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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

From the Principal's Desk

What an amazing Term this has been, so many acknowledgements, so many celebrations. Where to start?

The focus most deserving of all is on our Pre-Primary, primary and most notable of all, Year 12 graduates. On Graduation Day, 13 November we celebrated:

Our five pre-primary graduates

- Hussain
- Hadi
- George
- Maxwell
- Lincoln
- Anas

Our seven Year 6 graduates

- Emily
- Fatima
- Ariff
- Ella
- Omar
- Jack
- Rebecca

Our nine Year 12 - Graduates

These amazing young people have contributed so much to our school, over so many years. It has been a privilege to have witnessed them develop into the wonderful young people they are, ready to go out in the world.



Fathih commenced in 2019 and has charmed and delighted us since. He is a keen sports participant and cheerleader; well known for his unique celebration.



Xavier commenced in 2012, he is a quiet yet strong personality who has overcome much over the journey. A lovely gentle character with a love for school and for socialising, particularly so at the School Ball.



29 November 2024

Upcoming Events

6 December 2024

- ◆ Family Fun Day
- ◆ Loud Shirt Day
- International Day for People with Disabilities

10 December 2024

End of Year Concert

12 December 2024

Students Last Day

13 December 2024 to
4 February 2025

School Holidays

5 February 2025

Students First Day
Term 1 2025



From the Principal Cont...

Our Year 12 - Graduates continued...



Kallem arrived in June 2012 from Kelmscott Primary. He matured and become more resilient and able to cope and regulate. Recently he has been discerning on days of attendance, a sportsman, encouraging team member and loves a win.



Nayong came to us in May 2020 from Leeming SHS ESC previously at Riverton ESC. He has worked hard to overcome complex challenges. Known for his great sense of humour and fun, notably on display in his weekly morning Smiling Sun Café, beverage deliveries.



Natalie first arrived as a Kindy student in 2009 Kindy, relocated to another school and returned to us in 2021. Natalie is never short of an opinion, a good friend and advocate for her peers, especially those with complex needs. She has strongly lobbied for better playground equipment. I know that she could not wait to graduate.



Alaa enrolled in our Pre-primary program in August 2009. A wonderful young lady, a great student, sporty funny, welcoming, and warm. She loves a joke. Alaa's enthusiasm for learning and social engagement has never dimmed, in fact it appears to have increased.



Kalan arrived at Kenwick in 2018 from Marri-Grove Primary. Kalan has grown and matured so much this year. Never one known for hard work, he none-the-less applied himself diligently in his workplace learning programs. A quiet young man with a great sense of humour. I will miss his weekly, laconic coffee drops to my office.



Kane came to us from Canning Vale ESC in 2018. Kane's abilities to cope, regulate and calmly deal with challenges have developed so much. We are in awe of his maturation and the growth in his independence this year, his timing could not have been better!



Jesse commenced in August 2009, and it has been quite a ride ever since. His mischievousness, strength of character and energy has never waned, if anything these have increased. He has challenged and taught us so much. His has been one of our great characters of the journey.



From the Principal Cont...

WAESPAA Awards 2024 – Kenwick wins Education Support/Centre of the Year

Accompanied by 9 staff members of Kenwick School, I attended these prestigious West Australia Education Support Principals and Administration Association (WAESPAA) awards at Burswood on 1 November.

EA Stacey Dolling (Room 18) and Teacher Dr Stephen Enoma (Room 13) were nominated in their respective categories, as was our school. The evening was a fitting showcase of the extraordinary work and accomplishments of Education Support facilities statewide. Every attendee deserved acknowledgement of their skill, innovation and commitment to students with special needs.

I am overjoyed to share that Kenwick School prevailed over a packed, deserving and well-credentialed field to win Education Support/Centre of 2024. It is a wonderful acknowledgement and celebration of our school community, our students, our families and our staff. All of whom should be rightly proud of this outstanding achievement.





From the Principal Cont...

Public School Review 10 October 2024

I can report that our Public School Review was also a great celebration of our school. It had an energising impact on all staff, School Board Members and participants. The school was found to be effective of all 5 Domains, namely;

- Relationships and partnerships
- Learning environment
- Leadership
- Teaching quality; and
- Student achievement and progress.

The full report will soon be available on our school website <https://kenwickschool.wa.edu.au/> and I would encourage to read it. Our Deputy Director General wrote to me following the review stating:

"I acknowledge the efforts of you and your staff in creating the condition for successful students. The areas of your school and the review team validated for commendation and those for which there are recommendations for ongoing improvement are noted.

