

GASSY GOSSIP

AUGUST 2020



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SAY G'DAY TO

Experience the Gascoyne's amazing night sky through a range of telescopes

Take a grand tour of the most stunning objects in the Southern Hemisphere including nebulae, dying stars, enormous star clusters and the planets.

ABORIGINAL STAR STORIES BY YINGGARRA MAN AND LOCAL ARTIST, RAYMOND EDNEY



Hear how Aboriginal people in the region historically used the stars for navigation, to uphold morals and laws, and to indicate changes in the seasons.

Family friendly FREE EVENT

Saturday, 19 September 2020
Hosted at the Gascoyne Junction Tourist Park
4 Vinesh Way, Gascoyne Junction from 5pm

This is a free event, however there is no free camping and limited food and supplies are available.

The Gascoyne Food Council will be holding a bush barbecue and accommodation can be secured at the tourist park. Bookings and tickets can be purchased at www.gascoyne.org.au
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Christine Polakiewicz from Gascoyne Junction

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BLAST FROM THE PAST

Explores the archives on past news and events.



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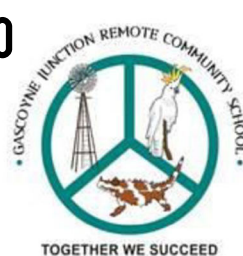
Interested in joining the Gascoyne Junction Craft Group? Check out the details here.



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GJSCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Learn what the local school children have been up to.



COOKS CORNER

Recipes chosen just for you at home



BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to you all.



GASSIFIEDS

Advertisements, new arrivals, birthdays and more.



GLENBURGH STATION STAY

.Natural Bushland Camping sites on the banks of the



Camp on green shady sites or camp in our comfortable accommodation.



GAZING THE GASCOYNE

Stargazing Experience



SMOKO TIME

Take a break and enjoy the puzzles and word games.



KIDS CORNER

Puzzles and Games to keep the kids entertained.

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Here you will find all the important dates to jot down in your diary.

Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Wednesday 12th February
Wednesday 25th March
Wednesday 29th April
Wednesday 27th May
Wednesday 24th June
Wednesday 29th July
Wednesday 26th August
Wednesday 30th September
Wednesday 28th October
Wednesday 25th November
Thursday 17th December

Council meetings commence at 8:30am in the Shire Council Chambers located at 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction.

All ratepayers and residents are welcome to attend the council meetings and participate in the Public Question Time session which is held at the beginning of each Council Meeting.



COUNCIL NEWS

CEO Update

The month of August has been one of ending the previous financial year and finalising the budget for the new financial year. The 202/21 budget has been challenging with at least five of six draft budgets due to a very complicated process in regards to flood damage repairs and other grants. A big shout out goes to my entire staff as they have all been involved in one way or another.

On a personal note I went to Perth to have a further scans and treatment. The scans all can back with no evidence of disease and a complete metabolic response. My oncologist has now taken me of all treatment and I will have regular scans to see determine if this disease has returned. I am not sure of the frequency of these scans but would imagine at least once every three to four months. I will be away for a couple of days at the end of the month as I need to finish off my current treatment program.

I attended various meetings over the month, these included:

- 1.GDC Meeting with Minister McTiernan- Announcement of State Government COVID 19 Stimulus Package
- 2.Police District Superintendent, Roger Beer- Mid West Gascoyne District.
- 3.Andrew Reid – Hastings Technologies

I would like to welcome Sean Walker to our Shire, I am sure that with his knowledge, work ethos and experience in our area that he will be a valuable addition to our workforce. We now have one vacancy to fill and we will go to the market once budget has been adopted.

The Premier announced as part of the States COVID-19 Recovery Plan a series of initiatives for the Gascoyne Region. The Shire of Upper Gascoyne, through Horizon Power, are getting a Battery designed to smoothen the load for Solar Power and enable further solar power to be installed. I was disappointed that we did not receive any funding for alternative water initiatives or for our National Parks.

On a Local Government sector front there has been a review undertaken on a proposed new Local Government Act. This report came back with 65 recommendations, WALGA have made an initial assessment of such. The SUG have also made an assessment and has provided a written response on all recommendation to both WALGA and our WALGA Zone. In my view the review was probably an opportunity missed with many recommendations that are not practicable especially regarding rural and remote Local Governments.

Grants

No new grants have been submitted at this point in time.

Submitted	Close Date	Project	Grant	Provider	Grant	Project Cost	Result

This month has been consumed by work on the 2020/21 Budget. The Management team have been busy with budget reviews and lengthy discussions around work plans, programs and projects! Mapping out the next 12 months has been a sobering experience as it quickly brought to our attention just how busy we will be with the delivery of some very big projects on the horizon.

The influx of visitors to our area continues to grow which has been great to see, our new Customer Service Officer Billie has been quick to adapt to busy life in the CRC during this time. We continue to receive great feedback from customers about the condition of our roads and how beautiful our part of the country is – we hope that the positive experiences of tourists to our area will encourage others to come and see what the fuss is all about.

Staff are ready to hit the ground running in anticipation of the 20/21 budget and are eager to get the ball rolling on recruiting a new team member to the Shire who will assist with the general operations of the CRC and most importantly, focus on further community development and lifting our tourism profile. We all look forward to some exciting times ahead in 2020/21!

Maintenance Graders:

While there was some moisture in the roads we engaged another contractor for five days to perform maintenance grading. Unfortunately Thomas has needed to take leave so Ray Hoseason-Smith jumped in the grader to continue on the C'von Mullewa road towards the boundary. Ian has started grading Ullawarra road and tidied up the Mooka and Mardathuna roads.

The amount of traffic has been phenomenal taking its toll on the roads. Our priority roads have required additional grades already.

Construction Crew:

We have completed our first Black Spot project on the cobra hill. The blasting and lowering was successful and the new alignment has removed the corner away from the hill. We were able to redirect drainage through one floodway which we cement stabilised and bunded. In between the crew mobilising to the Burringurrah hill, we will carry out some grading and rolling of rough sections of road between Cobra and Mt Augustus.

Equipment:

As mention, we have been busy preparing our budget and securing appropriate plant. At this stage we have placed orders on replacing two works utes, a new widening drop deck and purchased a second hand Mack CH470 prime mover. The prime mover will be sent to Ausquip in Bunbury to have the chassis extended and a tipper body fabricated and fitted. We engaged an independent diesel fitter to inspect the Mack who found it to be in top condition with very minor defects to be repaired.

General:

I would like to welcome Sean Walker to the team as Town Maintenance Supervisor. Sean started on the 10th August and has already made good headway into addressing our backlog of housing defects.

He will assist in project management, emergency management and OHS on top of housing and town infrastructure maintenance. One of our focuses is to improve our town's overall appearance and community amenities.

