed at school should be in line with this.

Each term the P & C will organise a healthy meal deal for lunch to raise funds for the school. Ask for more information if required.

Who can give medication to my child?

School staff are able to assist those students with medication needs at school. Parents are advised that Department of Education guidelines state all such requests must be made to the school in writing. The medication must be given to the office staff by a parent/carer and DoE paperwork needs to be completed stating medication, dose and time to be administered then signed. Medication must be placed in the care of the office staff. If these guidelines are not adhered to, medication will not be administered.

Can I be a parent helper?

Teachers appreciate offers of help within the classroom and students enjoy having parents as part of their school day. Parents can help with small groups, literacy, numeracy, craft, sport etc. You may also have a skill you are happy to impart to the students.

Teachers, especially in junior primary, will often put up a parent help roster for you to fill out.

Please support your school and classroom teacher by volunteering your valuable time if you are able.

Can my child bring toys to school?

Students are discouraged from bringing any toys or valuables to school and the school accepts no responsibility for valuable items brought to school and left in bags. This includes but is not limited to mobile phones, tablets, iPods, jewellery, expensive games or other electronic devices. This eliminates the upset and heartache caused by lost, broken or stolen items. We ask that parents support this and do not allow their children to bring such items to school.





MANAGING STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

Each class develops their own set of classroom rules and expectations and positive reinforcements to encourage appropriate behaviour. Students are provided opportunities to develop appropriate behaviours, self-control and resiliency through interaction with staff, the curriculum and positive reinforcement strategies. Students are taught how to accept responsibility for their own behaviours, and to enhance their understanding of responsible social behaviour. 123 Magic & Emotion Coaching is implemented across the school for managing student behaviour. It is a three tiered system, including the use of warnings, time outs in the classroom and time in the office.

More details are outlined in the school's Student Behaviour Policy.

ASSEMBLY

Assemblies are held three times a term in weeks three, six and nine at 9.00am on a Friday in the undercover area.

BIKES

A bike rack is available and students are encouraged to use a lock. Bikes **must** be walked when on school grounds and when crossing the road.

PARKING

For safety reasons, staff car parks **must not** be used for student drop off or pick up.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Funds from parent contributions are used to purchase student resources such as student workbooks, art supplies, sports equipment, library resources and technologies.

These fees are set under the Education Act and can be directly deposited into the school bank account.

Parents are asked to pay the following contributions:

Kindy - Year 6

1 child	\$50
2 children	\$80
3+ children	\$100

We accept



BANK DETAILS

Kambalda Primary
School Fund A/c

BSB: 016 719

ACC: 4323 11224

COMMUNICATION



Newsletters are published in weeks 1, 4, and 7 each term and posted on Seesaw. If you wish to receive a hard copy or have the newsletter emailed, please notify the office.



Seesaw is the main communication platform used by staff at KPS. You can download the **Seesaw** app for free. QR codes for connecting are provided by teachers at the beginning of each school year.



Reminders and absentee notifications are sent out via SMS.

Two-way communication is essential and we encourage parents to contact the school with any

questions, grievances, concerns or information to share.

We discourage the use of social media for these purposes.



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