



Kings Park Education

PRIMARY SCHOOL
PROGRAMS 2025





Tuart Treehouse

Who lives here?

YEARS K-1 (60 MINUTES)

Learn about the residents of our beautiful Tuart tree, nestled in the Banksia Woodland. Dress the part as you investigate the basic needs of the animals that live in this treehouse. Use your senses to explore the woodland and think about what you can do at home to help local wildlife..

Nature Boat Building

STEM in the outdoors!

YEARS K-1 (60 MINUTES)

Investigate the Kooyar Kep Wetland (Frog Water) and the plants and animals that live in and around it. Share a Kings Park story about friendship, cooperation and science. Make observations on sinking and floating. Work in a team to design, build and test a boat from bush materials.



Habitats Uncovered

Discover living things and their habitats.

YEARS 1-2 (60 MINUTES)

A student-centred exploration of a Banksia Woodland ecosystem. Search for, observe, research and share findings about the living things that call Kings Park home. Different habitats are identified and the basic needs of living things are discussed. Leave the bush equipped to make changes to help protect your local environment.

Brilliant Botanists

Plant structures, pollination and life cycles.

YEARS 3-4 (60 OR 90 MINUTES)

An exciting journey into the world of plants. Be a botanist for the day; explore, classify and observe plants close-up. Make the connection from seed to adult plant and discover the importance of germination, photosynthesis and pollination. In small groups, use horticultural techniques to learn how to propagate West Australian natives.

Amazing Adaptations

Survive and thrive.

YEAR 5 (60 OR 90 MINUTES)

Discover the features and unique adaptations of some of Western Australia's most interesting flora. Learn fascinating ways plants have adapted to survive in their environment, including plants with built-in sunblock and smelly oils, carnivorous plants with sticky leaves, as well as techniques for natural bushfire survival.

Living Wetlands

Investigate in and around the wetland.

YEARS 3-6 (60 OR 90 MINUTES)

Wetlands are a special place. Explore the biodiversity of the Kings Park Kooyar Kep (frog water). Pond dip for macro-invertebrates, use identification keys and record findings to make predictions as to the health of the wetland. Students will use scientific inquiry skills to carry out a habitat assessment. Consider the food chains and life cycles of the animals found in the Kooyar Kep Wetland.

Bushland Carers

Seed Science and conservation techniques.

YEARS: 5-6 (90 MINUTES)

Gain an insight into the life of working conservation scientists. Carry out hands-on activities in the areas of seed science, ecology and plant breeding. Use taxonomy and undertake real-life scientific processes to collect specimens. Learn how to clean and dry seeds for future propagation and press a plant specimen to create a herbarium record. Using a native seed, design a fair test to investigate barriers in germination.

Playground Innovators

A STEM adventure in design.

YEARS 4-6 (90 MINUTES)

A fun journey into the world of outdoor play space design. Visit the Poolgarla Family Area, the Ivey Watson Playground and Rio Tinto Naturescape Kings Park. Explore the principles of play, safety, creativity and teamwork to help design a dream play space.

Future Keepers

Action stations - biodiversity under threat.

YEAR 6 (90 MINUTES)

Join us in the call for environmental action to increase civic interest and environmental responsibility. Immersed in the Banksia Woodland, use scientific tools and practices to collect weather and plant phenology data to track changes in climate, contributing to a long-term citizen science project. Students must think like a scientist in a real-world E-STEM challenge to rewild biodiversity in their backyard.





Wellbeing



Tawny and the Bushfire

Learning about fire in the bush.

YEARS K-2 (60 MINUTES)

Every summer our urban bushland is under the threat of fire. This interactive story about a real bushfire in Kings Park is told through the eyes of Tawny Frogmouth. Learn about the effects of fire on our unique Banksia Woodland, how plants and animals cope after fire, plant a native seed and meet a Kings Park firefighter.

Nature Kid

Active learning experience in nature.

YEARS PP-2 (60 MINUTES)

Nature Kid is based on the survival story of an eight-year-old child, Charlie, who is washed overboard whilst sailing in the Swan River and swims to a deserted riverbank. Kids explore fire, water and wellness in the bush, as they imagine what it would be like to be Charlie marooned on a riverbank.

Child vs Wild

Bush skills for kids.

