

# The Currambine Chronicle

Currambine Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter



## Address from Veness

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Thank you

Thank to the P&C for coordinating a sausage sizzle fundraiser on the day of the National Referendum. I understand that volunteers were hard to find and appreciate their commitment to our school. The next P&C meeting will be on Monday 20th November at 7pm and all members of the community are invited to attend. Please see page 9 for positions vacant within the P&C Committee for 2024. Please contact me if you are interested in applying.

### School Development Day

School will be closed tomorrow for a Staff Development Day. We will be looking at the most recent data collection and analysing student performance. We will then consider actions for enhanced improvement in 2024. We hope students enjoy a lovely, long weekend.

### Day for Daniel

Our school has acknowledged Day for Daniel today. The day aims to raise awareness in schools about the importance of protective behaviours. The sea of red clothing was very positive. Students have been reminded of appropriate behaviours to help keep them safe at all times. See more information on page 5.

### Assembly

TA48 will host the next senior assembly on Friday 3rd November in the Undercover Area. The next junior assembly is on Friday 10th November and will be hosted by TA14. Community members are welcome to attend.

### Dance Lessons

Year Five and Six students will begin dance lessons on Friday 3rd November. This forms part of their sport classes and prepares students for the Year Six Graduation Dinner.

### Kindergarten Incursion

Kindy students will enjoy a visit from Fireman Kev next week, on Tuesday 31st October for Kindy Group A and Friday 3rd November for Kindy Group B.

### Kindergarten Orientation 2024

Children joining us in Kindy in 2024 have been invited to attend orientation in upcoming weeks. Our staff look forward to meeting their new students on Wednesday 1st November (Kindy Group A) and Wednesday 8th November (Kindy Group B).

### 2024 Student Numbers

Are you leaving our school in 2024? Currambine Primary is significantly growing in enrolments, and class structures are currently being considered. If you are leaving in 2024, please let us know as soon as possible so that we may plan accordingly.

Kind regards,

**Jess Veness**  
Acting Principal



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# Calendar Snapshot

<b>Fri 27th Oct</b>	<b>Staff Professional Development Day (no students)</b>
<b>Mon 30th Oct</b>	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds, 8.45-10.30am, Undercover Area
<b>Tues 31st Oct</b>	Kindy A Group Fireman Kev Incursion
<b>Wed 1st Nov</b>	Story Time, 8.45am to 9.15am, Library
<b>Wed 1st Nov</b>	2024 Kindy A Group Caper/Orientation
<b>Wed 1st Nov</b>	Board Meeting, 7pm
<b>Fri 3rd Nov</b>	Assembly B (TA48)
<b>Fri 3rd Nov</b>	Kindy B Group Fireman Kev Incursion
<b>Fri 3rd Nov</b>	Year Five & Six Dance Lessons
<b>Fri 3rd Nov</b>	P&C School Disco (see page 10 for disco times)
<b>Mon 6th Nov</b>	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds, 8.45-10.30am Undercover Area.
<b>Wed 8th Nov</b>	Rhyme Time, 8.45am to 9.15am, Library
<b>Wed 8th Nov</b>	2024 Kindy B Group Caper/Orientation
<b>Fri 10th Nov</b>	Assembly A (TA14)
<b>Fri 10th Nov</b>	Year Five & Six Dance Lessons
<b>Sat 11th to Sun 12th Nov</b>	LADDs Big Camp Out (see page 11 for details)
<b>Mon 13th Nov</b>	Play and Learning Skills (P.A.L.S.) for 0-4 year olds, 8.45-10.30am Undercover Area
<b>Mon 13th to Mon 20th Nov</b>	First Aid Focus (Pre-Primary to Year Six)
<b>Wed 15th Nov</b>	Story Time, 8.45am to 9.15am, Library
<b>Fri 17th Nov</b>	Assembly B (TA44)
<b>Fri 17th Nov</b>	Free Dress Day (gold coin donation for Diabetes Family Centre)
<b>Fri 17th Nov</b>	Year Five & Six Dance Lessons



**View the full Term Planner via our [website](#)**

# World Teachers' Day

## Friday 27th October

Tomorrow is World Teachers' Day 2023 and we'd like to say a heartfelt thank you to all of the wonderful teaching staff at Currambine Primary School for their continued hard work and support, that makes a difference to our students every day.

