



KOONIBBA ABORIGINAL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Week 2: 6/2/2025



A note from the Principal:

Dear Parent/ Caregivers

Welcome back to the 2025 school year. I hope everyone connected with family and friends over the Christmas/ New Year Period.

It was great to have **23 students out of 27 at school on the first day back**. Of the 4 students away, 3 were not on community. It was the best attended first day of the year in the last 3 years and students attended in that number until Friday when only had 4 of 9 students in Junior Primary and 5 of 13 in Upper Primary at school.

Students settled in well into school routines and learning during week 1. To assist in students being ready for learning, school staff would like parents to help us by ensuring their children get a good night's sleep. The benefits of a good night sleep include:

- Students are more creative
- Students can concentrate for longer
- Students have been problem solving abilities
- Students are better able to make positive choices
- Students are better able to learn and remember new things
- Students have more energy during the day
- Students can create and maintain good relations with others.

Instrumental music instruction began on Tuesday with Jodi Martin from the Instrumental Music Branch. Students are exploring strings (guitar) and percussion (drums). We are excited about the prospect of students developing their music skills.

Tuesday the 11th of February we would like parents to come along to our shirt presentation in the preschool from 12.30pm followed by a sausage sizzle lunch, it would be great to see as many Mum's, Dad's, Carers and Grandparents as possible.

YADU Health will be visiting school on Monday 17th February, students will be bringing home a questionnaire that YADU would like parents to complete and return to school. Staff and students are exploring learning opportunities that links to the question 'Your teachers want to know what you do when you go to Denial Bay?' From this staff based question we would like students to develop their own questions so that learning can be designed that allows students to answer their questions. A short half day excursion on **Wednesday 12th of February followed by a full day excursion on the 19th of February** are planned. Consent forms will be sent out prior.

Two student free days are planned for the 24th and 25th of February 4, 2025. Staff will be undertaking training and development in Pt Lincoln to enable staff to develop a sound working understanding of the new SA curriculum so that our students are challenged, engaged and empowered in their learning.

Reading for enjoyment improve mental health and wellbeing, Koonibba Aboriginal School would like to invite parents to pop into school on **Tuesday 18th February at 2.30pm** for a cuppa before listening to the children read a text for their and your pleasure.

Regards

Mark



Upcoming events:

- Week 3 - Tuesday** - Afternoon Tea
- Wednesday** - Denial Bay Excursion
- Week 4 - Monday** - YADU Health Checks
- Week 5 - Monday and Tuesday** - Student Free Days
- Week 7 - Monday** - Public Holiday

Stay in touch :

Please allow for 24 hours for a response.



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Weekly Schedule



Koonibba Stop and Play

Monday 2:30pm-4:30pm

Koonibba Remote School Attendance Building

Quality Time with Family

Tuesday 10:00am-12:00pm

Learning Hub 45 McKenzie Street

Minya Gidya-Muga

Thursday 10:00am-12:00pm

Ngura Yadirin Children & Family Centre



For Aboriginal families with
children aged 0-5, Koonibba
playgroup ages 0-9



Transport available
Tea, coffee and snacks provided

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