YEARS 3-6 (90 MINUTES)

The Australian bush is both fragile and harsh. Learn how to protect and respect the natural environment while enjoying and exploring it safely. This introduction to bush skills explores activities such as shelter building, finding drinking water, making damper* or energy snacks and delivering simple first aid.

**Fire activities only available in Terms 2 & 3.*

Orienteering

Navigating Nature.

YEARS 3-6 (60 OR 90 MINUTES)

A great introduction to map reading skills, cardinal points, plant adaptations and working as a team. In small groups, share roles and responsibilities, navigate a series of control points, discover interesting plants and spend time in nature.

Team Building

Team building challenges.

YEARS 5-6 (60 OR 90 MINUTES)

Can your team find the stolen seeds? Students work in small teams to solve a series of team building challenges. For the teams to be successful, they will need to communicate effectively, problem solve and actively encourage all team members to contribute.

Race Around the Park

End of year team challenge.

YEARS 1-6 (FULL DAY)

Racers get ready... It will take teamwork, determination and problem solving to be successful during this fun-filled day.

This social end of year event is a large, team-based orienteering activity with multiple stations and challenges. Race area includes Rio Tinto Naturescape and Kings Park Education.

25 - 27 November 2025





Wardong's Special Day

Moorditch Boya.

YEARS K-PP (60 MINUTES)

Share a Kings Park story about Quenda bandicoot and her bushland friends as they enjoy a special birthday. A great introduction to Noongar language through storytelling, art and exploration.

Walking Together Kaarta Koomba

Sharing katitjin, together and for the future.

YEARS 3-4 (90 MINUTES)

Discover the significance of Kings Park (Kaarta Koomba) on a guided walk through the spectacular Western Australian Botanic Garden. Discuss how indigenous knowledge meets western science. Explore the Noongar seasonal calendar and learn how ecological knowledge and traditional care for country can help to create a sustainable future for all.

Koora Koora Kaarta Koomba

Kings Park is a significant place.

YEARS 1-2 (60 MINUTES)

Discover how Perth (Boorloo) has changed over time and learn about the local custodians, the Whadjuk Noongar people. Explore the roles in traditional Noongar society.

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**Cultural
Heritage**

Noongar Boodja Six Seasons Event

Kulunga katitjin kaarta koomba.

Exploring Aboriginal culture to promote sustainability and reconciliation.

Proudly supported by FUGRO.

2025 SCHEDULE

TERM 1

25 & 26 March, 1 & 2 April

TERM 2

6, 7, 13 & 14 May,
24 & 25 June, 1 & 2 July

TERM 3

16, 17, 23 & 24 September

TERM 4

4, 5, 11 & 12 November





Professional Learning & Training

Kings Park Education provides practical ideas for excursions and inspiration for teaching in the classroom.

Cultural Perspectives in Education

Immersive experience at Kaarta Koomba.

Engage with our Aboriginal Education Officer at Kaarta Koomba to understand Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history. Develop the knowledge and skills to appropriately introduce cultural education into the classroom. Discuss strategies to help incorporate respectful practices into any learning environment, making planning and programming easy.

Enjoy a walk on country, with a focus on caring for country, botanical knowledge, sustainability and recognition of the continuing connection to place.

Teacher Retreat

Nature for teacher wellbeing and learning. It can be hectic in the classroom. We all know spending time in nature is a great way to reduce stress, improve concentration and just feel happier. Make your next professional learning experience here in Kaarta Koomba, Kings Park. Our education staff provide experiences in, with and for nature to develop positive connections, nature pedagogy and increase confidence teaching outdoors.

The day can be tailored to your needs, with opportunities to hone your survival skills (navigation and shelter building), share a story around the fire*, cook damper and drink billy tea. Visit a bushland site, identify plant species, collect and clean seed and make an herbarium specimen.

This immersive workshop is fun, informative and a great opportunity to ask questions about environmental education.

**Campfires only during Terms 2 & 3.*





Kings Park Education Centre

About

King Park Education provides hands-on, exploratory learning experiences in an immersive nature-based setting. Our programs highlight the unique plants, people and places of Western Australia and the role we can all play in a sustainable future.

Bookings

Bookings are essential for all excursions to Kings Park and Bold Park, including guided and self-guided programs and special events.

For more information on planning your excursion and to book, visit www.bgpa.wa.gov.au/education



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