

KOONDROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back to a new term. I trust you all enjoyed the break from school routine and the extra time with your children.

Mrs Walden-Mills has settled in quickly to her position as the P-2 teacher. Melanie has a big couple of weeks ahead as she is a member of the HMS Pinafore cast, the Golden Rivers Theatre production commencing this week. Our school captain, Holly also has a part as does our relieving aide Tracy Timms. There could be quite a bit of singing and dancing happening around school. We wish them well. "Break a leg" as they say in show business.

Mrs Stubbs is currently on Long Service Leave. Tracey Timms and Tania Aertssen will share the leave position. Welcome back girls.

Urban Camp

Next week Miss Flood and our 5/6 students will participate in a 4 day trip to Melbourne. They will join students from our Murray Plains Cluster. A full itinerary has been organised and no doubt there will be some tired people on the 10 o'clock train Thursday night. They have permission to sleep in Friday morning if that suits.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN Assessment for our year 3 and 5 students will be conducted on May 12, 13 and 14.

If you require further information you can visit the website:

<http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/prep10/naplan/index.html>

There is a link for parents and there are copies of the 2008 test papers.

At a recent meeting district principals were given the 2008 year 5 maths and many found it a confronting experience. You might like to have a go.

Cross Country

As reported last term the district cross country run event has now been changed to the 19th May. Our students have a training schedule and should be well prepared for the event. I am very impressed with the endeavour displayed by many students. Well done.

ANZAC DAY MARCH

As is the tradition many of our students participate in the local march. This year our march commences in Barham at the cenotaph in Murray Street. Marshalling will commence at 10.15 and the march will set off for the Koondrook Memorial Hall at 10.30 am. Faye Ashwin will be the guest speaker at the Koondrook service.

Students are to wear school uniform. Parents are welcome to join the parade.



Pictured above: - The computers were a great attraction for the grandparents.

Feedback

Seeking feedback is a regular occurrence at school and we use the information as part of efforts to continually improve what we do. The 3-6 students use a process called "Parking Lot" as a way of giving feedback. As a result we have altered the assembly schedule. It will now take place on a fortnightly basis, commencing on Friday 8th of May when the 3-6 students will host the assembly.

Melbourne Markets - "Fresh Foods"

On Wednesday 29th April, we will participate in a fresh food presentation at Willow Park Reserve, Koondrook.

The food, fruit and vegetables are provided by the Melbourne Market group.

Gina Petrascue has kindly organised the session.

The group would like a couple of parents to help out. You would need to be at Willow Park at 1 pm. The presentation commences at 1.45.

Please let me know if you can help.

KERANG JUNIOR HOCKEY

Registrations are still being taken for Kerang Junior Hockey.

2009 Season Commences Saturday 2nd May
Minkey Grade 2 - 4, Half Field Grade 5/6, Senior Year 7-12

All games are played at Kerang Tech High School Oval

Forms are available from Kerang Sportspower

Or contact Leanne Pryor Ph. 54503046 to register.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 27th -30th April Urban Camp years 5/6
- 29th April - Fresh Food @ Willow Park Reserve
- 8th May Assembly 3-6 to host
- May 12th-NAPLAN ASSESSMENT
- May 13th-NAPLAN ASSESSMENT
- May 14th-NAPLAN ASSESSMENT
- May 19th Cross Country
- May 22nd - Assembly P-2 to host
- May 24th Market at Koondrook PS
- June 5th Assembly 3-6 to host
- 18th June Public Speaking competition 3-6
- 19th June Assembly P-2 to host
- 21st/22nd July 3/4 Sleepover

Looking to make some extra CASH during these difficult times? Have you been meaning to have that GARAGE SALE but never got around to it?

Well here's your opportunity!
Bring your wares along to the:

CAR BOOT-TRAILER-UTE & TRESTLE TABLE MARKET

To be held on the grounds of the Koondrook Primary School, Murray Parade, Koondrook on Sunday 24th May 2009.

To book your site call Tania on 5453 1651 or Tracy on 5453 2745 or 0407 807 083
BYO Trailer/trestle etc, cost is \$10 per site.
Market stalls welcome!

Term 2 Gardening

The year 3/4/5 & 6 have commenced planning for our school gardens, which will include propagating, planting and sculptures. Mrs Cockroft has kindly volunteered her time to guide the students.

What we need:

- Old bike wheels for sculptures
 - Coloured baling twine
 - Bags of moo poo (maybe horse poo)
 - A compost expert to help with our composting
- Thank you*
Matthew T, Kyle W-M and Tyler P

H.M.S PINAFORE

Tickets for the Golden Rivers Theatre Group Inc. are available from PURPLE PATCH, Noorong St, Barham.

Performance dates are April 24th, 25th, 29th. May 1st 2nd. April 25th matinee 2pm.

Tickets can also be reserved and paid for by phone: 54532970

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.

AUSKICK

Registration 3rd May at 11 am @ the River Raiders Football ground.

Further information contact Dale Laursen



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