We thank you for ALL that you do for our students and our school.

Please join us in taking your 'hats off' to our teachers next time you see them, to show your appreciation!





## Reminder of Traffic & Parking Guidelines



**As we know, parking can be a challenge for our school, as it is at all schools, and we need to work together to improve the current arrangements. Patience by all involved is the key to moving our students away in a timely and safe manner. Please find below guidelines on how to keep traffic and parking as safe and efficient as possible around our school:**

### **Ambassador Drive Kiss n' Drop**

In the mornings there is only one Kiss n' Drop lane active. To use the Kiss n' Drop, please stay in the right-hand lane, leaving the left lane free for Kindy and Pre-Primary parents to access the parking bays.

In the afternoons, the Kiss n' Drop operates in two lanes, with traffic then merging to a single lane. If you are in the left lane, please give way to Kindy and Pre-Primary parents backing out of the parking spaces.

Often, vehicles waiting to enter the Kiss n' Drop can cause traffic to come to a standstill at the roundabout at Ambassador Drive and Paddington Avenue, causing unnecessary, and sometimes dangerous, congestion. This is inconvenient for residents and there have been reports of dangerous driving to overtake stationary vehicles.

If you cannot turn into the car park because it is full, please continue through the roundabout and circle back a few minutes later. Please do not stop and block traffic from entering the roundabout. If there is traffic stopped at the roundabout, please do not overtake.

### **Moore Drive Kiss n' Drop**

The bus bay on Moore Drive adjacent to the school is now a Kiss n' Drop facility in the mornings and afternoons. Whilst this has greatly assisted traffic flow around the school, it is essential that we abide by the rules below to avoid causing unnecessary congestion and to maintain the support of the City of Joondalup with this arrangement:

1. Parents must stay in their car.
2. Parents should park at the eastern-most point of the bay, so that other cars can move into the Kiss n' Drop behind them.
3. While waiting, if you can move your vehicle further up the bay, please do so. This will allow vehicles behind to move up and others can move into the bay.
4. If you have been at the Kiss n' Drop for a few minutes and your child has not arrived, please exit the bay, complete a u-turn at the Christchurch Avenue exit, drive down Moore Drive to the Connolly Drive roundabout and return to the Kiss n' Drop. This allows parents waiting to enter the bay and pick up their children if they are already waiting. Take extra care around the pedestrian crossing.

These arrangements (particularly point no.4) allow children to be picked up in a timely manner and for the flow of traffic to continue unimpeded, which is essential to maintain the City of Joondalup's support.

Please also refer to the recent Connect Notice sent to all families regarding traffic and parking, with maps attached.

**Should you have any queries, please email:**  
[jessica.venesse@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:jessica.venesse@education.wa.edu.au)

Thank you for your support in keeping our school community safe.



## Lapathon Top Fundraisers

### \$9,214 Raised

A big thank you to all students and their families who raised sponsorship money for taking part in our Lapathon last term. A whopping \$9,214 was raised!

The money raised this year will be used in the following ways:

- Part proceeds to add shade structures to the school.
- Support the Physical Education Program with resources.

Congratulations to all students who raised the highest in their class, each of whom were awarded with a variety of sports items courtesy of prize sponsor Fair Play Sports.



### Top Fundraiser

A special mention to Year Four student Arabella Atkinson-Rivers (pictured above) of TA45 who raised the highest amount of sponsorship at **\$380!**

Arabella even encouraged support from her family in the UK! Her Uncle Tim baked some delicious chocolate brownies and sold them, raising \$160 for Bella to add to her fundraising efforts. Well done and thank you!



## National Opinion Survey Reminder

### Please complete by Friday 27th October

A reminder to please complete the National Opinion Survey by tomorrow, Friday 27th October.

Responses to this online survey allow our school to reflect on current processes and programs and to make changes accordingly, therefore your feedback is greatly appreciated.

Access the survey here: [www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/VRvCTLzV](http://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/VRvCTLzV)





## Day for Daniel



### Keeping Kids Safe

Day for Daniel has been acknowledged today at Currambine Primary. It was great to see so many students dressed in red, because red is the colour that represents child safety and the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

The day aims to raise awareness in schools about the importance of protective behaviours, and age-appropriate protective behaviours lessons have been taught in school today. Protective behaviours are a set of skills that form part of the WA Health curriculum and aim to support children to recognise when they feel unsafe and to take appropriate action to feel safe.

