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Koondrook Primary School

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Principal's Report

Welcome to Term 4. I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday. Once again our grounds look amazing, thanks Diesel and Tim Millard for ensuring the students return to neat and green surroundings.

Amanda is on leave until next Tuesday. I am sure she is enjoying a well deserved break in the sunny north.

During the holidays we have had a half basketball court installed. The fundraising that has happened over the past few years has enabled this to happen. Thanks to Brett Storm for installing this over the break. It is a real hit with the kids.

A huge thank you to all parents who have been involved with the Fundraising Committee. Since we moved into the new building we have been working towards this for quite a few years. It is a big job organising these events and we would like to thank all in the community who have assisted in any way to add this to our grounds.

Athletics

On Monday 16th October, Montanna Richardson, Rainni Stow and Zara Verhey will be competing in the Loddon Mallee Primary Regional Athletics in Bendigo. We wish them well in their events. James Bell was also eligible but will be on holidays.

School Council Meeting

As Amanda is away at the beginning of term, we will hold our next meeting on Monday 23rd October at 7:30 pm.

We are hoping to present the School Review at this meeting.

MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE

DATE:

October 20th ---

November 24th ---

FAMILIES:

Richardson-Wood/
Taylor/Faul/Verhey

Parsons/Powell/
Laursen/D. Pringle

Dates to remember

Term Dates 2017

Term 4 ~ October 9th – December 22nd

Public Holidays 2017

November 7th – Melbourne Cup

School Dates To Remember

- . October 15th - Farmers Market
- . October 15th - Working Bee @ School
- . October 16th - Regional Athletics @ Bendigo
- . October 23rd - School Council Meeting
- . October 24th ~ 25th – 3-4 Cluster Camp
- . October 27th – P-2 Stay, Play & Sleepover
- . November 1st - T-20 Cricket @ Kerang
- . November 1st - KTHS Parent Information Night
- . November 6th – Curriculum Day, Pupil Free
- . November 7th - Melbourne Cup Holiday
- . November 9th – Book Fair

Assembly Dates: TBA for Term 4

Working Bee

There will be a Working Bee on Sunday 15th October to move and revamp the sandpit, do some tidying up around the fences and prepare the grounds for the summer months. Anyone who can come and help it would be greatly appreciated. We are starting at 9am.

Farmer's Market

The Farmer's Market is on Sunday 15th October (yes the same day as the Working Bee). We would like to see as many children there as possible. The customers enjoy having conversations with the children and it is a great fundraiser.

Walk To School Month

Yes, it is Walk to School Month. Please encourage your child to walk to the bus stop or school. If it is *too far* drop them off 500 metres from school and walk with them.

If that is not possible, encourage your child to walk the long way into school, around the fitness track or oval. It all counts. Even bike riding or scootering counts. However always remember safety and younger people need to be accompanied by an adult if riding or scootering and they must wear safety gear.

Each class has a 'tick sheet' to record when children walk, ride or scoot to school. At the end of Walk to School month the total distance walked by each class will be calculated and the class that walked the furthest will win the Golden Shoe Trophy from the Gannawarra Shire.

Healthy Morning Tea

The Leadership Group are organising a Healthy Morning Tea on Thursday 19th October as a part of Walk to School Month. We will be walking down to the wharf, have a quick play at the park and when we get back fruit and Milo will be provided.

Melbourne Cup Long Weekend Holiday

There will be no school on Tuesday 7th November as it is Melbourne Cup Day and the Gannawarra Shire has proclaimed it as a Public Holiday. Also, School Council has agreed that Monday 6th November be a Curriculum Day. There will be no school for students so it makes for a nice long weekend!

Janice Flood

3/4 Cluster Camp Update

Camp is fast approaching and the teachers from the participating schools have met to plan the activities. We are all very excited and cannot wait for the 24th - 25th October. Attached to this newsletter are the permission forms and medical notes. **Please read, sign and return these forms with the \$60 payment by 17th October.**

Thank you
Jennie Callow
Camp Coordinator



Koondrook Tennis Club

We will be conducting our junior tennis program again this year. We will commence Wednesday 25th October at 5.15pm. All children welcome. If you don't have a racquet we have plenty, so come along for a hit and some fun. If you would like to put your name down or have any queries please contact Helen Guerra on 0448 147 299.



Garden Pancakes of the Imagination

Ingredients: (Recipe for 4)

From the garden

- Gather enough kale, spinach leaves and baby leeks to serve 4

To make batter

- 4 eggs
- Flour - 1 cup
- Milk - 1 cup

Method:

Chop up kale and leeks, omitting the kale stalks. Fry off all greens in fry pan until wilted and slightly brown. Remove from pan.