We have been putting the finishing touches on delivering a positive budget with good outcomes for the whole community. As we stand it is looking like we are going to have a pretty big year in construction, capital purchases, community development and projects.

The rain has been a blessing for the roads and pastoralists. The town crew have been busy spraying, slashing and weeding.

The Junction Races are getting closer and the committee has started preparations. Once again the shire will offer to grade the track and gymkhana grounds. According to sources the event has sold out in the matter of



COUNCIL UPDATE....



FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT REPORT

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN863 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – August 2020 (PACKAGE 2)

Contractor	QEM Group	Package Start Date:	16/04/2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Sep 2020
Works this period (Aug 2020)		Works next period (Sept 2020)	
<p>Mount Augustus Woodlands Rd Completed all remaining works on this road. The works comprised reinstatement of unsealed floodways</p> <p>Waldburg Rd Completed all remaining works on this road. The works comprised removal of silt, reinstatement of unsealed floodways, reinstatement of surface drainage, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p> <p>Landor Mt Augustus Rd Completed the majority of works on this road. The works comprised removal of silt, reinstatement of unsealed floodways, reinstatement of surface drainage, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p> <p>Landor Mt Clere Rd Progressed the majority of works on this road. The works comprised removal of silt, reinstatement of unsealed floodways, reinstatement of surface drainage, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p>		<p>Landor Mt Clere Rd Complete the remaining works on this road.</p> <p>Landor Mt Augustus Rd Completed the remaining works on this road which comprise medium and heavy reshaping.</p> <p>Landor Meekatharra Rd Commence and complete all works on this road. Works are estimated to take approx. 5 days and will comprise removal of silt, reinstatement of unsealed floodways, reinstatement of surface drainage, reforming and resheeting of pavement and medium grade.</p> <p>Dalgety Downs Landor Rd Commence and complete all works on this road. Works are expected to take approx. 3 days and will comprise removal of silt, reinstatement and cement stabilisation of unsealed floodways, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p> <p>Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd Commence and complete all works on this road. Works are expected to take approx. 14 days and will comprise removal of silt, reinstatement and cement stabilisation of unsealed floodways, reinstatement of surface drainage, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p>	
Status of Roads			
	This Month	Last Period	
Overall Package	79%	62%	
Bingegaroo Rd	100%	100%	
Cobra Dairy Creek Rd	100%	100%	
Cobra Gifford Creek Rd	100%	100%	
Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd	0%	0%	
Dalgety Downs Landor Rd	0%	0%	
Dooley Downs Rd	100%	100%	

Landor Meekatharra Rd	0%	0%
Landor Mt Augustus Rd	95%	5%
Landor Mt Clere Rd	30%	0%
Mooloo Downs Access Rd	100%	100%
Mount Augustus Woodlands Rd	100%	83%
Pingandy Rd	100%	100%
Waldburg Rd	100%	35%
Wanna Rd	100%	100%

Discussion Items	
Water	Refer attached summary of water sources for details.
Materials (gravel / spoil)	Refer attached summary of material sources for details
Camp	<p>The camp has been relocated to Landor station "Roo shooters camp". The camp comprises of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodation for 22 staff, • Kitchen and separate mess station, • Male and Female ablutions, • Contractor site office, • Laydown area, • Workshop and container storage, • All catering / cleaning etc is being undertaken by a dedicated camp attendant. <p>This camp will remain in this location for the remainder of this contract and for the start of the next contract.</p>

Landor Mt Clere Rd



Dalgety Downs Landor Rd



SAY G'DAY TO...

Full name: Christine Anne Polakiewicz

Nickname: Christmas

Place of birth: Subiaco

Favourite food? Roast Lamb

Favourite animal? Echidna

Footy team: Dockers

Where did you grow up? Perth

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne? Work

How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne? 10 Years

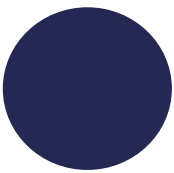
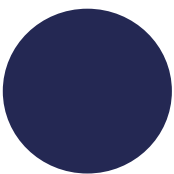
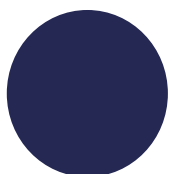
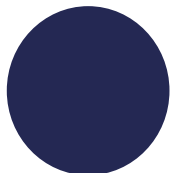
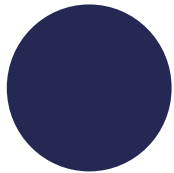
What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne? The Serenity, open bush, night skies and weather

What services or events would you like to see in the Upper Gascoyne? Skate park, health services and a grand ball under the stars



BLAST FROM THE PAST

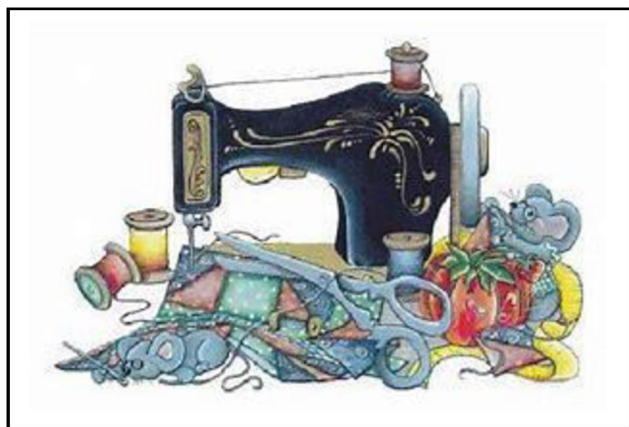
THIS SEGMENT OF THE GOSSIP EXPLORES PAST ARTICLES ON NEWS AND EVENTS. THIS ARTICLE WAS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE CARNARVON COMMUNITY NEWS IN AUGUST 20 2004



New School for Gascoyne Junction

Gascoyne Junction will once again have its own school next year after closure of the previous school almost 10 years ago, Education and Training Minister Alan Carpenter announced today.