Advice on how to talk about personal safety with children can be found at: [www.danielmorcombe.com.au/day-for-daniel/](http://www.danielmorcombe.com.au/day-for-daniel/)





# TA37 Class Article

## Food and Fibre in TA37

In Year Five, students learn how food is produced in factories and explore the impact this has on the food's nutritional value, cost, environmental impact and of course taste.

During these lessons students have compared a variety of peas. The class favourite was the fresh snow peas while the tinned peas were agreed by all to be DISGUSTING!

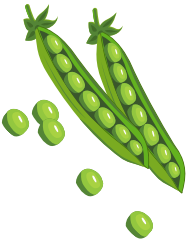
When making pancakes we compared pre-cooked pancakes to the shake-and-make mix and a homemade batch. The pre-cooked was a favourite, not surprising considering there was 12g of sugar in them!!

We learnt that in some 'Australian-grown' orange juices only 9% of the ingredients come from Australia.

It was nice to hear that the favourite juice was the organic juice which had the lowest carbon footprint and provided one serve of fruit.

Our final project will be to plan and make a pizza and create a report on its nutritional value, cost, environmental impact and of course taste.

**Mrs Fernandez**  
**TA37**





# Scitech Excursion

## Scitech Brainstorm Challenge Day

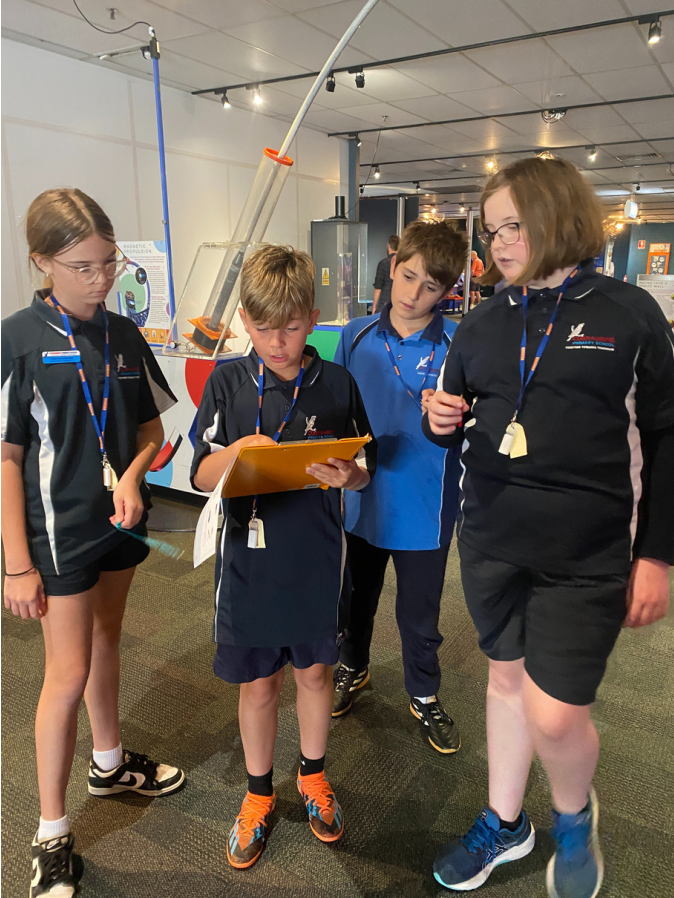
Last Thursday, a group of Year Five and Year Six students who have excelled in science this year, travelled to Scitech to compete in the 2023 Scitech Brainstorm Challenge Day.

They had to complete a civil engineering challenge, a quiz about the migration of planets, a mathematical treasure hunt and a design challenge.

All of this 'hard work' was completed in-between exploring the exhibits, watching a theatre show and visiting the Planetarium.

Well done to 'Team Cheese Sticks'; Paige V, Emily M, Logan R and Annabelle and a big shout out to our Year Six Team, 'Team Chiz'; Will D, Blake H, Sophia H and Ruby P. It was great to see ERIK behaviour displayed throughout the day.

