

# Kalinda School Newsletter

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Principal: Mrs Angela Sampson

Week 2 Term 1, 2019

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019



**Classes in 2019:** Did you know that 2019 is the International Year of Indigenous Languages? This is why we have chosen to name our classes after animals, in Wiradjuri language. Our classes for this year are:

- Garuu (Magpie) – Mr Shane Creece (Teacher), Mrs Jo Coggan, Mrs Julie Saraceno, Mrs Lesley Woodbridge
- Wambuan (Kangaroo) – Mrs Jasmine Wiggins (Teacher), Mrs Julie Saraceno, Mrs Brydie Townsing, Mrs Lesley Woodbridge
- Dinawan (Emu) – Mrs Rachael Gill (Teacher), Ms Danielle Gould, Mrs Carol Woods
- Gadi (Snake) – Mrs Emma Heins (Teacher), Ms Sue Salvestrin, Mrs Carol Woods
- Wambad (Wombat) – Mrs Kylie Foord (Teacher), Mrs Anj Rowley, Mrs Carol Woods



## Notes Sent Home this Week

- ✓ School Photo Information
- ✓ School Banking Information
- ✓ Book Club
- ✓ Active Inclusive Sports Day permission note

**Administration Door:** At the end of last year we installed an intercom system at our front Administration Door. This door is automatically unlocked between 8:40am – 9:45am and 2:50pm – 3:20pm. Outside of these hours, we ask that you ring the doorbell. Staff will be able to unlock the door, you will hear a click and you will then be able to open the door by pulling it towards you.

## **Bell Times:**

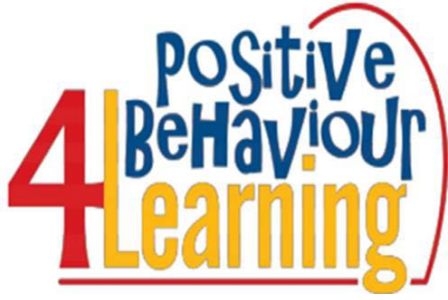
Commencement of morning supervision	8:40am
Morning Bell for Assembly then class time	9:10am
Lunch 1 Eating Time	11:10am
Lunch 1 Play Time	11:20am
Class Time	11:50am
Lunch 2 Eating Time	1:20pm
Lunch 2 Play Time	1:30pm
Class Time	2:00pm
Home Time	3:10pm

**Attendance:** Attendance at school is very important. Please contact the school by phone or send a note in if your child is absent from school – either in their Student Diary, as a separate note or using our school's free app – Skoolbag.

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**Positive Behaviour For Learning:** PBL encourages positive behaviour from students which has been shown to improve their self – concept and motivation to learn. PBL operates as a systemic umbrella for a broad range of programs in school , including values education and anti-bullying.

Our School Values are determined by our school community. They are; 'Respectful, Responsible, Inclusive'.

Signage around our school reminds students of our values and expected behaviour in the different areas of our playground.

Students are rewarded throughout the year when displaying our school values. These rewards may include;

- Free and frequent raffle tickets. The raffle is drawn each Monday at Assembly. 3 names are picked out and students may choose from a range of non materialistic rewards e.g listening to music for a period of time, office assistant, feeding the fish in the office. When your child receives one of these rewards they will be given a token to take home so that you can see what they chose.
- Values Award. Staff nominate a student each week who has been consistently displaying one of our school values. This award is presented at each Monday morning Assembly
- Class Merit Awards
- Principal Awards
- Attendance award for 95% or above for the Semester
- Bronze, Silver and Gold level awards. At the end of the year, every student who has received a Gold Award will be invited to a special reward with the principal.
- PBL Rewards Day at the end of each term. Students who have not received 3 'Strikes' or have been suspended will be invited to attend this activity

Consequences still remain in place with reminders, warnings, reflection time both during class and play time and suspensions if necessary; however, staff attempt to resolve issues through restorative justice measures and do follow school and Department of Education policies.

Please do not hesitate to ask questions and provide us with feedback.

**Congratulations to Waylan Lucas who was awarded the Values Award this week. Waylan had been displaying the school value of being Responsible by being in the right place at the right time. Well done, Waylan!**



**Swimming & Hydrotherapy Lessons:** Lessons should commence next week. We are awaiting for the pool testing kit to be returned after sending it for calibration. Lessons are as follows:

Tuesday - Garuu & Wambuan Classes

Thursday – Dinawan, Gadi & Wambad Classes

**Kalinda School P&C:** Our School's P&C meets on the last Monday of every month. Our next meeting is to be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February from 7pm in the school Library. We hope to see many of our families represented at the meeting.

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### Roads to Regions - NRL initiative

Yesterday, Dinawan, Gadi and Wambad classes were visited by Andrew Lavaka, James Smart and Jordan Rapana (Canberra Raiders). Jordan spoke to our students about making positive food choices and keeping our bodies healthy. The students then went outside and passed the footy around with Andrew and Jordan.