Speaking in Parliament, Mr Carpenter said the school would reopen in time for the start of the 2005 school year with its own principal and teacher. The \$450,000 facilities would include two classrooms, an administration block, a library area and a toilet block. "The Gallop Government is committed to providing schools where schools are needed," the Minister said. "The old school building, which has since been the site for the Gascoyne Junction Education Centre, is beyond repair and will be demolished to make way for the \$450,000 facilities. "It is an exciting time for the Gascoyne Junction community, who have been united and very passionate about the growing need for a school in the town to meet the educational needs of their children from Kindergarten to Year 10." Mr Carpenter said the provision of better education infrastructure was part of the State Government's strategy to increase school retention rates in the State by improving the delivery of education in remote communities. The Minister said the original Gascoyne Junction school was closed in December, 1994 by the previous government. "Gascoyne Junction now has 16 school-aged children of indigenous and non-indigenous backgrounds in the community and improved school facilities are essential," he said. "The number of students is expected to rise further due to increased housing construction already under way in the area. "Moreover, some families have not taken up the available Aboriginal housing due to the lack of a school and we believe some Aboriginal families will return to the area when the school reopens." Mr Carpenter said the current education program being accessed through distance education, while appreciated by the community, did not meet their expectations for the education of their children. "Students of primary age are currently educated at the Gascoyne Junction Education Centre by accessing programs from the Carnarvon School of the Air and the secondary students through the School of Isolated and Distance Education," he said. "Staff from the School of the Air have regular radio contact and visit Gascoyne Junction twice a term to assist students with their studies. "However, they do not stay overnight because of lack of accommodation. "An education assistant, who is the local policeman's wife, works with the students on a daily basis. "While this has provided some educational continuity for the students and their families, there is no long-term guarantee of a competent education assistant being available in the future. "The current situation clearly does not provide the best possible education program for the number of students at Gascoyne Junction." The Minister said the Shire of Gascoyne Junction and the Department of Education and Training would provide housing accommodation for the principal and teacher.



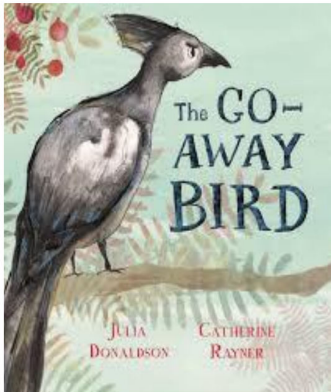
GASCOYNE JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP CALENDAR 2020

8 th and 9 th Feb	Untutored workshop -Outback wives projects (Fabric basket, table runner, cushions)
7 th and 8 th March	Jelly Roll rugs
4 th – 5 th April	Dongara Autumn Craft Round Up Road Trip
10 th Apr – 27 th Apr	School Holidays and Easter
23 rd and 24 th May	Basket weaving (TBC)
20 th and 21 st June	Untutored Workshop
4 th July – 19 th July	School Holidays
25 th and 26 th July	Copper Foiling- Stain glass suncatchers (TBC)
29 th and 30 th August	Powertex projects with Tina & Alys (TBC)
26 th Sept – 11 th Oct	School Holidays
31 st Oct & 1 st Nov	Mosaic Workshop (TBC)
28 th and 29 th Nov	Christmas Craft Workshop (TBC)

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BOOKS OF THE MONTH

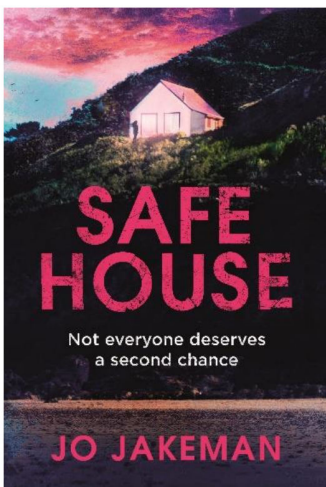
The GO-AWAY BIRD



One by one, the other birds fly into her tree, wanting to talk or to play, but the Go-Away bird just shakes her head and sends them all away. But then the dangerous Get-You bird comes along, and she soon realizes that she might need some friends after all . . .

SAFE HOUSE

The gripping new psychological thriller from Jo Jakeman, the author of highly acclaimed STICKS AND STONES. Charlie has left prison and wants to start a new life. But when she moves to a small village in Cornwall, everyone wants to know her story . . .



The morning after a terrible storm, a woman turns up in a remote Cornish village. She calls herself Charlie, but it's a name she's only had for a few days. She keeps to herself, reluctant to integrate with the locals. Because Charlie has a secret.

Charlie was in prison for providing a false alibi for a murderer. But Lee Fisher wasn't a murderer to her; he was the man she loved. Convinced of his innocence, Charlie said she was with him the night a young woman was killed. This sacrifice cost her everything.

And now she has a chance to start again. But someone is watching her, waiting for her, wondering if she's really paid the price for what she did. The gripping new psychological thriller from Jo Jakeman, the author of highly acclaimed STICKS AND STONES. Charlie has left prison and wants to start a new life. But when she moves to a small village in Cornwall, everyone wants to know her story . . .

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MEDIA RELEASE

REX INCREASES FLIGHTS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Following an announcement on June 30 2020, when Regional Express (Rex) declared that it had almost doubled the number of flights in Western Australia (WA) with effect from July 6, 2020, Rex is pleased to today announce that it is once again increasing its flight schedule in WA with effect from August 31, 2020.

Rex will increase the number of weekly return services between Perth and Carnarvon from five to eight, and between Perth and Monkey Mia (Shark Bay) from three to four. The eight weekly return services which are currently operating from Perth to Albany and Esperance will jump to 14 return services to Albany and 13 return services to Esperance. The new schedule is provided in the Annex.

The onset of the COVID-19 pandemic decimated Rex's passenger numbers, which initially dropped by more than 95%, forcing Rex to drastically reduce the frequency of flights and implement a minimum essential service to support continued essential travel. In partnership with the WA State Government and the Commonwealth Government Regional Airline Network Support (RANS) program, Rex operated four weekly services between Perth and Albany, four weekly return services between Perth and Esperance and three weekly return services between Perth and Carnarvon / Monkey Mia (Shark Bay). This minimum essential service was operated by Rex during April, May and June prior to almost doubling capacity from July 6, 2020.

Rex General Manager Network Strategy & Sales, Warrick Lodge said, "In partnership with the WA State and Commonwealth Governments, Rex is pleased to be increasing the number of flights in WA because we understand the importance of these flight increases to the socio-economic wellbeing of regional WA during these times of uncertainty. Although passenger numbers remain significantly lower than before the pandemic, it has been positive to see passenger numbers growing quite strongly, and we hope that the increased frequency of flights and improved schedule convenience will aid in assisting the economic recovery".

"To further support WA's regional communities, Rex has not only continued to provide the Rex Community Fare at pre-COVID prices, but from July 6 2020, Rex also relaxed the fare conditions so that all remaining unsold seats are available for purchase at the promotional Community Fare level within the seven days prior to departure. This has increased from the 24-hour window before departure which applied before COVID-19."

WA Premier, Mark McGowan, said, "It's initiatives like these that help in the recovery of the aviation sector and play an important role in getting local businesses and the tourism sector back on track."

Transport Minister, Rita Saffioti, said, "The new increases to regional air services are great news for locals who will now have increased choice of flying to and from Perth."

"The increased availability of community airfares has proved popular with more than 1870 fares sold in July compared to 914 fares sold in June."



The Community Fare (Rex Promo) is priced at \$139 for Albany, \$138 for Esperance, \$158 for Monkey Mia and \$199 for Carnarvon and it is available for each way travel.

