

**Kerang****Book****Parade****KPS: Where the pursuit of excellence is encouraged**

# Koondrook Primary School

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## Principal's Report

### Book Week

We had lots of books shortlisted this year as part of the Kerang and District Book Writing Competition and at the Book Parade last Friday students from our school won several awards. They were:

<b>Class Book</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Award</b>
<b>Junior</b>	Our Shape Book	Foundation	Highly Commended
	What Did the Shape Say?	Year 1	Highly Commended
<b>Middle</b>	The Day the Crayons Quit	Years 2/3	Highly Commended
<b>Imaginative text</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Award</b>
<b>Junior</b>	Jurassic Quest	Thomas Bull	Highly Commended
	Jungle Trap	Brodie Hall	Winner
	Fubby and Dougie	Charli Sims	Highly Commended
<b>Middle</b>	The Elementals	Thomas Pringle	Winner
	The Ancient Wand	Laura Daniels	Highly Commended
<b>Informative Text</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Award</b>
<b>Junior</b>	How To Draw a Panda	Shaylah Carter	Winner
<b>Middle</b>	Dragons 2 – More About Dragons	Ethan Woolhouse	Highly Commended
	Big Cats	Emersyn Den Houting	Winner
<b>Best Front Cover</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Award</b>
<b>Junior</b>	Our Shape Book	Foundation	Highly Commended
	Jungle Trap	Brodie Hall	Winner

Well done to all our young authors and illustrators. If anyone is wishing to view the books they are on display at the Gannawarra Shire Library.

### \*MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE\*

**DATE:**September 15<sup>th</sup> ---October 20<sup>th</sup> ---November 24<sup>th</sup> ---**FAMILIES:**Curry/Ralston/  
CutterRichardson-Wood/  
Taylor/Faul/Verhey  
Parsons/Powell/  
Laursen/D. Pringle

### Dates to remember

**Term Dates 2017**Term 3 ~ July 17<sup>th</sup> – September 22<sup>nd</sup>Term 4 ~ October 9<sup>th</sup> – December 22<sup>nd</sup>**Public Holidays 2017**November 7<sup>th</sup> – Melbourne Cup**School Dates To Remember**

- September 1<sup>st</sup> – Zone Athletics Trials @ Kerang

- September 13<sup>th</sup> – Crazy Hair Day

- November 6<sup>th</sup> – Curriculum Day

- November 9<sup>th</sup> – Book Fair

**Assembly Dates:**September 1<sup>st</sup> – P/1 Hosting

## **Hats**

Next Friday is the 1<sup>st</sup> of September and so the wearing of school hats when outside will resume. As the rhyme goes:

First of May, hats away,  
First of September, hats remember!

## **Parent Opinion Survey Closing Date has been extended**

At this stage we have only had six families complete the Parent Opinion Survey. We would really appreciate more families completing the survey so that the school can identify areas that are working well and areas that could be improved. The survey must be completed by Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September on any device connected to the Internet. The school can assist with access to a computer if required.

## **Keep Collecting**

From Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July to 19<sup>th</sup> September we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent at Woolworths (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Earn & Learn sticker sheets are available from the office. Completed sticker sheets can be handed to the school office or dropped at the Kerang Woolworths in the box marked Koondrook Primary School.

## **School Review**

Next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September we will commence the first day of the School Review. We will welcome the school reviewer Peter Gannon to Koondrook as well as Graeme Scoberg (Senior Education Improvement Leader) and Challenge Partners - Dean Rogers and Lisa Duffy. Together with staff and School Council President Dale Laursen, we will analyse our data and performance over the past three years. In a fortnights time the panel will meet again to devise goals, targets and strategies for the new School Strategic Plan, which will guide our school programs for the next four years.

## **Zone Athletic Trials**

On Friday a number of students from Years 4/5/6 will be representing the school at the Zone Athletics Trials in Kerang. The children will be travelling to Kerang by bus leaving school at 9:00am. They need to take their morning tea, lunch and a water bottle. If any parents were able to come along to help out your help would be appreciated. The sports are held at the Kerang Tech High School oval. A note was sent home with the selected children last week.

## **Curriculum Day**

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September will be a Curriculum Day. There will be no school for students.

Staff will be taking part in First Aid Training and curriculum planning for Term 4.

## **Book Club**

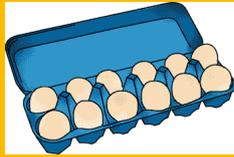
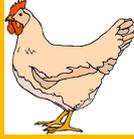
Book Club orders are due back by 5<sup>th</sup> September.



## Eggs For Sale

We have plenty of eggs for sale at the moment since we haven't had a market stall over the winter months.

\$4 per dozen is all you'll pay for lovely fresh eggs.



## Enrolments for 2018

We are now taking enrolments for the 2018 school year. We hope that most enrolments will be in by the end of term. This will help us with our planning and staffing for the 2018 school year. We have a healthy number of Foundation students enrolling which is fantastic! If you know of anyone intending to enrol with us for 2018 in any year level, please encourage them to give me a call or visit the school to complete an enrolment form. The more we know the better we can plan to maximize all students' wellbeing and learning.

## Melbourne Cup Day

This year the Gannawarra Shire has gazetted Melbourne Cup Day as a Public Holiday. This means we **will not** be taking Kerang Show as our Public Holiday. The Monday before Melbourne Cup will also be a Pupil Free Day. We have been very fortunate to have Andrew Fuller coming to Koondrook Primary to work with staff. Andrew is the man behind the program 'Kids Create the Future'.

## Thank You

Thank you to Barry Hall who donated two pairs of gumboots for our gardening program.

## Free

We have three fly wire sliding doors if anyone would like them and some fly screens of assorted sizes. We also have a BBQ that just needs a little TLC to give away (see photos). If you would like any of these items please contact the school.



## Week 7 -

### Eat your fruit - don't drink it!

**eat.**  
fruit & veg

It is better to eat a piece of fruit and drink water or milk rather than drink juice or a smoothie. A platter of cut up fruit and a glass of plain milk is a nutritious and tooth friendly snack to sit down and enjoy with your child!

*Amanda Bradford*

\* Look at the lovely Romanesco Broccoli we grew in our veggie garden!



## P/1 News

It has been a busy couple of weeks at school. Last week we had: our Athletics Carnival, a visit from Barham Pre-school and the Book Parade. All students did a fantastic job at the Athletics, scoring lots of points for our school. Thank you for all the effort that was put into the costumes for the Book Parade. What great oldies we made! Barham Preschool students had their final visit for the year. They loved exploring the plane in Investigations and participating in the PMP session.

We have managed to fit in some schoolwork as well. In Writing we have been learning the process of writing letters. We sent letters to families and friends for Open Day and made cards for our Dads for Father's Day. In Maths, we have been learning about addition. We have used songs, chants, cards, dice and games to learn this new concept. We can't wait to share our 'Friends of 10' song at Assembly this Friday.

Some comments from the P/1 Maths:

*we did balloon counting - Archie*

*Addition is adding numbers together - Caleb*

*In Maths, we have been learning to add - Charlie H*

*We have been doing Friends of 10 and Rainbow Numbers - Arkie*

*We did Addition - Ruby M*

*We have played Addition War with cards - Gypsy*



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