I have been informed of the highly nurturing conditions that you and your staff work hard to establish for students on a daily basis to ensure their safety, pro-social engagement and to provide rigour in their learning experiences. This is clearly appreciated by families, Board and community members as you meet the needs of your unique young people and prepare them for the world beyond their schooling.

I have also been advised of the determination of staff and leaders to plan strategically and drive an improvement agenda through the new business plan. This has reportedly been supported by all staff who have been galvanised by their shared leadership and as they emerge from the ever present operationally challenging learning environment of your school."

2024 has been an incredibly busy year for our school. A year full of challenges and many things to celebrate. As always, I want to thank our wonderful students, families and friends for their contributions and support this year. We would not be the school we are without you!

It is a privilege to lead this incredible school community.

Best wishes

Mark Watson

Principal

What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

ECC

This term, ECC has dived into learning all about the sea. During our Balanced Literacy sessions, we've been reading a range of delightful sea creature stories, including one of our class favourites, Sneezy Wheezy Mr Shark. We've also been hard at work transforming ECC into an ocean filled with fish, crabs, sharks, and many other sea creatures that we've created during art time.

Our sea theme aligned beautifully with the visit from Sensorium for Oddysea! Both students and staff enjoyed the engaging workshops and the captivating show, especially meeting Crab and Turtle.

Finally, everyone in ECC would like to congratulate our five Pre-Primary Graduates for 2024. Well done to Hussain, Lincoln, George, Maxwell, and Anas! We are all so proud of you. Keep shining bright!

Naomi and the ECC Team



Room 1

Room 1 students and staff have been extremely busy in Term 4; working on a range of functional, social, and academic skills to equip the class for the coming school year. From unpacking bags, washing hands, brushing teeth and turn taking, as well as safe behaviours around others.

We have been learning about space, the planets, and stars. The children have made amazing dioramas of space that are visually beautiful and creative.

Our other focus has been on morning work journals, numeracy, and literacy. The HelpKidz learning literacy program has been a tremendous help in engaging the students with imaginative Visual/audial stories, comprehension activities, listening skills, and sentence structure.

Our final Focus this term, in the last week is on Christmas and the festive season. Thank you to everyone in room 1 for a great term 4.

Darry and Room 1 Team





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 2

Room 2 have zoomed through the last 6 weeks, and we cannot believe we are over halfway through term 4! We have finished our space exploration and started on our world holidays. So far this term we have learnt about Remembrance Day and kept a minute's silence to honour the fallen. We have celebrated Halloween and Superhero Day with free dress. We have also begun looking at celebrations in other parts of the world, with Spain our first stop. We discovered La Tomatina (Tomato Festival) and were divided on whether we would like to join in with this celebration or not. The next celebration we will investigate is Songkran – Thailand's Water Festival.

Congratulations to all our Graduates and to Zane on being awarded the Class Award for Room 2 this year. Well done Zane!!

Sasha and the Room 2 Team



Room 3

Room 3 love any outdoor activity and now with the weather warming up, they have enjoyed water play and learning cooking skills pouring and mixing flour, water and oil together so they can have lots of messy fun!

The Room 3 Team





What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 5

The end of a busy term and year is in sight. We continue to learn about how time passes. In addition to selecting the correct visual for their journal each day, some students stamp their personal calendars, join in action songs, and participate in whiteboard activities. Carla and Josh engage by touching a tactile card and pressing a recordable switch to show the day.

To help us understand Spring, the students have created wonderful art pieces featuring baby animals, flowers, and snakes. We also learned that snakes wake up in Spring and that we must keep away from them as they may bite. Jaxson and Ayman have been reading different Spring facts in their visual diaries each day.

We love to dress up, so Superhero Day was a highlight! Josh was an amazing Avenger, Peyton looked awesome as Bat Girl, Ayman rocked his Spiderman costume, and Lila and Carla were our Super Girls.

Halloween also came and went, and we had fun doing sensory art and making some spooky pictures. We also looked at pictures and saw that lots of people wearing costumes are "total strangers" and we do not know them.

We remembered the soldiers on Remembrance Day by smelling rosemary, painting and gluing poppy pictures, and listening quietly to a bugle on the whiteboard.

Graduation came and went. So proud of all our students, especially Lila, who received our class award. Well done!

It is with mixed emotions that we say goodbye to the graduates. We are so proud of all you have achieved, sad to see you go, but know that this is not the end. It is the beginning of a new chapter, a new "YOU," as you move forward on your different pathways. Congratulations!