**Mrs Fernandez**

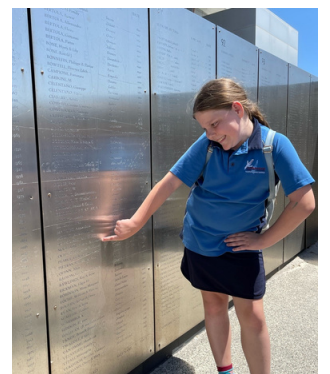




# Maritime Museum Excursion

## Year Four Trip

Here are some photos of Year Four students enjoying a trip to the Maritime Museum in Fremantle, last week.





## Dog Show Winners

### Pawsome Work!

In Week One of this term our Year Five students proudly displayed the fantastic papier mâché dog sculptures that they made throughout Semester One, in a special Dog Show in our undercover area.

The art project was inspired by the papier mâché dog sculptures that WA artist Sally Watts is renowned for.

All of our students were very excited to visit the Dog Show, voting for their favourite papier mâché dog, in return for a gold coin donation. A total of **\$263 was raised** which was donated to Shenton Dogs Home.

Congratulations to the following Year Five students whose dog sculptures received the highest number of votes from our students:

- **1st place:** Maximilian S with 'Weezer'
- **2nd place:** Joshua G with 'Rick'
- **Joint 3rd place:** Ruby P with 'Bow'
- **Joint 3rd place:** Stevie P with 'Lucky'

Well done to all students for their hard work and pawsome artwork creations!



**'Weezer' by Maximilian S. received the highest number of votes**



View more photos from the Dog Show at our [Facebook page](#)

## P&C Update

### School Disco

Currambine P&C are excited to present the end of year disco. The timings are as follows:

**4-5pm:** Junior (Kindy to Year One)

**5.15-6.30pm:** Middle (Year Two to Year Four)

**6.45-8pm:** Senior (Year Five & Year Six)

Ticket sales are online only and will be available for purchase up until the disco start time. **Book your tickets now at:** [www.trybooking.com/CLUWS](http://www.trybooking.com/CLUWS)

Volunteers are needed to help run the disco. If you can spare any time, **please volunteer at:** [www.signup.com/go/AgofaqS](http://www.signup.com/go/AgofaqS)

Sausage sizzle, lollies, sugar-free soft drinks, fairy floss and glow items will be available to purchase on the night with cash or EFTPOS.

A big thank you to Creagh Ferdinands from Harcourts who is sponsoring our disco.

CURRAMBINE PRIMARY P&C

DISCO

WITH DJ STEIL

NOV 3RD

JUNIOR : 4-5PM  
MIDDLE : 5.15-6.30PM  
SENIOR : 6.45-8PM

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### P&C Meeting Notes

Thank you to those who attended the P&C meeting on Monday 23rd October. Here are some highlights:

- The Referendum Day sausage sizzle raised \$800.
- The Canteen had 455 orders in Week 10 of Term Three.
- The slushy machine is up and running in time for the warmer weather.
- We have not reached our fundraising goal for the new playground just yet.
- The Uniform Shop has their pink bin out to collect old white uniform t-shirts.

### P&C Positions Available for 2024

All parents/carers and members of the local community are welcome to attend our monthly P&C Meetings and are invited to get involved with our P&C Committee.

It's a fantastic way to make new friends and to help fundraise to provide additional resources to support your children's education.

The following positions will be available within our P&C Committee in 2024:

- **Treasurer**
- **Fundraising Co-ordinator**

To find out more or register your interest, please email: [jessica.veness@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:jessica.veness@education.wa.edu.au)

Keep up to date with P&C events and activities at: [www.facebook.com/CurrambinePC](https://www.facebook.com/CurrambinePC)

## LADDs Update



**WE NEED  
YOU  
DAD!**






***Currambine LADD's - Putting Fathering First***  
 Its term 4 already, so why not get ready for the annual Camp out!!  
 Its organized and will take place on: -

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 2pm thru to Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Nov Noon**

The evening will again include Target Sports (SoccerPlay) games session inclusive of Dads/Kids team organized sports such as Soccer, Dodgeball, Footgolf, Tugs of War etc. on Saturday 3pm to 6pm and other TBC entertainment, movies, fire pit, sausage sizzle dinner and tasty breakfast. Bring a small tent and pitch within the school grounds to enjoy a quality night out with the kids.  
 Only \$10 in total per family group

Scan the QR code to book the family tickets







I hope everyone has had a chance to use the LADDs Community Telephone Box Library, if you haven't just pop in and have a look with your child, choose a book or 2 and take them home to read to your kids at bedtime, return them the following week and swap – Simple.

