Wow—who can believe that Term 3 is almost over?? It seems like we were just on holidays!

The children have been involved in many activities to develop their sense of connection with their Community and beyond such as KITE at Estia Nursing Home, Cross-Age activities at KMS, WMPS and HCC, and excursions to Pt Pirie, Kindergym and Country Times. Having a positive sense of identity and experiencing respectful, responsive relationships strengthens children’s interest and skills in being and becoming active contributors to their world.

This term there has been lots of sickness around—we hope that everyone gets well before they start their holidays!

Kadina Preschool Staff

October Birthdays
Mitchell, Emily M, Gabriel, Elijah, James, Brampton, Layla

Happy Birthday
Important Information

Kadina Christmas Pageant
Plans are underway for the Kindy float for the Kadina Christmas Pageant on Monday 19th December. We are going to do “The Aussie Night before Christmas”. We are hoping lots of our Kindy children will be part of our float. Children will be dressed as kangaroos - so start collecting brown clothes, kangaroo tails, masks, etc!

Kindy Learning Books
Please take your child’s Kindy Learning book home on their last day at Kindy this term to look through over the holidays.

Raising Kids - Parent Workshop
On Friday last week, some parents attended the “Raising Kids” parent workshop in Wallaroo. Jodie Benveniste - the presenter - gave some key messages about being a parent. The main one was that you have a choice when dealing with your child’s behaviour - you can either react or respond. Give yourself a little bit of space before you respond. Trust your gut...intuition!

Parent from your heart not from your head. Have realistic expectations of your children. There are many different types of children - maybe you can identify with one of these?

#FOMO
[FEAR OF MISSING OUT]
School Transition Visits

During Weeks 1-6 in Term 4, children who will be starting school in 2017 will be having their school transition visits. Visits will occur on Wednesdays for Monday/Wednesday children and Thursdays for Tuesday/Thursday children. After transition visits in Week 1-4, children will return to Kindy and finish at the normal time of 3pm.

You should have all received a letter outlining the visits and what they need to bring from the school that your child is transitioning to. If you did not receive a letter, please come and speak to Simone for a copy.

KMS - for the first 4 weeks, you have the option of taking your child to school for their transition at 9:30 or bringing them into Kindy at 8.30am and then letting the Kindy staff take them across to the school. In Week 5 & 6, families need to take their own child to the school at 8:30am.

WMPS - Families will need to take their child to all school transition visits

HCC - Families have the option of taking your child to visits in Weeks 1-4 or bringing them into Kindy and Harvest will pick them up with their school bus.

Tips for Parents to: Keep the Conversation Going...

What the research says...

Make conversations with children go back and forth at least five times. Ask questions that both build on what children have said and that they will want to answer. The longer children stay in a conversation, the more practice, feedback and information they get—all of which build their language skills.

Pretend Play

Pretend with your child to encourage conversation. For example, through a blanket over a table and make a tent. Crawl under the table with them and watch the conversation take off!
**Community Notices**

**THANK YOU**
- To the parents who came along on our excursion to Port Pirie
- To Joel’s family for donating a large amount of salt for us to use
- To all the families who attend the Mini Olympics - it was great to have so many there!
- To all the families who sold raffle tickets
- To everyone who returned Parent Opinion Surveys
- To the families who have done washing during the term

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**Governing Council News**

- Next meeting will be held on **Monday 7th November at 6pm** at the Kindy
- Fundraising:
  - **Father’s Day Raffle** - a big thank you to the Crosby family, Mingon & Steve McDowell, Penhall family & Bettes family for donating the main prizes for the raffle. Thanks also to all the other families who collected prizes from business or donated items to put into the hampers.
    - 1st Prize: Dione Stacey
    - 2nd Prize: Kathy-Jane Marks
    - 3rd Prize: Kendall Millard
    - 4th Prize: Kylie Hicklin
  - **Family Portrait Fundraiser** will be held on Saturday/Sunday 5th & 6th November - make sure you book your sitting ASAP so that you don’t miss out
  - **Toy Catalogues** - return orders so that we can send them off
  - **Stuck on You labels** - see the display on the pin board near the lunch fridge.

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**Wallaroo Mines Primary**

**Community Fair**

- **Sunday Oct 30th**
- **10.30am - 2.30pm**

- **Raffles & Games**
- **Food & Drinks**
- **Market Stalls**
- **Kids’ Activities**
- **Face Painting**

**ALL WELCOME**
Wallaroo Mines Primary School Lipson Ave Kadina

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**Wallaroo MacKillop School**

**Extends a warm invitation to the local community to our annual school concert.**

**The Mary Macca Awards Ceremony**

- **DATE**: Thursday, 22 September, 2016
- **WHERE**: Wallaroo Town Hall
- **TIME**: Doors open 6.30pm, ceremony starts 7.00pm
- **COST**: $5.00 per person, children US free
- **TICKETS AVAILABLE**: St Mary MacKillop School P: 8623 2549