Regional Express (Rex) is Australia's largest independent regional airline operating a fleet of 60 Saab 340 aircraft (pre-COVID) on some 1,500 weekly flights to 60 destinations throughout all states in Australia. In addition to the regional airline Rex, the Rex Group comprises wholly owned subsidiaries Pel-Air Aviation (air freight, aeromedical and charter operator) and the two pilot academies Australian Airline Pilot Academy in Wagga Wagga and Ballarat.

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ANNEX WESTERN AUSTRALIA SCHEDULES FROM 31 AUGUST 2020

Port	Route	Time	M	T	W	T	F	Sa	Su
ALBANY	Perth-Albany	0840-0950	•	•	•	•	•		•
		1550-1700	•			•	•		
		1910-2020	•	•	•	•	•		•
	Albany-Perth	0630-0740	•	•	•	•	•		
		0800-0910						•	
		1105-1215	•	•	•	•	•		
		1725-1835	•			•	•		
ESPERANCE	Perth-Esperance	0815-0950	•	•	•		•		
		1405-1540	•			•	•		
		1830-2005	•	•	•	•	•		•
	Esperance-Perth	0630-0805	•	•	•	•	•		
		0800-0940						•	
		1015-1155	•	•	•		•		
		1605-1740	•			•	•		
CARNARVON	Perth-Carnarvon	0715-0930	•	•		•	•		
		1335-1630	•	•		•	•		
	Carnarvon-Perth	1005-1215	•	•		•	•		
		1705-1915	•	•		•	•		
MONKEY MIA (SHARK BAY)	Perth-Monkey Mia	1335-1525	•	•		•	•		
	Monkey Mia-Perth	1600-1915	•	•		•	•		



WE CARE ABOUT YOUR HEALTH

and we
need your
help...

We are campaigning to receive better health services for the people of our community.

To help us do that, we invite you to share with us your personal experiences with receiving health care and services in Gascoyne Junction.

Please send your stories to
crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au or contact us on
08 9943 0988 for more information.

(stories can be submitted anonymously)

Midwest Mental Health Community Alcohol and other Drugs



**Meet our Friendly Carnarvon CADS Team
Midwest Mental Health and Community Alcohol Drug Service
(Outreach to Gascoyne Junction, Shark Bay, Burringurrah)**

We are a friendly, non-judgemental, confidential and free service. We support people through issues related to their drug and alcohol use to make changes including supporting significant others. So, come in for a yarn or give us a call...

We offer:

- Psycho-social Counselling and Support
- Help getting into Detox and Rehab
- Alcohol and Other Drug Community Prevention
- Community Pharmacotherapy Program

**We are located on the corner of Cleaver & Francis Streets in the Carnarvon Community Dual Purpose Building (Cleaver St Entrance).
Carnarvon Health Campus**

99410545

Open Monday – Friday 8am-4pm.

Phone counselling available/

Outreach dates available by calling the main office line.



Newsletter

28/08/2020

Principals post

Dear Parents and Carers.

We have a tree that stands near the entry of our school. It is a beauty!

Unfortunately, someone decided to engrave letters into the tree which is very disappointing.

At the moment students are researching some tips on how we can encourage the tree to return to full health. If you know of any way in which we can improve the tree please pass the message to your child.

Reminding every child that the action of carving initials into a tree that does not belong to them is vandalism and as such is an offence. Our school, and all within the boundaries is shared property and demands the utmost care and respect from all who attend. In this way everyone can continue to enjoy the facilities our school in the bush has to offer long after current students and staff depart.

Resilience is.....? Students have been working on what it means to be resilient. An acrostic poem has been the context for which children have been able to explore the word and come up with actions they can do to help them become more resilient. You will see some of these poems elsewhere in this newsletter.

With the change and uncertainty that has come to us in 2020, it is important to encourage and develop resilient behaviours through childhood and into adult hood.

Our Regional Executive Director Ms Lisa Criddle was welcomed at the school a few weeks ago. Lisa took time out to speak with students who then showed her around our school.

Until next time,
Chris Polakiewicz

School Council

The school is calling for nominations for anyone interested in formally representing the school community by joining the school council. Please find form attached to this newsletter.

What's Going On?

On the 13th August Dustin Walker had the opportunity to compete in the Primary Champion Schools Cross Country event in Perth. The event was held at UWA Sports Park.



The course was 2500m long around the sports park consisting of up and down hill runs. 267 children from various schools entered in the year 5 boys race and Dustin placed 139th.

CONGRATULATIONS DUSTIN!!!

GARAGE CLEAR OUT SALE

Sundry items available.

Desks, chairs, shelving
First in best dressed!

Call the school
99430515

On Wednesday 26th August the Stephen Michael Foundation visited the Gascoyne Junction School to deliver a 'Come and Try' football session to the kids. All students were able to join this session which was absolutely fantastic. Tessa and Rebecca will be visiting again next term for some action filled footy!!43



**Get Excited
and pencil in
October 31st
for Pink
Stumps Day!**

ROOM 1 NEWS

Students in Room 1 have been very busy gardening and learning about Australian animals. They are learning that plants and animals are living things and need air, water and food to live. Students have learnt that all Australian animals with pouches are called marsupials and all marsupial babies are called joeys.

Children are enjoying the Resilience and Well-Being programme. B.B. Bear (Bounce Back Bear) is an integral part of our programme. He is helping the children learn about resilience and well-being. B.B. Bear has a backpack where he keeps fairy dust to sprinkle on the children to keep them happy.

B. B. Bear has provided students with a box of sensory tools that they can choose from, to help them to self-regulate when they are feeling anxious, sad, frustrated or when they are just not right in themselves.

In Literacy, students have a post-box that they are using to receive and write letters. Students are also learning to write factual reports, integrating our Australian Animals topic and Talk for Writing with writing reports and letters. In Talk for Writing, children are currently listening to and viewing Possum Magic by Mem Fox.

Students have been involved in completing diagnostic tasks for our Back-to-Front-Math Programme. The diagnostic tasks provide me with important information on each students' current knowledge of math concepts. This knowledge guides my planning for learning tasks levelled at each students' ability level.

I am currently in the process of planning for a Fun Day to be held in Week 9: Thursday, September 17th. I am hoping to invite station children from Kindy to Year Two to participate in our Fun Day. I will provide an update in the next newsletter.



Room 2 News

Term 3 Week 6



26th August 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

WA public schools are still under COVID-19 Phase 4 operating guidelines. Staff and students are still committed to distancing and prescribed hygiene habits at every break and on entry to the room.

Before School

Students are expected to:

- Lock bikes / scooters in the bikes rack.
- Put away lunches in the Lunch Room.
- Unstack and distribute 2 chairs for their workspace.
- Prepare their desk with work files, reading boxes and sharpen their pencils.
- Some students are arriving at school hungry and eat a large portion of their recess and lunch before school leaving little for the remainder of the day. Please discuss this with your child/children.