If you need support, why not check out the top shelf - Self help parenting books!!

*For up-to-date info with regard these events, LADDs News etc. and other Fathering Project events check out our Facebook page, search **LADD's Fathering CPS** Also find tips and ideas on how to be the best Dad you can be!*

### More Upcoming Events/Activities:

- Planning to finish off Term Four in December with a Dads' and Daughters' Hair session (TBC).
- Running a fundraising sausage sizzle at Joondalup Bunnings on Friday 29th December.
- Planning a Term One (in March 2024) North v South interschool Billy Cart Derby (TBC).

**Keep up to date with the LADDs at:**  
[www.facebook.com/groups/LADDSFatheringCPS](https://www.facebook.com/groups/LADDSFatheringCPS)



# Staff Spotlight



Performing Arts Specialist

## Jenaea Barrett

### My Favourites

**Food:** Mexican  
**Animal:** Giraffe  
**Book:** Harry Potter series  
**Song:** Fleetwood Mac songs  
**Movie:** The Notebook  
**Sport:** Dancing



### Hobbies

Performing in musical theatre  
(in my last show I was a  
tap-dancing piano player!).



### Fun fact about me

I can scuba dive and I have  
met Celine Dion.

### When I was a child I wanted to be...

A musical theatre performer on Broadway.



### What I love most about Currambine Primary



Seeing the kids' faces when they are engaged in The Arts, especially  
when they come off stage after performing - they are beaming!



# Community Notices

## Hello HIGH SCHOOL in 2024



ANNUAL EVENT  
2022 - SOLD OUT!

Claire Eaton presents an evening of practical information, strategies, tips and tools FOR PERTH PARENTS, helping tweens transition to high school with more Resilience, Optimism, and Confidence.

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023 6 - 7.30pm

Claire draws on 30+ years' experience as a former educator and deputy principal and since 2007, in her role as a speaker, author, and private practice youth coach in Perth, WA.

Memorial Hall - Scotch College  
76 Shenton Road, Swanbourne

Tickets \$45 per person  
[www.trybooking.com/CIAMX](http://www.trybooking.com/CIAMX)

Parents and care-givers will learn more about:

- ✓ Teen brain changes and developmental shifts impacting transition to high school
- ✓ Executive function skills essential for organisation, time management and productivity
- ✓ Emotion regulation strategies helpful in managing and reducing STRESS, ANXIETY and WORRY
- ✓ Empowered think-tools required to navigate failure, disappointment and success too!
- ✓ Mindset and mood boosting tips needed to make the most of high school and new opportunities
- ✓ Social confidence and finding healthy teen friendships in high school

### RAVE REVIEWS

"The experience, wisdom, practical insight and tips will help when the road gets a bit bumpy." Rachel Stenslunde, Dean of Boarding - St Hilda's

"Claire's presentation certainly gave us the tools to deal with the challenges that will inevitably come their way."

Nic Italiano, Head of Year 7 - Chisholm Catholic College

"Parents really appreciated having strategies to help their daughters make a successful transition to high school."

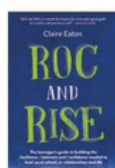
Clare Johansen, Dean of Community - St Mary's Anglican Girls' School