In the meantime make the batter, gradually adding the beaten eggs and milk to the flour until you have a pancake batter.

Add the greens and mix well together.

Fry in pan. Flip when golden brown.

Bon appétit!



Book Club

Book club is due back on 24th October.

MACC

Ms. Bentley needs some clean, empty food tins/cans for an art project this term. If anyone has any or people can collect them and bring them to school it would be much appreciated.

P/1/2 Stay, Play and Sleepover

On Friday 27th October we are holding our 'Stay, Play and Sleepover' event as part of our Excursion Program for 2017.

On this day ALL grade Prep/1 and 2 children will get to stay at school, have afternoon tea, play organised activities, eat a BBQ tea and dessert and then have story time.

The Prep children will be picked up at 6:30pm while the grade 1 and 2 children will stay on for a sleepover.

Notes for this activity are attached to this week's newsletter and need to be returned by **Monday 23rd October**.

Prep 2018 Transition

The first transition session for children who are going to be in Prep in 2018 will be held on Monday 16th October from 9am to 11:30am.

The children will take part in an Investigations session and literacy activities and will be working with this year's Prep students.

Children will need to bring their morning fruit snack, a water bottle and a hat with them and if possible, wear their Pre-school t-shirt.

Any questions can be directed to the school on: 5453 2428.

Bar-rook Little Athletics Saturday 14th of October 9.30am Barham Public School

*"Come and Try days
Before Commitment"*

Queries: Tania Peters 0467 539 230



Athletics[™]

2/3 News
Wednesday October 11th

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a relaxing break and are ready for a big Term 4 full of fun and learning.

The Grade 2/3 students have a few busy weeks ahead of them in and out of the classroom.

The Grade 3s will be heading to the Cluster Camp on the 24th and 25th of October being held at the Braham Lakes Caravan Park. Whilst on camp students will participate in a variety of games and activities as well as getting to know other students from the Cluster. Permission and Medical forms have been set home to those students attending camp. We ask that these forms and the full payment be returned by October 17th. If students or parents have any questions or queries about camp, please do not hesitate to ask.

The Barham Show is always an exciting local event and we will have a school display. Every child will have a piece of work on display. This is a lovely opportunity to showcase what great work our students do.

Additionally, on Friday October 27th student from Prep to Grade 2 will be having their Stay, Play & Sleepover at school. All students will stay at school for games and activities and dinner. After dinner, Prep students will go home and the Grade 1s and 2s will be left to have a sleepover. We hope all students are looking forward to this and hope to see all their faces there.

Walk to School - the challenge is on and 2/3 would love to win the Golden Boot! We have made a great start and it was lovely to see our young mums out and about with their children this morning. Keep up the great work everyone.

Cassie Altimari & Jennie Callow

**WALK TO
SCHOOL**



**Week 1 -
Mental Health Week**



Mental Health Week 2017 will run from Sunday 8th to Saturday 14th October and aims to activate, educate and engage Victorians about mental health & wellbeing.

The five ways to wellbeing provides a guide showing steps we can take to increase our overall health and happiness and promote mental wellbeing.

- **Connect** with those around you
- **Be active** and move your body
- **Take notice** of the small things
- **Keep learning** and challenging your mind
- **Give** and help others

Think of ways you can include the five ways to wellbeing in your day.



**Mental Health
Foundation Australia**



**Five ways to
wellbeing**

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KOONDROOK/BARHAM

FASHION PARADE

Friday 13th October 2017

@ Barham School of Arts

Hall 6pm

Tickets \$25

Available from

*Thule trading *Shoosh *murray blu

*trend skate n surf *jewellery on the move

or

Trybooking.com

All proceeds donated to Australian cervical cancer foundation.



Relay For Life (Happy Hour Team)

The Last Ever

Ladies Pamper Night

**WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TO END OUR
FUNDRAISING WITH A HUGE NIGHT**

PLEASE BUY A TICKET OR ORGANISE A TABLE



Kerang Bowling Club

13th October 2017

7.00pm-10.00pm

All Tickets \$15.00

*Tickets can be pre-purchased
from Kerang South Primary
School*

*(Table groups may be reserved
or single tickets purchased.)*

*All proceeds of the evening will be
donated to Relay For Life Cancer*

*Classy You and The Little Shoe Shop
on Scoresby will be giving discounts
to those people who attend the
evening and show their ticket when
purchasing items on Friday night /
Saturday morning.*

**High tea styled supper*

**Manicures*

**Foot Massages*

**Shoulder & Neck Massages*

**Classy You*

*Fashion Parade featuring
shoes from*

**The Little Shoe Shop on
Scoresby*

** Stalls - buy your Xmas
gifts*