

# KOONDROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## WORKING BEE

A good number of parents showed up on Sunday morning and much was achieved. Our grounds are looking wonderful. It would be good to see some new faces from time to time.

## CHAINSAW CUT

This Sunday, (yes Mother's Day) we are cutting up some fallen trees for firewood which we will in turn sell as a fundraiser for the school. If you have a chainsaw, the inclination and or the desire to lend a hand meet at the back of the school at 9.30 a.m.

We intend to create a stockpile and sell off firewood at the car boot sale.

## CROSS COUNTRY

Please note the permission forms and lunch orders attached to this newsletter. Please return by 8<sup>th</sup> May.

## SAMUEL HOLLINGWORTH

Amy and Leigh are the proud parents of Samuel Joshua, born on Saturday at 10.30 pm.

## CAR BOOT MARKET CATCH UP

Hi again!

We are having a get together this Friday 8th May, at 2pm at the Long Paddock Food Store to discuss what we are up to with the market. We will also discuss what additional help is required etc....Everyone is most welcome to come along and have a cuppa with us!

Tania Thomas

## BOOKCLUB ORDERS

Could all orders be returned to school by Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of May?

## ASSEMBLY

At this week's assembly our school captains will be presented with their badges.

## STUDENT FREE DAY

A statewide student free day will be held on June 12<sup>th</sup>. This day has been set aside for assessment and reporting.

## URBAN CAMP

What a busy four days we had! I don't know about the children, but I was exhausted. It was an absolute delight to take the students away and see them interested in all places we visited. Their manners, enthusiasm, respect and open-mindedness made it a special few days. We walked, rode trains and trams sometimes in the middle of peak hour and were quite squashed- an experience. The children mixed with students from Gunbower and Welton and enjoyed the experience. Thanks kids for a great four days.

Here are some of their thoughts:-

The Aquatic Centre's slide was fun as.  
Mark

The Zoo was funny as. Sam

The Zoo was my favourite. I loved the orang-utans, and I loved the Boat Cruise and Ha long.  
Hannah J

The Shrine was really interesting to look at all of the old things. Tameane

I think the museum was really good; it had funny as things there. Kyle K

I think that the Aquatic Centre was soooooo great! I loved the slide, the wave pool and the warm pool! Tea'

I really liked having lunch at Ha Long! The food was awesome! We had lots of fun! Holly J

I loved the Planetarium. I felt like I was going to be sick as. Jack T (:

I loved the Vietnamese Market. (: Nick

I loved the Melbourne Museum. :) Matthew :)

I loved the Aquatic Centre's slide. It was fun. I went on it 7 times. Annie J

I really loved the Aquatic Centre and the Zoo. It was the BEST! Ethan

I liked Science Works. The only problem was we did not have much time. Paul



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- 8<sup>th</sup> May Assembly 3-6 to host
- 10<sup>th</sup> May Chainsaw Cut Working Bee @ 9.30 am
- May 12<sup>th</sup>-NAPLAN ASSESSMENT
- May 13<sup>th</sup>-NAPLAN ASSESSMENT
- May 14<sup>th</sup>-NAPLAN ASSESSMENT
- May 19<sup>th</sup> Cross Country
- May 22<sup>nd</sup> - Assembly P-2 to host
- May 24<sup>th</sup> Car Boot Market at Koondrook PS
- June 5<sup>th</sup> Assembly 3-6 to host
- June 12<sup>th</sup> Student Free Day (Assessment & Reporting for staff)
- 18<sup>th</sup> June Public Speaking competition 3-6
- 19<sup>th</sup> June Assembly P-2 to host
- 26<sup>th</sup> June - Last Day Term 2, 2.30 dismissal
- 13<sup>th</sup> July- Term 3 commences
- 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> July 3/4 Sleepover



## MACC ART NEWS

Birds will be our focus this term as part of our environmental studies and Special Forever project. We will be looking at local birds and their habitats. We will be learning and developing skills in the construction, modelling and collage studios. We will be designing and creating bird dioramas and sculptures which we will share with our school communities later in the term. Children need to collect a range of natural and recycled materials to use in Art over the next few weeks. We need drink bottles and shoe boxes for next week, then leaves, gumnuts etc the following week. If you have spare drink bottles or shoe boxes they would be appreciated as well!

Thanks,  
Shelley Mitchell  
MACC Art Teacher

### Things to Collect for Art

**Grades Prep, 1 and 2** - a large (adult) shoe box with lid; margarine container of small twigs - finger length and a variety of dry tree leaves in small plastic bag.  
**Grades 3 and 4**- 600ml soft drink bottle, large plastic bag of dry gum leaves, gumnuts  
**Grades 5 and 6**- 1.25l soft drink bottle, range of dry leaves/ grasses/ gumnuts/ seedpods

## CAR BOOT DONATIONS

The KPS Parents Group will be running a car boot/trailer at the upcoming market as a way of raising extra funds for our school. We would now like to call for donations of goods - new or used, plants, homemade crafts, etc... To sell from our car boot/trailer.

All donations will be greatly appreciated and can be delivered to the school and stored in the old police station until the market date.

Any queries can be directed to Helen Guerra or Raylene O'Donoghue.



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