

Jump Rope

Lions Club Speeches

For Heart



KPS: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience

Koondrook Primary School

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Principal's Report

School Wide Positive Behaviours

This year we are introducing 'School Wide Positive Behaviours' to Koondrook Primary.

Last term we established our school values through input from students, parents, staff and School Council. Since then we have established a matrix of expected behaviours developed with the students and teachers.

Each week we will be looking at an aspect of the Matrix. We will be speaking about the expectations, what we expect to see and hear. Students will be rewarded with tokens when teachers see students displaying the values. Our focus for this week is 'Showing Respect in the School Yard'

Children will be able to use their tokens to purchase rewards from our SWPB shop. A display has been set up in the front foyer.

Lions Club Junior Public Speaking

Last night I attended the Lions Club Junior Public Speaking Competition where Max and Elektra competed against students from Barham and Wakool/Burraboi schools. They represented our school very well speaking competently and even managing a few laughs from the audience with the humour in their speeches. Max won the year 3/4 section and will now go on to compete at Pyramid Hill on the 19th August. Well done to you both!

Year 3/4 Program

Kylie Lloyd, the Social Worker who is a member of the School Support Team at the Southern Mallee Network, will be running a Friendship program with the Year 3/4 class during this term. Some of the activities will centre around respect, tolerance, friendship and bullying. The program will fit in with this terms ERP focus – Health.

MATES ROYAL HOTEL RAFFLE

DATE:

August 31st ---

October 5th ---

November 9th ---

FAMILIES:

Murray/McNeil/
Walle/K & B Hall
Snowdon/Fulton/
Dean

McInerney/Hobson/
Whelan/Bettinelli

Dates to Remember

Term Dates 2018

Term 3 ~ July 16th – September 21st

Term 4 ~ October 8th – December 21st

Public Holidays

Melbourne Cup Day – November 6th

School Dates To Remember

* August 6th – Prep 2019 Information Night

* August 7th – Yr. 6 KTHS Transition

* August 10th – Curriculum Day

* August 17th – Bush Day + Assembly

* September 5th – School Photos

* September 10th ~ 11th – Year 3/4 Camp

Assembly

August 3rd – Years 5/6 Hosting

August 17th – Years 1/2 Hosting

August 31st – Prep Hosting

Assembly

On Friday 6th August the Year 5/6 class will be hosting Assembly at 3:00pm.

School Pick Up

We have concerns about student safety during pick up time in the afternoon, especially with the children crossing the road to cars waiting on the other side of the road. We are asking if you park on the other side of the road that you come across and walk your child/children across the road.

Parent Teacher Interviews - Wednesday 15th August

Have you returned your interview preference form? Please send these back ASAP so we can get the timetable made up.

Also, don't forget the students will finish early at 1:35pm on the day of the Parent Teacher Interviews. There will be limited playground supervision until 2:15pm for students attending the early interview times.

Year 6 – KTHS Transition Program

Information was sent home last week regarding the Transition Program on Tuesday 7th August.

Jump Rope

Thank you, Mr. McLaren, for organising the Jump Rope Day last Tuesday. It has been wonderful to watch the improvement of skills the children have shown in the lead up to the jump off day. Any sponsor forms need to be entered on line or sent back to school.

Bush Day

On Friday 17th August, we are having a Bush Day in the bush out the back of school. It will be a day where the children will be rewarded with activities out in the bush including cubby building, damper over the camp fire and cooking marshmallows. Each class has **set expectations that need to be met** if children will be **allowed to participate** in the day such as:

Prep – Preps need to show they are responsible for their belongings at school by putting them away. They also need to show respect in the classroom by putting their hand up to speak instead of calling out.

1/2 – The grade 1/2's need to complete **all** set work and be showing respect in the yard and classroom.

3/4 – The grade 3/4's need to be completing **all** work and following the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Resilience.

5/6 – The year 5/6 students have decided they need to be reading at home and entering their reading diary at least 8 times.

There will be supervision for children if they cannot participate but we are hoping it won't be needed.

Book Club

Book Club orders need to be returned by Monday 6th August.



Book Competition

Thank you to all the staff for the effort they have made in helping the children publish a book for the Book Competition. A very special thank you to Karen for the amazing effort she has put in helping many of the students with editing, formatting, printing and binding of the books. Without her contribution, I do not think we would have achieved the deadline for the book entries.

School Council Snippets

Department of Justice

- Will come out during the school holidays
- They are willing to do any labour/jobs we are wanting as long as we provide the materials.
- They are also able to do some landscaping.

Signage

- Cath and Amanda spoke to the Shire about a 'school zone' sign
- They are getting a 'school zone' sign made up
- The council was happy to make one up.

Parking

- Cath and Amanda had a meeting with the Shire on Friday to discuss the parking out the front of the school
- It was thought there could be 10 more parks made on the school side and some parallel lines put on the other side of the road as well
- The parking for the bus and the sign will also be moved up to the end of the parks.

Ipad's

- We need to update our iPads as we are unable to do app. updates on some of the iPads
- Next year students will be unable to complete NAPLAN on the iPad minis.

