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Koondrook Primary School

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Principal's Report

School Uniforms

All Foundation Students who have a Health Care Card are eligible to apply for one set of school uniforms for free. Please see Judi on a Tuesday or Thursday if you would like to apply.

Winter Uniform Orders

Mrs Ficken is putting in a winter uniform order before the end of Term 1 so it will be ready for Term 2. Please see the attached uniform order form if you need to make a purchase and return before Thursday 22nd March.

Foundation/Prep Students

A reminder to all families of Prep students that this week was the last Wednesday off for them. Next week will be the first full week of school for Prep students.

Working Bee

On Sunday 25th March we will be holding a Working Bee from 9:00am. We need to paint the wooden enclosure around the play equipment, seats on the arbour, the fence in front of the Preschool and hopefully start the repaint of the front fence. We hope that many families will come along to lend a hand. We need some margarine/ice-cream containers to decant the paint. We have some paintbrushes but if you can bring along a paintbrush we would appreciate any extras.

Mates Raffle

Our next turn for the Mates Hotel Raffle is on March 9th. The Tucker, Jordan, Brennan and Daniels families are rostered on to sell raffle tickets.

MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE
DATE: March 9th ---
FAMILIES: Tucker/Jordan
 Brennan/Daniels
 * A roster will be made up soon and sent home

Dates to remember

Term Dates 2018

- Term 1 ~ January 30th – March 29th
- Term 2 ~ April 16th – June 29th
- Term 3 ~ July 16th – September 21st
- Term 4 ~ October 8th – December 21st

Public Holidays

- Labour Day – March 12th
- ANZAC Day – April 25th
- Queen's Birthday – June 11th
- Melbourne Cup Day – November 6th

School Dates To Remember

- * February 27th – Murray Plains Swimming
- * Carnival @ Koondrook Pool
- * March 1st – Student Leadership
- * March 16th – House Colour Day
- * March 25th – Working Bee
- * March 29th – End Term 1, Early Dismissal

Assembly

- 9th March – Years 3-4 Hosting
- 23rd March – Foundation/Prep Hosting

Parent Teacher Interviews

Over two days this week (Wednesday and Thursday) we will be conducting parent teacher interviews. Times have been sent home. If you need to reschedule please see you class teacher.

Positive School Wide Behaviour Program

As part of the school's Annual Implementation Plan, Staff attended the first of 4 Professional Development days on a School Wide Positive Behaviour Program. We have come away from the PD with quite a deal of homework, but I believe there will be many positive outcomes for our school. Our first task is to revise our school values. During the parent teacher interviews we are going to ask parents to complete a survey as to the values that Koondrook Primary School should adopt and follow. We will also be seeking feedback from the students in Years 3-6.

School Nurse Visit

Kerrie McCosh, primary school nurse, will be visiting our school on March 16th and 19th this year. The purpose of this visit is to undertake health assessments and discuss health concerns that parents and/or teachers may have with their children/students.

Foundation Grade Health Assessments: All parents of Foundation grade children will be requested to complete a Health Questionnaire and return the form to the school before March 15th 2018. If you do not wish your child to be seen by the school nurse, please sign the non-consent section and return the form to the school.

Referrals (All Grades): Parents and/or teachers may refer children from any grade for assessments of vision, hearing, basic speech, physical abilities, medical conditions, behavioural and parenting issues. Please collect a referral form from the school office. Completed forms are to be handed into the school office prior to March 15th 2018. Should parents wish to have an interview with the School Nurse, please indicate your request on the form.

Please note: You can talk to the school nurse at any time throughout the year. The school has her mobile phone number.

Parents Club Fundraising Committee

It's the start of a new year and the Parents Club would like to welcome anyone interested in helping out. Next Tuesday the 6th of March, at 6pm, we will be meeting in the staff room to discuss fundraising activities for this year. All fundraising goes to helping your kids, whether it be in projects around the school (like the basketball court) or by subsidising the cost of excursions, it helps everyone. Also, kids love to see their family members involved at school in some way. So we would love to see some new faces come and get involved, as we all know, many hands make light work!



Are you interested in learning Martial Arts?



Koondrook Karate



Koondrook Cricket Clubrooms
Every Wednesday from 7pm
Cost - \$8.00 per session.

For enquiries, please contact:

Don Turvey 0427 308 877
Doug Prentice 0429 031 693



Week 5 -

How to get your child ready to ride their bike to school on their own

move.
more often

Children riding to school on their own is a big step and one that makes most parents feel a little anxious. How will I know if my child is ready? Things to consider are:

- their age and maturity
- how well they know your local neighbourhood
- their riding/skating/scooting ability
- if they have friends on a similar route to and from school
- their road safety awareness (i.e. STOP, LOOK, LISTEN and THINK at road intersections)



Ride2School have developed some practical tips to help your child become more independent. Download a copy at: <https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/rides-and-events/ride2school/> by clicking on the parent portal and scrolling down to resources, or contact your school for a hard copy.

Murray Plains Cluster Swimming Sports

Tomorrow, Tuesday 27th February, the Murray Plains Cluster Swimming Sports are being held at the Koondrook Pool. Students can only swim in either all lengths or, all widths or, all novelty events.

We will be setting up at 7:30am and we would really appreciate any help. The program starts at 10:00am, children need to be there no later than 9:45am. There will be a bus leaving from the school. Children need to make sure they have their bathers, towel, t-shirt/rashie, sun screen, water, snacks and lunch. We will take their school hats.

The kiosk will also be open on the day. We will need parents to help with judging, please see Amanda if you are able to help out.

Amanda Bradford

Zone Swimming at Swan Hill

We have some swimmers up at Swan Hill today and some results were sent through.

Maddison - Kerang District A, Yr 9/10 relay - 3rd

Pyper - Kerang District A, Yr 11 relay - 3rd

Well done girls.

**Bar-Rook Swimming Club
Incorporated**
**Members Swimming Carnival
&
Poolside Presentation Night**



Koondrook Swimming Pool
Swimmers to Be there by 5:30 pm
First event starts at 6:00 pm
19th of March 2018

Entries are the actual age swimmers are on the carnival night
All 6 years & under & 8 years & under races are 33 metre events

Dinner items, drinks & snacks
available for purchase from Pool Kiosk
Bring a chair
& your bathers to enter the fun family relay
(hope to be finished by 8:30)

COHUNA LAWN TENNIS CLUB

EASTER TOURNAMENT

- Friday March 30th -Monday April 2nd
- Graded Round Robin Format = Guaranteed Tennis
- Full Kiosk, BBQ & Bar facilities available
- Camp Oven Tea and Sweets on Sunday Night

@ Register online NOW at tournaments.tennis.com.au and enter 'Cohuna' in Find Tournament

f Follow, Join and Like us on Facebook to keep in the loop - www.facebook.com/CohunaEasterTennis/

i For more info contact Mary AH: 5456 2384 or BH: 5456 2612

The logo for Cohuna Lawn Tennis Club, featuring a stylized duck and a tennis ball within a circular border with the text 'COHUNA LAWN TENNIS CLUB' and 'EST 1961'.

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