



Our Lapathon was held yesterday. The students ran a combined total of 275 laps which equates to 82.5km This is extremely impressive considering we had 29 students at school and the students ran for 30 minutes. We are all so proud! You are all winners!



Congratulations to the following students who won a Lego prize: Ruby, Kyson, Albie, Belle, Ollie and Emilee. Sponsorship forms and fundraising money needs to be returned to the school by Friday, 21 August 2026. There will be a prize for the student who raises the highest amount of sponsorship money and three prizes to students who return their sponsorship form and fundraising money by 21 August.

Special thank you to the Shire for the loan of their witches' hats which we used as our boundary and to our parents and grandparents for cheering our kids on. We could hear you! Thank you to Jen Henderer who did a lot of the work behind the scenes and to the staff for their efforts yesterday which ensure the event went smoothly.

Mathematics Information Session

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend a Mathematics Information Session presented by Mrs Boxall on Thursday, 20 August at 9:00 am in the school library.

The session will provide an overview of:

- The Explicit Mathematics Program
- Bond Blocks

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the approaches we use to support students' mathematical understanding and success.

Celebrating NAIDOC Week at Kondinin Primary School

Our students enjoyed a wonderful week of learning and cultural experiences as part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations in Week 11.

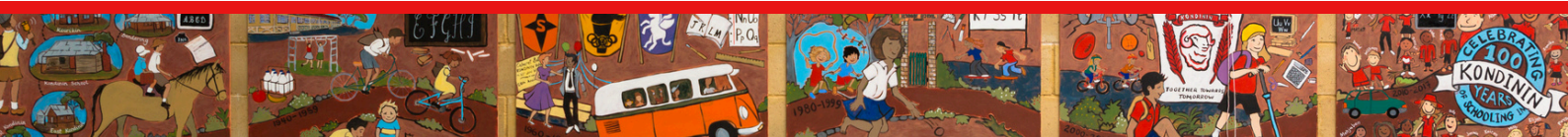
Throughout the week, students had the opportunity to participate in a range of engaging, hands-on activities that celebrated Aboriginal culture and traditions. They learned how to play the didgeridoo, discovered the skills involved in tracking animals safely, learned how to create their family tree using Aboriginal symbols and helped make and enjoy traditional damper. One of the highlights for many students was the opportunity to taste kangaroo stew and kangaroo tail, giving them an authentic experience of traditional bush foods.

The week provided valuable opportunities for students to deepen their understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal culture, knowledge and connection to Country. It was wonderful to see students enthusiastically participating in each activity, asking questions and embracing new learning experiences.

A sincere thank you to Terrasha Cox, Joseph Collard, Ivy Wallam, Kat, Hank and Temprence Collard for generously sharing their knowledge, time and cultural expertise with our students. Their dedication and passion helped make the day such a meaningful and memorable experience for everyone involved.



The students had an amazing time, and we are grateful to all those who contributed to making our NAIDOC celebrations such a special event.



Planning for Future Playground Improvements

At the end of Term 2, the school received quotations for upgrades to both the Early Childhood playground and the Senior Playground. While the proposed plans are exciting, the estimated costs exceeded \$300,000 for the Early Childhood area and approximately \$50,000 for the Senior Playground.

To help guide future improvements, we have established a Playground Committee consisting of our new gardener, Naomi Graham, Toby Browning, Brendan Whyte and myself. The committee will investigate practical and cost-effective options, prioritise projects and identify potential funding opportunities.

Public School Review

On 23 September 2026, Kondinin Primary School will participate in its Public School Review, conducted by the Department of Education.

The review provides an opportunity for us to showcase the outstanding work occurring across our school, including our commitment to student achievement, wellbeing and continuous improvement, as well as the strong partnerships we share with families and the wider community.

The review team will consider evidence relating to:

- Teaching and learning
- Student achievement and progress
- Leadership
- Learning environment
- Resource management
- Community engagement

We are proud of the positive learning culture at Kondinin Primary School and look forward to sharing our achievements and future directions with the review team.