Thank you for coming to Kalinda School, we all had a wonderful time. We hope to see you back here again soon.

**Parent Online Payment:** POP is a service offered to schools for parents and carers to make payments electronically. Voluntary School Contributions, Excursions, Swimming program fees etc may be paid this way. To access POP please visit our school webpage [www.kalinda-s.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kalinda-s.schools.nsw.gov.au)

**What's On at Kalinda School:** We are only 8 'likes' away from reaching our magic 1000 'likes' on Facebook. Social media has been a wonderful resource to promote our school. Please feel free to like our page and share and invite your friends to like us too. We try to update the page with photos and stories daily.

## What are we learning at Kalinda School this term?

**Room 1- Dinawan (Emu):** Welcome to an exciting year with Dinawan. We have 8 students in our class all who have wonderful fun loving personalities that bring richness to our room. We will be learning our sight words and how to decode words using our sounds. We are doing a book study of Possum Magic and hope to see the live stage performance at Griffith Regional Theatre in April. As part of Numeracy we will be learning about money and how to use it in the community. Our Geography unit is Australia and we will learn all about the states, territories and our local environment. Dancing is a big hit with the students and we have already learnt the Hokey Pokey. We have already made a great start to the year and I cannot wait for the adventures we will have together. From Mrs Gill.

**Room2- Gadi (Snake):** Welcome back to another exciting year of learning at Kalinda School. We would like to welcome Brendan into our class as well as Kalinda School.

In Gadi Class we will be having a focus across a semester rather than a term. Gadi will be working with Wambad as the 2 High School classes to facilitate our swimming, shopping and community access programs in addition to working in small groups for our History, Science and Geography. Throughout this Semester Gadi will be going shopping each week either for personal shopping or for our class cooking. Watch this space for the exciting recipes that are coming your way!

This Semester we are focusing on "The Making of the Modern World: The Gallipoli Campaign" through History as well as during our Literacy sessions. Science is a focus on The Earth's resources which ties in with our Geography unit of Landforms.

We look forward to working with everyone in 2019. Mrs Emma Heins, Miss Sue and Mrs Carol!

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**Room 3- Wambad (Wombat):** Welcome to Wambad class 2019. It is wonderful to see everyone's smiling faces after the holidays. All Wambad students have settled back into routine and are doing some great work. During Term 1 we will be shopping and cooking with information to follow soon. Swimming will also commence soon with our swimmers combining with Mrs Heins and Mrs Gill's classes. Wambad class would like to wish Anj a Happy Birthday for yesterday and can't wait to work with you in 2019. Have a wonderful 2019 everyone. Thanks Mrs Foord

**Room 5- Garuu (Magpie):** Garuu (Magpie) Class has made a wonderful start to the year. Our new and old students are settling into our daily routines. They are enjoying 'reward-times' each day, after completing learning tasks have been completed. It's been great to see so much learning happening. Swimming will commence next week on Tuesday, 12th February, so please have all permission and other notes returned to school as soon as possible.

Cheers from Mr Creece and Garuu Class.

**Room 6- Wambuan (Kangaroo):** Welcome to Term 1 2019! This year I will be teaching Wambuan Class. Wambuan means Kangaroo in Wiradjuri. I am very excited to be working with some of the same students as last year and to be getting to know new students for the first time. Wambuan class will have Library and PDHPE with Mrs Owen on Wednesday mornings. Please bring Library books in on Wednesdays. Mrs Foskett will be teaching Wambuan class on Friday afternoons. Students participating in Learn to Swim lessons will be swimming on Tuesdays and students with hydrotherapy programs will be swimming either Tuesday or Thursday.

This term, our whole-class focus will be learning about ourselves. Students will be learning to identify and record information about themselves, from their name, to their favourite activities, to being Australian. I am requesting that you please send in photos of your child for us to use in activities at school. Photos with family and friends or photos with your child's pets, favourite toys or foods would all be helpful.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Wiggins (formerly Miss Cliff)

**Communication Support:** Hello and welcome to 2019! I am so excited to be working with a range of students this year, and so lucky to be able to do this over two whole days every week! I will be working at Kalinda supporting our students to achieve their communication goals every Tuesday and Wednesday. I will be spending time in each of our five classrooms and assisting students from Kindergarten to Year 12. I am happy to meet with any new parents to discuss your children and catch up with those I've already met. Call the school if you would like to make an appointment to talk. I will also be holding parent information workshops and afternoon tea on Wednesday of weeks 5 and 10.

Thank you,

Ms. Jodie Whittall

**RFF:** Welcome back to RFF 2019!

RFF sessions will be taught from the library again this year where students will have the opportunity to loan books on a regular basis as follows;

Class	Mrs Foord	Mrs Gill	Mrs Heins	Mrs Wiggins	Mr Creece
Day	Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday

During RFF sessions, students will be taught from the PDHPE and creative arts curriculums.