Marie and the Room 5 Team





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 6

The year is very quickly coming to an end. We have accomplished and enjoyed many interesting and diverse activities. Sensorium was a very sensory experience and the children got to see, feel and hear many different sounds and textures. We had a visit from the Fremantle Dockers, and we all had a turn at kicking and hand balling the ball. During the semester we also had our sports day, which was a whole lot of fun. Thank you to all our staff for a wonderful year in room 6.

Karen and the Room 6 Team





What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 7

What a term this has been! We have been learning all about the world around us! Between the fun of Sensorium and our adventures under the sea, to exploring different habitats around the world and who lives there. We have even looked at different celebrations that have occurred this term including Halloween, Superhero Day and Remembrance Day. Room 7 have certainly been learning about the world around them and how there are so many different people and places.

At Graduation we were able to proudly celebrate our year 6 class members who are finishing their primary school experience before moving onto their high school adventures. The students were amazing and demonstrated how mature they were in sitting in the audience and moving onto the stage so calmly and quietly. Congratulations to Ella, Emily and Ariff on your graduation, we can't wait to see all the things you will achieve in high school! Also congratulations to Ryder for receiving the class award and Ariff for receiving the Principals Award. We are so proud of all our superstars in Room 7.

Finally, I want to thank all our families for being such an important part of the students learning journey during their time in Room 7. The teamwork between our teaching staff and the families has meant that the students have made some amazing achievements and are able to use these skills both at school and more importantly at home too. Enjoy the last days of the term and your summer celebrations.

Tegan and the Room 7 Team





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 8

On Monday the 11th of November Room 8 went to Kings Park for community access. This was a special day to visit Kings Park as it was Remembrance Day and there had been a ceremony at the State War Memorial to remember those who have served in conflicts over the years and made the ultimate sacrifice. We were able to view the beautiful poppies and wreaths that had been laid. We saw the eternal flame which is always burning. We also had a great view of the city and all the cars rushing by on the freeway below. We ate out lunch under the shade of the big trees and enjoyed the cool breeze that blew across our skin.

Melanie, Natalie and the Room 8 Team





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 9

Room 9 has been busy preparing for the end of the year. Currently we are focused on organising items for our stall at the End of Year Concert in week 10. We are excited to be preparing various items for sale made by students from all classes across the school. In Protective Behaviours we have been learning how to be safe online, exploring what information we should not share, what to do when something doesn't seem right, and how to deal with people online who are not being kind. Superhero day was amazing! Our class all dressed up and looked amazing. Our garden has gone wild this spring and we continue to work hard, weeding, watering and maintaining it.

Kerry and the Room 9 Team



Room 10

This Term Room 10 has been reading books about different celebrations and commemorations. We read Creepy Carrot, Shubh Diwali and Where The Poppies Now Grow. Students got to hold and examine Diya's for Diwali and taste and smell different Indian treats. For Remembrance Day we looked at the importance of poppies and why people wear them. For art we then explored the colours they use to help decorate these special events and made artwork that reflected this. Students made colourful rangoli's, creepy carrots and poppy fields using the recommended colours for each event. We were very lucky to have sensorium to come and visit the school. This experience led us to exploring the Dreamtime story of how the crab was created. At the end of our story we had created our own crab! Lastly Room 10 would like to congratulate Charlie for winning the class award and doing such a great job this year. We can't wait for the rest of term and what fun it brings!

Claire and the Room 10 Team





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 13

What a year and what a semester in Room 13! The last half of the school year seems to have evaporated in a blink! For sure, it has been a busy, productive and exciting semester across the different learning areas including science, mathematics, literacy, visual art, cooking and others. In science, students explored the concept of water purification and filtration by participating in the design of a simple water filter. Its make-up included activated carbon, cotton wool, sand and stones, all of which were encased in an empty and modified soft drink bottle. Students were impressed to observe the great improvement in water quality after muddy water passed through the filter. Students also had a go at separating black ink into its constituent parts using a scientific process known as paper chromatography.

The highlight for my team and I in Room 13 this semester is the graduation of one of our students - Jesse. Sporting a bow tie and a dark blue short-sleeve shirt to match, he looked every inch immaculate and ready to celebrate! Like most graduands he was excited and perhaps a bit nervous over what the completion of High School could mean to him had been building up for weeks. This is understandable - finishing school often evokes a feeling of bliss but saying goodbye to peers and staff who had been part Jesse's life for many years could have been very hard for him to bear. Congratulations to Jesse and many thanks for allowing us to be part your graduation party. Congratulations also to Tyson for being the recipient of the "2024 Class Award, Room 13". In conclusion, I would like to show my appreciation to my other students and team of staff for your manifold and highly-priced contributions to the great year that we have had. Thanks a million!