Fitness and Sport

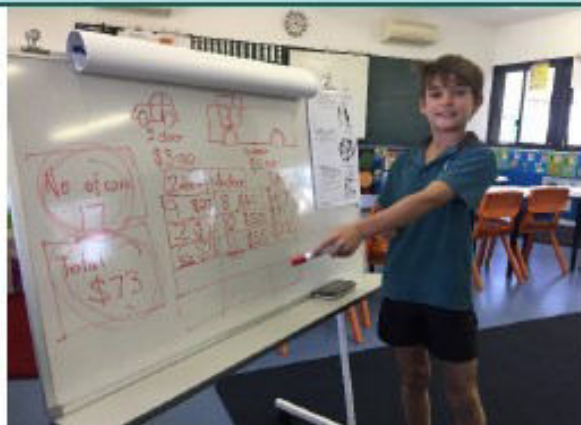
Morning fitness will focus on preparation for the Athletics carnival in week 9. Students will hone their team game skills in leaderball and passball as well as practice the individual skills of long jump, triple jump and distance throw. We are maintaining weekly record of performances and already there have been impressive results.

Although we plan to compete in the 2020 Interschool Carnival, COVID-19 Phase 4 camp guidelines make planning a camp to Carnarvon beyond our scope. A detailed letter regarding this matter will be sent to you shortly.

Mathematics

Focusses for this term are:

- Learning to use specific enabling prompts to help students work independently when problem solving. So far we have used *guess and check*, *make a chart and draw a diagram*.
- Division and the links to arrays and fractions. Add and subtract fractions with related denominators.
- Chance and data including the language of probability and organising data in different ways.
- Create and interpret simple grid maps with conventions
- Read and interpret compass directions Straight line geometry, rotations and angles.



Make a chart



Estimate to make sure calculations are reasonable



Fractional parts of 100



Fractional parts of 1 000

English

Through the *Talk for Writing* process, students will examine the text features of narratives, report writing and poetry. The emphasis will include writing summaries using key words and phrases and the use of figurative language such as similes, metaphors, personification, alliteration etc.



"The Creek" – Sequencing and preparing the story board



Retelling the story

Science

As part of setting up the school garden in the shade house, students will investigate the strand of *Life and Living* with respect to the garden. Let's hope our investigations help us develop green thumbs and a blossoming oasis.

HASS

Students will have the opportunity to develop their historical understanding by examining significant milestones in world exploration, particularly maritime exploration over the last 500 years.

In weeks 7,8 and 9, students will carry out a research on an item of trade such as spices, silk, fur and salt. They will present their work to the class as an oral report supported.



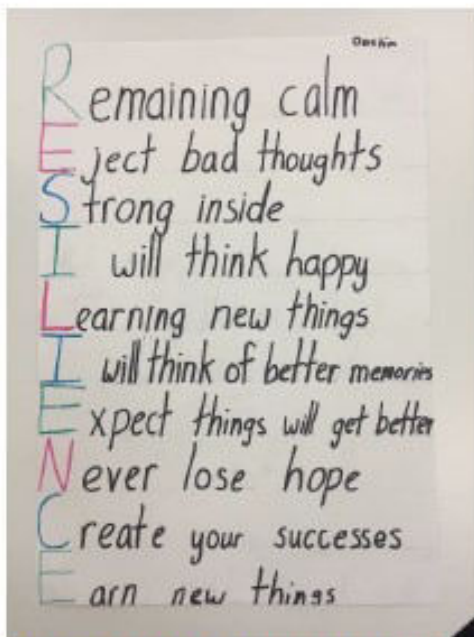
Matthew Flinders in the Tom Thumb



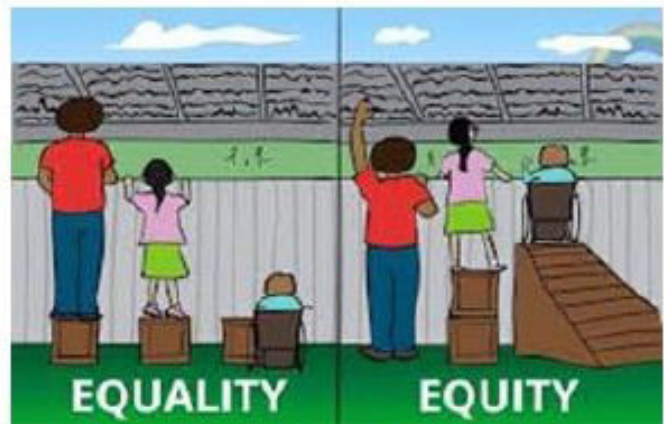
Place mat co-operative brain storm

Health - Behaviour and Resilience

The *Bounce Back Program* is designed to promote resilience in students. It will form the basis of our health studies this term.



Resilience and optimism go hand in hand



Remember, we strive for equity.

Have a great week.

Peter Polakiewicz

Resilient kids

It's important for your child to learn the personal and social skills that will help them to become more resilient and cope with problems and difficult situations that may come their way.



Let your child make mistakes

By having to overcome normal challengers for their age and understanding that no-one is perfect, your child will learn how to bounce back and be more resourceful.

By over-protecting your child and doing things for them, you deny your child important opportunities for developing resilience.

Don't fight your child's battles

Sorting out conflicts with friends and peers are important skills for healthy social relationships.



Encourage your child to talk about things that are bothering them

Learning to seek help when a problem can't be solved is an important lifelong skill.

Let your child know that unhappy or difficult times are a normal part of life and usually don't last for long.

Encourage your child to re-phrase unhelpful thinking

Teach your child to turn words such as – I'm stupid or she hates me into more helpful and optimistic thinking- I made a mistake, everyone makes mistakes or She doesn't hate me she just feels like playing with someone else today.

Taking responsibility

Encourage your child to take responsibility for the things they have or haven't done that may have contributed to an unhappy situation or setback.

Help your child to understand the role that 'bad luck' and the role that others may have played when they are faced with an unhappy situation or setback.

Be a positive role model for your child

- Talk your problems through with others and look for different solutions.
- Use optimistic thinking and say things out loud, such as- Things will get better soon.
- Talk about how you may have managed strong emotions in a calm way.
- Talk about your goals and how you hope to achieve them.
- Show appreciation to others for their friendship.



YOUTH FOOTBALL

CARNIVAL

PREMIER OVAL, CARNARVON

TUESDAY 29 AND WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

Day 1: 3pm – 6pm Day 2: 9am – 12pm

Who: Boys and girls aged 10-18 years

What: AFL Talent ID and Selection Match plus skills and matches

FREE EVENT
Meals and snacks
provided

Come celebrate Youth Football with us! Test your skills and play modified matches with players from around the North West Region!