Students will also have the opportunity to engage in interactive multisensory stories. These stories take the listener on a journey to explore a range of sensory experiences that engage the senses.

I am looking forwards to teaching all students across the school.

Mrs Owen

## Kalinda School's Values

### Respectful



Be a first time listener



Use kind voice and words



Safe hands and feet



Move safely

### Responsible



Be in the right place at the right time



Take care of our things

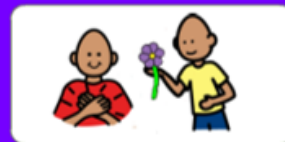


Use equipment safely



Do my best work

### Inclusive



Be Kind



Share and take turns



Join in



Work as a team

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## Award Level System

Students will achieve levels when they receive any combination of the following awards; Merit Award, Values Award or Principal's Award.

When a student receives 2 Awards, they will receive a Bronze Award.



When a student receives an additional 3 Awards, (5 in total) they will receive a Silver Award.



When a student receives an additional 4 Awards, (9 in total) they will receive a Gold Award.



All Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards will be presented at the last Assembly of each term. Parents and carers will be notified when their child will receive one of these special awards. Please note that once a student has reached a level, this cannot be taken off them. Levels are achieved every school calendar year.

*All students who achieve Gold by the end of the School Year will be invited to attend a special Rewards Activity with the Principal.*















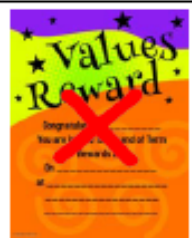


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## Flow chart for minor Inappropriate Behaviours

<p>Student is given a warning for inappropriate behaviour. If inappropriate behaviour continues.</p> 	
<p>Student is given a second warning for inappropriate behaviour. If inappropriate behaviour continues.</p> 	 
<p>Student completes Reflection Time. If inappropriate behaviour continues.</p> 	 
<p>Student is sent to the Assistant Principal for time off the playground.</p> <p>A phone call home is made to parents/carers.</p> <p>The student is given a strike.</p>	   
<p>If a student is given 3 'Strikes within the one term, or suspended that student will not be invited to attend the end of term Rewards Activity.</p>  	
	

### Severity clause

The above steps may be negated due to severity offence.  
Steps may be bypassed.



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# Kalinda School Planner Term 1, 2019

Month	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
February	2	4	5 NRL Visit	6 Assembly 2:40pm – Wambad Class	7 Student Banking	8	9/10
February	3	11	12 Swimming	13	14 Swimming Student Banking	15	16/17
February	4	18	19 Swimming	20 Assembly 2:40pm – Gadi Class	21 Swimming Student Banking	22	23/24
February & March	5	25 P&C Meeting 7pm	26 Swimming	27 Communication workshop 2.30pm-3.10pm	28 Swimming Student Banking	1	2/3
March	6	4	5 School Photos Swimming	6 Assembly 2:40pm - SRC	7 Swimming Student Banking	8	9/10
March	7	11	12 Swimming	13	14 Swimming Student Banking	15	16/17
March	8	18	19 Swimming	20 Active Inclusion Sports Day – Wagga  Assembly 2:40pm – Dinawan Class	21 Harmony Day Swimming Student Banking	22	23/24
March	9	25 P&C Meeting 7pm	26 Swimming	27	28 Swimming Student Banking	29	30/31
April	10	1	2 Swimming	3 Communication workshop 2.30pm-3.10pm	4 Swimming Student Banking	5	6/7
April	11	8	9 Swimming PBL Rewards Day	10 Assembly 2:40pm - SRC	11 Swimming Student Banking	12 Last Day of Term 1	13/14
School Holidays							
April & May	1	29 Staff Development Day	30 Students commence Term 2	1	2	3	4

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# Kalinda School Staff 2019

## Executive Staff

Mrs Angela Sampson  
Principal



Mrs Julie Minato  
School Administration  
Manager



Mrs Emma Heins  
Assistant Principal &  
Class Teacher for Gadi



Mrs Jasmine Wiggins  
Assistant Principal &  
Class Teacher for Wambuan



## Teachers

Mrs Kylie Foord  
Wambad Class



Mrs Rachael Gill  
Dinawan Class



Mr Shane Creece  
Garuu Class



Mrs Nickolette Owen  
Release from Face to Face



Mrs Jodie Whittall  
Communication Specialist



Mrs Meredith Foscett  
Release from Face to Face



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## School Administration & Support Staff

Mrs Megan Savage  
School Administration  
Officer



Mrs Anj Rowley  
SLSO



Mrs Brydie Townsing  
SLSO



Miss Carol Simpson  
SLSO – Aboriginal Students



Mrs Carol Woods  
SLSO



Miss Danielle Gould  
SLSO



Mrs Jo Coggan  
SLSO



Mrs Julie Saraceno  
SLSO



Ms Sue Salvestrin  
SLSO



Mrs Lesley Woodbridge  
SLSO



Mr Daniel Bruce  
Casual General Assistant



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