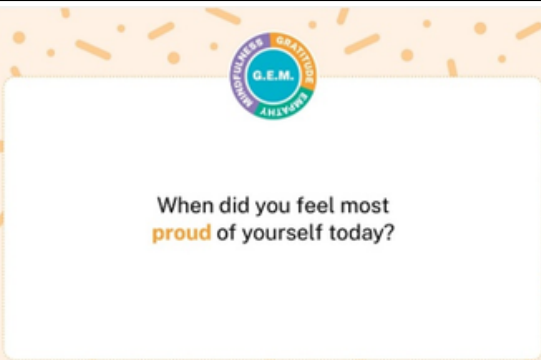
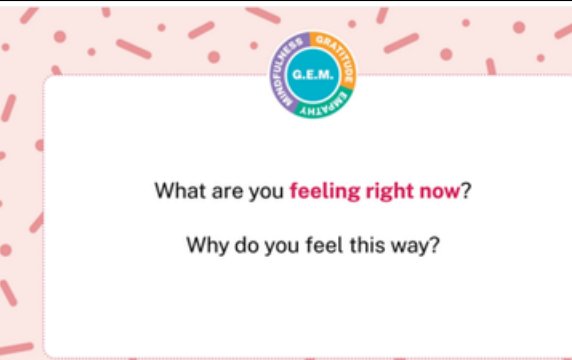
Kondinin PS School Board

At our last School Board meeting on 22 June, we welcomed Danielle Bigling (community representative) to the School Board. The Board provided feedback and endorsed the new Student Leadership Policy, noted the financial reports, reviewed the school's On-Entry targets, were provided with an update on our cultural responsiveness and sustainability strategies, informed of the Department's new Strategic Direction document and were provided with a session about our new mathematics program, The Explicit Mathematics Program.



The Resilience Project

Students have been introduced to the four elements of The Resilience Project (TRP): Gratitude, Empathy, Mindfulness and Emotional Literacy. Ask your children about what they learned in their TRP on Mondays.

This week's GEM Chat	Next week's GEM Chat
 When did you feel most proud of yourself today? RESILIENCE PROJECT.	 What are you feeling right now? Why do you feel this way? RESILIENCE PROJECT.

CARES Award

Well done to the following students who have reached 25, 50 and 75 stamps since our last newsletter.

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VALUE POINTS**

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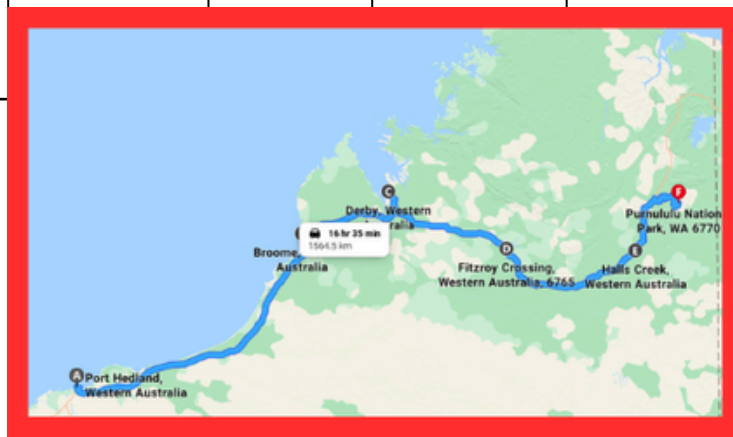
PTS	Mudlark	Mallards	Magpies
25	KYSON, MAJA, MAGGIE		
50	BEVAN, JOSEPH, CONNOR, ALBA	JAYLA, AVNITA	WILLIAM
75		PEYTON, ALBIE, GREGORIN, ELIJAH	ISAAC, MACKENZIE
100		LEO	



This year, we are running from Port Hedland to the Bungle Bungles, and currently, we have visited Broome, Derby and Fitzroy Crossing. Since our last newsletter, the following students have entered the following clubs.

20km Club		30km Club	40km Club	50km Club	60km Club	70km Club
Ollie William Lachlan Hank Olivia Mackenzie Albie Ruby Isaac Peyton Gregorin Avnita Ava Maja Leo	Bevan Connor Joseph Mac Ocean Tahj Aisha Malayna Emilee Brayden Alba Kiari Synthia-Rose Taylor Charlez Kyson Maggie Mervyn	William Lachlan Ruby Olivia Ava Albie Leo Isaac Mackenzie Alba Kiari Peyton Gregorin Synthia Belle Avnita Joseph Mac Bevan Tahj Malayna Taylor	Hank Lachlan William Ollie Ruby Albie Olivia Mackenzie Isaac Avnita Leo Gregorin Ava	Hank Lachlan William Ollie Ruby Albie Ava	Hank Lachlan William Ollie	Hank

