

# KOONDROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## PRINCIPAL REPORT

What a delightful start to the new school year. It really is a pleasure to work here. All the staff and students look healthy and enthusiastic and I am looking forward to an exciting year.

Thank you to the wonderful families who made sure our grounds were neat and tidy. Given the current weather conditions your efforts were beyond the call of duty.

I will endeavour to keep you informed of upcoming dates via the newsletter so that you can plan for these.

Whole school pupil free days are a thing of the past, apart from a mid-year reporting day.

Staff had to attend three development days last week which is the policy for 2009.

Enjoy your week.

Jennie Callow

## A Bit of fun

Mrs Mitchell is celebrating a significant birthday this week. In order to recognize this milestone, we have decided to have an out of uniform day next Tuesday, which will be her first day here. The theme is Mrs Mitchell's favourite colours-BLUE and WHITE

## Murray Plains Cluster Swimming Sports

On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February Koondrook PS will be hosting our cluster swimming sports at the Koondrook Swimming Pool. Children from years 2-6 at Gunbower, Leitchville, Welton and Koondrook will compete in length or width swimming. The non-swimmers will be involved in novelty races in the middle sized pool. It is always an exciting day which requires lots of helpers. Parents and friends are needed to act as starting and finishing marshals, judges, life savers and recorders. If you are willing to give up your day to help in any way please let Sally Fyfield know as soon as possible.

I am willing to help out at the Murray Plains Cluster swimming sports on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_



Pictured above are our Preps  
Laura, Josh, Rylan and Liam.

## Prep comments about their first day:-

*Laura - I liked threading beads with Holly.*

*Liam - I liked playing with the play dough.*

*Rylan - I liked playing in the sandpit.*

*Josh - I liked playing on the slide.*

## What will happen at school this year?

### Parent Information Night

We will be conducting an information night for parents on  
**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February from 6 pm to 7.30 pm**

**Order of the night:** Prep to 2 class ~ 6 pm,  
Internet and computers ~ 6.30pm  
Year 3-6 classes ~ 7 pm

Sessions will take the form of a brief talk by class teachers with time for questions. Sessions will run for about 20 minutes with a break of 10 minutes in between each.

## REMINDERS

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

If your child is to be out of uniform then please send a note to explain why.

### OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Ms Fyfield does a fantastic job keeping our website up to date. Hope you visit it often to see what is happening at school.

### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER ON THE INTERNET

If you would prefer to access the weekly newsletter every Wednesday in colour on the internet please let us know. We can do our bit to save paper and reduce costs.

### GROUNDS

We are revising the existing grounds roster. If you have any special requests please let me know by next Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> February.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- 10<sup>th</sup> February - "BLUE & WHITE" Out of Uniform Day
- 16<sup>th</sup> February- Kerang Zone Swimming Trials
- 20<sup>th</sup> February- Assembly hosted by 3-6 at 3pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February- Mallee Zone Swimming
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February- Parent Information Night
- 24<sup>th</sup> February- Cluster Swimming Sports @ Koondrook
- 9<sup>th</sup> March- Labour Day School Holiday
- 23<sup>rd</sup> March-Medieval Performance @ Leitchville PS
- 1<sup>st</sup> April- Grandparents' Day
- 3<sup>rd</sup> April- ScienceTwists Day @ school. **Last day of term 1**
- 20<sup>th</sup> April- **Term 2 commences**
- 27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> April- 5/6 URBAN CAMP
- 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> July 3/4 Sleepover

## Book Club Orders

Orders went home with the children yesterday. These are due back on the 17<sup>th</sup> February

## Student Banking

Mrs Ficken will collect student bank books on Thursdays

## Medical Information

It is important we have the current information. Circumstances change and if this happens please let the school know especially new telephone numbers any new medical condition that your child may have been recently diagnosed with and emergency contacts.

We will always make contact with the parents in an emergency but if you are not available we need the names of people you trust to be available in your absence.

Students will bring home a form today for you to check and update if necessary. Please return this immediately even if all details are correct.

## Monday Lunch Orders

Attached to this newsletter is the latest menu from the Koondrook General Store

## School Fees

The fees for the 2009 school year are now due. The total amount is \$110.50.

\$70.00 of this goes to the cost of materials for the Art and Library vans and the balance of \$40.50 goes towards each child's class materials (books, pencils, etc)

If you feel you may have difficulty paying these please contact the office and we can discuss the matter.

**JUNIOR ART CLASSES**-This is an opportunity for children 9 years and over to explore their creativity with a variety of art mediums. Venue: Gannawarra Neighbourhood House, Burgoyne Street Kerang

Date: Every Tuesday during school terms Time: 4:00pm - 5:00pm Cost: \$7.00 per class (Paid at commencement of each Term).

Golden Rivers Dance Academy- Tap, Jazz & Adult Classes. Contact Alicia Hodgekiss 54531300, [goldenriversdance@bigpond.com](mailto:goldenriversdance@bigpond.com)



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