Fundraising Cake Stall

- Would be best to do on Thursday 13th September
- We will do a raffle along with it – Food hamper raffle with each family donating a tin or item.

Cluster Athletic Sports

We organise a bus to take the children to and from Cohuna for the Cluster Athletic Sports. We need to know how many children will use the bus so that we can confirm our needs with the bus company. **Please fill in the attached form and return ASAP so we can organise numbers.**

Year 6 KTHS Transition

There will be a KTHS Transition Program on Tuesday 7th August for the year 6's. Information was sent home last week regarding this day.

Amanda Bradford

Rubbish Free Day 14th Of August

On the 14th of August there is going to be a rubbish free day. Instead of having all of your food in plastic bags or in wrappers you can put your food in containers. At lunch time when the bell goes we will line up in our houses, the teachers will look through your lunch boxes and count how many pieces of rubbish is in your house. There will be a prize for the winning house.

From the Leadership Team

NAIDOC Week

Last Friday the year 3,4,5,6 students had some special visitors. They were Uncle Ron and Glenn and they are related to the aborigines. They bring in some special objects for us to look at. They were: a big club type weapon called a wadi, a long paddle type tool, a bark cutting stone and there were grinding stones which were used for grinding ochre, seeds and grains. Back in the days when the First Fleet happened Aborigines didn't wear much clothing. They hunted emus and ate emu's eggs, they ate kangaroos, geckos, possums, and they also used the possum skins to make coats, and they ate fish too. They made their houses called Humpy's out of sticks and bark. They got bark off the trees with the cutting stones and the camp oven was called a midden. NAIDOC week started in the early 1960s. We will be seeing Uncle Ron and Glenn on our bush day and they will be doing a smoking ceremony. A big thank you Glenn and Uncle Ron for coming in and teaching us things about NAIDOC week and we can't wait to see you again!

Regards,

Shaylah,
Ella H and
Ella W.



5/6 Class News

What a busy two weeks we have had! In writing there has been a strong focus on each student creating and publishing their own book for the Kerang District Book Competition and I am proud to say that the majority of students were able to do so. Furthermore, many of the books are outstanding, (in my opinion anyway)! I would like to acknowledge the amazing support Karen Naismith gave to every child to ensure their book was complete. Her editing, advice, suggestions and laminating of the final product ensured we made the deadline. From all of us, thanks heaps Karen!

In Maths we continue to build our knowledge of fractions, both common and decimal; perimeter and area and how to collect data and present that in chart form. We have linked this Maths knowledge into the ERP subject focus, Health. Students have presented their interests in graph or 3D shape form.

To develop our vocabulary, we have been writing a daily Haiku poem. I ask that the students use words to paint a picture. They have been so successful I collated their poems into a class book for the book competition. See some examples below.

For reading we are investing how authors develop setting, atmosphere and characters when writing. To support this, I am reading Victor Kelleher's Taronga as a serial. Retelling what we read is also a reading activity we complete each week.

It is wonderful to have the majority of students reading regularly for a sustained period of time outside of school and furthermore they are excited to share their response to the text with me in their diaries. I really look forward to our book before school conversations.

With the Bush Day looming the students have decided all of our class has to have read and completed a response to text for a minimum of 8 times. Please support your child to achieve this target.

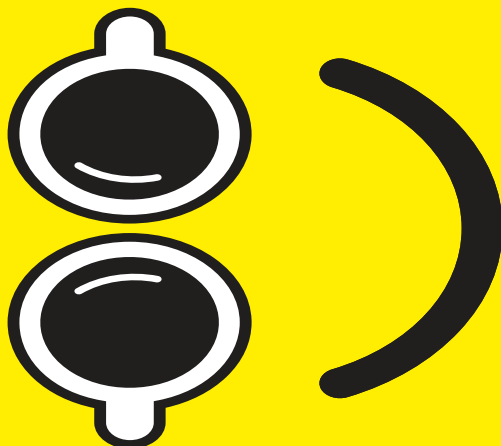
Finally thank you year 5/6 for my great birthday surprise. You are the best!

Jennie Callow

Dirty, dusty clouds
Filthy blizzard of red dust
Pressured trees thrashing
Pyper

Blustery, thrashing
Chilly, bitter wind, howls and
Roars round the river bend
Emily

*Dusty clouds expand
Pressuring winds blow with
force
Trees thrash intensely
Bella*



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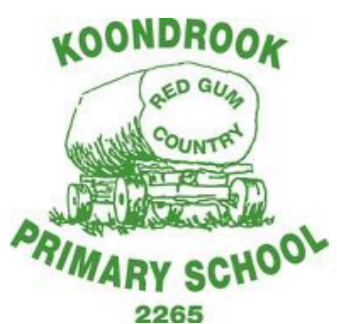
MONDAY 6TH
AUGUST
6PM START



2019 INFORMATION NIGHT

Discover what Koondrook Primary School offers you and your child. The night will include insight into the opportunities at Koondrook Primary School, information about the Pre-school to School Transition Process, a tour of the facilities and the opportunity to meet current staff and ask questions.

Call the school if you are unable to attend the session or if you would like to have a private tour.



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