Aleks Mutavdzic
Principal



ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Week	Mudlarks	Mallards	Magpies
11	91.8%	90%	86.4%
1	78.5%	63.3%	79.2%
2	85.2%	96.7%	90.8%

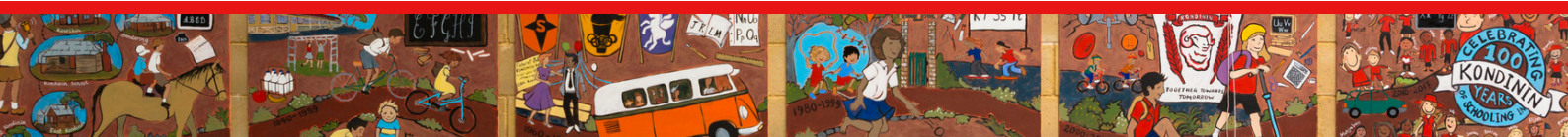
Music with Mrs Bailey



It may be only term 3, but we are already considering what might be our performance piece for the end of year awards night. The Magpies have been working on ideas for a whole school play with songs and dancing. No hints will be given but you might hear some 80s songs being sung around the house.

The Mallards have been a smaller group - year 4's are learning about hockey. We have been playing with the percussion instruments and how we can use them to make the sounds for a short story we've written. We are now looking at how we can write music for these instruments.

The Mudlarks have been enjoying playing with percussion and doing lots of singing games. They are certainly tired by the end of the lesson.



MUDLARKS CLASS REPORT



MATHEMATICS

The start of term 3 in Mudlarks has brought new maths skills to the students. The Pre-Primary and Year 1 students have been working on counting to 90 by 10's. The Kindy students have been building on their maths skills by exploring counting, numbers and directions in new contexts.



SCIENCE

This term in science the children are learning about Earth and space sciences. We have had a whole class focus on weather and what it looks and feels like. The Kindy and Pre-Primary students are beginning to explore the seasons starting with Winter while the Year 1 student's have started their investigations into the water cycle.



HASS

In HASS we are learning about different places. We have explored our early childhood playground using maps and treasure along with visiting the rest of the school. The students enjoyed seeing and going into rooms they didn't know about and finding some friendly faces along the way.

The Mudlarks also met a friend in the sandpit, appropriately named Sandy the frog.



MUDLARKS CLASS REPORT



ENGLISH

In Talk for Writing the Mudlarks have been learning the story Mr Big about a gorilla who wants friends to play music with.

To support the student's learning of this story we are adding actions, including instruments in our dramatic play and writing out the story structure using images.

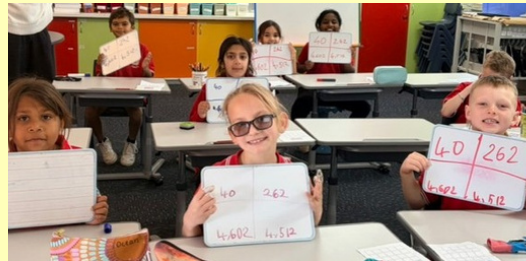


MALLARDS CLASS REPORT

THIS WEEK

The Mallards have begun the second semester working hard. We continue to work on our usual subjects and are making good progress.

In Maths we have been learning about multiplication and working on solving word problems



The students working on their whiteboards during our DRQT session.



Following the DRQT students complete fluency work in their work books

LEARNING ABOUT TEXTS

We are learning to write information texts this term.

Our model text is about the Storm Unicorn which allows the students to use their imagination while creating a "factual text".



Students picking peas to eat

SAKG

Another activity the students enjoy is getting out into the garden during our SAKG program. They love seeing the seeds they sew grow and later they harvest the fruit that grows.

MALLARDS CLASS REPORT

SCIENCE

In Science we have been investigating what natural resources we have in the school grounds.

Some of the students were able to capture some interesting photos on their iPads.

We are now designing a word document with three photos and some descriptive words relating to the photos.

BOOK WEEK

REMINDER:

Our annual Book Week parade will be held on Tuesday 25th August @ 9am.

Get those costumes ready.



A photo taken by one of our year 3 students for Science, a natural resource we have at school.

REMINDERS

Breakfast Club - Wednesdays
Library - Thursdays

STUDENTS of the week



Week 1

Week 2



ACTION FROM LAPATHON





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Learning changes lives

VacSwim

Give your child the skills they need around water.