Players participating in this event will have the opportunity to be nominated to train and play in the Metro Male and Female Talent Development Squads.

For more information please contact Bec Hunter on 0401 936 717 or rebecca@smfoundation.org.au





NORTH WEST YOUTH FOOTBALL CARNIVAL – CARNARVON, WA Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th September 2020

The Stephen Michael Foundation is hosting a North West Youth Football Carnival in Carnarvon on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th September. The Carnival is for both male and female players aged 10-18 years.

Teams will be formed in the lead up to the event (either 9-a-side or 12-a-side) based on registrations. Whether you are interested in registering a team or are bringing individual players – all are welcome. Please liaise with the Carnival Coordinator and we will allocate them to a team.

Local stakeholders are on board so we are hoping that the event will have a festival style feel.

Carnival Details are outlined below:

CARNIVAL DETAILS		
Age Divisions:	Females 10 – 13 years girls 14 – 18 years girls	Males 10 – 13 years boys 14 – 18 years boys
Venue:	Premier Oval, Carnarvon WA	
Schedule:	Tuesday 29 th September – 3:00pm-6:00pm - Round Robin Matches	Wednesday 30 th September – 9am-12pm - Finals
Transport:	All participants will need to arrange their own transport to/from the Carnival.	
Uniforms:	If you require uniforms please let us know.	
Meals/snacks:	Meals will be provided by ABC Foundation's 'Food for the Mob' Team	
Accommodation:	If you require accommodation please contact the Carnival Coordinator so that we can allocate you a hall or space made available by the Shire of Carnarvon or one of our other community partners.	
What to Bring: <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Comfortable/warm clothes and footwear</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Towel (if camping overnight)</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Pillow, swag/bedding (if camping overnight)</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Personal medications/First Aid items</div></div> <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Football socks</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Football boots</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Football shorts (tights if you normally wear them)</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Personal mouthguard (highly recommended)</div></div>		
Talent ID:	Talent Identification staff from South Fremantle and Swan Districts will be present on both days of the Carnival.	
Cost:	This is a free event. The only cost involved is travel to/from Carnarvon.	

Additional information will be provided upon registration with the Carnival Coordinator. Fixtures will be released prior to the event.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Carnival Coordinator:

Rebecca Hunter
 Stephen Michael Foundation, Gascoyne Program Manager
 E: rebecca@smfoundation.org.au
 Ph: 0401936717



YOUTH FOOTBALL CARNIVAL
Camarvon WA – September 2020
Player Registration Form

PLAYER DETAILS			
Surname:		Given names:	
DOB:		Gender:	Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile number:		Email address:	
Home Address:			
Suburb:		Postcode:	
Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

PARENT / CARER DETAILS					
Surname:			Given name:		
Relationship:	Parent <input type="checkbox"/>	Grandparent <input type="checkbox"/>	Aunt / Uncle <input type="checkbox"/>	Other relative <input type="checkbox"/>	Family friend <input type="checkbox"/>
	Other:				
Address:					
Suburb:		Postcode:			
Home Phone:		Mobile Phone:			

MEDICAL DETAILS			
Doctor's Name:		Medical Clinic:	
Contact details:			
Medicare No.:		No. on Card:	
Do you have Private Health Cover?			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Private Health Fund details (HBF, Medibank, etc.):			
Does your child have any existing medical conditions that SM Foundation should be aware of? (If yes, please provide details below)			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Does your child have any known allergies? (If yes, please provide details below)			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

IMAGES AND FOOTAGE
* <input type="checkbox"/> I consent to my child's photograph being taken and images/footage of them being used for promotional purposes by the Stephen Michael Foundation or our program partners.

INSURANCE / FIRST AID

Sometimes accidents or injuries can occur whilst playing football. The Stephen Michael Foundation does not maintain personal accident insurance for program participants.

If your child is injured while participating in an activity, all costs associated with the injury, including medical expenses, are the responsibility of parents/carers.

**☐ I understand that the Stephen Michael Foundation is insured in respect of its legal liabilities only and that there is no personal accident or other cover for program participants.*

**☐ If required, I give permission for First Aid to be administered, and if needed an ambulance to be called, and agree to cover any fees/charges associated with this.*

PARENT CONSENT

I consent for my child to travel and participate in the Carnarvon Youth Football Carnival to be held in Carnarvon WA on Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th September 2020.

Parent/Guardian name:			
Signature:		Date:	

Please return signed Player Registration Form by FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2020

COOK'S CORNER

Do you have family recipe that you would love to share with us? Send it through to us at crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

HONEY BUTTER CARDAMOM BUNS

Makes apx. 12 Buns

Ingredients

1 cup warm milk	1 egg plus 1 egg yolk for the tops.
2 1/2 tsp. yeast	Filling
2 1/2 cups plain flour (550g)	2 tbsp. honey
1/3 cups cornstarch	2 tsp. ground cinnamon
2 tsp. cardamom	1 tsp. cardamom
1 tsp. cinnamon	1 tsp. cornstarch
1/4 tsp. salt	1/4 cup butter, softened (60g)
3 tbsp. honey	1-2 tbsp. brown sugar (optional)
1/3 cups melted butter (80g)	

Method

1. In a small bowl, lightly whisk together the yeast and warm milk and let sit until frothy- about 5 minutes.
2. Meanwhile, mix in a large bowl the flour, cornstarch, cardamom, cinnamon and salt. Once the yeast is ready, pour the mixture in with the honey, butter and one egg. Begin to mix with a wooden spoon and once it starts to come together, use your hands.
3. Once fully combined, turn the dough over onto a floured, clean surface and knead for about 6-8 minutes, or until the dough is nice, smooth and elastic. Form the dough into a ball and let rest in a covered, oiled bowl in a warm place for 1-2 hours, or until doubled in size.
4. Near the end of resting your dough, create your filling by creaming together all of the ingredients in a small bowl.
5. After the dough has risen, punch it down, then roll it out into one large, thin rectangle. Spread the filling evenly, then carefully fold the top edge towards you, folding just halfway down, then bring the bottom edge up to meet that halfway line.
6. Horizontally cut the dough into strips, about 1-2" wide, then cut the whole rectangle in half vertically (halving each strip). You should have about 12 total. Delicately twist each strip from the ends, twisting and lengthening until it's nice and coiled, then knot it around itself and place on a baking tray with parchment paper. Repeat with each piece, leaving a couple inches of space between each roll on the baking tray.
7. Let them rise, covered with a cloth, for another 30 minutes while you preheat the oven to 175°C. Brush the tops of each bun with a whisked-up egg yoke before placing in the oven to bake for about 15-20 minutes or until golden brown. Remove, cool for several minutes, and then serve with butter, honey or jam.



