



# Kimberley School of the Air

## Important Dates

### **Term 3 2021**

Monday 19th July —  
Friday 24th September

### **Postponed 2020**

#### **Olympics**

23rd July—6th August

### **Postponed 2020**

#### **ParaOlympics**

24th August—3rd September

### **Friday Assembly**

### **KSOTA Freecall**

1800 816 212

(Only available from land line)

### **NEW PHONE NUMBER**

**91933070**

(old number 91931006 will be diverted indefinitely)

## School News



Term 2, Issue 2

Wednesday 30th June 2021

Wow! We made it! What a term it has been. I cannot thank you all enough for your endless support and flexibility in what, for some families and students, has been a pretty full-on term.

I want to start our newsletter by filling you in on some things that have been happening behind the scenes at KSOTA...

Many of you will know that Miss Stack has been quite unwell this term. She has been very brave and tried to battle on at school through her pain, but midway through the term we decided that her health was the most important factor, and she should focus on her recovery. We are so lucky that Brad came to join us in the final three weeks of term—I honestly don't know if I would have made it to the end of term without his assistance! Thanks Brad! Late last week I received a call from Broome Senior High School asking if it would be possible for them to borrow Miss Stack for Term Three. They had heard about the amazing work she had been doing at KSOTA and the amazing advocate she is for closing the gap in aboriginal education. As a result of her passion for teaching and excellent interpersonal skills, Clare has been seconded to BSHS as Aboriginal Education Coordinator for Term Three. This is an incredible opportunity for Clare—by accepting this leadership position she will be working directly with the Heads of Learning Areas at BSHS to ensure that the aboriginal students are fully supported and making sound progress across the curriculum. I am so proud of Clare, and cannot wait to hear all about her new adventures at BSHS. We know that she won't be a stranger to KSOTA.

We wish that we could keep Mr Brad at KSOTA, he has been a truly fantastic ECE teacher and addition to our staff. However, he has a little bit more studying to do back in Broome. BUT... Mr Brad has loved working at KSOTA so much and meeting the ECE students, that he has agreed to help us create our sports programme and I'm sure that he'll be popping back in to cover lessons from time to time. Do not fear—we have already cast our net to find an awesome replacement for Miss Stack and the ECE students. We will keep you all in the loop when this has been signed, sealed and delivered.

Mr Noble has been very busy at Derby District High School establishing an equestrian and pastoral programme for the senior students. Mr Noble has been fantastic at helping me settle in to the Principal role, and it I am very pleased to announce that Mr Noble was the successful applicant for his position at DDHS. While we are all sad that Paul will not be returning to KSOTA, we are super excited about this opportunity for him. We all know how much he loves his horses and he has worked tirelessly to create an engaging and sustainable programme for DDHS students. Congratulations Mr Noble!

Finally, I would like to celebrate another appointment—Miss Ricci-Lee was the successful applicant for the AIEO position at KSOTA. Ricci-Lee has been part of our playgroup team since the start of the term and has become an absolute whizz at making, creating and packing resources for all of our learners. We are so lucky to have Ricci-Lee join our team, and I am sure everyone will make her feel very welcome.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of the staff at KSOTA for another incredible term. At times it has been very over-whelming, but you have consistently put the best needs of the students first and their amazing results are a credit to you—thank you.

Well, that wraps up another whirlwind of a term. I don't know about you, but I think everyone here at KSOTA is ready and raring for a break! We will see you all back on-air on Monday 19th July.

As always, please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Esther Kerr

Principal

#### TIPS FOR LAPTOPS

Ensure you save all your work onto a USB thumb drive

Empty recycle bin on desktop regularly

Wipe clean with a slightly damp cloth

A small paint brush is handy to remove any dust on keyboard

#### Help desk numbers

Education Department WA – It Helpdesk 1800 012 828

Clear Networks help desk – connectivity – Satellite services – 1300 855 215  
(DoE Customer Number 14052)

Please don't hesitate to use these services – they are for you to use !

## **P&C Merchandise**

*Uniforms help to bring our remote students together.*

*We thank Rod and Dee at Totally Workwear, Derby for their support.*

KSOTA polo shirt uniforms are available from P&C via Kerry Doust at School. Shirts are \$20 each and can be sent out in Red Mail Bags. Please deposit money direct into P&C bank account with your name and "uniform" as reference.

### **Please note we have new shirts in stock.**

Account Name	KSOTA P&C
BSB	016 620
Account #	463336408

Other merchandise available via same method:

- ◆ KSOTA logo work shirts asst sizes: Men's green/navy, Women's blue/purple, Boy's green/blue, Girl's turquoise/pink \$45 each
- ◆ Stubby Holders \$10 each
- ◆ Bucket Hats/Trucker Caps \$20 each

*KSOTA Parents and Citizens Association: Going that extra mile for our remote kids and their education.*

## **FEES AND CHARGES 2021**

### **VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Voluntary Contributions are funds used towards the cost of materials, services and resources used by the students in the education program

Single Child	\$60 per year
Family of 2 or more children	\$120 per year

### **CAMP FEES**

<b>Home Tutors Seminar</b>	\$20 per Student K-6
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May 10th –14th 2021	\$35 per Adult
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<b>Term 4 Camp Whole School</b>	\$20 per Student K-6
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Nov 8-12 2021	\$35 per Adult
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### **Muster (Date TBA)**

Years 4-6	\$650 per Student
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