



# Kimberley School of the Air



## School News

Term 4, Issue 2

Wednesday 27th November 2024

### Important Dates

#### Term Four 2024

Tues 8th Oct—Thurs  
12th Dec

#### Term One 2025

Wed 5th Feb—Fri  
11th April

#### KSOTA Free call

1800 816 212

(Only available from  
land line)

#### PHONE NUMBER

9193 3070

This is our last newsletter for the year. How time flies! The teachers have been rushed off their feet- feverishly typing reports, making sure all assessments are up to date, compiling Magazine pages, and putting together despatches for the 2025 school year.

I wanted to use this newsletter to share with you what KSOTA will look like in 2025. Unfortunately, we have to say **'goodbye and good luck'** to Miss Sienna and Miss Em. Miss Sienna is planning on continuing her travels, and Miss Em is returning to Queensland. Miss Tammi is embarking on a new adventure in 2025, but we are sure that we will see her back at KSOTA very soon. Miss Kerry is leaving us for Albany, to care for her mother. We are very thankful they chose to be a part of the KSOTA story and they will be sorely missed.

We are very excited to **welcome** Rachel Northey, Sophie Telfer and Julian Tan as classroom teachers at KSOTA. Miss Rachel will be working with our PP/Year 1 students, Miss Telfer will be with the Year 2s, and Mr Tan will be with the 3/4s. Some of you (who have been with KSOTA for a long time) may remember Miss Telfer; she was the Home Tutor at Home Valley when I first arrived at KSOTA back in 2020—we can't wait to hear her insights. Finally, we welcome Renae Bonham as School Officer. Miss Renae will be assisting Miss Christy with the finance and organisation of school resources, as well as ensuring all despatches go to where they are meant to.

Miss Maegan will be with us for the first term of **2025**, and then on maternity leave—we wish her and her husband all the best as they prepare for this next chapter as a family of 3. Miss Maegan will support our new teachers to get up-and-running with teaching on-air, and sharing all her incredible knowledge of Let's Decode, daily reviews, and how to link Literacy to Project. Mrs P is excited to continue working with the Year 5/6 students, and Mrs D will continue to write the very best Projects imaginable! We are very fortunate that Miss Alexis will be continuing her role as Correspondence Teacher for all of our travelling families. Miss Sheldon will be working with our Kindy and STL students, and also supporting me as Acting Principal during my absences with the SOTA Network Principal role.

I'm sure you can see why we are already so excited!

As I mentioned in our previous newsletter, it is essential that school resources are now returned. On the next page is a bit of a list to follow, but if you are unsure please ask.

- Library boxes
- Reading books
- Maths boxes (Only return if your student is leaving Year 3 and you have no students in younger years OR if your student is leaving Year 6 and you have no other students in Years 4/5)
- Any **unused** writing or 'activity' books

Laptops do not need to be returned for students who are remaining enrolled at KSOTA. Resources need to be returned **via mail** or **brought into the school**.

Term 1 starts on **Wednesday 5th February 2025**. Your classroom teacher will be in touch in the days leading up to the start of term, with timetables and welcome letters. Ensure that your 2025 **despatches are kept safe** until you're ready to set up your schoolrooms.

Give yourselves a round of applause, for what has been an incredible school year! Home Tutors, students and staff should all be really proud of themselves! Thank you for your commitment to our school.

As always, please reach out if you need to.  
Esther Kerr

#### 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 the keyboard

#### Help desk numbers

Education Department WA – It Helpdesk 1800 012 828

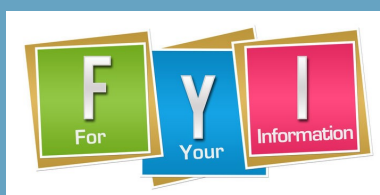
Clear Networks help desk – connectivity – Satellite services – 1300 855 215  
(DoE Customer Number 14052)

Email: [support@clear.com.au](mailto:support@clear.com.au)

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

## Assembly Term 4:

• 12th December



## **P&C Merchandise**

*Uniforms help to bring our remote students together.  
We thank Rod and Dee at Totally Work Wear, Derby for their support.*

KSOTA polo shirt uniforms are available from P&C via Kerry Doust at School. Shirts are **\$27** each and can be sent out in Red Mail Bags. Please deposit money directly into P&C bank account with your **name** and “**uniform**” as reference. **While we try to keep costs at a minimum we have had to increase the price of the school shirts to \$27 due to increase costs from the supplier.**

### **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, and fishing shirts, asst sizes:

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|----------------------------|-------------|
| ♦ ADULT Size               | <b>\$75</b> |
| ♦ CHILD Size               | <b>\$65</b> |
| ♦ 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 2024**

### **VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS**

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

<b>Single Child</b>	\$60 per year
<b>Family of 2 or more children</b>	\$120 per year

### **CAMP FEES**

<b>Term 4 Week 5 Camp</b>	\$20 per Student K-6
4-9 November	\$35 per Adult

<b>Muster Term 4 2024</b>	\$650 per student <b>years 4-6</b>
25-29 November	

### **CORRESPONDENCE BOOK FEE**

<b>Per child</b>	\$80 per Student P-6
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