SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

Edition 210 – 16 April 2021

COUNCIL BRIEFS

What a difference over 50mm of rain makes at the right time of the year however our thoughts are with those residents and businesses who have sustained severe damage from the fury of cyclone Seroja.

People wishing to donate may do so via the Lord Mayor's Appeal https://perth.wa.gov.au/lord-mayors-distress-relief-fund-cyclone-appeal

Works & Services are re-adjusting the works programme as a direct result of the weather as construction works, in particular the availability of bitumen contractors will significantly impact our scheduled sealing program.

COVID internationally has slowed the supply of goods coming to Australia which in turn has impacted timeframes for the supply and delivery of products and the availability of trades being able to complete works within initial time frames, however it is pleasing that grant providers have agreed to realistic extensions.

Local contractor CGS Engineers have been engaged to construct a new walk bridge for Kojonup Park based on the following design concept and Council looks forward to the finished product by our local business.







Shire President

John Benn

Chief Executive Officer Rick Mitchell-Collins



Council Meeting Dates for 2021

The next Council meeting will be held on 20 April 2021. As we are still operating under some COVID-19 restrictions, please note we have a digital option for submitting items for Public Question Time. An email can be sent to cmpqt@kojonup.wa.gov.au and the Manager Corporate and Community Services will table all correspondence received.

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Calling all Community Groups

A recent review of our Kojonup Community & Sports Group Directory, has revealed that many of the details are not current. If the details for your Community or Sports Group are incorrect, please forward your updated details to council@kojonup.wa.gov.au

The directory can be found at:

https://www.kojonup.wa.gov.au/Profiles/kojonup/Assets/ClientData/Contacts Listing 2020.pdf

Library News

I cannot fathom where our time is going.....School holidays are already upon our families, Easter is gone, it's time to remember our ANZAC's and all other servicemen and women from all our Armed Forces, this year the services held will mean so much more after not being able to gather together in silence as in 2020.

Our farming community are getting ready for seeding, bring massive equipment to our roads, so be patient, make wise choices and get to where you are going.







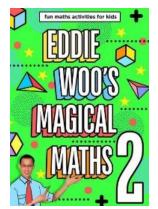
Access to our eResources are a great way to get through the long hours by listening to fabulous eAudio books. BorrowBox & Libby are apps you download to your phone or tablet, use your library barcode to create your account....listen away! If you don't have a library card, call the library & it will take us a few minutes to get you a number.

We have a great number of new books to our which we share with you on our Facebook

page, so be sure to check them out maybe place a reserve on what catches your eye?



So what's new?



A bumper book of maths fun stuffed with things to draw, puzzle, invent, order, unscramble, code, decode for kids aged 7+ years from Australia's best known maths man.

There's magic in maths - if you know where to look...

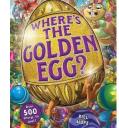
About the Author

Eddie Woo teaches mathematics at Cherrybrook Technology High School, Sydney. He has been teaching maths for more than ten years. In 2012, Eddie started recording his lessons and uploading them to Youtube - creating 'Wootube'.

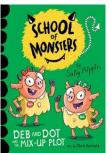
Since then, he has amassed a following of more than 1 million

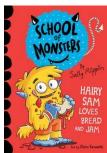
subscribers and his videos have been viewed more than 60 million times.

The Golden Egg: Tragedy has befallen the Great Easter Bunny. The wondrous Golden Egg has disappeared! Without it, there will be no chocolate for Easter. But Tabatha Hopkins is on the case. Help her find the Golden Egg and save Easter!









Welcome to the 'School of Monsters': the funniest, silliest and most accessible series for first readers!

Start by reading only the last word on every line and work your way up to reading the whole story. With tumbling rhymes and an infectious sense of humour, the weird and wonderful students at the *School of Monsters* are guaranteed to spark a love of reading!

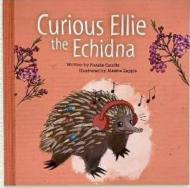
Valuing Children Four Pillar – Book Series Written by Natalie Caudle & illustrated by Aleisha Zappia

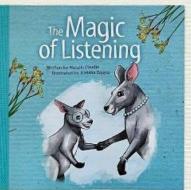
We are pleased to introduce the Valuing Children Four Pillar – Book Series!

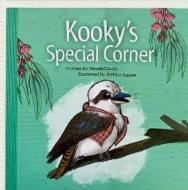
Through the use of delightful Australian native animal characters; Kelvin the Kangaroo, Kooky the Kookaburra, Ellie the Echidna and Summer the Swan, each book in the series explores one of the Valuing Children Initiative's four core pillars of Listening, Voice, Safety and Growth.

The books have been created by the Valuing Children Initiative to support children's literacy and to provide parents and teachers with opportunities to connect and discuss important issues with children. The questions on the 'reflection page' can be used by adults to initiate conversations with children in relation to each book's topic.