Stephen and the Room 13 Team





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 16

This term we have been learning about sound and that we use our ears to hear. We have read "What the ladybird heard" and "Creepy Carrots" and thought about the sounds that the characters make.

We have had lots of cooking sessions as part of the ASDAN meal preparation module. We have made edible art linked to events and characters in our stories. We have made carrot cake carrots, pavlova bunnies, and ladybird biscuits.

We read Shubh Diwali and investigated how to light a Diya and create sand Rangoli. Samia made us some delicious onion bhajis!

We eventually got some beans from our bean plants and they are big and round and delicious.

Congratulations to Moe Ler Poe for receiving our class award at the recent graduation assembly for always putting in a huge effort to communicate and complete all of his work to the best of his ability. **Sarah and the Room 16 Team**





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Room 18/19

It has been a productive start to Term 4 for our students who have jumped straight into a variety of activities. They have actively participated in community access activities including visits to the food bank and local grocery stores. These outings provide fantastic opportunities for our students to practise essential life skills such as independently choosing their lunches, safely crossing roads, budgeting, communicating with each other and other members of the community. Some of our students took part in the recent basketball carnival where they gave their best effort and demonstrated great teamwork. Well done!

As we move closer to the end of the year, graduation preparations are also underway. Six of our students are graduating this year. We are very proud of their dedication and positive attitude at Work power, Breakfast Club and Sun Smiling Café. While we are sad to see them go, we wish them all the best of luck in the future post school life!

Natalia and the Room 18/19 Team





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

STEAM

Trash to Treasure: Reduce Waste and Save Our Planet!

This term in STEAM, we are exploring the consequences of not reducing, reusing, and recycling, as well as the unintentional impacts our actions can have on the planet. We learned that plastics are a big problem for our oceans and the animals that live there. We talked about how bees are affected when we take away their homes and food sources to build houses and farms. We also learned that some chemicals we use can harm bees. Also, how bees are super important because they help pollinate plants, which means they help us grow the food we eat!

We have continued to support students' understanding of these important concepts through engaging stories, informational videos, songs, learning Auslan signs for key vocabulary, and, of course, hands-on activities. Some of the projects we have been working on include colourful Milk Bottle Fish, Egg Carton Bees, and Tin Can Bee Houses.

As we are coming the end this year in STEAM, I want to celebrate the incredible creativity and enthusiasm our students have displayed throughout our projects. A big thank you to our dedicated staff for their unwavering support in fostering such a rich learning environment. We also greatly appreciate our parents and carers; your involvement and encouragement have made our learning journey presentations a success. Together, we've built a community that values creativity and a commitment to our planet. Let's continue to inspire one another moving forward!

Christina - STEAM Teacher





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What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

STEAM Cont...





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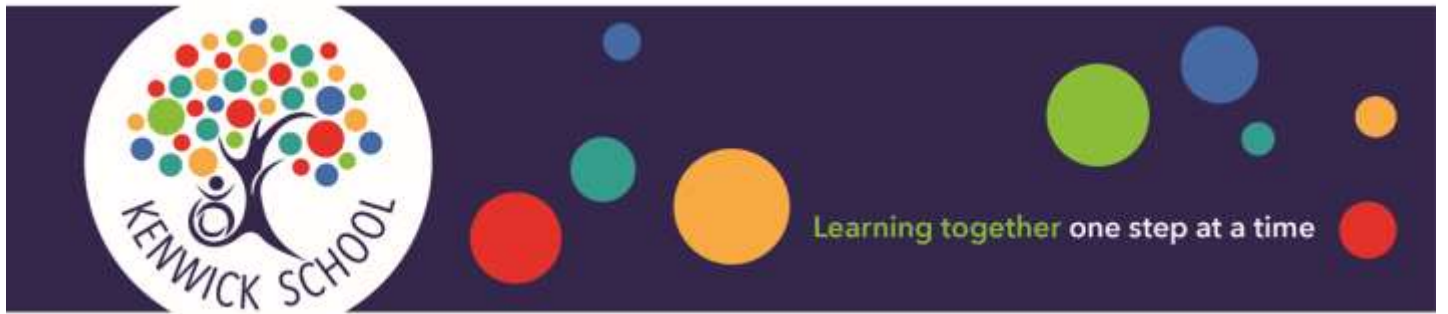
What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Sensory