Available in your local area.

Spots are limited, enrol now to secure your place.

education.wa.edu.au/vacswim



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The WA Student Assistance Payment

Helping you get the things you need for your kids.

Get ready to claim by setting up your Digital ID on ServiceWA. Claims open Monday 20 July 2026.

\$150 For each Kindergarten and primary school student

\$250 For each secondary school student

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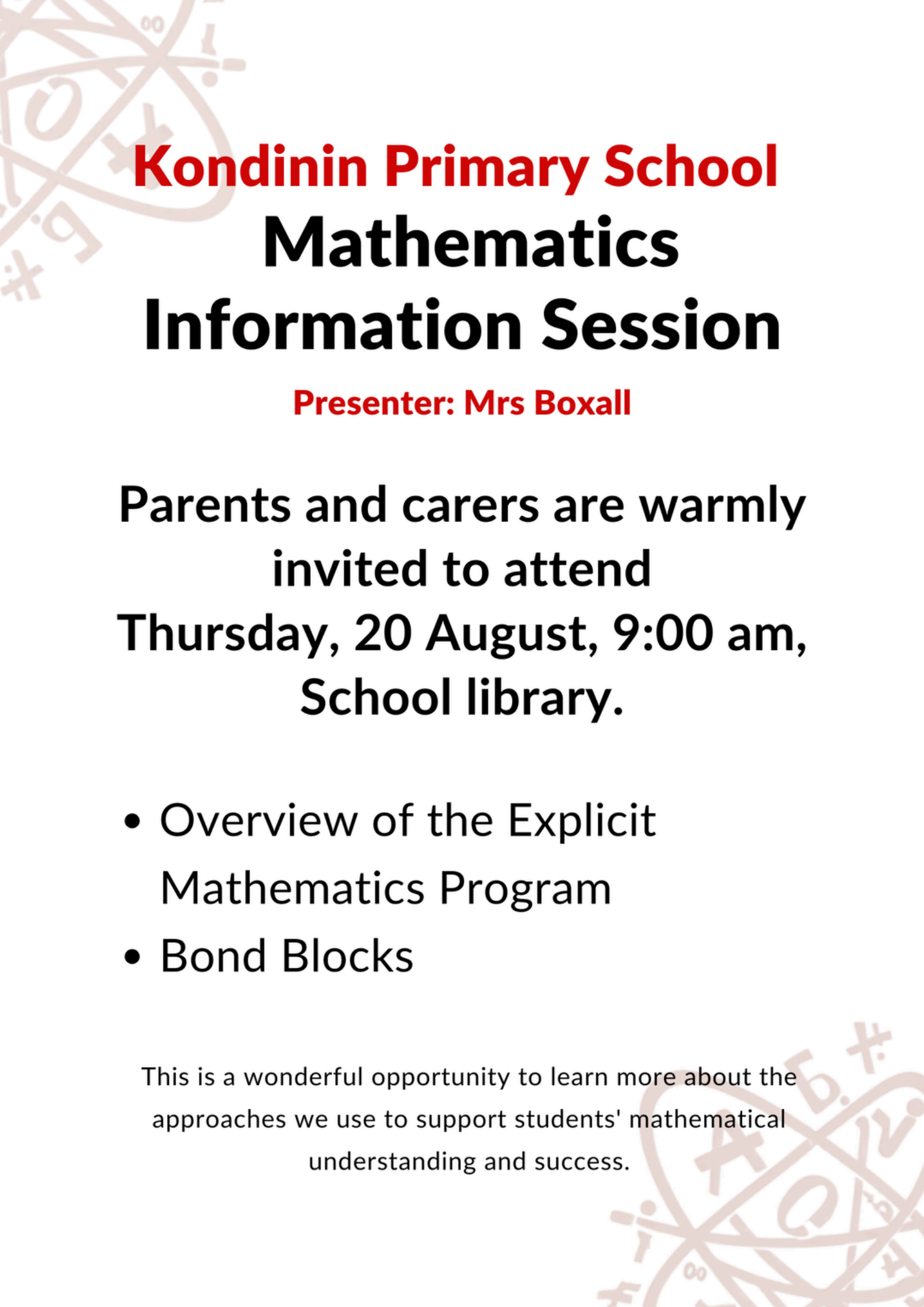
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