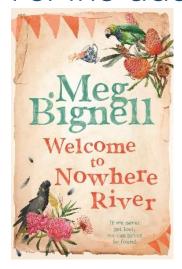








For the adults:









I want to share with you, from 'CLEVER PATCH' their simple holiday boredom buster activity! I am sure you will have all the materials at home, and we even have copies of the template at the library if you need one, JUST POP IN AND LOOK ON THE CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY TABLE!

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Any Questions? Just call 1300 836 522

Boredom Buster Cube

www.cleverpatch.com.au/ideas/by-product-type/paper-and-card/boredom-buster-cube

Do you ever find yourself bored in the holidays? Not anymore with our FREE Boredom Buster Cube!

SEARCH TERMS: boredom buster, school holidays, activity, free, freeble, printable, template, cutting, colouring, folding, holiday, fun

Materials:

10176 - Crayola Triangular Coloured Pencils Deskpack - Pack of 48

10897 - Student Scissors - Pack of 20

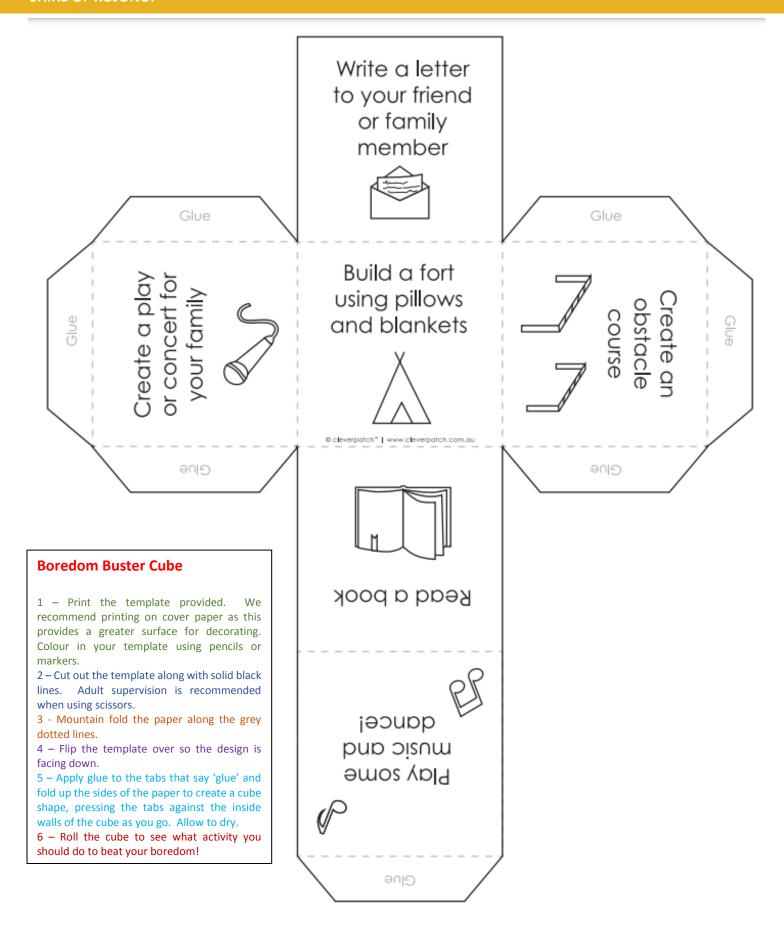
13974 - CleverPatch Glue Stick - 40g

16142 - CleverPatch Cover Paper - White - A4 - Pack of 250

16523 - CleverPatch Triangular Maxi Coloured Markers - Pack of 10







Easter Colouring Competition

Our Easter Colouring Competition has closed, and I am thrilled to announce....we have three winners

- 1. Finlay Robinson aged 4
- 2. Jacob Dalton aged 3
- 3. Hailey Dalton aged 6

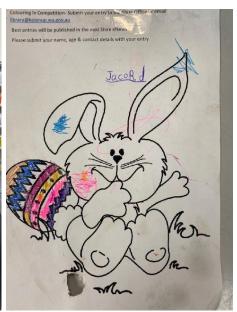




Finlay Robinson receiving his prize from CEO, Rick Mitchell-Collins







Big smiles from Hailey Dalton and Jacob Dalton as they received their prizes

WORKS AND SERVICES



Depot crew extending a culvert and building headwalls on Shamrock Road widening project.

The Military Barracks The external walls are having repointing work undertaken on them to preserve the building. For this reason, we have removed the five roses and Solanum shrub away from the edge of the Barracks and transplanted into garden around there. Peta Zadow is growing roses off cuttings taken from old Kojonup farm gardens and these will be planted in new garden beds, which have been prepared behind the Barracks for the roses.

Kojonup Park - The irrigation mainline to water the park area will be trenched, laid and connected to the new tank this week. The new mainline and wires to irrigate the RV/Woolwagon area will be trenched and laid through Kojonup Park to the sleeve under Albany Hwy. The softfall sand in the park will be topped up again also. Advanced trees will be arriving from Perth Monday, and will be planted with other landscaping plants along the creek.