Claire Eaton

Author, Speaker, Youth Coach

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## Community Notices



### READY TO LEVEL UP YOUR FOOTY? JOIN OUR NEW AFL SUPERKICK PROGRAM

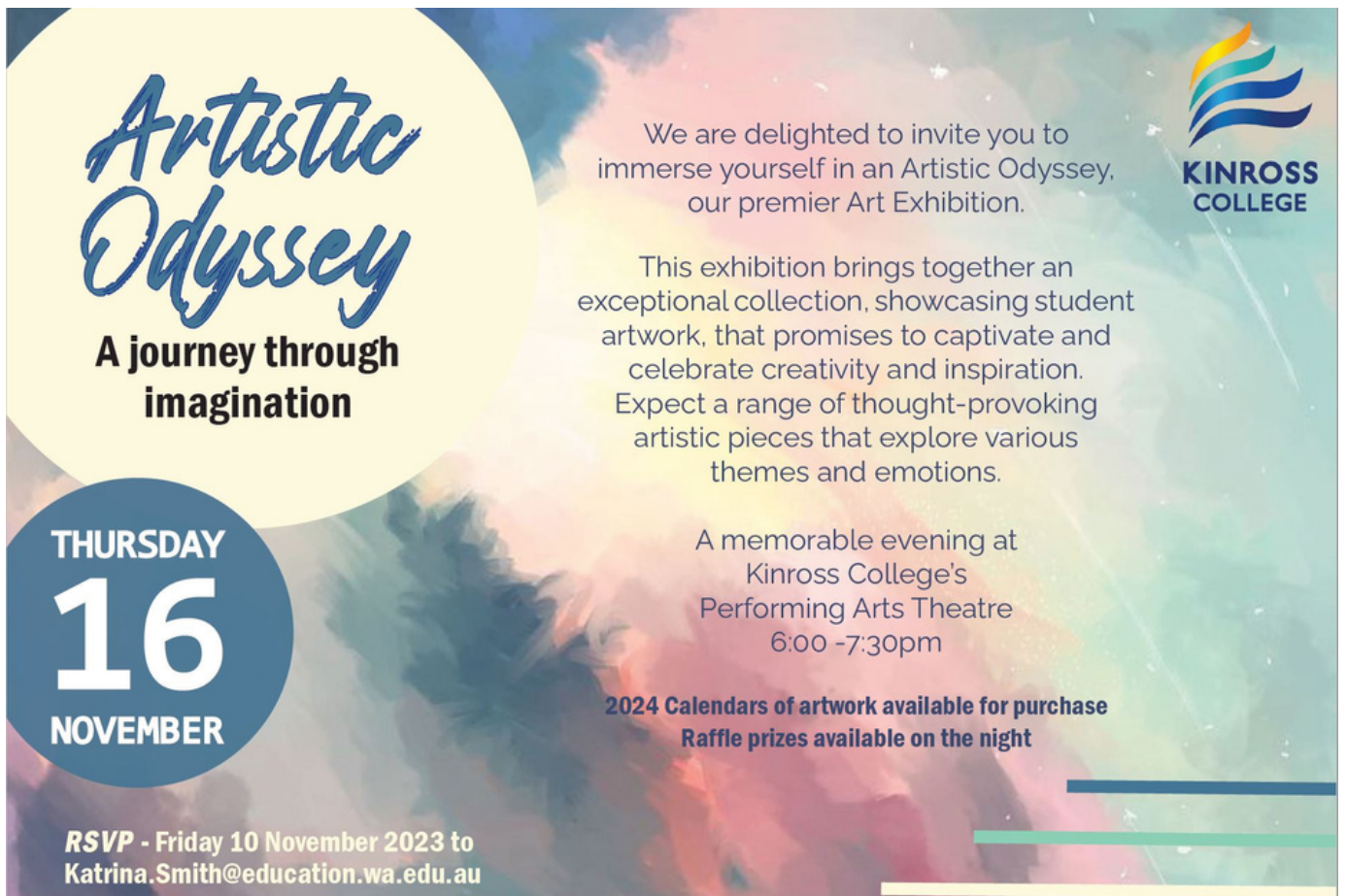
AFL Superkick is a modified version of AFL that focuses on skill development for anyone 7-9 wanting to get a feel for footy without the pressure.

Try out Superkick and level up your footy with training and games all in the one session!

Sessions run either at a local footy club or after school. With no additional training and limited (or no) travel, parents feel less pressure too.

Find out more at:

[www.wafootball.com.au/play-afl/afl-superkick](http://www.wafootball.com.au/play-afl/afl-superkick)



# Artistic Odyssey

A journey through imagination

THURSDAY  
**16**  
NOVEMBER

We are delighted to invite you to immerse yourself in an Artistic Odyssey, our premier Art Exhibition.

This exhibition brings together an exceptional collection, showcasing student artwork, that promises to captivate and celebrate creativity and inspiration. Expect a range of thought-provoking artistic pieces that explore various themes and emotions.

A memorable evening at Kinross College's Performing Arts Theatre  
6:00 -7:30pm

2024 Calendars of artwork available for purchase  
Raffle prizes available on the night

RSVP - Friday 10 November 2023 to  
[Katrina.Smith@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Katrina.Smith@education.wa.edu.au)