In true term 4 fashion the weeks have been flying by! It is hard to believe we have had another graduation and said farewell to another cast of stellar students. I would like to make a special mention to Kenwick School's Singing Hands Choir for their incredible performance at the Secondary Awards and Graduation Ceremony. Congratulations Maxwell Belding, Oliver Waldon, Zubair Abdullah, Rayan Mohamed, Moe Ler Poe, TeRangi Berryman-Wihongi, Grail Alcido, CJ O'Callaghan, Leighton Popp and Nayong Win! Thank you for the wonderful performance you gave for the graduating class of 2024! The rest of the term all classrooms will be preparing for the End of Year Concert which will be held on Tuesday afternoon in Week 10, the students are preparing a number of items to perform and it would be lovely to see lots of families again this year!

Amity - Sensory Teacher





What's Happening in Our Classrooms!

Physical Education

We have just past the halfway point of Term 4 and it has been fantastic to see our students fully embrace the Health and Physical Education program. I have particularly noticed students have been absolutely getting into our yoga stretches for the start of our lessons. Cosmic Kids Yoga and Salamander Yoga have been student favourites! However, despite the year coming to a close soon the learning and fun does not stop!

Physical Education Update: Basketball Practice

This month in Physical Education, our students have been honing their basketball skills! They have been practicing dribbling, shooting, and teamwork, all while enjoying the sport. It's wonderful to see their enthusiasm and improvement over the past few weeks.

Health Education Focus: Medicine, Drug, and Sun Safety

In Health Education, we have been diving into important topics such as medicine, drug, and sun safety. Students are learning how to make informed choices regarding their health and well-being, understanding the impact of medications, and recognizing the importance of sun protection. These discussions are vital in promoting a safe and healthy lifestyle.

Perth Wildcats All Abilities Carnival

We are thrilled to share that our senior students participated in the Perth Wildcats All Abilities Carnival! They showcased their talents and skills, and it was a fantastic experience for everyone involved. The students did exceptionally well and had a blast, making lasting memories while engaging with their peers.

Thank you for all your support throughout the year and celebrating the school spirit and sporting events. A friendly reminder that the weather is heating up and I encourage everyone to be SunSmart whether in school or out of school. Stay active everyone and look forward to finishing off the year strong!

Ben Miller - Physical Education Teacher





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Nurses Station

Have a **WATER SAFE** summer

Water should be a safe and enjoyable environment for children, but sadly drowning remains one of the leading causes of preventable death in young children.

By taking simple steps you can keep your child safe and set them up for a lifetime of enjoying the water.



SUPERVISE
Always keep watch of your child around water

Actively supervise children within arm's reach whenever they are in or around water. Remain vigilant any time your child has access to water and don't let distractions take your attention away.

RESTRICT
Restrict your child's access to water at all times

Restrict your child's access to water by placing a barrier between them and water or remove water sources completely where possible. Empty paddling pools, baths and buckets immediately after and never prop pool gates open.

TEACH
Teach your child water safety skills

Enrol in water familiarisation classes to teach child water safety skills and talk about rules and boundaries around water. Remember that even a child who can swim can still drown, so there is no substitute for supervision.

RESPOND
Learn CPR and call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency

If your child is ever missing check water locations first. In an emergency, call Triple Zero (000) and perform CPR. Refresh your CPR skills regularly – it could save a life.

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Kenwick Nurses



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Pre-Primary Graduates

Congratulations to the following students.
These students will commence their
Primary Education Years in 2025.

Hussain
George
Maxwell
Lincoln
Anas

Primary Graduates

Congratulations to the following students.
These students will commence their
Secondary Education Years in 2025.

Emily
Fatima
Ariff
Ella
Omar
Jack
Rebecca



Secondary Graduates

Congratulations to the following students.
These students will commence their
School of Life Years in 2025.

Fathih
Xavier
Kallem
Nayong
Natalie
Alaa
Kalan
Kane
Jesse



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End of Year Awards

Congratulations to the following students.
Your progress and hard work has been recognised!

