

The Buzz

About Eastern Goldfields Education Support Centre



Principal's Message

It has been another busy few weeks at EGESC.

This year, we invited both our Year 11 and 12 students to attend school camp, giving our smaller Year 11 cohort the opportunity to enjoy the experience alongside their peers. The students had a fantastic time and should be commended for their excellent behaviour. A big thank you to Mr McNaughton, Miss Rachel, Miss Lappin and Miss O'Brien for giving up their time to attend and support our students.

As a result, we will take a break from overnight camp in 2027 and instead plan a full-day leadership event for our Year 12 students and school leaders across Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

Book Week was another great day, with fantastic costumes from students, staff and even some parents! The creativity and effort that went into the costumes made the day a lot of fun for everyone. Thank you to Mrs Wilson for organising such a fun event.

This week we have also celebrated Education Assistant Appreciation Week. Our EAs make an enormous contribution to our students and school every day, and it has been lovely to recognise and thank them.

Our staff have also continued their professional learning in the **Berry Street Education Model** professional learning last Friday, strengthening our consistent approach to student regulation, engagement, relationships and learning. Staff continuing to embed these approaches in classrooms, with a strong focus on creating consistent, predictable and supportive learning environments for all students.

Finally, our Annual Open School Council Meeting will be held at the school on Thursday 10 September at 5.30 pm. Everyone is welcome, and we will also be sharing a sneak peek of our new school uniform.

As always, thank you to our students, staff and families for the contribution you continue to make to our school community.

Mary-Ellen Pilason
PRINCIPAL

Important Dates

8

Sep

School Assembly

11:30am

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Sep

Year 7 Immunisations

Register at VaccinateWA

9

Sep

RUOK? Day

Wear Yellow- Shared lunch
1:30 to 2pm- Families welcome

10

Sep

Open School Council Meeting

5:30pm

18

Sep

Athletics Carnival

Combined with KBCHS

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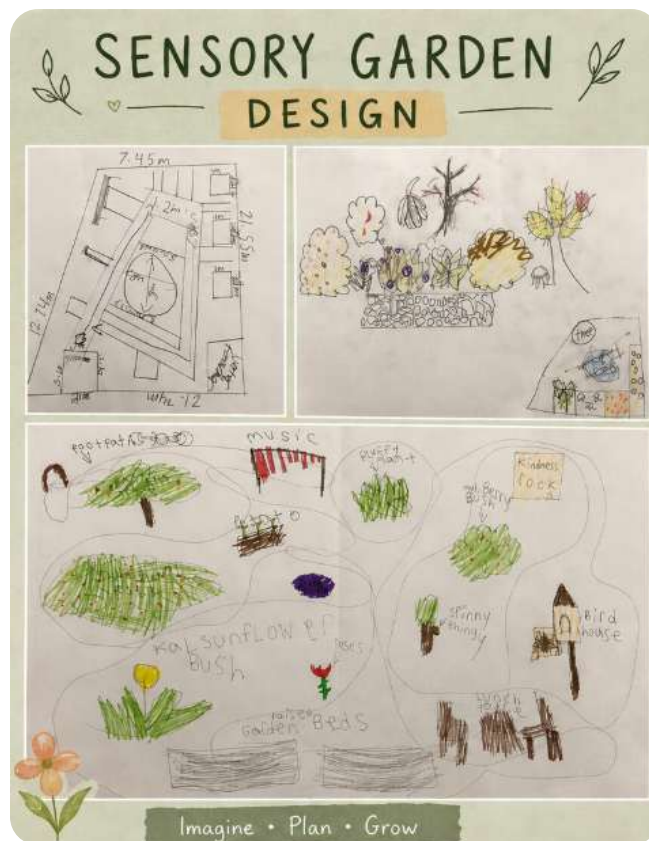
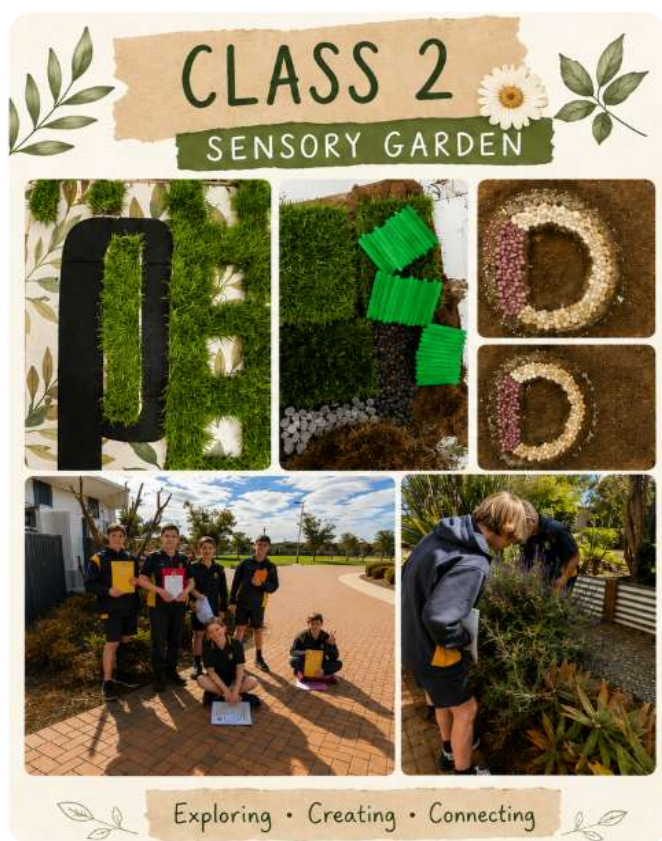
Class 2 Highlights