STRAWBERRY YOGURT BARK

Ingredients

- 2 ½ cups diced fresh or frozen strawberries
- 2 cups vanilla yogurt or flavor of your choice
- ½ cup melted coconut butter
- Honey to drizzle (optional)



Method

1. Line a rimmed baking tray with baking paper.
2. Add 2 cups of the strawberries, yogurt, and coconut butter to a large bowl and stir to combine. Pour the mixture onto the baking sheet and spread into an even layer.
3. Sprinkle the remaining strawberries on top and drizzle with honey (optional). Freeze for 8 hours minimum.
4. To serve, break apart a piece of the bark and enjoy!

BRUSCHETTA

Method

1. Finely cut up tomatoes, onions and garlic.
2. Place all ingredients into a bowl and mix.
3. Set aside for 30 minutes to marinate.
4. Toast bread to your liking.
5. Top with Bruschetta Mix



Ingredients

- 2 cups chopped tomatoes
- 1 finely diced red onion
- 4 garlic cloves finely chopped
- 2 tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tbsp. balsamic vinegar
- 1/4 tsp. ground pepper
- 2 basil leaves
- 6-8 slices of bread



BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST

- 1 Alys McKeough
- 18 Spags Burnett
- 18 Harry McKeough
- 20 Jodie Gibson
- 25 Theona Mitchell Smith

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Stanley Hammarquist
- 20 Jason Windie
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- 29 Donald Hammarquist

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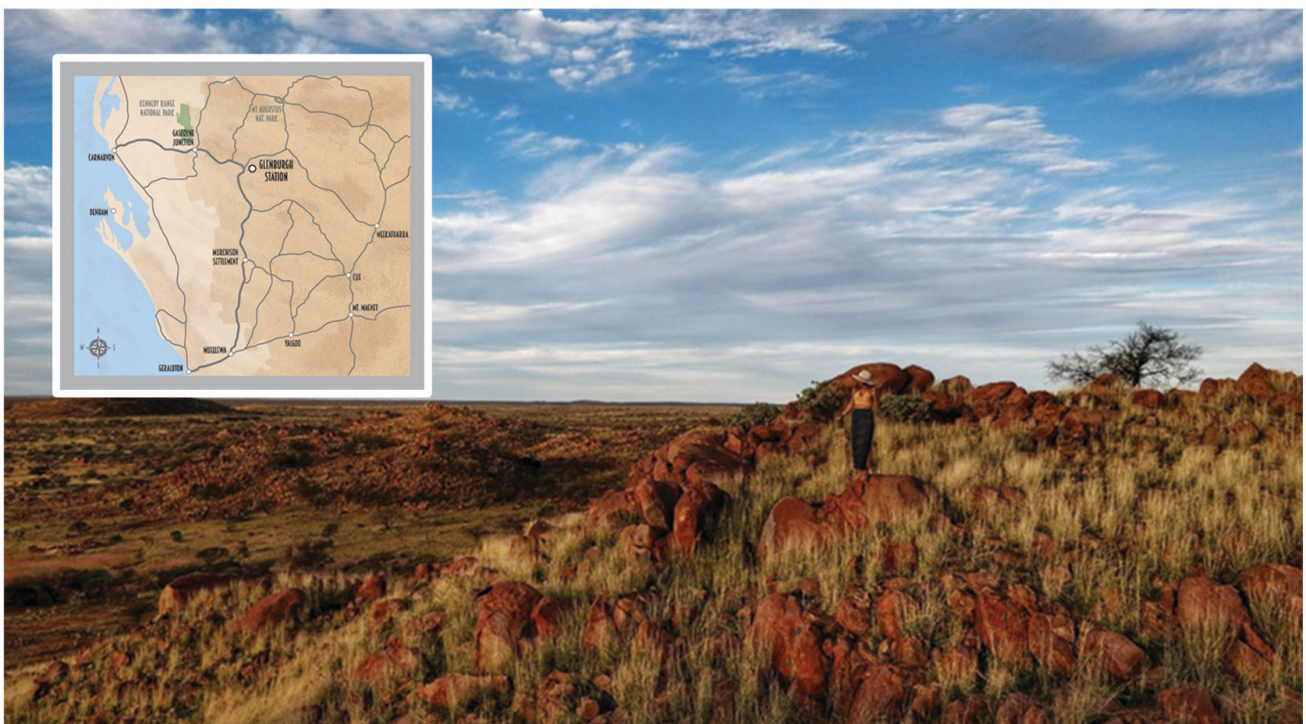


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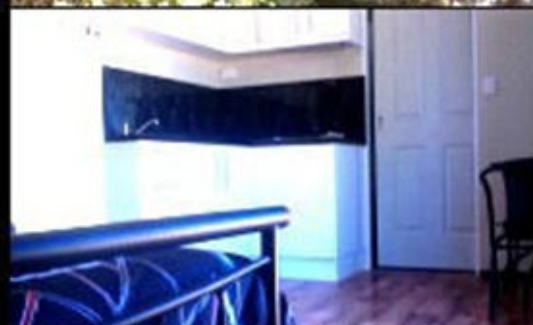
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Junction Tourist Park
4 Viveash Way, Gascoyne
Junction from 5pm

This is a free event, however there is no free camping and limited food and supplies are available.

The Gascoyne Food Council will be holding a bush barbecue and accommodation can be secured at the tourist park. Bookings and tickets can be purchased at www.carnarvon.org.au.