ECC	Hussain
ROOM 1	Pearl
ROOM 2	Zane
ROOM 3	Matty
ROOM 5	Lila
ROOM 6	Jack
ROOM 7	Ryder
ROOM 8	Xavier
ROOM 9	CJ
ROOM 10	Charlie
ROOM 13	Tyson
ROOM 16	Moe
ROOM 18/19	Grail
Principal Award - Primary	Ariff
Principal Award - Secondary	Alaa
Achievement Award	Kaleb
City of Gosnells Scholarship - Primary	Benel
City of Gosnells Scholarship - Secondary	Te Rangī
Leadership Award	Lleyton
STEAM Primary	Jack
STEAM Secondary	Kane
SENSORY/ MUSIC - Primary	Rebecca
SENSORY/ MUSIC - Secondary	Xavier
Health & Physical Education - Primary	Max
Health & Physical Education - Secondary	Anh

Term 4 Special Events

Family Fun Day - 6 December 2024

Loud Shirt Day - 6 December 2024

End of Year Concert - 10 December 2024

Students Last Day - 12 December 2024

2024 Term Dates

Term 4

Term 4 Ends: Thursday 12 December 2024

2025 Term Dates

Term 1

Term 1 starts: Wednesday 5 February 2025

Term 1 Ends: Friday 11 April 2025

Term 2

Term 2 starts: Monday 28 April 2025

Term 2 Ends: Friday 4 July 2025

Term 3

Term 3 starts: Monday 21 July 2025

Term 3 Ends: Friday 26 September 2025

Term 4

Term 4 starts: Monday 13 October 2025

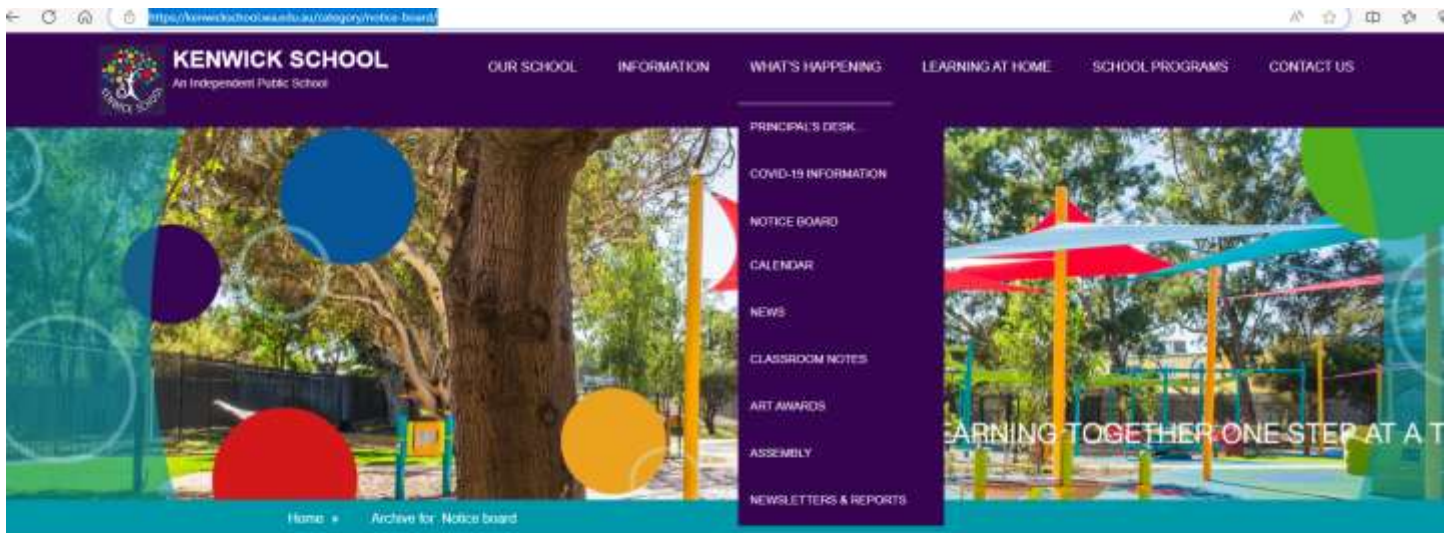
Term 4 Ends: Thursday 18 December 2025



Dear Parents

Can I bring your attention to our school's web page where you will find the noticeboard on the drop down box 'What's Happening'. Here you will find up to date events and resources in the community which have come to our attention.

Do take a look at <https://kenwickschool.wa.edu.au/category/notice-board/>



Category: Notice board



All Abilities Active Event

Posted on November 20, 2024 by Kenwick School

Hi there, We're excited to invite you and your family to our FREE All Abilities Active event, celebrating the