No Spray Register – Town Site Spraying: Applications to "No Spray Register"

The Shire is preparing the town site spraying program for 2021 and applications are invited for road reserves frontage and for the frontage of Council land directly abutting a person's land, to be placed on the "No Spray Register".

To make an application, complete the No Spray Application Form located at the Shire office, Depot office and website, and lodge with the Council no later than Thursday 13 May 2021. An application is only be applicable to the entire frontage of resident's immediate property and for the area parallel to a distance of no greater than 10m.

In completing an application, the resident agrees to take over responsibility for:

- Controlling all National, State and Locally-listed pest plants;
- Keeping the road frontage clear and/or tidy;
- Keeping drainage and/or paths free of obstruction and fully operational at all times; and
- Ensuring kerbs, footpaths and gutters are free of vegetation growth.

In considering an application, the following shall be taken account:

- Whether the adjoining land is used for certified organic vegetable/fruit/cereal production;
- Existence of a medical condition in the household which may be exacerbated by exposure to herbicides or associated additives;
- The applicant has other mitigating circumstances that would warrant an area not being exposed to the use of herbicide chemicals.

Council reserves the right to reject any applications on the grounds that it is not within the overall interest of Council to include the area within the No Spray Register. Upon refusal of an application for the No Spray Register, Council Staff will reply in writing to the resident with the outcome. Where the application is approved, Council Staff will add the property onto the No Spray Register. Applications are non-transferrable.

For a copy of the Council policy, please email sh@kojonup.wa.gov.au. If you have any queries, please contact Marina Murray on 0428 566527.



DEMOLITION OF THE HARRISON PLACE TOILETS

You may have noticed that the demolition of the Harrison Place public toilets has commenced. New public toilets and a store room will be constructed and should be completed by June/July 2021.

The project is made possible from the Commonwealth's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Programme Grant. The store room will be designed for the storage of new chairs and tables for use inside the Memorial and Lesser Hall.



NON-RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD



As of **Wednesday 14 April 2021**, the Shire of Kojonup has moved into the Non-Restricted Burning Period.

Please remember, **you** are responsible for any fires that you light. Please take all precautions necessary to keep the fires manageable and contained.

Also, be respectful of your neighbours when lighting a fire. Nobody wants their washing to smell of smoke.

Positions Vacant

Customer Service Officers – Kojonup Visitors Centre

Casual Pool

The Shire of Kojonup is developing a pool of casual Customer Service Officers to provide relief work when required, weekend and peak season relief at the Kojonup Visitor Centre.

This position provides high level of customer service to visitors to the region and residents of Kojonup and requires good interpersonal and communication skills and comprehensive local and regional visitor information.

The successful pool of applicants will have previous experience in a customer service or retail role, have highly developed customer service and public relations skills as well as team work and computer skills.

Although training will be provided, knowledge of the local government act and Kojonup and the Great Southern region will be highly regarded.

How to apply: Further details are contained in the Candidate Information Package or contact Kristel Thomson, Visitor Services Officer at bcc@kojonup.wa.gov.au or on 9831 0500. Please note that the selection criteria as listed in the Position Description *must* be addressed and an Application Form *must* be completed.

The Shire of Kojonup is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Further details can be found on our website.

Rick Mitchell-Collins Chief Executive Officer







"Suicide Prevention is a shared responsibility across the community, families and friends, professional groups, and non-government and government agencies."

(Life is For Everyone - LIFE - Framework)

Kojonup Community Meeting

Are you concerned about mental health and suicides and would you like to make a difference in Kojonup? If yes, the Shire of Kojonup, Local Police and the Rotary Club of Kojonup would like to encourage you to attend an open community meeting to discuss this issue further.

Supported by

Palmerston Wesley Mission

Date: Monday, 19 April 2021

Location: Sporting Complex, Benn Rd,

Time: 6.00 PM

Light Refreshments provided

Email: prevention@palmerston.org.au or



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

To be held at the:



Shire of Kojonup Sporting Complex
Wednesday 21 April 2021
Commencing at 12.00pm and concluding at 2.00pm

Order of Proceedings:

- 1. Shire to open the hearing
- 2. Introduction by the Chair of the Commission
- 3. Presentation by the Commission on its role, function and the process it uses to determine Financial Assistance Grants
- 4. Discussion on Shire submission (if submitted)
- 5. Close of hearing

The WA Local Government Grants Commission makes annual recommendations to the State Minister for Local Government on the allocation of Financial Assistance Grants to local governments in Western Australia.

In accordance with the Commonwealth Act, the *Local Government (Financial Assistance) Act 1995*, the Commission is required to conduct public hearings with local governments in connection with the Financial Assistance Grant recommendations and also to discuss any submissions made to the Commission by local governments.

Organisations or persons wishing to make a submission, in connection with the Financial Assistance Grant recommendations of the Commission, at the above hearing, are requested to register their interest with:

Ms Natalie Berriman
WA Local Government Grants Commission
Tel: (08) 9492 9806

E-mail: natalie.berriman@dlgsc.wa.gov.au