Designing Our Sensory Garden

This term, **Class 2** has been busy developing proposals for a new sensory garden. Students began by discussing the needs of potential users and investigating features that engage the five senses, while also considering accessibility and sustainability.

Students then created 2D bird's-eye-view plans showing garden beds, footpaths, seating areas and other features. They are now bringing their ideas to life by constructing 3D scale models, with a focus on selecting appropriate materials, textures and surfaces.



As part of our **Reconciliation Action Plan**, students have explored Western Australian native plants and considered how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples have used local plants for food, medicine, tools and cultural practices. Students investigated how native species can support biodiversity while creating meaningful sensory experiences through colour, texture, scent and sound.

To support their designs, we were fortunate to visit the William Grundt Memorial Library, where students explored the shapes, textures and scents of plants and other garden features. The visit provided valuable inspiration as students continue refining their designs and preparing their final sensory garden proposals.

Creativity, collaboration and thoughtful design have been at the heart of this exciting project, and we look forward to sharing the students' finished models and proposals with our school community.

Class 3 Highlights



This week, **Class 3** became Mineral Resource Detectives during a hands-on science session with the Australian Earth Science Education team. We had the exciting opportunity to grow our own crystals, making predictions, observing changes over time and watching as the crystals began to form. We learnt that when hot water cools quickly, smaller crystals are more likely to form, so we experimented with warm water to see if we could grow larger crystals.

To continue our investigation, we explored how rocks and minerals are important Earth resources and discovered some of the ways they are used in everyday life, including in familiar products such as glass, toothpaste, ceramics and make-up. We examined different mineral samples using hand lenses, microscopes and magnets to investigate their properties, including hardness, streak and magnetism.

It was a fantastic opportunity for our budding scientists to learn through investigation, teamwork and plenty of hands-on discovery!





R U OK? DAY

A CONVERSATION COULD CHANGE A LIFE.

SHARED LUNCH

Let's come together, share some food and check in with one another.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER

TIME: 1:30PM - 2:00PM

WHERE: OUR SCHOOL SHARED SPACE

GUEST VISITOR
Courtney
from **headspace**

Come along to meet Courtney and learn more about how Headspace can support young people.

Everyone is welcome.
BE KIND. ASK R U OK?

EASTERN GOLDFIELDS EDUCATION SUPPORT CENTRE
READY FOR LIFE



SIDE BY SIDE COFFEE MORNING

For Parents and Family Carers of Children (young or adult) with Developmental Disabilities and Complex Behaviour Support Needs

You are not alone. Come and connect with others who understand.

Parenting a child with developmental disability and complex behaviour support needs can feel isolating. Join us for a relaxed coffee morning where parents and carers can connect, share experiences and support one another in a safe, welcoming and non-judgmental environment.