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Find the Wildflowers

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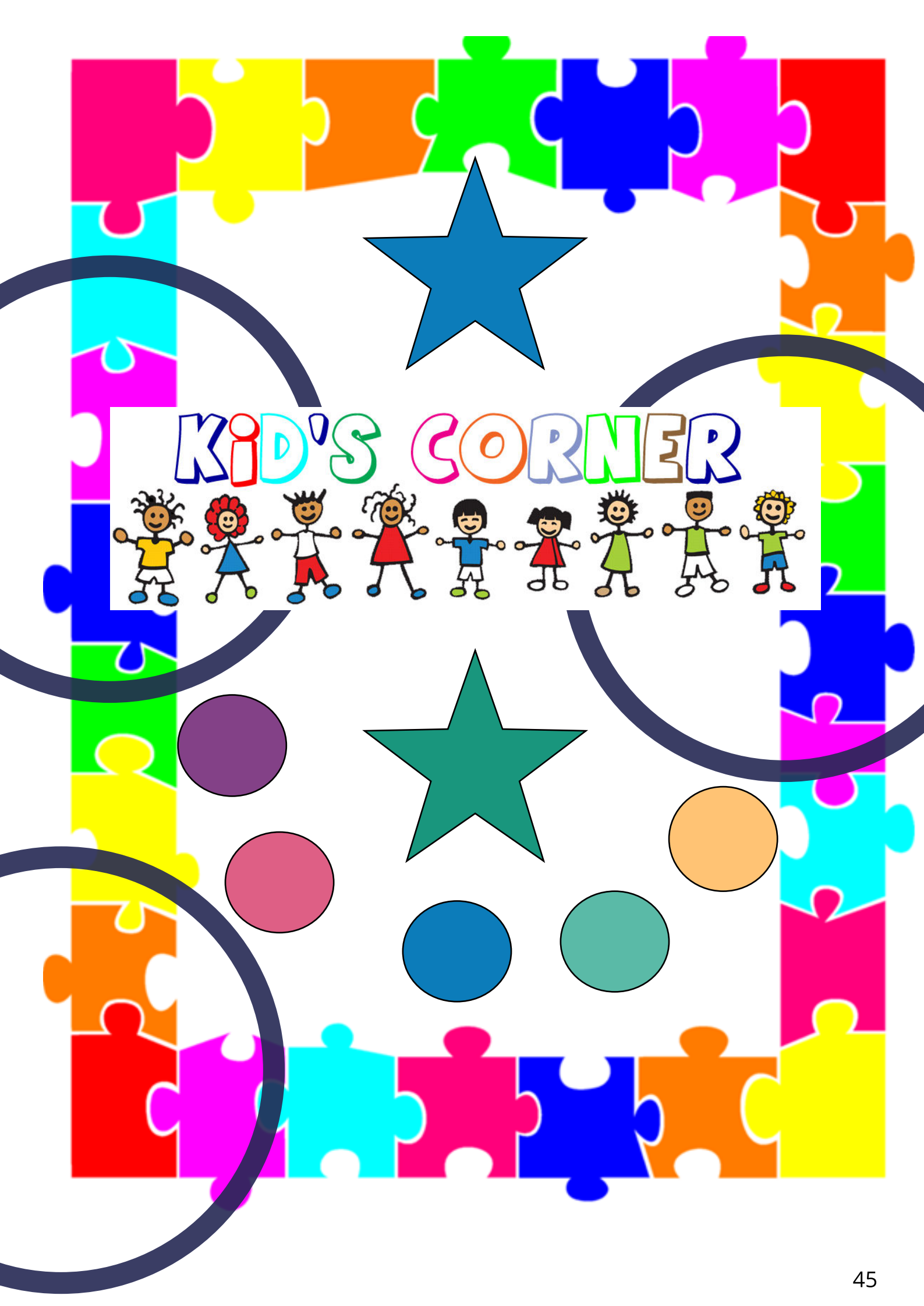
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KID'S CORNER





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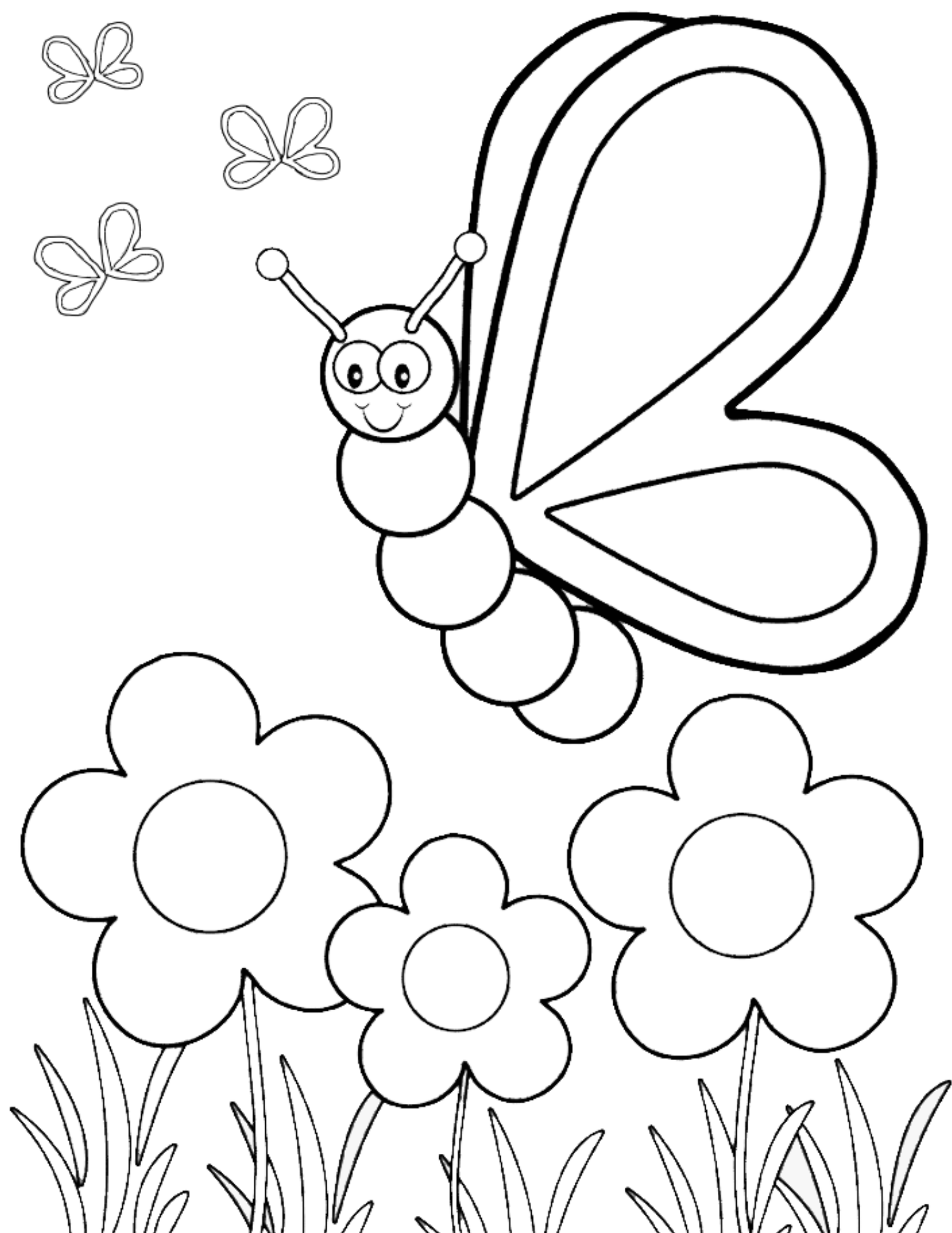
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**CRAFT
WORKSHOP**

GJ PAVILION

29-30 AUG

**AUSTRALIA'S
BIGGEST
BBQ**

MT AUGUSTUS

29 AUG

**JUNCTION
RACES**

JUNCTION
RACE CLUB

4-6 SEPT

**GAZING THE
GASCOYNE**

JUNCTION
PUB &
TOURIST PARK

19 SEPT

**GASCOYNE
FOOD
COUNCIL**

JUNCTION PUB
& TOURIST PARK

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