What you will find:

- Connection with other parents and carers who get it
- Peer support from people with lived experience
- Opportunities to share information and learn from each other
- Encouragement when navigating services and systems
- A welcoming and safe space to talk, listen and connect

Dates	Tuesday's - 22 September, 27 October, 24 November
Time	9.30am - 11.30am
Venue	Dome 149 Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie
Host	Keren

RSVP or find out more

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Peer connection • Shared understanding • Stronger together

Information



JOBS & SKILLS CENTRE

You're invited

FREE APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINEESHIP INFORMATION SESSION

Wednesday 16 September
3:30pm to 6:00pm
T Block, CR TAFE Kalgoorlie
Corner of McDonald and Lane St

What's on offer:

- ✓ Meet local employers and discuss their current Apprenticeship on offer
- ✓ Talk with industry about their Apprenticeship intake Programs (to start in the New Year)
- ✓ Discuss Apprenticeship and Traineeship opportunities
- ✓ Learn more about how an Apprenticeship and Traineeship works. Meet the Apprenticeship Co-ordinator
- ✓ Understand the benefits of being an Apprentice or Trainee
- ✓ Meet TAFE Lecturers and discuss the benefits of training
- ✓ See the TAFE campus and visit the workshops and classrooms to see where the learning happens!

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Parenting Your Child with ADHD

A Free 3-Session Parent Training Course led by ADHD Parent Coach Susan Hughes.

An evidence based & interactive training course designed & developed for parents & carers raising school aged children with ADHD.

Do you need help to...

- Stop the fighting in the mornings?
- Stop the feelings of guilt you have for losing your temper?
- Know what will work to support your ADHD child?
- Know the difference between negative behaviour and ADHD?
- Take back control of your emotions?
- Be able to advocate with confidence in school?

FIRST SESSION HELD IN PERSON, THEN ONLINE
S1: Sat 5 Sep | 9.30am - 2.30pm
Sandalwood Family Centre 9 Connolly Street, South Kalgoorlie
S2 & S3: Sat 12 & 19 | 9.30am - 12.30pm | Online Zoom Link
Book online: <https://bit.ly/4xQBxw1>
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\$150 For each Kindergarten and primary school student	\$250 For each secondary school student
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Claim on the

Department of Education

FREE PARENT SEMINAR - TEENS READY TO THRIVE - Empowering Today's Teenagers

FIND OUT ANSWERS FOR:

- 1 How do I support my teen to be responsible?
- 2 How do I support my teen to be competent?
- 3 How do I support my teen to connect with others?

WHEN & WHERE

Monday, 14th Sep 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 21st Sep 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Monday, 19th Oct 2026 9:30 am - 11:30 am
Goldfields Education Regional Office
Or online via Teams

HOW TO REGISTER

Scan the QR Code or email alisha.davis@education.wa.edu.au

*No child-minding will be available, and it is recommended that children not be brought to seminars.



Attendance

Integrity – Being Reliable

Being reliable is an important part of **INTEGRITY**. Students who attend school regularly show that they can be counted on to participate, learn and contribute.

Regular attendance helps students build confidence, independence and positive routines. It also helps them keep up with their learning, reduces the stress of catching up, and supports them to work towards their goals.

Every day at school is another step forward.

Important School Dates

Last Day Term 3 – Friday 25 September

First Day Term 4 – Monday 12 October

Last Day Year 12 Students – Friday 23 October

Last day WPL – Thursday 12 November

Last Day Year 11 Students – Friday 13 November

Awards Night and Graduation – Friday 13 November

Last Day Year 9-10 Students – Thursday 17 December

Students First Day 2027- Monday 1 February

School Council Update

Our School Council has had a fantastic year so far, with some exciting opportunities on the horizon!

A huge thank you to our School Council Chair, who successfully applied for a **Northern Star Grant valued at \$5,000**. We are thrilled to announce that the application has recently been approved! The School Council will now continue brainstorming ideas and gathering suggestions about how these funds can best benefit **all our students** throughout this financial year.

Annual Public School Council Meeting will be held on: **Thursday, 10 September at 5:30pm**

We warmly invite all families to come along, learn more about what School Council does, share your ideas and have your say about opportunities that could benefit our school community.

We would love to see you there! Your ideas, input and involvement help us continue making our school an even better place for all students.